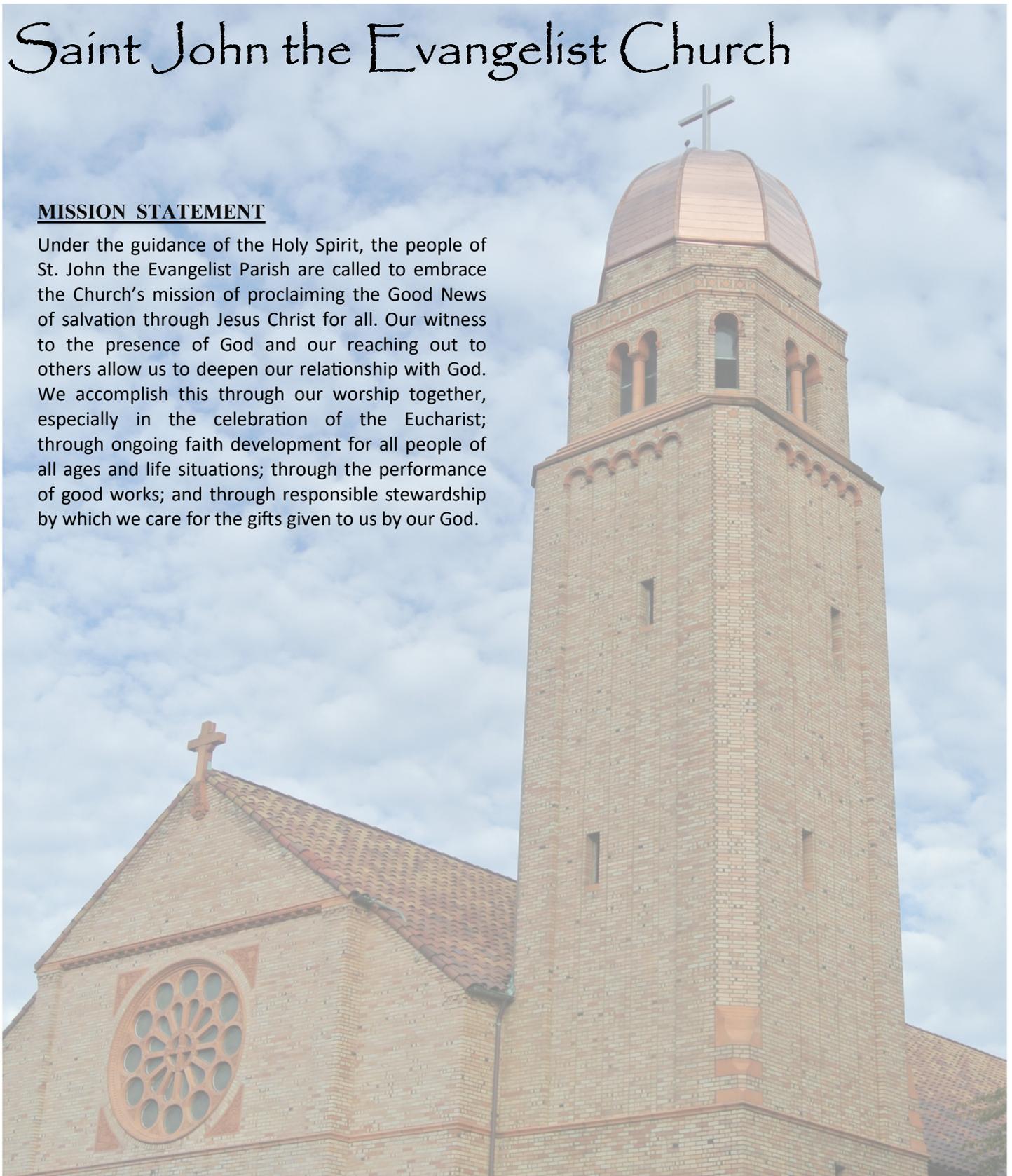


Saint John the Evangelist Church

MISSION STATEMENT

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the people of St. John the Evangelist Parish are called to embrace the Church's mission of proclaiming the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ for all. Our witness to the presence of God and our reaching out to others allow us to deepen our relationship with God. We accomplish this through our worship together, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist; through ongoing faith development for all people of all ages and life situations; through the performance of good works; and through responsible stewardship by which we care for the gifts given to us by our God.



