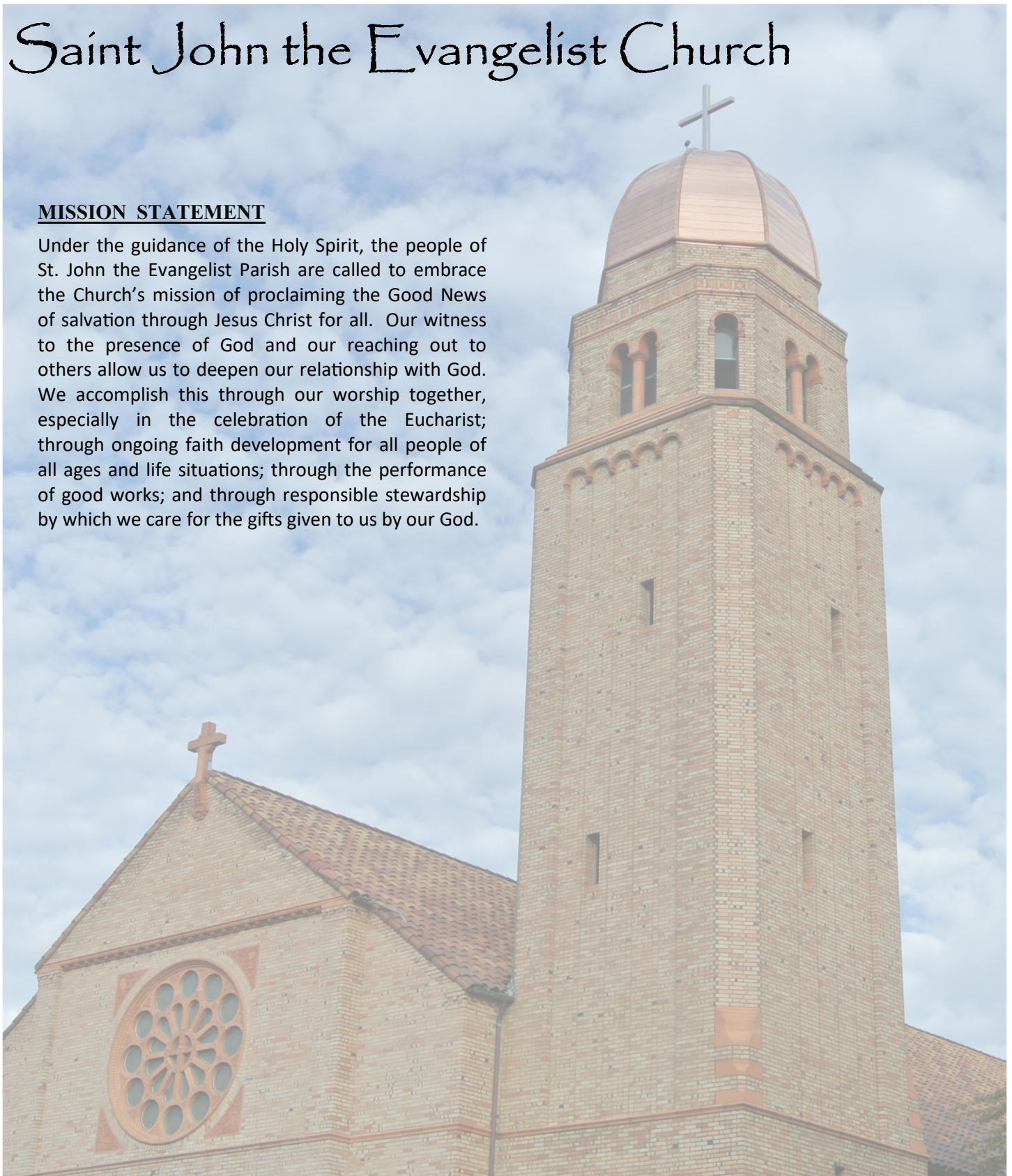


# Saint John the Evangelist Church

## 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.



August 22, 2021

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."*

Psalm 34

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[www.stjohnsea.org](http://www.stjohnsea.org)

# Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021

The Parish office is open from 8-12 and 1-4 Monday through Friday.  
Visit our website [www.stjohnsea.org](http://www.stjohnsea.org) or call the parish office for more information.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 23	August 24	August 25	August 26	August 27	August 28	August 29
		No 9am Mass	9am Prayer Service with Adoration to follow	No 9am Mass	4:30pm Reconciliation 5pm Mass with Live-streaming on Facebook	8:30am Mass 10:30am Mass

The Vigil Mass is being live-streamed on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/StJohnSeattle](http://www.facebook.com/StJohnSeattle). You do not need a Facebook account to watch the Mass. After the live Mass, links to recorded Mass will be posted on our website.

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

### Collection for week of August 15, 2021

Total Sacrificial Giving Budget for 2020-21 is \$755,000.00.  
This means we need a weekly collection of \$14,519.23.

Mail in \$	2,817.00	<i>This does NOT include restricted donations such as Holy Day Collections, (Christmas and Easter), and donations made to our ministries or coffee &amp; donuts.</i>
5pm Vigil \$	92.00	
8:30am \$	360.00	
10:30am \$	485.00	
Electronic \$	8,053.37	
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>11,807.37</b>	

## 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](mailto:smarty@stjohnsea.org).

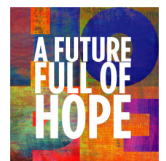
✠ Like our Facebook page: **St John the Evangelist, Seattle**

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[www.stjohnsea.org](http://www.stjohnsea.org)

St John School Web Page  
[www.st-johnschool.org](http://www.st-johnschool.org)



## Help Us Meet Our ACA Goal by the End of August!



Your donation will allow us to build a better future for the Church while addressing the present needs of those in our communities, which no one parish or parishioner can do alone.

**I am the Church, you are the Church, we are the Church, together!**

Thank you to the 195 families who have pledged to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal so far. If you have not yet donated, please help us meet our goal this month! The easiest way to give is online at

<http://www.archseattle.org/acadonate>, or call the ACA office at 1-800-809-4921.

## St John Family Rosary Group

is hosting a zoom meeting rosary  
Saturday, August 28 at 7pm.



Pray together via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/join>  
Meeting ID: 783 2032 3994 Password: 2WgKFE

Rev. Crispin A. Okoth, Pastor  
Bernadette O'Leary, Principal  
Dani D'Amelio, PA for Administration  
Teresa Gillett, Director of Development  
Dr. Twila McDonell, Director of Liturgical Music  
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**Readings for Sunday, August 29  
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

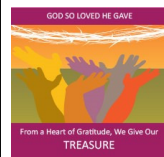
**First Reading** **Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8**  
*You shall not add to what I command you . . . keep the commandments of the Lord.*

**Psalm** **Psalm 15**  
*"The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord."*

**Second Reading** **James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27**  
*Be doers of the word.*

**Gospel** **Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**  
*You disregard God's commandments but cling to human tradition.*

Do we take God's word to heart and act upon it? Moses—about to reveal the commandments—calls on the people to observe God's word carefully and faithfully. In his letter, James asks us to welcome God's word and put it into action. In the Gospel, Jesus warns the scribes and Pharisees that they confuse human tradition with God's commands. Listening to God's word, let us consider how it guides our actions.



**Teach us to give and not to count the cost.**

**--St. Ignatius of Loyola**

Thank you for your support of St. John Parish. Since 90% of our revenue comes from continued gifts by our faith community, your generosity directly helps support the basic operations (payroll, utilities, maintenance, etc.) and ministries of our church. Each dollar received helps to maintain the financial stability of your Parish.

**Asante Sana to all who those who continue to give; it is greatly appreciated!**

To donate, simply scan this QR code or go to <https://bit.ly/EDonateStJohn> to set up online giving now!



**LOST AND FOUND**

**Did you leave something behind at Mass?**

There are several things that have been left in the Church—including several umbrellas. Is one of them yours? Next time you are in the Church, please take a look on the pew in the vestibule and see if something belongs to you. All items will be donated at the end of summer.

Thanks!

