

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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**WELCOME!**

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

### SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

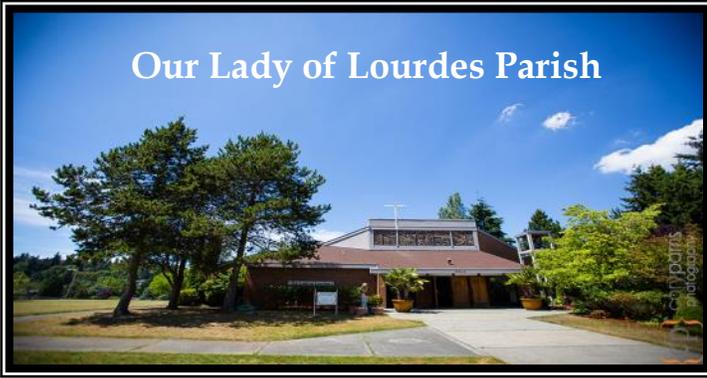
### ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30pm Adoration  
6:00pm Mass

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30pm – 4:50pm  
Sunday 8:00am – 8:20am  
Also by Appointment

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed  
 Tuesday & Friday: Please Call for Appointment  
 Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:00pm  
 Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm  
 Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

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### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

Donation	\$3,816.00
Donation Online	\$1,842.00
Maintenance Fund	\$40.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Children's Donation	\$0
<b>Total Donation</b>	<b>\$5,698.00</b>



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS For World Mission Sunday!**

**COLLECTED \$3,965**

### Prayer to Our Lady of Seattle



**H**oly Mary, we come before you as spiritual mothers of children in great need, seeking your intercession, and asking that your mantle of love surround us to console, protect, and lead us to your son Jesus.

We entrust all of God's family, especially the church in Western Washington, into your immaculate hands. With your son Jesus' gentle power you can *undo any knot* in our church, and in the lives of believers who entrust themselves to your care.

Today I especially entrust to you *[mention request/ Coronavirus here]*, and I ask that — through your intercession, and that of St. James, our guardian angels, and the faithful in our archdiocese — we may be free from every spiritual and temporal ill, and be safely led to encounter your son's merciful, sacred heart.

Our Lady of Seattle, Undoer of Knots, pray for us!

### Sunday Readings 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer: 31: 7-9; Heb 5: 1-6  
 Mark 10: 46-52

**STAND UP AND GO ON YOUR WAY. YOUR FAITH HAS SAVED YOU.**

**"The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way ."**

**Mark 10: 35-45**

## **Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year B**

### **Homily by Father Peter Doan**

The Gospel's story today is amazing. The blind man, Bartimaeus, was sitting by the roadside begging right outside of Jericho. Jericho was a big city and considered a sin city. Sin cities make us blind spiritually. How did Bartimaeus start his conversation with Jesus? He cried out: "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." This is a very appropriate way to begin a conversation with God. We are sinners; we are unable to save ourselves; we can't solve our problems on our own and can't get out of them because sin is addiction. Therefore, we ought to beg for God's mercy. This is why at the very beginning of each mass we repeat the word of Bartimaeus by saying "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy". We acknowledge who we are in the sin city. Only through God's mercy we can celebrate mass worthily.

However, many rebuked Bartimaeus, telling him to be silent. This is not surprising because the sin city there is its own way to protect its interest and to block what and who rise against it, just as Bartimaeus was blocked by the people around him. When someone needs help, he expects the support of people around as Bartimaeus did. Look at what he gets. The reaction of the people at Jesus' time is exactly of the people today. The voice of the weak, of minor is always blocked by the strong and by the majority. Go tell the people of this city that you want to return to God, you want to beg for God's help in everything you do. You'll be surprised with how many people would support you. Some? Maybe none.

It's not because Bartimaeus did not get support from people of the sin city then he had to stop begging. He even kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." Bartimaeus owned a great virtue of perseverance. This virtue we need to have in prayers. We meant to pray, to seek and to ask with persistence and with perseverance. Despite the reaction of the crowd, Bartimaeus begs, begs and begs for God's mercy. You and I need to do exactly the same thing. We beg and beg and beg despite of all the people of sin city blocking us and the crowd mocking us.

