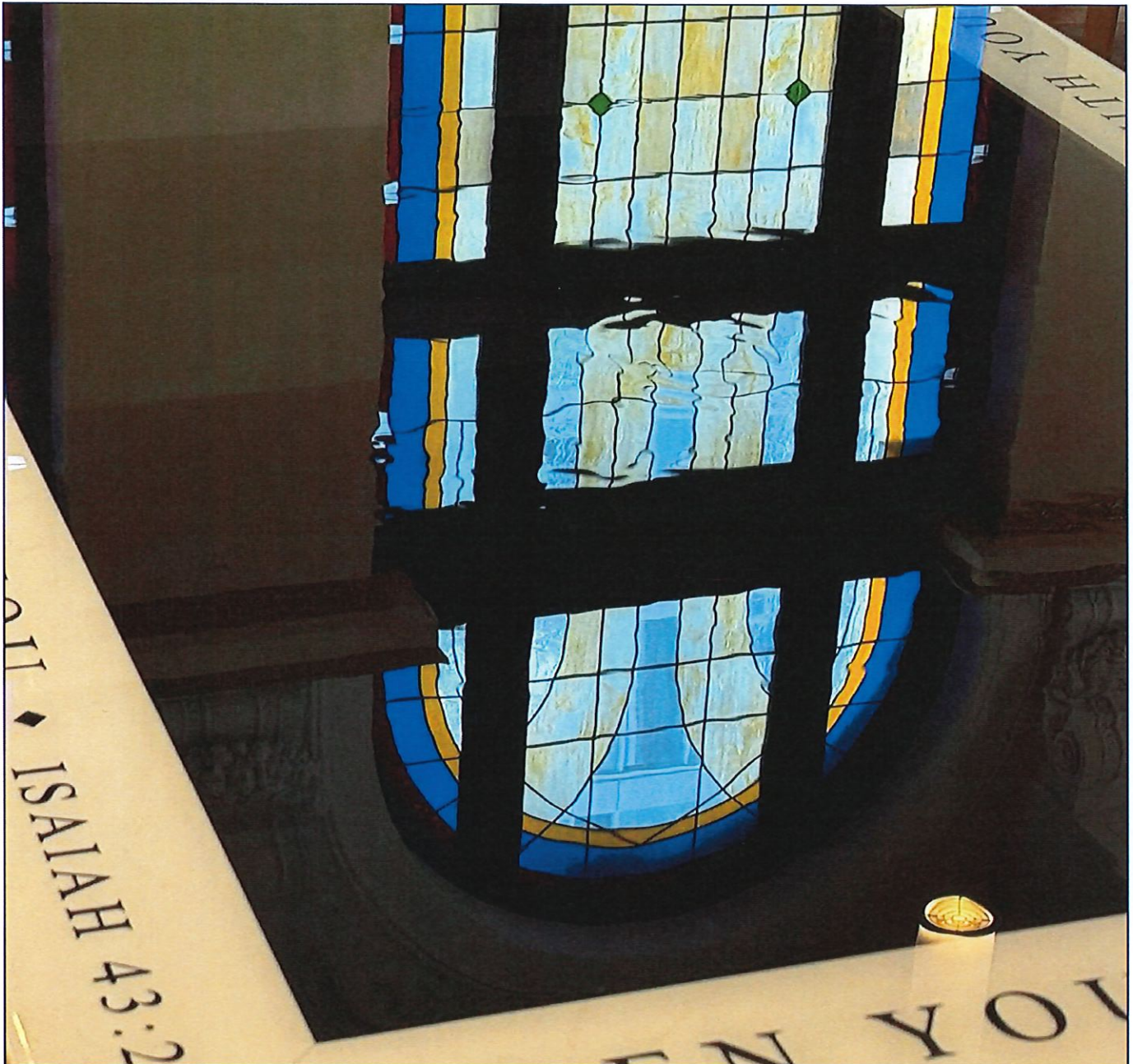


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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | CHRIST OUR HOPE
ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL**

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 6, 2026



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PASTORAL ASSISTANT for ADMINISTRATION

Lawrence N. Brouse (206-382-4280)

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

Maria Laughlin, Director (206-382-4284)
John Marquez, OCIA (Becoming Catholic), Adult Confirmation,
Welcome Back (206-654-4640)
Tami Kowal, Children's Faith Formation, Youth Confirmation (206-219-5822)
Luke Whalon, Children's Faith Formation Associate
Mary Gerrish, Sofia Herrera, Faith Mentors & Faith Friends
Blake Steller, Youth & Young Adult Ministry (206-382-4530)
Margaret Lynch, Weddings (206-382-4854)
Bev Mauser, Louise Mennella, Wedding Coordinators
Yanti Kapoyos, Funerals (206-382-4288)

LITURGY and WORSHIP

Corinna Laughlin, Director of Worship (206-264-2086)
Julie Sharples, Spencer Truong, Dan Hsieh, Stephanie Herrera, sacristy

MUSIC MINISTRY (206-382-4874)

Joseph Adam, Director of Music & Cathedral Organist
Christopher Stroh, Assistant Director of Music & Organist
Stacey Sunde, Director of Youth Music
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Patrick Barredo, Director (206-382-4515)
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Cathedral Kitchen: Mick McHugh (Director) (206-264-2091),
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Laura Murton, Legal Services Coordinator

PARISH OFFICE

Mary MacLean, Bookkeeper (206-382-4564)
Maggie Corrigan, Office Manager (206-622-3559)

FACILITIES and GROUNDS

Brian Jones, Facilities Supervisor (206-264-2087)
Alan Frasher, Khai Nguyen, Tan Nguyen, Manuel Echeverry

CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

MASS

Sundays 8:00am - 10:00am - 12 Noon - 5:30pm
Weekdays 8:00am (M, T, W, Th, F, S) & 12:10pm (M, F)
Saturdays 8:00am & "Vigil" 5:30pm

VESPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT Sundays at 4:00pm

CONFESSIONS/SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays, 8:30am-9:30am (following 8:00am Mass) and by appointment

BAPTISM Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Contact Maria Laughlin for information, mlaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org.