**Lord, hear our prayer...**

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

the Pinkerman family	Lynn Gough
Sam Kirk	Lisa Fletcher
the Torres family	Linda Melsted
Vicky Milner	Bobbie Jo Ramos
John Grusczyński	Angela Lizette
Marcela Grusczyński	the Lyle Stevenson family
Chuck Carter	Vanessa Castillo
Maria Socorro M. Ortiz	Greg Linnell
Tullus Gordon	Marilyn Wittenmyer
Dawn Walton	Pamela Leuschen
Shiloh Rodgers-Daly	

For those who have died, 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-home Vaccines Available**



Seattle & King County Public Health is offering in-home vaccinations to those who are unable to leave their homes.

To schedule an appointment, call the King County COVID-19 Call Center at 206-477-3977 between 8am and 7pm, every day. You will be asked a few questions to confirm you are eligible for in-home vaccination. Language interpretation is available.



**It's time to register for First Communion preparation!**

Families: do you have a child who will enter 2nd grade this fall? Or, do you have an older child who has not yet had the opportunity to prepare for the sacrament? If you are registered in the parish and have listed your child as a family member, you should receive a letter with a registration form in July. If you don't receive a letter, you can access the registration form on our website at <http://bit.ly/FirstReconciliationFirstCommunion>

Questions? Contact Julia Rudden [jrudden@stjohnsea.org](mailto:jrudden@stjohnsea.org)



## St. Vincent de Paul is assembling hygiene kits that fit in small bags.

There is a **barrel in the vestibule**, dear parishioners.  
The barrel is there for donations from you.  
Our St. Vincent de Paul needs non-perishable food,  
But now **we need travel or personal-sized items** too.

We distribute the food to our neighbors in need.  
The small hygiene kit items are **for folks with no homes**.  
They need UNOPENED products such as **soap, hygiene  
wipes, tissues, shaving cream, first aid ointment,  
Band-aids, deodorant, nail clippers, toothpaste,  
shampoo and combs**.

Please put these things in the barrel when you come to  
church, or take them to the parish office

**Thank you.**



## Volunteer support URGENTLY needed!

Are you interested in becoming a Seafarers' Ministry ship  
visitor or van driver? For more information, contact Joe  
Cotton at [joe.cotton@seattlearch.org](mailto:joe.cotton@seattlearch.org) or 206-382-4847.

To learn more about the Seafarers' Ministry, go to  
<https://bit.ly/seafarer-ministry>

As the West continues to experience severe drought in  
many parts of the region, which is leading to depleted  
water supplies, water restrictions, forest fires and more  
hardships, the Metropolitan Archbishops from Los  
Angeles to Anchorage are asking everyone to prayerfully  
implore the Lord to send us rain.

### Prayer for rain

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us sufficient rain,  
so that, being supplied with what sustains us in this present life,  
we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity.  
Heavenly Father, we beg your protection,  
save us from the perils of drought and fire,  
so that we may continue to serve you in good health, safety, and peace.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.  
Amen.

Adapted Collect from the Roman Missal



## Laudato Si in Action

### A Reality Check from the IPCC

Created by the UN and the Meteorological Organization in  
1988, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change or  
IPCC was created to provide the world's policymakers  
with regular scientific assessments on climate change.  
Last week, the IPCC released its Sixth Assessment  
Report.

Some highlights of the report include:

- It is unequivocal that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land.
- Global surface temperature was 1.09 °C higher in 2011–2020 than 1850–1900.
- The atmospheric CO2 concentration is the highest it has been in at least 2 million years.
- Sea levels have risen the fastest they have risen in at least 3,000 years.
- The arctic sea ice area is at its lowest level in at least 1,000 years.
- The retreat of the world's glaciers is unprecedented in at least 2,000 years.
- In the scenarios studied by the IPCC, there is a more than 50% chance that the 1.5 degrees C target is reached or crossed between 2021 and 2040 (with a central estimate of the early 2030s).
- Climate change is already affecting every region on Earth, in multiple ways. The changes we experience will increase with additional warming.