October 11, 2020

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life."

Psalm 23

106 N 79th St Seattle, WA 98103

206-782-2810

www.stjohnsea.org

The Parish office is open with limited staff from 8-12 and 1-4 Monday through Friday.
 Mass is by reservation only. Visit our website www.stjohnsea.org or call the parish office for more information.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
October 12	October 13	October 14	October 15	October 16	October 17	October 17
9:15am Live-streamed all-school Mass on Facebook		3pm Live-streamed Mass with Adoration to follow	3pm Live-streamed Mass on Facebook		5pm Mass* with Live-streaming on Facebook	10:30am Mass* with Live-streaming on Facebook
					*By appt. only	*By appt. only

Masses are being live-streamed on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/StJohnSeattle. You do not need to have a Facebook account to watch the Mass. After the live Mass, links to recorded Mass will be on our website.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP
Collection for week of October 4, 2020
 Total Sacrificial Giving Budget for 2020–21 is \$755,000.00.
 This means we need a weekly collection of \$14,519.23.

Mail in \$	3,084.50	<i>This does NOT include restricted donations such as Holy Day Collections, (Christmas and Easter), and donations made to our ministries or coffee & donuts.</i>
5pm Vigil \$	1,360.00	
8:30am \$	No Mass	
10:30am \$	470.00	
Electronic \$	9,090.01	
Total \$	14,004.51	

A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

—Proverbs 11:25



Thank you for your support of the great St. John community. Your generosity has always been outstanding, but now that we are experiencing the world in a pandemic, your continued giving is truly inspiring. We are humbled and grateful.

As you know, 90% of our revenue comes from continued gifts by our faith community. This generosity supports the basic operations (payroll, utilities, maintenance, etc.) and ministries of our church. Each dollar received helps to maintain the financial stability of your Parish. The weekly offertory is critical to the sustainability of our parish during this crisis to continue to be able to serve the needs of the community. Please know that each donation is greatly appreciated.

To donate, simply scan this QR code or go to: www.stjohnsea.org and locate the online giving page, or enter: bit.ly/DonateStJohn in your web browser.



Staying in touch with St John Parish:

✠ The Parish office publishes a **weekly email newsletter** on Wednesday afternoons. If you would like to receive the latest parish updates with clickable links to flyers and web pages, right to your inbox, email smarty@stjohnsea.org.

✠ Like our **Facebook page: St John the Evangelist, Seattle**

St John Parish Web Page www.stjohnsea.org	St John School Web Page www.st-johnschool.org
	

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**Readings for Sunday, October 18
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading **Isaiah 45:1,4-6**

We are to worship God alone, the God who calls us by name.

Psalm 96

"Give the Lord glory and honor."

Second Reading **1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b**

We have received the gospel not only in word, but in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Gospel **Matthew 22:15-21**

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Two famous rulers dominate the readings today: Cyrus the Great and Julius Caesar. In the first reading we hear Isaiah extol Cyrus as God's anointed. Cyrus was not even Jewish, but he liberated the Jewish people when he conquered Babylon so Isaiah considered him sent by God. In the Gospel, Jesus distinguishes God's role from Caesar's when asked by the Pharisees about paying taxes. As we listen to the word of God, let us think of what belongs to God in our lives.



Liturgy Volunteers Needed

During these unprecedented times, many of our fellow parishioners who have faithfully assisted in the liturgy have been sidelined because they, or someone in their household, happen to be in a high-risk category.

As a result, we are desperately short-handed and need your help. We need volunteers in every ministry including Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans and Lectors. No previous experience is required and training is provided. If you've ever thought about volunteering in one of these ministries, there's never been a better time!

Please email Joe Sullivan, Liturgy Committee Chair (joe.sullivan1020@gmail.com) if you have any questions, want to learn more about a specific ministry or are ready to step up and serve.

It's not too late to register for First Communion classes!

For more information and to access the registration form, go to <http://bit.ly/FirstReconciliationFirstCommunion>

Questions?