MARRIAGE Registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process up to 14 months in advance. Contact Margaret Lynch, Wedding Office, 206-382-4854.

ANointING of the SICK In case of serious illness, impending surgery, or advanced age, please call the parish office. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should not be delayed until the person is unconscious or in imminent danger of death.

FUNERALS for parishioners, Yanti Kapoyos, 206-382-4288

TRIBUNAL ADVOCATES The parish has several advocates ready to assist with marriage cases (commonly called 'annulments'). Information, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE Open weekdays 11-3 and after weekend Masses

CATHEDRAL COLUMBARIUM Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

CATHEDRAL KITCHEN serves dinner Monday to Friday, 4pm-4:45pm, and breakfast on Sundays, 7am-8am. All are welcome.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

After-hours Emergency answering service for parishioners: 206-467-3049

804 Ninth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104

Telephone: 206-622-3559 FAX: 206-622-5303

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MASS SCHEDULE

11:00 AM Sunday (10:30 AM Rosary)
12:10 PM Wednesday
8:00 AM Sunday - Eritrean Community

CHURCH HOURS

Monday to Friday, 9:00am - 3:00pm, First Saturdays 9:00am-1:00pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday, 9:00am - 3:00pm
By appointment, 206-322-5970, office@icseattle.org

STAFF

Helen Oesterle, Pastoral Associate, 206-322-5970 ext. 602
Shanita Stewart-Burrell, Volunteer/Safe Environment Coordinator, ext. 603
Joseph Fletcher, Maintenance Coordinator, ext. 604
Grace Neri, Administrative Assistant, ext. 601
Michaela Credo, Family Choir, mjcredo08@yahoo.com
Sherrell Mitchell, Gospel Choir, rell4christ@gmail.com

COUNCILS

Pastoral Council, Maria Batayola (Chair)
Finance Council, Jane Powers (Chair)

CONFESSION Please contact the Parish Office, 206-322-5970

BAPTISM Celebrations take place at our Sunday Masses. A preparation program for parents/guardians and godparents is required. Information, Helen Oesterle, 206-322-5970.

WEDDINGS and FUNERALS Helen Oesterle, 206-322-5970, ext 602.

PASTORAL CARE

If you would like to request a home blessing, a communion visit, or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Sylvester Chanda, schanda@stjames-cathedral.org

CHRIST OUR HOPE, 1902 2nd Avenue

<https://christourhopeseattle.org>

MASS SCHEDULE

9:00am Sunday
5:00pm Sunday (Español)
12:10pm Tuesday, Thursday
7:00am Wednesday (Mass or Liturgy of the Hours)

CHURCH HOURS

Daily 6:30am - 8:00pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm
By appointment (206) 448-8826

STAFF

Deanna Tighe, Pastoral Associate (206) 558-9749
Angela Walker, Office Manager (206) 627-4916
Melanie Cruz, Reception (206) 448-8826
Bill McNamara, Director de Coro Hispano (206) 448-8826

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Finance Council, Paula Holmes (Chair)
Liturgy Commission, Chuck Middendorf (Chair)
Outreach Commission, Jim Sweeney (Chair)
Pastoral Council, Daniel Fry (Chair)

CONFESSIONS/SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, Thursday 11:45am; Wednesday 7:30am

BAPTISM

Celebrated quarterly at Sunday Masses

ANointING OF THE SICK

Celebrated quarterly at Mass

WEDDINGS and FUNERALS Contact the Parish office, (206) 448-8826 or mail@christourhopeseattle.org

PASTORAL CARE

To request a home blessing, communion visit, or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Fr. Thumbi, frthumbi@christourhopeseattle.org, or the parish office.

From the Pastor's Desk

September 6, 2026

Dear Friends,
With this week's bulletin, we take another significant step toward becoming one parish. Today we begin publishing a joint bulletin for all three of our parishes. This bulletin is also available on all three of our websites and will be included in the e-blast that goes out each week. It's good to note that the bulletin is provided at no cost to any of our parishes, thanks to our advertisers.

In this bulletin you will find information about all three of our parishes, which answers both a need I have heard expressed and the desire to move forward in uniting our three parishes. The need I have heard from parishioners is to know what is going on in the whole parish family! This new common bulletin will answer that need.

The bulletin for St. James will be slightly different than the one for Immaculate Conception and Christ Our Hope – in the Cathedral's Bulletin the Order of Celebration for the Mass will be included. There may be times that Christ Our Hope and Immaculate Conception will publish a one-page insert highlighting something of particular interest for that community.

I want to thank Maria Laughlin for taking on the huge task of coordinating this effort and serving as the editor of the new common bulletin. I also want to thank Grace Neri at Immaculate Conception and Angela Walker and Deanna Tighe at Christ Our Hope for their work on the committee that brought this project along.

My prayer is that this shared bulletin will help draw us closer as a parish family. I hope you will enjoy learning about all the great things that are happening in all three parishes of our parish family. We are indeed blessed!

