

WWCCR MOVES TO TUKWILA

Reflections from the Staff and Board

Moving Again

By Virginia King, Volunteer, Former WWCCR Executive Director

In the early years of WWCCR, the office moved every couple of years. We were first located in the old seminary building at St. Thomas Center in Kenmore. In fact, we had three different locations just within that big old building.

There came a time when we were no longer able to lease space at St. Thomas Center, so we went in search of a different space. We had offices at 86th & Aurora in Seattle for a few years, then moved to offices at 127th & Aurora. Each time, the move was deemed necessary by the Board because of rent increases and various reasons.

When we moved to 143rd, just off Aurora, it was due to the generosity of a faithful supporter, who purchased the office building for the sole purpose of leasing it to WWCCR. It's great to have a faithful supporter as your landlord! And eventually they decided to donate the building to us. That was such a

gift!!! We were able to have an adoration chapel. The post office was on the same block, so doing bulk mailings was easy. It seemed like the ideal situation—and it was for over 25 years.

But even ideal situations change. As the area around 143rd Avenue began to be built up, with more and more apartment buildings, we found we had less and less parking available. And we realized that the needs of the ministry were changing so that we didn't need all the space at the office. The bookstore was dissolved. Most of our events took place in parishes rather than at the office. There were many indicators that it was time to move.

So once again, we've made a move. It feels like "full circle" because we are once again in a parish building—and looking forward to a wonderful working relationship with St. Thomas, but this time in Tukwila rather than in Kenmore. There is no way that we could have planned this! It is the Lord, no doubt about it!

Riding With Jesus

By Kellie Schmieder, Board Secretary

My father was a phenomenal driver. Never in my life have I seen someone handle a car as well as he did. He could do controlled donuts in parking lots, navigate any hill in the ice with ease and made it look easy when he made it to work in the snow in a rear-wheel drive Chevy Nova. He was a race-car driver many moons ago and his skills and expertise never faded. When he would take us on car trips I never worried about where we were going or what route we were

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WWCCR VISION AND MISSION

Vision: that all Catholics mature in a personal relationship with Jesus, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to the glory of God The Father.

Mission: to renew the face of the earth by nurturing and inspiring Catholics:

- + To experience a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- + To fan into flame the gifts we receive through the Sacraments
- + To develop a deeper life of prayer and worship

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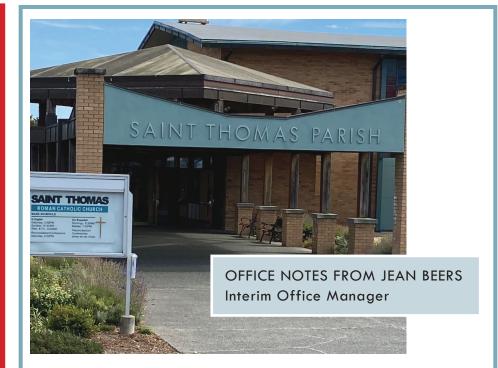
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A New Season To Bear Fruit

"But as for the seed that fell on rich soil,
they are the ones who, when they have heard the word,
embrace it with a generous and good heart,
and bear fruit through perseverance."

Luke 8:15

It is Fall and a new season for the ministry of WWCCR. The Lord has planted us in the rich soil of St. Thomas parish. As we adjust to new surroundings we feel excited and hopeful for what the future will bring. We seek to embrace the word of God with generous and good hearts by sharing the blessing of baptism in the Spirit, and we trust that this ministry will bear fruit through perseverance.

Come and see our new office at St. Thomas Church in Tukwila. Is the Lord asking you to work in this ministry, to help us plant the seeds of the word of God, the word of hope and newness of life, the word of prophecy and encouragement to receive the empowering of the Holy Spirit? Let's together bear fruit through perseverance.

taking, I knew we would get there securely. This is how I viewed the Lord during our journey in moving the base of operations of Western Washington Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

During prayer at one of our WWCCR Board meetings we received a prophecy that said we were on a long car trip at night, and Jesus was at the wheel. He wanted us to sit back, relax and that he would get us to our destination; that we could trust him in everything. We didn't have to be "backseat drivers" or use our own GPS because he knew the way.

The Board and I piled in the back of the car that Jesus was driving. And like many kids along for the ride, thrown together in the backseat, we made the most of it. We often prayed with each other and formed a bond over that long haul. At times, the road grew bumpy, but Jesus would always maneuver us along a smoother route. Much like children, we often wondered and dreamed about the destination, chatting to each other about all the possibilities of the adventure that awaited us. When we arrived at St. Thomas in Tukwila, we felt so welcomed, like a feeling of coming home, warm and inviting and immediately at ease. It was as if they had been waiting for us all of this time. It was everything that we needed, and it indeed brought the peace that transcends all understanding.