Next is a pitiful moment. Jesus stopped and said, "call him". When all the crowd in the mode of moving and pushing, Jesus became a still point. When the disciples were in the mid of a storm, Jesus became a still point for them to come for help. Jesus called the blind man out of the crowd. Jesus called Mathew out of tax collectors, considered sinners at that time. Jesus is still calling us out of the crowd we are in, out of the sin cities we are in to return to Him, to come to His mercy. So Bartimaeus is evocative of all of us: blind, beggars, sinners, seeking salvation.

How Bartimaeus reacted to Jesus' call is amazing. "He (Bartimaeus) threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. This is the image of baptism. In baptism, we take off our old clothes, which is sins, and put on new clothes which is Jesus Himself. We all know how sins damage us both psychologically and spiritually. Sins weigh us down. After being called by Jesus, Bartimaeus springs up. Jesus has the power to raise us up from the bottom. No matter how sinful we are, he always there to call us by name out of the sin city we are in. And Jesus would ask us the same question he asked Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" Bartimaeus replied to him: "Master, I want to see." Many of us are very successful people but sometimes or many times we don't see things rightly; we don't see things as God wants us to see. In other words, we are blind spiritually. For instance, we usually say: my life, my body, my choices, I determine what I want. Don't tell me what to do. I determine values and truths. That's exactly why we are blind. If today you are called by Jesus out of the sin city and he will ask you "what do you want me to do for you?". What would your answer be? I want more money? I want more power? Or I want to see things correctly? Or Lord, please heal my spiritual blindness?

Take a look at the result after Bartimaeus's encounter Jesus. Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. The depressed Bartimaeus becomes a whole new person. He can see things correctly; he knows the way to salvation because he follows Jesus on the way.

Bartimaeus' story is exactly our stories. We are blind spiritually but we don't recognize it. We need to present our needs to Jesus that we want to see things as He sees. And the Lord will heal our blindness according to our faith. When that happens, we will be able to become Jesus' disciples to follow him on the way.



## FORMING DISCIPLES FOR LIFE & JUSTICE

OCTOBER 30, 2021  
VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

Please join us on October 30, 2021 for the Cornerstone Catholic Conference, a Life and Justice Initiative of the five bishops of WA State, sponsored by the WA State Catholic conference—WSCC.

Keynote Speakers:

Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ: *A Case for the Inalienable Rights of the Pre-Born*

Gloria Purvis: *What do the Racial Justice and Pro-Life Movements Have in Common?*

Fr. Augustino Torres: *Maintaining Christian Joy in Times of Darkness (Workshop in English)*

Brenda Noriega: *Amarás al Prójimo como a ti mismo! “Y quién es mi prójimo?”*  
(Presenting in Spanish)

There is no charge for this virtual conference, though donations are welcome. Register today.

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

For all who have died from Covid-19

November 8 | 7pm

St. James Cathedral

Archbishop Etienne presiding

Join us in person or livestream  
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## A PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

FOR THE RENEWAL AND  
SPREAD OF THE FAITH

On the feast of Pentecost, May 23, Archbishop Paul D. Etienne will promulgate a new pastoral plan for the Archdiocese of Seattle. The archbishop invites Catholics to pray a novena to the Holy Spirit leading up to Pentecost (May 14–22), for the intention of the renewal and spread of the faith. The novena prayer is a translation of the traditional Pentecost hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus*.



Come, Creator Spirit,  
visit the minds of those who are yours;  
fill with heavenly grace  
the hearts that you have made.

You who are named the Paraclete,  
gift of God most high,  
living fountain, fire, love  
and anointing for the soul.

You are sevenfold in your gifts,  
you are finger of God's right hand,  
you, the Father's solemn promise  
putting words upon our lips.

Kindle a light in our senses,  
pour love into our hearts,  
infirmities of this body of ours  
overcoming with strength secure.

The enemy drive from us away,  
peace then give without delay;  
with you as guide to lead the way  
we avoid all cause of harm.

Grant we may know the Father through you,  
and come to know the Son as well,  
and may we always cling in faith to you,  
the Spirit of them both.

Amen.