Peace,



Father Gary Lazzeroni
Pastor

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | CHRIST OUR HOPE

The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 2026

WELCOME, VISITORS! *If you are a visitor to our parish family, we want you to know how welcome you are – whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese. We are glad you have joined us.*

ON THE COVER *Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him.*
Reflection in the font of Christ Our Hope, Seattle.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR AT ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL are offered by Ursula Bell and family in remembrance of loving her parents Ludwig and Anneliese Faulhaber. *Floral offerings are a wonderful way to remember a deceased loved one, celebrate an anniversary, or give thanks for a prayer that has been answered. Only three Sundays remain available for floral offerings this year: October 11, 18, and Oct 25. Information, Maggie Corrigan, 206-622-3559 or mcorrigan@stjames-cathedral.org.*

ST. JAMES SUNDAY HOSPITALITY After the 10:00am Mass, gather in Cathedral Hall for cherry almond mini-scones from Macrina Bakery, coffee, and the chance to visit with fellow parishioners.

LABOR DAY On Monday, September 7, there will be one Mass at St. James at 8:00am. After Mass, the Cathedral will close for the holiday. The offices of all three parishes will be closed as well. The regular schedule will resume on Tuesday, September 8. The Cathedral Kitchen will serve as usual on Labor Day.

OUR LADY OF VAILANKANNI COMES TO ST. JAMES On Tuesday, September 8 at 6:00pm, all are welcome to the first-ever celebration of Our Lady of Vailankanni (Our Lady of Health), beloved by Catholics across India. The Mass will be celebrated in English and Tamil. A reception will follow in Cathedral Hall.

MASS FOR SUICIDE HEALING AND REMEMBRANCE On Saturday, September 12 at 5:30pm Mass at St. James Cathedral, Bishop Frank Schuster will celebrate the annual Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance, as we remember those we have lost to suicide, and pray for and with all those impacted by suicide.

PARISH REMEMBRANCE *St. James Cathedral has a long tradition of remembering in prayer at Mass and Vespers each parish family in the Archdiocese of Seattle. This week we pray for the parish family of Holy Rosary, Edmonds and St. Thomas More, Lynnwood.*

MONTHLY ART GROUP Every 2nd Friday of the month, 10-11:30am at the St. James Pastoral Outreach Center, join us in a supportive group to work on art projects and meet new people! No experience needed and all materials provided. Next session, September 11. Sponsored by the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry. *Registration*, Anisa Ralls, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

PEACE DAY FOR WOMEN Wednesday, September 16, 9:30am-2pm, free retreat designed for women who wish to deepen their spiritual lives in the company of others. Anisa Ralls, Director of the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry, will facilitate a thoughtful and nurturing conversation exploring the intersection of mental health, spirituality, and community. This event will be held at The Peace and Spirituality Center, 1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue. *Registration required*, <https://peaceandspirituality.csjp.org/#/event/1624/peace-day-for-women-18>

FALL FOREST THERAPY SESSION Sponsored by the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry, led by Certified Forest Therapy Guide Dan Stroh with the nonprofit group Ancient Earth Outings. Join us at 10am-12pm, Wednesday, September 23 at Kubota Garden or Saturday, October 10 at Seward Park. Join us for a slow-paced, gentle, and healing walk through nature. Everyone is welcome but space is limited. *Registration required*, Anisa Ralls, aralls@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4269.

SEATTLE'S ONE DAY OF SERVICE—SHOW UP SEATTLE Christ Our Hope will participate in the citywide day of service on Saturday, September 26 from 9am-1pm. This is an opportunity for us to help clean up and paint up the block around the Josephinum and beyond. Volunteers from the whole parish family are invited to gather at 9am at Christ Our Hope and share coffee and donuts before heading out to refresh the area on 2nd and 3rd between Virginia and Stewart. We will finish around 1pm. The city provides all the tools: we just need to do the work! This is a great opportunity for our entire parish family to come together on a very worthwhile endeavor. *Information*, Jim Sweeney, jimbutte67@gmail.com or text 206-898-8906.

MONTHLY FOOT CARE CLINIC Seattle and King County Public Health are offering free monthly foot clinics and blood pressure checks, on the first Wednesday of every month, 1-4pm. The next clinic is October 7. Held at the St. James Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia St. No registration required.

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS RESOURCE FAIR You are invited to the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry's Annual Resource Fair on Sunday, October 11, 11am to 12pm in Cathedral Hall on the USCCB's designated Mental Health Sunday. Enjoy hospitality, meet representatives from organizations in our community and learn about mental health resources that may benefit you or someone you know! *Information*, Anisa Ralls, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU A middle-aged man who recently had his leg amputated due to a staph infection was discharged from the hospital to his apartment, where he had been living but sleeping on the couch for several decades. Now due to his recovery, he was sleeping upright in his wheelchair. This neighbor called the Helpline at 206-767-6449. Thanks to your donations, we were able to provide him with a new bed. *Information*, Maxine Martin, 858-527-2037 or maxinemartin411@gmail.com

MORNING MOBILITY is offered one Saturday every month, 11:00am-11:45am, at St. James Pastoral Outreach Center. Through 45 minutes of gentle, guided movements, you'll improve flexibility, ease joint stiffness and muscle tightness, and learn mobility exercises you can continue practicing at home. No matter your age or fitness level, this class is for you. Next session will be on October 3. *Information or to RSVP*, Blake Steller, 907-244-6683 or blake@stellercoaching.com.