Let the new chapter of our adventures begin!

The Right Move

By Carolyn McNerney, Staff Volunteer

A few times in my life, God brought me to (or allowed) exactly what I thought I didn't want. Years ago, I secretly hoped I would retire or move on before WWCCR had to relocate. Why? Because there was SO MUCH that had to be reviewed, decided upon, and tossed or packed.

Months ago, Fr. Jim Northrop offered the idea of moving to St. Thomas. While I've often thought that Tukwila was a great spot because of the convergence of the I-5 and 405 freeways, I was really hoping that WWCCR would not move too far from its north Seattle location because it would be difficult for the very faithful volunteers, or the community of folks who attend office Masses, or the staff to travel there easily. Several options were considered and viewed, but Tukwila is exactly where God led us—and it feels absolutely right despite the challenges of change, because that's how He is. His ways are not our ways. The generosity of Fr. Jim and the parish has been amazing, and I have great hope for this to be a fruitful base of operation.

Theresa Jordan did a yeoman's work of packing and cleaning—so much behind the scenes and on her own initiative. The WWCCR Board, Virginia, Ana and Ruben Pereyra, Jean and her family, and my son Clay, and husband Ron, as well, made this move priority one and got it done. Holy Spirit, fall afresh on us!

Moving Together

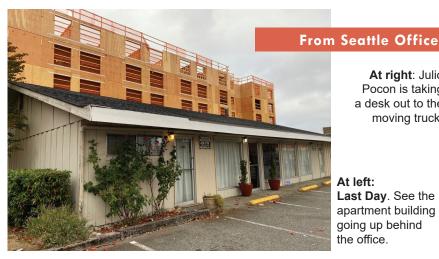
By Sharon Fox, Board President

This whole process of discerning to move the WWCCR office and doing it has opened my eyes to the timing of God. We've been living with this move for almost 2 years now. It's not something to take lightly and it took many of us time to pray and reflect on how and when to do it.

Early on, the Board made a commitment to fast one day a week, seeking the Lord's direction. The hearts of the Board, staff and volunteers began to change as we went through the process of letting go and preparing for the move.

I thought it was sort of miraculous that all of us have worked together a lot—and we are still working together a lot—without fighting. There was a flow about how things were getting done. We didn't even all have to be there all the time, exhausting ourselves. There seemed to be enough help at the right time so that on the weekend of the actual move, Drea and Virginia could go on retreat and the work got done. I will delight in the Lord for the ways he has worked with us to get us to this day. May he now open the doors that we need to bring baptism in the Spirit to all of the people he sends our way.

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At right: Julio Pocon is taking a desk out to the moving truck.

At left: Last Day. See the apartment building going up behind the office.





Here's the moving truck ready to take our extra office furniture to donate to Mercy House at St. Pius parish in Mountlake Terrace.



Last office Mass with celebrant Fr. Khanh Nyugen, left to right: Theresa Jordan, Dan McMullen, Pat Thomas, Ana Pereya, Virginia King, Fr. Khanh, Tom Croteau, Mary Hearon, sacristan Bobbie Brown, Sue Gallwas, Hermie Subarah, musician Gary Fahey.

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Jesus, We Trust in You!

By Theresa Jordan, Staff Volunteer

The WWCCR Board decided it was time to look for a new office location in late 2020. We agreed that the Lord would take the drivers seat as we proceeded. After many months of praying and discernment, the Seattle office went on the real estate market. The Lord found a buyer rather quickly!

Next it was time to decide what to keep, what to purge and what to donate. Everyone from the Board, to the staff, to volunteers worked very diligently to sort and pack. Box by box, each office was gradually cleared out.

The scripture, Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ that strengthens me," kept motivating me throughout the process.

When it came time to discern where we should move, I thought, "We haven't much time!" The Lord provided several choices. All sites were toured and then again through prayer and

discernment the Lord pointed us to St. Thomas parish.

Once we had our meeting at St. Thomas parish, Father Jim and his staff were very welcoming. Everything just fell into place. It was the Lord's perfect plan for the WWCCR office.

When moving day came, Julio Pocon's team had the Seattle office packed up in two trucks in record time. It was truly amazing.

