

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

*Inspired by the Holy Spirit, We Live the Good News of Christ
Through Worship, Community, and Stewardship*

820 18th Ave. Seattle, WA 98122

www.icseattle.org

Parish Family with: St. James Cathedral and Christ Our Hope

June 14, 2026

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Reading 1: Exodus 19:2-6a

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)

“We are his people: the sheep of his flock.”

Reading 2: Romans 5:6-11

Gospel: Matthew 9:36– 10:8

Pray for our Parishioners

Healing Prayers for Alice Davis and Rosalyn Fournier.

Please contact the parish office at 206-322-5970 or bulletin@icseattle.org to add a parishioner's name or your family's name to our weekly prayer's list.

Catechesis 101

The Catechism defines the Mass as *“the Eucharist or principal sacramental celebration of the Church, established by Jesus at the Last Supper, in which the mystery of our salvation through participation in the sacrificial death and glorious Resurrection of Christ is renewed and accomplished”* (CCC 1332). It is called “Mass” (from the Latin *missa*) because of the “mission” or “sending” with which the liturgical celebration concludes (*Ite, Missa est* — “Go, it is the dismissal”) USCCB. *We gather to celebrate Mass so that we can be sent forth into the world and live out the Mass daily by our way of life. How are we living out the Mass outside our Church walls?*

~Fr Chanda

From the Pastor's Desk | June 14, 2026

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL | IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | CHRIST OUR HOPE

Dear Friends,

As I have shared with you in the past, the rhythm of the liturgical season is very nourishing to me. Many of you ask me how I do what I do— Pastor of Christ Our Hope, Immaculate Conception and St. James Cathedral parishes; Vicar General and Vicar for Strategic Pastoral Planning. Well, I do it with the grace of God and the amazing teams that we have in our parishes and at the Chancery. And, what really grounds me and keeps me centered on God is journeying with all of you through the liturgical seasons.

The scripture, the ritual, the feast days, these all give a foundation to my life and ministry and have for almost fifty years of ministry—30 years as a lay minister and now 19 as a priest. So, as we enter into Ordinary Time, I want to reflect on the scriptures that we will hear, and particularly the gospel passages, over the next several months. Even though we have been in Ordinary Time since the Monday following Pentecost Sunday, we have celebrated two significant feasts these last two Sundays—first the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, and then last week, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord (also known by its Latin title, Corpus Christi).

Today we begin the numbered Sundays with the celebration of the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. It is this sequential or ordinal ordering of the weeks that give us the term “Ordinary Time,” referring simply to the numbered weeks of the year. This season of Ordinary Time will take us through the rest of the liturgical year, which concludes with the Solemnity of Christ the King on Sunday, November 22.

During this year we are reading primarily from St. Matthew's Gospel on Sundays. We will see Jesus as the teacher in this Gospel, delivering a new law in the model of Moses, and as one whose ministry announces that the kingdom of God is near. As

we hear in this Sunday's Gospel, the nearness of that kingdom is evidenced by the healing ministry of Jesus and his apostles. Over the coming weeks we will be encouraged to place the seeking of God's reign and the advancement of his kingdom at the center of our lives.

We will hear parables that teach us about what God's kingdom is like, how to open ourselves to that kingdom and what is required of us to embrace God's kingdom. We will see Jesus perform miracles that announce the presence of the kingdom. In the middle of the summer we will hear Peter's great confession of faith and then we will begin to accompany Jesus as he makes his way to Jerusalem.

Along the way his teaching and his parables will turn toward reflections on the demands of the reign of God for forgiveness and a willingness to pay the price for following Jesus. We will hear about God's lavish love that turns the values of the world upside down—where the first are last, and the last are first. We will hear of the growing opposition to Jesus from religious authorities, and as we approach the end of the liturgical year, we will hear admonitions to be ready, to be prepared for the coming of the Lord. And on the last Sunday of the liturgical year we will hear the great scene of the separation of the sheep and the goats at the judgement and the call to see in those who are hurting and on the margins as the very presence of Jesus himself.

May our journey with Jesus in the Gospel of St. Matthew ground us more firmly in his teaching and draw us more deeply into his life. Happy Ordinary Time!