JOIN US IN OUR SCHOOL IMMERSION PROGRAM Christ Our Hope invites you to consider volunteering with our school Immersion program. Christ Our Hope has the honor of being located inside a Catholic Housing Services/Catholic Community Services building in Downtown Seattle. This unique setting provides a powerful opportunity for Catholic school students to live out their faith through service with our brothers and sisters in need. The Josephinum is more than just a building; it is a community where the realities of poverty, housing insecurity, and resilience are encountered firsthand. Through the Immersion Program, students are invited into a faith-deepening experience that embodies the Biblical call to love and serve others. Immersions offer the students the chance to step into new experiences, engaging with people who live on the margins. We need adult volunteers to lead small groups of Catholic school students as they participate in activities with the Josephinum residents, such as making lunches or care kits, playing bingo, or doing art projects. After the activities, everyone celebrates Mass together and then shares lunch with the Josephinum residents. Each Immersion is during a school day and runs from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. *Information*, Deanna Tighe, 206-448-8826 or dtighe@christourhopeseattle.org.

CHRIST OUR HOPE WILL BE CELEBRATING BAPTISMS OCTOBER 11 in English at the 9:00am Mass and in Spanish at the 5:00pm Mass. Are you interested in finding out more information about celebrating the sacrament for your child? *Information*, Deanna Tighe, dtighe@christourhopeseattle.org.

BAPTISM OF YOUNG CHILDREN AT ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL is celebrated monthly at one of the weekend Masses. To prepare, parents and godparents take a class to update their understanding of baptism, to reflect on their responsibility to guide their children in the practice of the faith, and to learn about the many ways our parish supports families. The next baptisms will be celebrated on October 25 and November 22. Is it time to have your young child baptized? *Information*, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284 or mlaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org.

WHEN A LOVED ONE DIES BY SUICIDE SUPPORT

GROUP For anyone who has experienced suicide loss, this 8-week grief support group will encourage you to reflect on how our Catholic faith can facilitate spiritual healing. We will watch the series *When a Loved One Dies by Suicide* together which explores stories of Catholics whose loved ones have died by suicide and explains Church teaching, while providing comfort and support. Co-sponsored by the Seattle Archdiocese Mental Health Ministry. St. James Pastoral Outreach Center, Tuesdays, October 6-November 24, 6:30-8pm. Facilitated by Anisa Ralls. *Registration required*, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP Every Saturday, homeless women gather in the Cathedral's Pastoral Outreach Center for a hot breakfast and time to pray together. One of the regular attendees recently shared, "I am thankful to be able to gather with many women who come from different backgrounds and different walks of life, with many testimonies that we all share with one another. Prayer helps me to center the mind and gives me calm. It can be soothing for the soul to connect quietly." Parishioners across our parish family are welcome to participate in prayer or help provide breakfast. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org.

IMMIGRANT ASSISTANCE: BUILDING CONNECTIONS

Making connections, fostering relationships, and community building are at the core of our mission at Immigrant Assistance. ESL Tutor M recently mentioned that her student treats her like her "American mom," talking to her about her children, her daily activities, her concerns – pretty much everything! Her student is a young mother, and M is a grandmother. It is a beautiful thing when two people from different backgrounds come together and form a bond. We are blessed to be a part of supporting such relationships. The Tutoring Program offers ESL classes and Citizenship Preparation classes, in-person and online, to adult immigrants. *Information*, Sayuko Setvik, ssetvik@stjames-cathedral.org.

HELP WANTED IN THE CATHEDRAL KITCHEN Every weeknight for over 50 years, the Cathedral Kitchen has provided dinner for our homeless and low-income neighbors, including a hot entrée, fresh fruit, dessert and a sandwich to take as an evening snack. There are volunteer openings for every weekday, 12pm-5pm. *Information*, Mick McHugh, Director of the Cathedral Kitchen, 206-949-6114.

THE CATHEDRAL KITCHEN GARDEN provides 2,000 lbs of produce every year for the Cathedral Kitchen meal programs. We are in need of volunteers for our busy season. All skill levels or no skill levels are welcome. We also welcome volunteers with leadership experience. *Information*, Peter Burns, 206-264-2082 or pburns@stjames-cathedral.org.

TOILETRY DONATIONS If you are traveling and staying at a hotel, consider bringing small toiletries back for people in need. You can drop them in the collection bin in St. James Cathedral Bookstore.

Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John

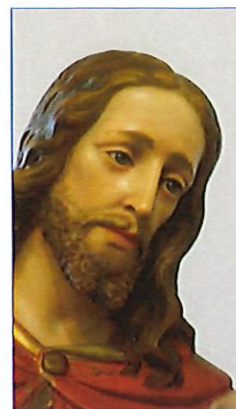
EIGHT WEEK BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Registration for the fall session is now open! We'll gather Mondays, September 14-November 2, 6:00-7:30pm at Immaculate Conception Church. Registration is not required, but preferred.

Payment (for materials) can be made online or in person at the first session. All are welcome!



Please scan QR code to register or visit <https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/7127/responses/new>.



SACRED ENCOUNTERS WEEKLY STREET MINISTRY

is an outreach program of Christ Our Hope. Volunteers assemble every Wednesday, 10:30-11:00am and prepare bags containing sandwiches, fruit, cookies, hygiene kits, socks, gloves, etc. Then the group sets out to distribute these to our neighbors on the streets and sidewalks of the downtown area. It is a wonderful and very fulfilling ministry. Would you like to be a part of it? *Information*, Christ Our Hope, 206-448-8826 or mail@christourhopeseattle.org.