Thank you, St. Thomas staff, and Father Jim, for welcoming us with open arms. Jesus, we trust in you!



to Tukwila Office

At right: Desk rearrangement

At left: Andrea Garcia finishing her work as Temporary Office Coordinator. Andrea helped organize the unpacking and arrangement of the new office.



At left: Our new red wall greets you when you come to visit our new office!

Teamwork!

By Julio Pocon, Board Member

There is nothing more beautiful than working together as a team! We were blessed with Greg and Carlos who helped out with loading the 26-foot U-haul truck and a 14-foot trailer. These guys were amazing, and we were able to move everything in one single trip. From 7 am to 3 pm with a 2-hr forced break (LOL) due to a wedding ceremony at St. Thomas. I want to also thank everyone and all of you who shared your time, treasure and talent to make it all happen.

Praise the Lord Almighty for sending all these beautiful people.
THANK YOU!

It's a Brand New Day

By Bobbie Brown, Office Volunteer

Don't look back! It is the season to turn, and the office move is completed. Praise God! So now is a time of change being led by Jesus our Lord.

We walk by faith and not by sight. I had been both on staff as Healing Mass Coordinator and then as a volunteer in that position between 2007 and 2015. During

these past two years it has been a pleasure and blessing to be a sacristan and coordinator for the office Masses, and a facilitator for our ongoing Bible Study. As in Acts 2:42, we gathered together for teaching of the apostles, fellowship, breaking of the bread and prayers. Then came the corona virus and pandemic; we gathered in smaller numbers with masks.

I always enjoy being with the community and staff of WWCCR who promote our mission of baptism in the Holy Spirit.

We Remember

In the month of November, we remember all who have gone before us into eternal life. We remember below those who have been part of the life of the WWCCR family, who are now our "heavenly intercessors."

Bill Buckley - April, 2020
LaVelle McGuire - April, 2020
Jun Agustin - May, 2020
Dcn. Peter Flatley - May, 2020

Christine Garcia - July, 2020 Chris Perry - July, 2020

Mary Ann Boley - August, 2020

Don Cummins - October, 2020

Fr. Joseph McGowan - December, 2020

Betty Dameron - 2020

Judy Martin - January, 2021

Carol Connors - May, 2021

Delphine Fleming - May, 2021

Earl Holzknecht - August, 2021

Wilma Snyder - September, 2021

"God of all holiness, you gave your saints different gifts on earth but one reward in heaven. May their prayers be our constant encouragement for each of us to walk worthily in our vocation. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen!"

(Opening prayer from the votive Mass for All Saints.)

REFLECTION

GOD'S TIMING IS ALWAYS GOOD

By Andrea Garcia



My nanny job ended in the middle of May; an illness followed soon after. So for four and a half months I had time to rest and recuperate. When I was feeling better, I was available to help at the WWCCR office in preparation for the move down to St. Thomas in Tukwila. We are now in the new space and my time as temporary office manager ended. I started my new nanny job in October. How blessed am I. God's timing is always good.

As I packed boxes and took items to Goodwill, scanned thousands of pictures of conferences retreats and saw volunteers, both those living and those who have gone home to the Lord over the years, I am truly blessed to be here at this pivotal time and to walk along WWCCR's next move of the Holy Spirit!! I'm so excited, although I do have to admit driving south as opposed to driving north will take time to get used to. Again, God's timing is always good.

As I reflect on the years in the Shoreline office—the many hours of classes, workshops, mailings, retreat prep, Masses, prayer time in the chapel for various events—I am truly grateful that the continued vision to nurture baptism in the Holy Spirit in vibrant relationship with Jesus and with the church is going strong... funny since our office space is now in the church! We are quite literally "dwelling in the shelter of the Lord." How awesome is that! As I said, God's timing is always good!

Proverbs 16:9: "In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps." ■

Andrea Garcia is the WWCCR Board Vice President and a parishioner at Blessed Sacrament parish, Seattle.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER INTERCESSORY PRAYER NETWORK

Please pray for these priests, deacons, and seminarians:

Nov 1	Pope Francis	Dec 1	Pope Francis
Nov 2	Archbishop Paul Etienne	Dec 2	Archbishop Paul Etienne
Nov 3	Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, MSpS	Dec 3	Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, MSpS
Nov 4	Fr. Jim Northrop	Dec 4	Fr. Jim Northrop
Nov 5	Fr. Alfredo Velazquez Ramirez	Dec 5	Deacon Ronald Allen
Nov 6	Fr. Joseph Dang Hai Vu	Dec 6	Deacon Mikhail Alnajjar
Nov 7	Deacon Dick Wallace	Dec 7	Fr. Joseph Altenhofen
Nov 8	Fr. John Walmesley	Dec 8	Deacon Kirk Altenhofen
Nov 9	Deacon Jack Warfield	Dec 9	Fr. Jose Alvarez
Nov 10	Deacon Richard Werner	Dec 10	Deacon John Amlag
Nov 11	Fr. Ed White	Dec 11	Fr. Victor Raj Anas Dass
Nov 12	Fr. Nicholas Wichert	Dec 12	Deacon Mauricio Anaya
Nov 13	Fr. John Wilkie	Dec 13	Fr. Michael Angelovic
Nov 14	Fr. James Williams	Dec 14	Fr. Zevier Arockiam
Nov 15	Deacon Steve Wodzanowski	Dec 15	Fr. Albert Arulappan
Nov 16	Fr. Stephen Woodland	Dec 16	Deacon Bruno Bahk
Nov 17	Fr. Gerald Woodman	Dec 17	Fr. James "Larry" Bailey
Nov 18	Fr. Horacio Yanez	Dec 18	Fr. Aloysio Kyeongseok Bang
Nov 19	Deacon Joua Pao Yang	Dec 19	Fr. Michael Barbarossa
Nov 20	Fr. David Young	Dec 20	Deacon Terry Barber
Nov 21	Fr. Reynaldo Yu	Dec 21	Fr. Roy Baroma
Nov 22	Deacon Joseph Yuen	Dec 22	Deacon Samuel Basta
Nov 23	Deacon Gary Zellmer	Dec 23	Fr. Michael Batterberry
Nov 24	Fr. Gary Zender	Dec 24	Fr. Anthony Bawyn
Nov 25	Deacon Steward Adams	Dec 25	Fr. Xavier Bazil
Nov 26	Fr. Peter Adoko-Enchill	Dec 26	Fr. Ron Belisle
Nov 27	Deacon Scott Aikin	Dec 27	Fr. Thomas Belleque
Nov 28	Deacon Marco Antonio Albán Galeas	Dec 28	Fr. Xavier Benavides
Nov 29	Deacon David Alcorta	Dec 29	Deacon John Bergford
Nov 30	Deacon Dan Allen	Dec 30	Deacon Raymond Biersbach
		Dec 31	Fr. Phillip Bloom

Lord, lift up your holy priests; grant them the graces they need to minister to your people. Keep them pure and strong in your love; give them courage when things are difficult and accompany them when they are lonely; strengthen them in times of weakness. Amen.

Let us pray...

O Saint Joseph,

assist us by your powerful and effective intercession, and present this intention to your Divine foster-son, Jesus Christ, our Lord: We place the interests and needs of WWCCR before You, Jesus, especially as we settle into our new location in Tukwila. Provide clarity and wisdom in all our decisions. Continue to bring the expertise we require, in order that we may serve you and serve the people of western Washington. Thank you, Jesus, for hearing this prayer. Thank you, St. Joseph, for your protection and guidance.

Amen.

(Feel free to cut out this prayer and keep it in your bible or prayer book.)



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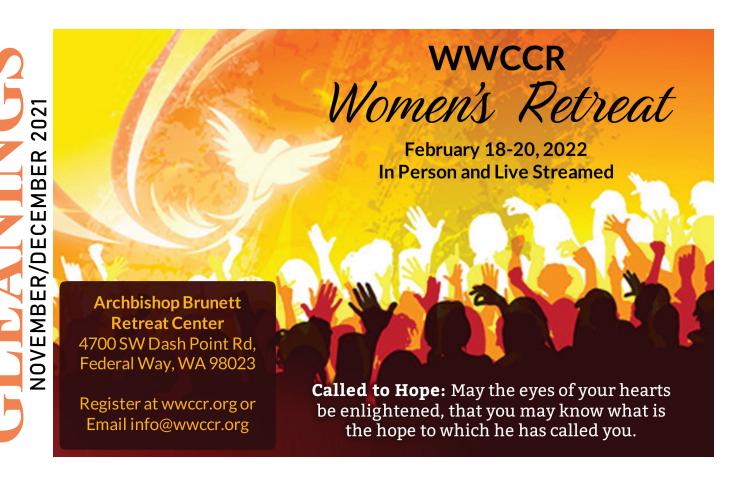
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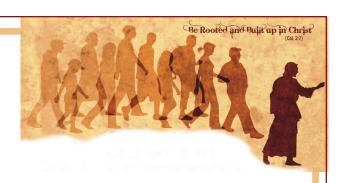
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More than a dozen people from Western Washington participated in an online Servant Leadership Course offered by CHARIS, the international Service of Communion, headquartered in Rome. This 14-part Course began in January 2021. We have asked some of the participants to share briefly what they are learning from each of the sessions.