Bishop John Arnold, chair of the Catholic International Development Charity in England said "The grim and disturbing findings of the ... report only reinforce the message of Pope Francis' Laudato Si' — we must do everything we can, and now, to protect and defend Our Common Home."

Back in 2019, Pope Francis warned us that the "effects on the climate will be catastrophic if we cross the threshold of 1.5°C outlined in the Paris Agreement goal...Faced with a climate emergency, we must take action accordingly, in order to avoid perpetrating a brutal act of injustice towards the poor and future generations."

What can we do? We can contact our leaders and tell them to pass significant legislation on climate change (<https://tinyurl.com/contact-your-leaders>) now. Catholic Climate Covenant is also urging everyone to sign the Catholic Climate Petition at <https://tinyurl.com/lcia-petition>.

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

Paul Litwin



## Undone

Freedom for the  
Feminine Heart

September 9-11, 2021

This Women's Conference will be held at Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Sammamish, September 9-11, (2 evenings and all day Saturday). This event is being offered in person OR virtually via livestream! Register online for either experience at <https://jpiihealingcenter.org>. Scholarships, student and missionary discounts available. Contact [JPIIRetreatSammWA@gmail.com](mailto:JPIIRetreatSammWA@gmail.com) for more info.

## Criminal Justice Ministry 101



Learn how to bring the love and light of Christ into correctional facilities. Sign up for a series of six free 60- to 90-minute Zoom training sessions. Two Cohorts. Tuesday cohort starts Sept. 7 and Saturday cohort starts Sept. 11.

To learn more about dates & details and to register, go to: <https://bit.ly/CJMTraining101-Sept2021>

To read about Criminal Justice Ministry, go to: <https://archseattle.org/ministries/outreach-ministries/criminal-justice-ministry/>



## Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center

Job openings for chefs,  
hospitality and event associates  
for full- and part-time positions.

For job listings, go to:  
<https://bit.ly/ArchbishopBrunettRetreatCenterJobs>

## Resources to keep you connected

Seattle Archdiocese live Mass — 8am at  
<https://www.facebook.com/ArchdioceseofSeattle>

Mass on KSTW CHANNEL 11 (CW) at 8:30am, Sunday  
and EWTN—5am, 9am, 4pm & 9pm

Papal Programming:  
<https://www.catholicstv.org/papal-programming.html>

SACRED HEART RADIO 1050 KBLE ~ Seattle  
Sunday Mass - 5:00 am, 9:00 am  
Daily Mass - 5:00 am, 9:00 am Monday - Saturday

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/](http://www.usccb.org/)

## Saint of the month



## St Nicodemus

Feast Day: August 31

Our August Saint of the Month is Nicodemus, a contemporary of Jesus, a Pharisee and a member of the Sanhedrin. Nicodemus is mentioned three places in the Gospel of John. He first visits Jesus one night to discuss Jesus'

teachings (John 3). John 3:16, which has been called the most famous verse in the Bible, is spoken during that conversation. Nicodemus next appears in John 7:50, when he reminds the Sanhedrin that the law requires that a person be heard before being judged. Finally, Nicodemus appears after Jesus' crucifixion, to help Joseph of Arimathea prepare the Lord's body for burial (John 19:39 - 42). Saints Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea are celebrated on August 31st. The story of Nicodemus' relationship with Jesus is explored in a significant subplot of the recent television series The Chosen. It's a story we can all relate to; what in our lives do we sacrifice to follow the Lord?

(Some content from Wikipedia articles on Nicodemus and John 3:16.)

Image: Jesus and Nicodemus - Bible drawings by Otto Semler and others, many based on the engravings by Carolsfeld, all in the public domain.

## Building a Racially Just Parish

Our Lady of the Lake Jubilee Hall  
or on Zoom

Saturday, August 28, 9am-noon



Featuring Pax Christi  
USA National Council Chair,  
Isaac Chandler.

Join with fellow parishioners and others to learn about and discuss the evil of racism, and identify concrete ways we can build racial justice in our community life and in the society around us.

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/OLLAugust28>.