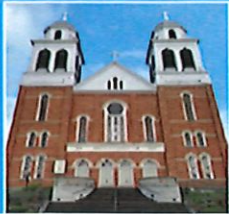
OPERATION NIGHTWATCH Volunteers are needed to help prep, cook, and serve a hot meal for 150 neighbors in need at ONW. It is a one evening per month commitment. We serve 2 to 4 hours between 5:30pm and 9:30pm. *Information*, Peter Burns, 206-264-2082 or pburns@stjames-cathedral.org.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON COOKING Three Saturdays per month from 3:30 to 5:30pm, we cook breakfast to be served the following Sunday morning. We are looking for a volunteer cook to lead a team of 6 volunteers, once per month. *Information*, Peter Burns, 206-264-2082 or pburns@stjames-cathedral.org.

A CATHOLIC RESPONSE TO MASS DEPORTATIONS: A VIRTUAL

PRESENTATION On Thursday, September 17, Noon-1:00pm, join a webinar sponsored by the Washington State Catholic Conference. The webinar will brief participants on how to respond to mass deportation tactics being deployed by the current administration. Topics such as Catholic teaching and enforcement, how to engage with ICE in sensitive locations (i.e., parishes and schools) and public action, advocacy and accompaniment will be discussed. Kevin Appleby, Senior Fellow for Policy, Center for Migration Studies of New York, presenter. Registration required. Use the QR code or visit <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7127/register/k-V2DuRmT4iH5Va1glRiug#/registration>.





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September 6, 2026

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1: Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

Reading 2: Romans 13:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

If you are unable to attend the mass in person, you can join us through a livestream on the Immaculate Conception Facebook page.

Pray for our Parishioners

For the Eternal repose of the soul of

Diana Mendoza

Healing Prayers for Aneliza Mendoza Rossi and Edward Felix

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

Upcoming Funerals

Friday, September 18, 2026

Marcus Mosby

10:00 AM—Viewing

11:00 AM—Funeral Service

Saturday, September 19, 2026

Henry Gamido

9:00 AM—Viewing

10:00 AM—Funeral Service

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Catechesis 101

Still on Anointing of the sick. Special grace and effects of the sacrament (CCC 1532)

- Uniting the sick person to the passion of Christ, for his own good and that of the whole Church.
 - Strengthening, peace, and courage to endure in a christian manner the suffering of illness or old age.
 - Forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of Penance.
 - Restoration of health, if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul.
 - Preparation for passing over to eternal life.
- reason. The sacrament "may be repeated if the sick person recovers after having received the Anointing, or if, as the same sickness continues, there is a more serious relapse" (Order of the Anointing of the Sick and of their Pastoral Care no.9).

~Fr. Chanda

GROWING IN OUR DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

This year, the US Bishops consecrated the US to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as part of our country's 250th anniversary. Bishops around the U.S., including Archbishop Etienne, are encouraging all the faithful to grow closer to Jesus by bringing this devotion of love and mercy into their daily life. **Beginning this Sunday**, we will alternate weekly this devotion with our Sunday morning praying of the rosary. The prayers will be led near the grotto of Our Lady and the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, located on the left side of the altar of the church. As Archbishop Etienne wrote in his May 2026 Pastoral Letter on the Sacred Heart of Jesus, *"In the Church, devotions like the Sacred Heart [and the rosary] are not just prayers to say: These devotions are meant to be lived. They are meant to draw us to greater union with Christ and, through him, to grow in the divine life of grace and holiness."*

The Life of Our Community

LECTOR REFRESH TRAINING—Immaculate Conception Lectors are invited to a refresher training with Fr. Chanda on **Sunday, September 13**, immediately after Mass. All current lectors are encouraged to attend. Please join us as we refresh our understanding and ministry of proclaiming God's Word. For question, please contact Mari Harper at mari.harper@gmail.com

SOMETHING NEW IS HAPPENING AT IMMACULATE! We're refreshing, organizing, and finding new ways to make Immaculate an even more welcoming place—and we'd love for you to be part of it!

There are opportunities to help with:

- Welcome Desk Support
- Music Room Refresh & Organization
- Parish Events & Hospitality
- Organization & Beautification Projects
- Church Painting & Beautification

Whether you have a few hours occasionally or would like to help more regularly, **there's a place for you to get involved!**

Please sign-up using the link or scan the QR code.

<https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/7986/responses/new>



Questions? Contact Shanita Stewart-Burrell, Volunteer Coordinator, at shanitasb@icseattle.org.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PAINT PARTY - Help us refresh and beautify the lower exterior of our church! **Saturdays, September 26 & October 3 at 9:00 AM-3:00 PM**

No painting experience needed! Come for one or both Saturdays. **Lunch will be provided**, and students may earn community service hours.

Scan the QR code to join our volunteer interest list or sign up for the Paint Party.

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Questions? Contact Shanita Stewart-Burrell, Volunteer Coordinator, at shanitasb@icseattle.org.

Thank you for helping make Immaculate a welcoming and beautiful place for our parish community!

BULLETIN POST SUBMISSION

Please scan the QR code to submit any Immaculate Conception Church Seattle bulletin post request, including prayer requests. <https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/7703/responses/new>
For questions, please contact the parish office at office@icseattle.org or 206-322-5970.



CHILDREN AND FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

An important mission of our Catholic faith is the formation and education of our children. During this time of transition is a good opportunity for our community to explore how best to support our children and families. Persons interested in helping with this effort are invited to join in a conversation with Helen Oesterle, Pastoral Associate, **next Sunday, September 13 after Mass** during fellowship in the Hall. Look for the reserved table. If you are not able to come but would like to provide input, please contact her: hoesterle@icseattle.org; 206-322-5970, x 602.