Contact Julia Rudden jrudden@stjohnsea.org

Lord, hear our prayer...

Please remember the following people who are ill, homebound or need your prayers this week:

Chuck Carter	Lisa Fletcher
Maria Socorro M. Ortiz	Pat Tsagalakis
Jan Volk	Linda Melsted
Terry Warrick	Bobbie Jo Ramos
Jolene Lafferty	Angela Lizette
Tullus Gordon	the Lyle Stevenson family
Dawn Walton	Vanessa Castillo
the Flynn/Nguyen family	Marcela Gruszynski
Shiloh Rodgers-Daly	Milana Richardson
Mike Muenzberg	Greg Linnell
Lynn Gough	Marilyn Wittenmyer

For those who have died, including Delfin De Vera, and Charles Castona, that they may rest in the healing embrace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord. For Armed Forces personnel throughout the world, that they come home safely to their families, we pray to the Lord.

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love, we pray to the Lord.



In-person Mass Registration

Monday through Wednesday of each week, we will be taking reservations for our in-person Vigil and 10:30am Mass that weekend. Click on the Mass Reservations button on the homepage of our website at www.stjohnsea.org or call the Parish Office at 206-782-2810. We will send confirmation by Friday afternoon for that weekend's Mass.

First Holy Communion Mass



The First Holy Communion Mass that was missed in May because of COVID-19 will be celebrated this **Sunday October 11 at 10:30am**. The Mass is closed to the public, but can be watched via Facebook live www.facebook.com/StJohnSeattle

Link to the worship aid can be found on our website at www.stjohnsea.org

Laudato Si in Action



Fratelli Tutti

On Sunday, October 4th, the feast day of Saint Francis of Assisi, Pope Francis released a brand new encyclical, Fratelli Tutti, which means in English "we are all brothers and sisters."

Pope Francis' third encyclical begins:

"FRATELLI TUTTI". With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel. Of the counsels Francis offered, I would like to select the one in which he calls for a love that transcends the barriers of geography and distance, and declares blessed all those who love their brother "as much when he is far away from him as when he is with him". In his simple and direct way, Saint Francis expressed the essence of a fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives.

The encyclical is made up of 8 chapters and over 40,000 words. I have only begun to read it, but I am very excited about what I have read so far. The introduction concludes with:

It is my desire that, in this our time, by acknowledging the dignity of each human person, we can contribute to the rebirth of a universal aspiration to fraternity. Fraternity between all men and women. ... Let us dream, then, as a single human family, as fellow travelers sharing the same flesh, as children of the same earth which is our common home, each of us bringing the richness of his or her beliefs and convictions, each of us with his or her own voice, brothers and sisters all.

After the introduction, Fratelli Tutti begins by taking an accounting of society's ills and its broken systems. Pope Francis, of course, does more than just account for what's wrong with the world. Most of Fratelli Tutti is devoted to Pope Francis providing a prescription for how to heal our world and its broken relationships.

I look forward to digging deeper into Fratelli Tutti and hope to write more about this exciting document in future columns. But you don't have to wait for my writings on the encyclical; you will find the full text of Fratelli Tutti here:

<http://bit.ly/FratelliTuttiDoc>

Working together, we can help take care of our common home.

Paul Litwin



Blessing of the Animals

On October 4, over 20 masked parishioners brought their pets to be blessed by Father Crispin on the Feast Day of Saint Francis. The event began with a reading and general blessing followed by individual blessings for each of the pets and their owners. And every dog or cat that was blessed got to leave with a special Saint Francis medal commemorating their blessing.



Girl Scouts Raise Money for Seattle Humane

Our Girl Scout troop #44091 chose to support Seattle Humane as their community service project to help animals in need.

At the Blessing of the Animals, the Girl Scouts raised \$241.35 for the Seattle Humane Society.

Our troop loves animals!

Some of them even adopted their pets from Seattle Humane!

If you missed the event, and still wish to help out, you can donate at <http://bit.ly/GirlScoutTroop44091>

Date Changes for Fall First Reconciliation classes!

Please update your calendars.

