

GIVE

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Thank You!

A big thanks to all who participated in the Rice Bowl program this year! As a community we raised over \$5800! Thanks to your kindness we have touched the lives of the people served by Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian assistance program of the Catholic Church. Seventy-five percent of donations goes to CRS's work in 100+ countries while twenty-five percent stays in Western Washington to help fund local hunger-alleviation efforts (OLG received grants for both the Peace Garden and St. Vincent de Paul).

GATHER

A Blessing for High School Graduates

All high school students who are graduating or finishing up their GED are invited to attend Mass at 5:30pm on **Saturday, June 12** to receive a special blessing from the congregation. Let us celebrate you and pray for the graces you will need on your journey. RSVP to Jennifer at jibach@olgseattle.org by Tuesday, June 1 if you would like to participate.

Prayer, Healing and Action for Racial Solidarity on the First Anniversary of George Floyd's Murder

The South Seattle Deanery Racial Solidarity Committee invites all to this ecumenical prayer service at St. James Cathedral on **Tuesday, May 25th at 7pm**. Gather with Archbishop Etienne to commemorate the first anniversary of George Floyd's murder, reflect on the need for repentance and healing, pray, and find ways to work together for change. South Seattle parishes will share how they will commit to working for racial justice. Limited in-person attendance is available by registering at <https://conta.cc/3vqoo0L>. If you cannot make it downtown but would like to gather with others, we will livestream the event at OLG in the church. Register to attend: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040544a4ab2fa6f49-racial> You can also livestream the event from home on St. James's Vimeo (<https://vimeo.com/event/940810>) or Facebook (www.facebook.com/stjamesseattle/) pages.

Lummi Spirituality and Jesuit Spiritual Practice

The Institute of Catholic Thought and Culture at Seattle University invites all to their latest Interreligious Dialogue Initiative event on **Wednesday, May 19 at 4pm** on Zoom. Speakers Darrell Hillaire and Fr. Pat Twohy, SJ will share about Lummi spirituality in dialogue with Jesuit spiritual practice. We will also hear Lummi reflections on ecology and earth care. Darrell Hillaire is a highly esteemed leader and the executive director of Tse-sum-ten and Setting Sun Productions. Fr. Twohy is the author of two seminal works, *Finding a Way Home* and *Beginnings: A Meditation on Coast Salish Lifeways*. He has lived with and served indigenous peoples of the Northwest for four decades. RSVP to ICTC@seattleu.edu for the Zoom link.

Red Road to DC Seattle Totem Pole Journey Event

The Lummi Nation House of Tears Carvers, friends, and relatives welcome you to the Seattle event for the Red Road to DC Totem Pole Journey to Protect Sacred Sites. Gather on **Saturday, May 22 from 12-3pm** at Native Park (Victor Steinbrueck Park – 2001 Western Ave, Seattle 98121). The Red Road to DC will culminate in the delivery of a totem pole from the Lummi carvers and spiritual leaders. The journey calls attention to the need to protect, restore, and renew sacred places, lands, and waterways; and redefine the principles that shape land and water regulation and management in the United States based on tribal sovereignty and Nation to Nation relations. Visit redroadtoddc.org to learn more.

ACT

Catholic Relief Services: Gifts of Hope

Join the work of Catholic Relief Services by purchasing a Gift of Hope. A Gift of Hope represents an inspirational way for you to make a life-changing difference for families and communities around the world. Simply choose a gift that will help protect and transform the lives of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters and then choose a card to personalize to let your loved one know you have given a Gift of Hope in their name. From student uniforms to Tricycle Ambulances, there are gifts in all price ranges and a variety of relief and development areas. Visit gifts.crs.org to learn more.

Call for a White House Task Force on Black Immigrants

Black immigrants are often overlooked, undercounted, and sometimes altogether erased in the U.S. debate surrounding immigration and yet are often disproportionately impacted by anti-immigrant policy or failures to act. Examining and addressing issues affecting Black immigrants in the U.S. immigration system is necessary to meaningfully address systemic, anti-Black racism in America, as the Biden administration has pledged to do. Join Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. in endorsing this proposal found at <https://p2a.co/kLq2c90>

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A Matter of Spirit: Education Equity

The Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center's recent journal, *A Matter of Spirit* (AMOS), focuses on Education Equity, reflecting on how Covid-19 has impacted the education system, especially our educators and students. Hear educators and a student about the current reality of education and consider pathways towards a more just and equitable system.

Read or listen to the latest issue at <https://www.ipjc.org/a-matter-of-spirit/> AMOS is a quarterly justice journal with analysis, theological reflection, and action on justice issues.