Stewardship:

Caring for Our Church and Community
2026-27 Year-to-Date Collection
Stewardship of Treasure Report

As of 08.30.2026 - \$20,608.79

As of 08.31.2025 - \$24,440.69

Blessings and Thank you!

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH?

Many who attend Immaculate Conception church regularly and consider the ICC their parish have never officially registered. We strongly encourage you to register. Registered parishioners receive important mailings from the church, are able to celebrate their wedding at ICC, and their children may attend any of the Catholic Rainbow Schools at Parishioner rates. To register, visit www.icseattle.org or use the QR code.



REPORTING ABUSE

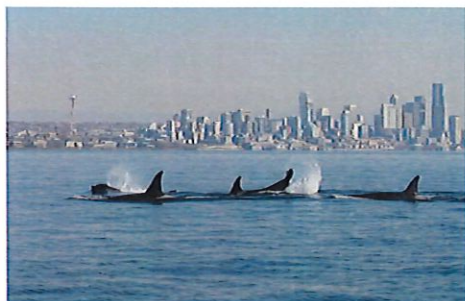
Helpline 800-446-7762 helpline@seattlarch.org protectandheal.seattlearchdiocese.org. Report any suspicion of abuse by any church personnel to the local law enforcement. Call the Helpline if you know of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese 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>



IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER

Ezekiel 47:9, 12



Living Water

Season of Creation 2026

The ecumenical Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together.

The season starts September 1, the Day of Prayer for Creation, and ends October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

This year's theme, "Immersion in Living Water", from the prophet Ezekiel, portrays God's life-giving water flowing from the temple of God. The vision invites human responsibility: recognizing ecological damage, embracing interconnectedness. We are called to safeguard and work for the renewal of creation so that environmental healing and human well-being may flourish together.

The St. James Care for Creation team invites you to commemorate the Season of Creation:

Fallin' for Fungi

Saturday, September 12, 10am to 1pm at Westcrest Park

We will join Dirt Corps to do habitat restoration and trail maintenance.

Registration, Use QR code to the right.



Season of Creation Synod and Mass

Saturday, September 26, Synod: 3–5pm, Mass:

5:30pm, Father Michael G. Ryan, presider

Join the *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor Synodal Session*, an opportunity to ensure that these cries, in the context of our local ministry and works, are heard. All participants will share how they hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. Afterwards, we will celebrate the Season of Creation at Mass!

Season of Creation Taizé Prayer

Friday, October 2, 6:30pm, reception to follow

At the conclusion of the Season of Creation, we gather for contemplative prayer with song, silence, and candlelight. The service includes the meditative chants of the ecumenical Taizé community in France, founded as a sign of reconciliation after World War II.

Information

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YOUNG ADULTS | SEPTEMBER 2026

YOUNG ADULTS OF ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, AND CHRIST OUR HOPE ARE INVITED TO A MONTH FULL OF FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE!

**FRIDAY
SEPT
4**

First Friday-Taizé Prayer & Guest Speaker
6:30pm-8:30pm, St. James Cathedral
Join us for our monthly Taizé prayer service, followed by refreshments and a discussion with **Father Mike Raschko** exploring the theology of St. Thomas Aquinas.

**SAT
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12**

Monthly Service Project — Dirt Corps
10:00am-1:00pm, Westcrest Park
We'll partner with Dirt Corps to learn about the role fungi play in the health of our forests and help care for the ecosystem by removing invasive plants, including blackberry, to give native plants room to grow.

**SUN
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20**

Third Sunday — Mass, Dinner & Guest Speaker
Pastoral Outreach Center
Join us for the 5:30pm Mass at St. James, followed by dinner with **Father Sylvester Chanda**, who will share how young Catholics can boldly live out their call as disciples of Christ.

For more information or to RSVP, Blake Steller, 907-244-6683, bsteller@stjames-cathedral.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

We're excited to officially launch Youth Ministry for the Parish Family of St. James Cathedral, Immaculate Conception, and Christ Our Hope!

Beginning in September, youth aged 13-17 will gather on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, beginning with the 12:00 Noon Mass at St. James Cathedral, followed by our Youth Ministry gathering from 1:00-3:00pm. Each gathering will include a meal along with a mix of service, faith formation, and fun.

Sunday, September 6 — Service & Action

We'll kick off the year with a hands-on service project in the Cathedral Garden. This will be a great opportunity to serve together, get to know one another, and begin the year by putting our faith into action.

Sunday, September 20 — Faith Formation & Community

We'll be joined by Joe Cotton, former Youth Minister at St. James Cathedral, for a special gathering focused on faith and building community.

All teens in our parish family are welcome! Whether you've been involved in youth ministry before or are joining for the first time, we'd love to have you be part of what we're building.

Questions or interested in getting involved?