Father Gary Lazzeroni
Pastor

The Life of Our Community

Corpus Christ at Immaculate Conception Church Seattle



SIGS MEALS—This gathering takes place on the last Tuesday of each month, and volunteers are always welcome. The event is named in honor of our beloved parishioner and donor, Sig Haugland. Next gathering—**Jun 30, 3:00 PM Jean Moran Hall Kitchen.** For questions, contact Alex Soto at (206) 271-2463

YOUTH MASS - We **NEED YOU** to help us make our youth mass awesome! If you want to join us, please complete the online form - <https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/7459/responses/new> or scan the QR code  or going to www.icseattle.org under parish life -> ministries to sign up and let us know how you'd like to help. **Youth masses - August 30 and November 29.**

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY—Join our new 1st Saturdays neighborhood outreach each month from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. If you would like to volunteer, share ideas, or learn more, please contact: Lori Chisholm-Cook - lori.chisholm@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULT GATHERING: SANDWICH-MAKING - Youth adults are invited to join us on Sunday, June 21, after the 5:30pm Mass for an evening of food, fellowship, and service. We'll begin with a light dinner, then work together to make sandwiches for a nearby shelter. For more information, please contact Blake Steller at bsteller@stjames-cathedral.org or (907) 244-6683.

LUAU—Save the date! 49th Annual Luau - **August 15, 2026 - 5:30 -9:30 pm** - More information and ticket sales coming soon. For more information, please contact Deneta Iglesias at denetaiglesias@yahoo.com

YOUTH RETREAT—UNPLUG WITH THE LORD Rest, Reflect and Discern—High school (Juniors and Seniors) and recent graduates are all invited to find God's voice in the silence at a special youth retreat. **August 11, 1:30pm—August 13, 1pm** at Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center. For additional questions, please contact Chloe Iverson, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry, at chloe.iverson@seattlearch.org. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Seattle

SENIOR ICE CREAM SOCIAL Seniors of the parish, come join us for an ice cream social to celebrate summer! **Thurs July 16th, 1-3pm**, Pastoral Outreach Center Courtyard. **RSVP by 7/13** to Anisa Ralls (206)382-4269, aralls@stjames-cathedral.org

SUMMER WALKING GROUP Join the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry every Wed. at 11am starting on 6/3, in front of the Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia St. this summer! We will be walking together around the neighborhood of the Cathedral, while we get to know each other and improve our physical and mental health. All abilities and dogs are welcome. Last group on 8/26. Information contact Anisa Ralls (206)382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org


MEMORY HUB BLOCK PARTY Annual Brain Health First Hill Block Party! **Fri. 6/26, 11am-2pm**, meet at the corner of Terry and Marion and walk around the First Hill neighborhood participating in fun and family-friendly activities. Information thememoryhub.org/event/brain-health-block-party

NO UNLIKELY SAINTS MENTAL HEALTH RETREAT Learn how mental illness can become a pathway to holiness by exploring the lives of saints who struggled with mental illness. This retreat will be led by Cameron Bellm on **Sat. June 20, 9:30am-4:30pm** at the Peace and Spirituality Center, 1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue. All participants will receive a free copy of Cameron's devotional, No Unlikely Saints. Registration <https://archseattle.org/events/mental-health-ministry-retreat/>

JOB OPENINGS

Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation The parishes of Family 17 (St. James Cathedral, Immaculate Conception, and Christ Our Hope) have an opening for a Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation to develop, implement, and direct Faith Formation Programs. This person will also plan and facilitate Sacramental Preparation programs in collaboration with appropriate groups and/or individuals in the parish family. Salary range is \$75,000-\$85,000 annually. This is a full-time position an Archdiocesan Benefits package.

BULLETIN POST SUBMISSION

Please scan the QR code to submit any Immaculate Conception Church Seattle bulletin post request, including prayer requests. 

For questions, please contact the parish office at office@icseattle.org or 206-322-5970.

MASS SCHEDULE:

11:00 AM SUNDAYS (10:30 Holy Rosary)

Also live streamed at

<https://www.facebook.com/ImmaculateConceptionSeattle>

8:00 AM SUNDAYS – Eritrean Community

Pastor – The Very Reverend Gary F. Lazzeroni

Parochial Vicars – Rev. Francis Thumbi &
Rev. Sylvester Chanda

Pastor Emeritus - Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

Deacon Joseph Connor

Pastoral Care Request - If you would like to request a house blessing, Communion, or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Fr. Chanda directly at schanda@stjames-cathedral.org.

Mental Health, Grief and Resources

Anisa Ralls—Director of Mental Health and Wellness Ministry at St. James Cathedral (206) 382-4269
aralls@stjames-cathedral.org

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours: M-F, 9 AM to 3 PM or

By Appt. - call (206) 322-5970, office@icseattle.org

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CHOIR

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COUNCILS

Pastoral Council Maria Batayola (Chair), Connor Trapp, Deacon Joe Connor, Fred Verzosa, Marisa Harvey, and Sharon Pitre-Williams.