This is an event co-sponsored by Pax Christi Northwest and the OLL Justice and Peace Committee. For specific questions about the event, please contact Barbara McGrath at [barbararmcgrath@gmail.com](mailto:barbararmcgrath@gmail.com), or Deacon Denny at 206-548-6292. For questions about registration details, contact OLL Director of Faith Formation Kendra Baker at [kbaker@ollseattle.org](mailto:kbaker@ollseattle.org) or 206-523-6776.

## EVANGELIZE YOUR FAMILY



To evangelize your family, one of the most important things you can do is renew your own relationship with Jesus. Here are some options to consider.

### Encounter Jesus

**Share a significant encounter with Jesus or what helps you to stay close to him.**

Archbishop Etienne has invited every Catholic in our Archdiocese to renew our relationship with Jesus. We know Jesus is risen and wants to be with each and every one of us. Take a moment to remember when you first met Jesus. Then, take time to pray and ask Jesus to come into your life more deeply: "Jesus, I want to know you more deeply. I give my heart to you."

### Meet Jesus in the Sacraments

**Go to Mass as a family every Sunday and go to Reconciliation on a regular basis.**

Before ascending to the Father, Jesus instructed the disciples to invite all people to meet him in the Sacraments. We who are baptized into his life should turn to him with confidence for reconciliation and meet him every week in the Eucharist, rejoicing in the fact that he transforms our hearts when we receive him. [Click here](#) to learn more about this beautiful gift.

### Live faith in community

**Encourage your children to join your parish youth group if one is available.**

God made us for relationship. That's why we are born into families. Jesus gave us the Church as a community. Take a step to engage more fully in the life of your parish through service, or join a small group.

### Pray as a family

**Pray with your children using one of the prayer methods on our [website](#).**

Through prayer, we grow closer to our Lord and create the opportunity for him to form our hearts and minds. Begin to set aside 15 minutes at the start of each day to pray. Check out our [website](#) for prayer practices like the Rosary, Lectio Divina and more that will make this 15 minutes the best part of your day.



## CATECHIZE YOUR FAMILY

Catechesis is echoing the good news we've received about Jesus and sharing it with those we love. Here are some options to consider.

### Understand the Faith

Find [free resources](#) for teaching the faith to your children. It will draw you closer to them and Jesus.

Jesus is God's word of love spoken to us. The more we know Jesus, the better we understand the Father and are prepared to receive the Spirit. Connect with your parish's Faith Formation office.

### Go deeper in the Mass

Spend a few minutes with your teens to view the brief videos on the Year of the Eucharist [Be Fed](#) page to better understand the meaning of the Eucharist and how it can transform our lives.

Archbishop Etienne is calling each of us to a renewed understanding of the Eucharist.

### Grow in Virtue

Go to the [Made for Excellence](#) section of our website to learn about growing in the virtues.

A relationship with Jesus will call us to live differently as we form habits or virtues that strengthen our relationships with one another. Encourage your family to reflect on the 10 Commandments and the Beatitudes as guides for how we can grow in living our lives as an expression of our relationship with Jesus.

### Make Space for God

Follow our [Make Space for God](#) page for tips on how to use grace at meals, nighttime prayer and other prayers to strengthen your family's relationship with God and one another.

In the busy connected world of today, encouraging our family to pray means that we have to clear away the distractions and make time for prayer.

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### For more information and resources on the Year of the Family:

Go to [archseattle.org/YOF](http://archseattle.org/YOF)

### For weekly issues of At Home with Faith:

Sign up at [AtHomewithFaith.org](http://AtHomewithFaith.org)

### For more information and resources on the Year of St. Joseph:

Go to [archseattle.org/StJoseph](http://archseattle.org/StJoseph)

# No Matter How Much You're Hurting, No Marriage Is Beyond Hope!



- Are you struggling in your marriage, or do you know someone who is?
- Are you disillusioned? Frustrated?
- Do you struggle with trust or forgiveness?
- Are you considering separation or divorce?
- Have you lost hope??

## Let Retrouvaille Help!

For confidential information, or to register for our upcoming VIRTUAL weekend **Sept. 16-19, 2021**, call Mark and Ronnie at **206-706-2608** or go to [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).



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