Blake Steller, bsteller@stjames-cathedral.org or (907) 244-6683

Opportunities for Adult Faith Formation 2026-2027

St. James Cathedral, Immaculate Conception, Christ Our Hope

Mondays beginning September 14	Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John Lori Chisholm-Cook facilitates an 8-week Bible Study	6:00pm Rectorry, Immaculate Conception
Thursdays September 17 and 24	Cathedral Book Club: <i>Magnifica Humanitas</i> Sponsored by the Life, Peace, and Justice Commission	7:00pm Holy Names Room, St. James Cathedral
Monday October 5	Acedia: The Deadly Sin Against Joy Andy Simons, presenter	6:30pm Holy Names Room, St. James Cathedral
Tuesdays beginning November 3	Parables: Stories You Thought You Knew Why did Jesus teach in parables? How can we understand these sometimes confusing and unsettling stories, in their original context and in our world today? Patty Bowman, presenter	6:30pm Holy Names Room
Sunday December 13	An Ignatian Advent Retreat This Sunday afternoon retreat will offer some teaching about Ignatian prayer, followed by an invitation to pray in silence using gospel contemplation, imaginative prayer, and the Ignatian "examen." Rosanne Michaels, presenter	11:30am-3:30pm Holy Names Room <i>Lunch provided</i>
Tuesdays beginning January 12	Genesis: In the beginning... and beyond A six-week exploration of the origins of our faith. Patty Bowman, presenter	6:30pm Holy Names Room
Mondays beginning January 11	The Book of Acts Lori Chisholm-Cook facilitates a 10-week study of the Book of Acts	6:00pm Rectorry, Immaculate Conception
Sunday, February 1	Lenten Retreat: Listen to Him An afternoon of guided quiet reflection, prayer, conversation with Scripture and art. How we are listening to God in our Scriptures, everyday events, and through creation? What do we hear? How can we listen more deeply as we walk from Lent to Easter? Patty Repikoff, presenter	11:30am-3:30pm Holy Names Room <i>Lunch provided</i>
Mondays March 8 & 15	"That all shall be saved" 1 Tim. 2.4 hopefully asserts that God desires every person's salvation. Does this mean that God will override our wills to save us? If not, does this mean human wills can ultimately veto God's will? Join us as we dive into the topic of universalism. Andy Simons, presenter	6:30pm Holy Names Room
Thursdays beginning April 8	Our Pilgrim Paths With the help of Sacred Scripture, art, personal pilgrim stories, prayer, and conversation, we will explore pilgrimage themes, movements and insights taken from Scripture and our own life journeys. Patty Repikoff, presenter	6:30pm Holy Names Room
Monday April 19	A look at the Papacy of Pope Leo XIV Noted Vatican correspondent and author Chris White offers insights into the first two years of Pope Leo XIV's papacy	7:00pm Cathedral Hall
Mondays beginning April 26	The Book of Acts Lori Chisholm-Cook facilitates a 10-week study of the Book of Acts	6:00pm Rectorry, Immaculate Conception

Magnifica Humanitas

Thursdays, September 17 and 24, 2026 | 7:00pm
Holy Names Room, St. James Pastoral Outreach Center
(907 Columbia St.)

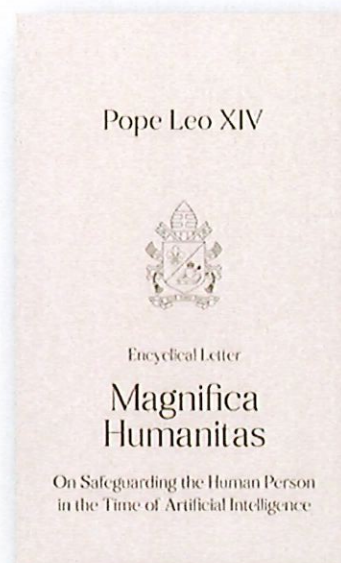
Pope Leo XIV begins his encyclical with this sobering sentence: "Humanity, created by God in all its grandeur, is today facing a pivotal choice: either to construct a new Tower of Babel or to build the city in which God and humanity dwell together."

The far-ranging encyclical examines AI through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching and the Social Doctrine of the Church, urging the need for an ethical code governing AI, including protecting human dignity, care for our environment, and social justice for all people.

On Thursday, September 17, Dr. Judith Mayotte will deliver a short presentation on Pope Leo XIV's encyclical letter, after which the Cathedral Book Club will discuss the encyclical and its implications for our lives, our faith, and our future.

On Thursday, September 24, Patrick Barredo will lead a group study to explore what it means to live the Christian life in a time of rapid and far-reaching technological change. Participants will come away able to identify large ideas they hear Pope Leo XIV teaching throughout the encyclical. *Magnifica Humanitas* is available free online or in the Cathedral Bookstore.

Registration is encouraged but not required. Please contact Joyce Mork-O'Brien, jamob14@comcast.net, indicating which event(s) you plan to attend so we can accommodate everyone. Parking is available at O'Dea High School. This is an in-person event.



Welcome Back

COMING HOME TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Consider this your invitation to take another look at the Catholic Church. If, for one reason or another you have been away or, if you—or someone you know—is disillusioned, longing for community, or hungry for something more, Welcome Back might be just the right place to safely explore these concerns.

St. James Cathedral offers an eight-week "Welcome Back" program for Catholics out of touch with a Church that may have once been their home. It's a safe place to ask questions, learn about changes in the Church, and begin to experience true community. If you desire, we'll help you return to the sacraments, and to the full and active practice of Catholic faith.

The fall series will begin Tuesday, September 22. Sessions will be held at 7:00pm at St. James Cathedral.

To register, or for more "no strings attached" information, contact John Marquez, 206-654-4640 or jmarquez@stjames-cathedral.org.

Come and Join the Celebration!
Feast of
San Lorenzo Ruiz

"If I had a thousand lives, I would offer them all to God."

— *St. Lorenzo Ruiz*



San Lorenzo Ruiz was born between 1600 and 1610 in Binondo, Manila, to a Chinese father and a Filipino mother. Raised in the Catholic faith, he served as an altar boy and sacristan. He was educated by the Dominican Fathers, who admired his excellent penmanship and made him their official scribe.