Finance Council Jane Powers (Chair), Lori Chisholm, and Toni Hall.

Please visit the church website at www.icseattle.org for other requests like Baptismal, Wedding, Bulletin Post, Giving and more.

Please be aware of scam emails or text messages falsely claiming to be from any Priests or other parish staff. Scammers often:

- Ask for gift cards, money transfers, or urgent help
- Use fake emails that look similar to parish addresses (e.g., fr.john.icchurch@gmail.com instead of the real one)
- Claim they are “in a meeting” or “too busy to talk” and ask for help quickly

Important Reminders:

- Parish staff will **NEVER** ask for gift cards, wire transfers, or personal banking info by email or text.
- When in doubt, call the parish office directly at [Parish Phone Number].
- **Do not respond** to suspicious messages — delete and report them.

Stay safe and spread the word to others who may not be aware!



Annual Catholic Appeal

Our parish goal is **\$28,480**. Donated through June 7, **\$11,191**, 30 donors. Any funds received above our ACA goal will be returned to the parish to help complete our security project. Please prayerfully consider making a gift.

Give by scanning the QR code or visiting archseattle.org/GiveACA.



Stewardship:

Caring for Our Church and Community
Year-to-Date Collection
Stewardship of Treasure Report

As of 05.25.2025 - \$151,716.95

As of 05.31.2026 - \$164,386.13

Blessings and Thank you!

**ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER AT
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH?**

To register, visit www.icseattle.org or use the QR code.



REPORTING ABUSE

Helpline 800-446-7762 helpline@seattlarch.org protectandheal.seattlarchdiocese.org. Report any suspicion of abuse by any church personnel to the local law enforcement. Call the Helpline if you know of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Seattle. The Archdiocese of Seattle has a longstanding commitment to transparency, accountability, and assistance to persons sexually abused by clergy or anyone working on behalf of the church.

For children's safety and victim assistance see <https://preventionusccb.org/resources>



ST. JAMES MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY

Join us every Wednesday beginning June 3rd
through August 26th for a walk around our
neighborhood.

All
abilities
are
welcome

Walk starts
at
11 am

Dogs are
welcome
too!

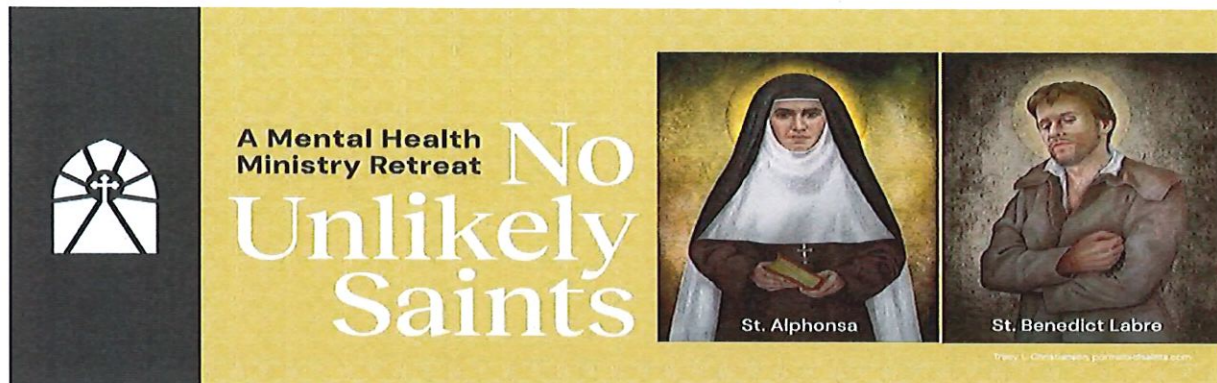
Walking Wednesdays!



Take in the fresh air and soak up the scenery — a
great way to get exercise, clear your mind, and
explore the world around you.

We will meet at the Pastoral Outreach Center
907 Columbia Street

For more information Contact Anisa Ralls, MA LMHC, Director of
the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry at (206)382-4269 or
aralls@stjames-cathedral.org



Learn how mental illness can become a pathway to holiness by exploring the lives of saints who struggled with mental illness.

All those struggling with mental illnesses or those concerned with understanding and helping others in a faith-based context are invited to a Mental Health Ministry Retreat at the Peace & Spirituality Center in Bellevue on Sat. June 20th, 9:30am-4:30pm.