Opening Prayer Service (or opening video message from Father + catechists) - **Monday, October 26 at 7pm**

Reconciliation Class 1 - **Thursday, November 5 at 7pm**

Reconciliation Class 2 - **Tuesday, November 10 at 7pm**

Church Tour - **Tuesday, November 17 at 7pm**

First Reconciliation service - **Saturday, Dec 5 at 10am**



We are currently scheduling family (private) baptisms for our families. Since we do not know when we will be able to gather in community, we want to make sure that the children of our parish are able to enter the church by receiving the sacrament of baptism. Questions? Please contact Julia Rudden at jrudden@stjohnsea.org

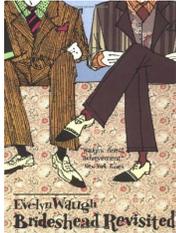
St John Book Club

For our next meeting we will be reading *Brideshead Revisited* by Evelyn Waugh.

The most nostalgic and reflective of Evelyn Waugh's novels, *Brideshead Revisited* looks back to the golden age before the Second World War. It tells the story of Charles Ryder's infatuation with the Marchmains and the rapidly-disappearing world of privilege they inhabit. Enchanted first by Sebastian at Oxford, then by his doomed Catholic family, in particular his remote sister, Julia, Charles comes finally to recognize only his spiritual and social distance from them.

We will meet **Sunday, October 18th at 4pm**. If the weather is nice, we will meet on the Marty's back patio. We will have a Zoom backup if needed.

Email Sheila Marty, smarty@stjohnsea.org, to let her know if you would like to attend.

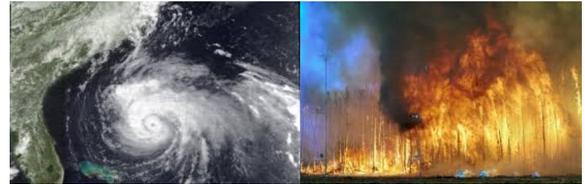


SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Father will be offering Reconciliation by appointment on **Saturdays from 4 to 4:45pm**.

Please email Sheila Marty at smarty@stjohnsea.org or call her at 206-782-2810 ext 358 to arrange an appointment. (You do not need to leave your name, we just need to know how many people are coming.)

We have modified the space for Reconciliations to allow for appropriate air flow, social distance, and sanitation. Reconciliation will take place with a draped screen between you and Father for everyone's safety. Please enter through the side doors, wear a mask, use the hand sanitizer or wipes that are provided, and practice social distancing. Please sit in the back pews of the church until Father is ready for you. Thank you!



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has asked that we take up an emergency collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Laura, the California wildfires, and other natural disasters. Your gift will support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted areas. Gifts of any amount are very much needed and appreciated! You can donate online now at <http://bit.ly/EDonateStJohn> and choose "Disaster Relief". If using a check, please make it payable to St John Parish clearly marked "Disaster Relief" in memo line. Thank you for your generosity and prayerful solidarity!

St John Family Rosary Group

is hosting a zoom meeting rosary every **3rd Saturday of the month at 7pm**.

October - 17
November - 21
December - 19

Pray together via Zoom at <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/975837436?>
Password: 758985



Join us for as many sessions as you can.

Private Prayer - Update



Father wants anyone who needs to spend time in the church in Private Prayer to have that opportunity. Having the church open only during certain hours on Tuesdays does not seem to be meeting that need. We are going to take a break from that schedule and instead offer that if you would like to spend some time in the church, come by the Parish office and we will let you in on an individual basis. If you have questions email Sheila at smarty@stjohnsea.org



Considering Separation or Divorce?

Wait! There is an alternative. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has brought healing to tens of thousands of troubled marriages worldwide. Your situation may seem hopeless, but there is always hope, and you are not alone in your struggle. **Due to the pandemic, we now have virtual programs available.** For confidential information about Retrouvaille, call 206-706-2608 or go to www.helpourmarriage.org



Walk humbly with God...

How does this theme look in our families, school, and community?

We can walk humbly with God through the beatitudes! In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus taught His disciples (and us) about how to be perfectly happy (Heaven with God). In other words, He taught us how, in our earthly lives, we can live out the purpose for which God made us. Jesus taught us 8 ways of living called Beatitudes, so that we can begin to be perfectly happy with God in Heaven.

