

## GATHER

### December Community Meal

All are invited to the Community Meal on **Sunday, December 15** from 1-2pm in the Walmesley Center. This is a free monthly meal for all in the greater community who wish to attend. Join us for fellowship and great food. This month's meal is hosted by Holy Rosary.

## SERVE

### Help Plan the 2020 Day of Service

Planning is underway for the 2020 Day of Service, coming up on March 28. Join our team to help pick volunteer sites and get the word out to the community! Our next meeting is **Friday, December 13** at 8:30am in the Pastoral Center. Want to help but can't make the meeting? We need people to research agencies, organize data, market, shop, and manage signups. This is a great short-term project that counts towards school volunteer hours!

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### OLG Immigrant Ministry Welcomes New Members

Come check out OLG's Immigrant Ministry as we seek new ways to encounter our immigrant brothers and sisters through education, advocacy and community building. Our next meeting is **Friday, Dec 6** at 9:45am in the Pastoral Center. Come learn about our plans for National Migration Week, supporting local asylee families, and more! We look forward to seeing you there!

## LEARN

In 2017, the number of migrants worldwide reached 258 million. Roughly 70 million people were forcibly displaced, including more than 22 million refugees who crossed international borders. The Church believes people have the right to find opportunities in their home countries and the right to migrate when conditions in their country of origin preclude them from providing for the safety and wellbeing of their families. Learn more about why people around the world are migrating at [crs.org/stories/3-urgent-migrant-crises-and-how-you-can-help](http://crs.org/stories/3-urgent-migrant-crises-and-how-you-can-help)

### Safe Parking Information Meeting

*Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it.*  
-Hebrews 13:2

Ever since WHEEL Women's Shelter closed at OLG, we have been hoping to find another way to provide shelter on our campus. We are excited to announce we are making plans to partner with Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle to host several overnight Safe Parking spots in our gravel lot. This will continue our tradition of offering shelter to those in need in our

community, just in time for colder weather! Please join us for dinner on Saturday, **December 7** at 6:45pm in the Walmesley Center to learn more about this program.

## Catholic Relief Services Ethical Trade Sale

OLG's annual [Catholic Relief Services Ethical Trade Sale](#) is coming up this Sunday, **November 24** from 9:30am-1:00pm in the Walmesley Center. Ethical Trade seeks to change the ways conventional trade often leaves behind the most vulnerable people. By buying Ethical Trade, you support the efforts of skilled farmers and artisans, empower communities, and affirm the dignity of the workers. At the sale, you'll find unique gift items, including chocolates, Advent calendars, nativities, jewelry, holiday and home décor, ornaments, cozy socks, children's games and books, and much more. There will also be tasty treats sold by OLG students to benefit **Westside Baby, Pura Vida coffee, Purpose Jewelry, Noel House** Christmas cards, and woven Guatemalan scarves from **Amigas de Corazón**. Proceeds go to **Catholic Relief Services** and OLG's global solidarity efforts. *Information, Jennifer 206-935-0358 x.120 or [jibach@olgseattle.org](mailto:jibach@olgseattle.org).*

## ACT

### Spotlight on Catholic Relief Services: Support Fragile Countries

Violence and conflict are now the leading causes of forced migration and displacement worldwide. At a time of great need, it is critical that the United States remains a global leader not only in supporting our suffering human family but also in working to prevent the conflict and violence that cause so much suffering. You can help lead the way to a solution. How? By calling on your Senators to pass the Global Fragility Act. Please visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) to send an email to your Senators today to help advance the cause of peace.

### Urge Your Senators to act for Climate Change

In 2017, President Trump announced the U.S. would withdraw from the Paris Agreement, an international treaty signed by the U.S. and 193 other nations to address climate change. The U.S. Catholic Bishops responded saying that they, "along with Pope Francis and the entire Catholic Church, have consistently upheld the Paris Agreement as an important international mechanism to promote environmental stewardship and encourage climate change mitigation. The President's decision not to honor the U.S. commitment to the Paris Agreement is deeply troubling." The International Climate Accountability Act would help keep the U.S. in the Paris Agreement and ensure it remains a global leader in the effort to prevent climate change. Visit [ipjc.org/legislative-](http://ipjc.org/legislative-)