This retreat – “No Unlikely Saints” – will focus on the ties between saints and mental illness. With the guidance of our keynote speaker Cameron Bellm, we will journey with the saints, many of whom have journeyed with mental illness themselves, to show us how mental health struggles can be pathways to holiness.

All participants will receive a courtesy copy of Cameron’s book, a 6-week devotional that addresses a different mental illness each week and offers a saint who can accompany us.

There is no cost to attend; for registration please go to:
<https://archseattle.org/events/mental-health-ministry-retreat/>

For additional questions, contact Joe Cotton, Director of the Office for the Vicar General, at joe.cotton@seattlearch.org.

Sponsored by Archdiocese of Seattle [Mental Health Ministry](#), which strives to provide parishes and schools with resources and trainings that will aid them in creating welcoming communities of compassion, support and education to reduce the stigma of mental illness and prevent suicide.

4th Annual First Hill Brain Health Block Party

EXPLORE FIRST HILL AND CELEBRATE BRAIN HEALTH

Friday, June 26, 2026, 11am-2pm

Fun and Free Event For All Ages | Special invite to folks age 50+!

Healthy Snacks

1

Start at any participating location

2

Enjoy a fun brain-healthy activity

3

Get your passport map stamped*

4

Head to the next location of your choice



*Get 3 passport stamps for a chance to be entered into a prize drawing



SKYLINE



Learn more: <https://tinyurl.com/BHBP2026>





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SUMMER 2026... | ARE YOU READY TO MAKE AN IMPACT?

Service-Immersion Week with

AGAPE SERVICE PROJECT

Encountering the farmworker community of Whatcom County

DISCOVER CHRIST IN COMMUNITY

...SUMMER 2026

Dates: August 2-6

For more information, contact Blake Steller

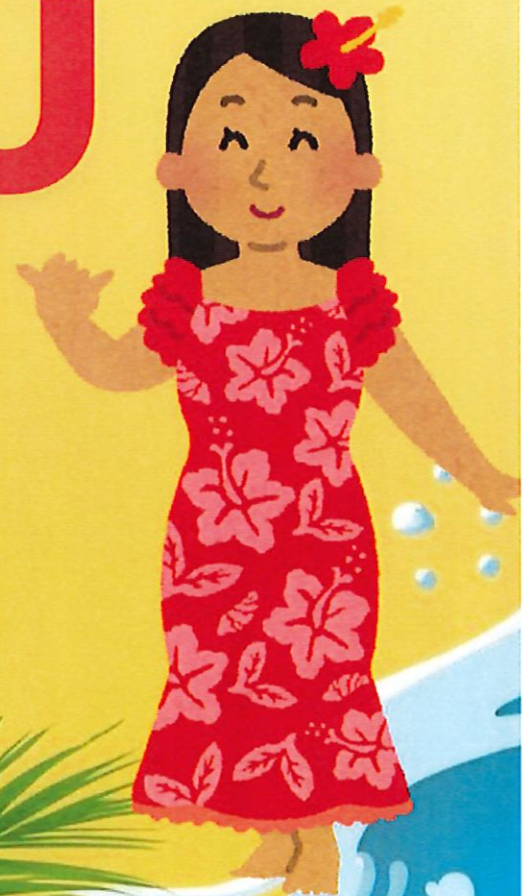
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SAVE
the date!

AUGUST 15, 2026 - SATURDAY
5:30 - 9:30PM
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

49th Annual
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CHOIR CAMP

INSTRUMENTS OF PEACE

AUGUST 17-21 & AUGUST 23

Jubilee Year of St. Francis



Choir Camp Registration is open!

Children and youth throughout the region are invited to register for Choir Camp at St. James this Jubilee year of St. Francis! Choir Camp is a fun and engaging week of prayer, musical instruction, singing, teamwork, and community outreach.

All are welcome to register regardless of your parish status or denomination. Tuition is \$150 per child. Scholarships are available: no child is turned away based upon financial need.

Eligibility

- All children/youth entering grades 1 through 8
- Unchanged (treble) voice
- Any level of singing experience is welcome



August 17-21 & August 23
Sing 10:00 AM Sunday Mass



9:00 AM - 4:00 PM daily
Doors open at 8:30 AM
Daily pick-up ends at 4:30 PM



St. James Cathedral
Cathedral Place
803 Terry Avenue



Scan the QR code:

URL: <https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/7242/responses/new>

Contact: 206.382.4876
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