Each month we will focus on one beatitude and how everyday saints, like you and me, can live out this beatitude.

Beatitude of the month

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

The poor include both literally poor people, in need of basic necessities, and figuratively poor people, who are aware of their spiritual poverty, people who acknowledge their need and utter dependence upon God. The reward mentioned here is nothing less than the kingdom of heaven. What do we consider to be our family’s greatest riches?



Flowers can help us to “see” the beatitudes in a different way (primary students especially). The Columbine can remind us to be humble because it looks like it is bowing its head to pray. When we bow our heads and pray to God we humble ourselves before him. We are poor in spirit when we acknowledge that we are sinners who need God, and that everything we have comes from him.



project rachel

Peace starts here

If you are suffering after an abortion, you do not need to walk alone.

Project Rachel offers a compassionate and confidential environment for those who suffer the effects of an abortion.

Find *hope and healing* after abortion.

Virtual Healing Opportunities

Beginning in September 2020

Virtual group healing via Zoom

Contact: Julie 206-920-6413 or JulieE@ccsww.org

Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services

**PLEASE REGISTER TO VOTE.
MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!**

Online: www.vote.wa.gov

Telephone: 206 296-VOTE (8683)

In person: King County Elections Office,

919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057- by appt. only.
Call 206 296-8683

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

Submitted by Joyce Farrell (Social Justice Committee)



Resources to keep you connected

Mass on KSTW CHANNEL 11 (CW) AT 6:30am and EWTN—5am, 9am & 9pm

Online Mass at any time: www.HeartoftheNation.org.

Papal Programming:

www.catholicstv.org/shows/papal-programming

SACRED HEART RADIO 1050 KBLE ~ Seattle

Sunday Mass - 5:00 am, 9:00 am

Daily Mass - 5:00 am, 9:00 am Monday - Saturday

Catholic Current from USCCB:

www.catholiccurrent.org/covid19/

Bishop Mueggenborg's Sunday Gospel Reflections:

Sacred Heart Radio (Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday - after the 1pm Rosary)

Mass Readings and Prayer Resources: www.usccb.org/

“Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing.”

- St. Therese of Lisieux



Providing free reproductive healthcare services for women in Seattle.



3W Medical for Women

In honor of October being Respect for Life month, 3W Medical for Women would like to introduce ourselves as a resource you can trust.

3W provides free reproductive services in the Seattle area. We believe all women deserve compassionate healthcare that do not profit from their reproductive choices.

Please visit our website to learn more about what we can offer. Your support impacts the lives of women in your community.

Visit us: 4528 8th Ave NE, Unit 1A Seattle WA 98105

info@3wmedical.org | 206 - 588 - 0311 | 3wmedical.org



"A LIFE NOT LIVED FOR OTHERS IS NOT A LIFE"

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA



CALLED TO SERVE *as* CHRIST

A campaign for our
PRIESTS, SISTERS & FAMILY OF FAITH

FINAL CHANCE TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN

We ask anyone who has yet to make a campaign commitment to prayerfully consider going online to calledtoserveaschrist.org to give. Every gift makes a difference!

Society for the Propagation of the Faith



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

October 18, 2020

Next week is World Mission Sunday. We are called through our Baptism to be part of the Church's missionary efforts, through prayer, self-sacrifice, and support of the Mission Church through material aid.

This year, Pope Francis asks us to respond to that call, saying, "Here I Am, Send Me!" To "send" ourselves, we can: PRAY for the Church's worldwide missionary work OFFER financial HELP and CHARITY through the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for vulnerable communities throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

The easiest way to make your contribution is through Online Giving.

Donate through the Archdiocese of Seattle website.
<https://donate.seattlearchdiocese.org/mission-sunday>



The new edition of Family Faith Formation

(<http://marriagefamilylife.seattlearchdiocese.org/athomewithfaith>)

is available, as well as a webinar to help find balance in these unsettled times.

Is your family life feeling overwhelmed?

Finding Calm in the Storm Practical Ways to Find Peace at Home

Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7 PM

Join us for a webinar to learn practical ways to bring peace and balance to your home life.

To register or learn more, visit

<http://marriagefamilylife.seattlearchdiocese.org/find-calm>