Talk #6

UNITY OF CHRISTIANS

(Ecumenism)

Pres<mark>ented</mark> by Joseph Tosini, founder of John 17 Movement, USA

Reflection by John McGinn

Jesus prayed, "You live fully in me and now I live fully in them so that they will experience perfect unity, and the world will be convinced that you have sent me, for they will see that you love each one of them with the same passionate love that you have for me" - John 17:23

Joseph Tosini shared that relational reconciliation between
Catholics and Protestants begins
at the feet and not the head.
Connecting in humility with other

Christians instead of trying to reconcile on issues of doctrine. Lead with love, not doctrine.

He highlighted two commandments

Jesus gave that are key for this

reconciliation to happen:

- 1. Don't judge each other.

 Let God do that. (Matt 7:1-5)
- 2. Love each other as Jesus loves us. (John 13:34)

Lord lead us in accepting, loving, and learning from our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ and be molded into your one holy bride!

Talk #11

Life of A Leader

(Holiness)

Presented by Jim Murphy founder of Vera Cruz Communications, USA

Reflection by Jean Beers

Jim Murphy began the topic of leadership by stating that leadership is God's idea, he bestows leadership. The purpose of leadership is to help the people so that they can do the work. "Christ himself gave apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, to equip the holy ones for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ." (Ephesians 4:11-12)

God's version of leadership is that it is not about a title or position, it is about taking care of people. Leaders step in and help where they can. A person in leadership leads! It is an attitude of service, about sacrificing much in your own life so that others may advance in theirs. And good leaders want to see people grow, not to remain dependent on them. Most importantly, a good leader pays more attention to God than to the people. We have the example of Jesus who always took the time to be in prayer to the Father.

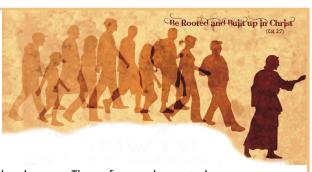
Jim's definition of the three ways of leadership was especially meaningful. They are:

- Visionary/Prophetic Leadership where the leader sees the big picture, has a sense or a vision from the Lord
- Pastoral Leadership that is compassionate, that helps people to reach the vision
- Administrative/Logistical Leadership that organizes the practical aspects of getting to the vision.

We need all three styles of leadership to work together for the common good. Leaders may have all three aspects of leadership but will be strong in one, okay in a second and weak in a third. We can't be all things to all people. We need each other, we need all three types of leadership, and we must respect and cherish leaders as they manifest three ways of leading.

Jim described the five challenges of leadership:

- Out of Balance Life: avoid pushing so hard to work in ministry that your life is not maintained
- Personal Relationship with God is Neglected: stop doing things for God and start doing things with God.
- Difficulty Recognizing Ministerial and Personal Faults: we all have blind spots in service or in our personal life, presume that you have blind spots.
- Taking Oneself Too Seriously: you will never replace Jesus, take God seriously but don't take yourself too seriously.
- Exhaustion and Burnout: be aware that leaders who are very involved for a long time can burn out and they might disappear, or stay involved but lose their joy or effectiveness.



The safeguards are to have a

- Solid Personal Spiritual Life: of prayer, scripture, sacraments, fellowship.
- Accountability: where someone has authority over you, who can say no to you; they can save your life, your ministry.
- Truth Speakers: have in your life those who are not impressed by you but who love you and can speak honestly to you.
- Dealing with Personal Brokenness and Sin: these we don't want to deal with, but they drain energy from us, we can cover up the sin which leads to lies and more lies. God will bring your sin to light in order to set you free.

Finally, Jim exhorted us to raise up others. "And what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will have the ability to teach others as well." (2 Timothy 2:2)

Great leaders in the bible had others who learned from them: Moses and Joshua, Elijah and Elisha, Jesus and the twelve, Paul and Timothy, Silas, Titus.

Three steps to raise up others:

- Invite people into ministry and be specific in what you ask.
- Accompany them with support, feed-back, encouragement.
- Let them go to work, their way.

Love God, love the people and be one of God's sheep, he will make you a good shepherd. ■