In 1636, facing a false accusation, Lorenzo left the Philippines with Dominican missionaries and traveled to Japan—where Christianity was forbidden. Upon arrival in Nagasaki, Lorenzo and his companions were arrested for their faith. They endured cruel torture, including water submersion, beatings, and having needles driven under their fingernails. Some recanted, but Lorenzo stood firm.

On **September 27, 1637**, he was martyred by *horca y hoyá*, a method of slow suffocation while being hung upside down. After two days of agony, he died with unwavering faith in God. His ashes were thrown into the sea.

San Lorenzo Ruiz was canonized by **Pope St. John Paul II** in **1987**, becoming the **first Filipino saint and martyr**. His courage and witness remain a powerful example for all of us today.

St. Lorenzo Ruiz, pray for us!

Novena Celebration – Nine (9) days of prayer and devotion

Begins on Saturday, September 19 at 6:00pm on Zoom

Continues through September 28

Zoom Meeting ID: 870 4544 6107 - Passcode: 852488

Feast Day Mass and Celebration

Sunday, September 27, 2026 - 11:00am

Mass followed by a reception in Jean Moran Hall

All are invited.

Immaculate Conception Church

820 – 18th Avenue

Seattle, Washington 98122





A New Season of Concerts & Liturgies with Special Music

- ♦ **FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH ♦ 6:30pm** (prelude at 6:15) ♦ **TAIZÉ Liturgy**
- ♦ **FRI. OCTOBER 2 ♦ 7:30pm:** Mark Hilliard **WILSON** classical guitar ♦ **Free Concert**
- ♦ **FRI. OCTOBER 16 ♦ 7:30pm:** The Cathedral **CANTOREI TAVENER Funeral Ikos, HOWELLS Requiem, PIZZETTI Messa di Requiem**
- ♦ **MON. NOVEMBER 2 ♦ 7:00pm:** **ALL SOULS REQUIEM MASS Liturgy** ♦ St. James **CATHEDRAL CHOIR & ORCHESTRA ♦ FAURÉ Requiem**
- ♦ **FRI. NOVEMBER 20 ♦ 7:30pm:** **VOX LUMINIS ♦ MONTEVERDI Vespers of 1610** presented by **Early Music Seattle**
- ♦ **SAT. DECEMBER 5 ♦ 8:00pm:** **MEDIEVAL WOMEN'S CHOIR ♦ BIRTH & REBIRTH**
- ♦ **SAT. DECEMBER 12 ♦ 7:30pm:** **OPUS 7 VOCAL ENSEMBLE** with St. James **JUBILATE! Young Women's Ensemble ♦ A BOY WAS BORN**
- ♦ **FRI. DECEMBER 18 ♦ 7:00pm:** **ADVENT READINGS & CAROLS Liturgy** ♦ St. James **YOUTH MUSIC CHOIRS**
- ♦ **THU. DECEMBER 24 ♦ 9:00pm:** **CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE 10:00pm: MASS IN THE NIGHT Liturgy** ♦ St. James **CATHEDRAL CHOIR**
- ♦ **FRI. JANUARY 22 ♦ 7:30pm:** **CAPPELLA ROMANA ♦ EPIPHANY** *Mystical Chant from Old & New Rome*
- ♦ **SAT. MARCH 6 ♦ 8:00pm:** **OPUS 7 VOCAL ENSEMBLE ♦ FROM RUIN TO RESTORATION**
- ♦ **WED. MARCH 24 ♦ 7:00pm:** The Office of **TENEBRÆ Liturgy** ♦ The Cathedral **CANTOREI ALLEGRI Miserere mei Deus**, other music TBA
- ♦ **FRI. MARCH 26 ♦ 12:00-3:00pm:** **TRE ORE Liturgy** ♦ **JUBILATE! Young Women's Ensemble with orchestra ♦ PERGOLESI Stabat Mater**
- ♦ **FRI. APRIL 16 ♦ 7:00pm:** The Cathedral **CANTOREI & ORCHESTRA** **HANDEL'S Messiah (complete Parts I, II, & III for Eastertide)** *Messiah an Oratorio*
- ♦ **THU. MAY 13 ♦ 7:30pm:** St. James **CATHEDRAL CHOIR ♦ DONOR APPRECIATION CONCERT ♦ Free Concert**
- ♦ **SAT. MAY 15 ♦ 8:00pm:** **SEATTLE PRO MUSICA ♦ RACHMANINOFF Vespers**
- ♦ **SAT. MAY 22 ♦ 8:00pm:** **MEDIEVAL WOMEN'S CHOIR ♦ CELESTIAL LIGHT**
- ♦ **PLUS: ORGAN RECITALS & MORE CONCERTS ♦ TO BE ANNOUNCED!**



*Messiah
an Oratorio*



For more information, scan QR code or visit www.stjames-cathedral.org/music/concerts

No tickets or reservations are needed for events marked **Liturgy** or **Free Concert**. Concerts on Oct 16 & Apr 16 are ticketed by St. James (suggested donation), links on our website. All other concerts on this list are ticketed by the ensemble or presenting organization: **Early Music Seattle** earlymusicseattle.org ♦ **Medieval Women's Choir** medievalwomenschoir.org ♦ **Opus 7 Vocal Ensemble** opus7.org ♦ **Cappella Romana** cappellaromana.org ♦ **Seattle Pro Musica** www.seattlepromusica.org

A limited number of pay-as-able parishioner passes are available for concerts that do not offer pay-as-able tickets. Contact the Cathedral Music Office: musicoffice@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4874.