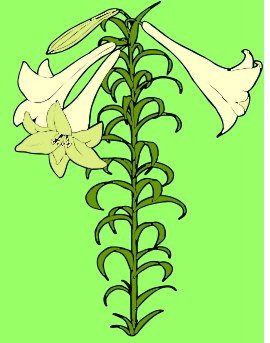




# Newsletter

April 2010



He is risen! Alleluia!

## Dignity & St. Ignatius Liturgy Schedules

|                                 |                              |                         |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ravenna United Methodist Church | 5751-33 <sup>rd</sup> Ave NE | Seattle                 |
| Every Sunday                    | → 10:00 a.m.                 | St. Ignatius (UPSTAIRS) |
| Apr 11, May 9                   | → 6:00 p.m.                  | Dignity/Seattle         |

A pancake breakfast following Mass is held every 4th Sunday (April 25th), a shared fellowship with our host congregation, Ravenna UMC.



## Upcoming Events of Interest

### Invitation for Easter Brunch, April 4th

Former Board Member Steve Kearney is interested in getting together a group of people who might be interested in sharing an Easter Brunch meal. .

Marie Callenders  
9538 1st Ave NE  
(Northgate Area/Seattle)

Time: 11:30 a.m.  
Cost: \$14.99 + tax & tip

Contact: Steven Kearney  
[Stevenstjam@earthlink.net](mailto:Stevenstjam@earthlink.net)  
(206)447-3805

### West Coast Call To Action Conference 2010 Building Inclusive Christian Community April 16, 17, 18, 2010, Santa Rosa, California

Flamingo Conference Resort and Spa  
707-545-8530  
CTA Conference room rates start at \$99.00.

#### Keynote Speakers:

Mary Ramerman and Jim Callan; Edwina Gateley;  
Michael Morwood

#### Workshop Presenters include:

Marek Bozek; Brian Swimme and Fr. Brian Joyce; Susan Olson; Victoria Rue; Jean Hall; Nancy Taylor

For more information go to: <http://www.cta-redwood.org>  
Registration includes three Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast.

### Father Roy Bourgeois, MM, in Seattle

**Saturday, April 10, 2010**, at 2:00 p.m., Father Roy Bourgeois will talk about Shattering the Glass Ceiling, his promotion of women to the Catholic Priesthood. It will be held at St. Mark's Cathedral, Bloedel Hall, in Seattle. Father Bourgeois is a Maryknoll Priest, founder of School of the Americas (SOA) Watch, human rights-activist, and outspoken advocate for Women's Ordination.

**Sunday, April 11**, at 2:00 p.m. in Olympia, Father Roy will be speaking on *A Struggle for Justice in Latin America*. The talk will be held at Evergreen State College in Lecture Hall 1 which connected to Red Square near the library. The college address is 2700 Evergreen Parkway NW, Olympia 98502. Parking is free on Sundays.

### Richard Gaillardetz in Seattle

**Friday, May 7 2010**, there will be a workshop at Seattle University Student Center, Room 160, led by Richard Gaillardetz; a teacher in the College of Arts and Science's: Religious Studies Program at the University of Toledo. He is the author of seven books and has received numerous awards. The workshop is titled *Surviving in a Polarized Church: Spirituality for Living with Ecclesial Tension*. Registration is at 9:30 and the sessions run from 10 to 3. The event is sponsored by Catholic Ministers for Church renewal ([www.catholicministers.org](http://www.catholicministers.org)). You can check their website as well as [www.gaillardetz.com](http://www.gaillardetz.com) for more information and registration.

## Board Members & Contact Info

### Dignity/Seattle Board Members

|                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| Paula Lavallee   | President            |
| Michael Linden   | Vice-President       |
| Delia Vita       | Treasurer            |
| Denise Arceneaux | Secretary            |
| Alan Scott       | Member, Social chair |

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We provide a safe environment for people to reconcile our God-given gifts of sexual orientation and our Catholic faith through gay-affirming liturgies. Being part of the Dignity/Seattle family means claiming ownership of our faith and living up to the responsibilities of that ownership.

### Dignity/Seattle Board Meeting March 10, 2010 (Unofficial; edited for publication)

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM at Delia Vita's house. Dignity prayer was read. All board members were present. Minutes were read.

**M/M/S/C:** To approve the January 13, 2010 meeting minutes as submitted.

#### President's report: (Paula Lavallee)

- Paula changed the phone no. on our website, on the national website, and at the national office.
- Paula sent the Newsletter, the "Dateline," and the "QV" using the g-mail list and no one has complained. She will continue to do so.
- Rest covered under "Old Business" and "New Business."

#### Vice President's report (Michael Linden)

E-mail reconciliation is occurring and ongoing.

#### Treasurer's report: (Delia Vita)

##### Checking Acct.

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Beginning Balance</b>  | <b>\$3,872.44</b> |
| Deposits                  |                   |
| Collection Feb..          | 110.00            |
| <b>Sub-Total Deposits</b> | <b>\$110.00</b>   |
| <b>Ending Balance</b>     | <b>\$3,982.44</b> |

### Expenses

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Liturgy                                    | \$30.00 |
| RUMC Rental (Feb., Mar.)                   | 200.00  |
| Telephone (final bill)                     | 23.15   |
| Newsletter printing & mailing (Feb., Mar.) | 64.80   |
| McArron Web Design –                       |         |
| 2010 web maintenance:                      | \$10.00 |
| Yearly membership donation                 |         |
| from scholarship fund:                     | \$50.00 |

**Sub-Total Expenses \$377.95**

**Ending Balance \$3,604.49**

The Scholarship fund for yearly membership still currently has \$150.00.

**Total Available Funds \$3,454.49**

### Savings Acct..

**Beginning Balance \$1,600.67**

Interest income 0.10

**Ending Balance \$1,600.77**

**M/M/S/C:** To accept financial report as submitted.

#### Social Committee: (Alan Scott and Delia V.)

13 people attended the Birthday/Anniversary Brunch on March 6 at Mae's Phinney Ridge Café and it was enjoyed by all.

#### Liturgy Committee: (Denise Arceneaux)

John Reardon will preside for the last time in March. Denise will ask Philip Knowles if he can preside in April.

#### Membership Committee:

People keep inquiring about Dignity/Seattle via E-mail and not by phone. Michael noted that the roster appears to be getting smaller.

### Old Business:

- Voice Mail: The old number is not forwarding to the new number. Michael Linden will check to see if our new phone no. can be published in the White Pages for a fee.
- Volunteer Opportunities: Paula still hasn't gotten a response from the membership as to what they want to do. Young children can not volunteer at Blessed Sacrament. Northwest Harvest does allow for young children, however, and Food Life Line encourages young children to come. Paula will check with Food Life Line about May 5<sup>th</sup>. They distribute food on Wednesday evenings in Shoreline. Paula will set up the event, advertise it and see how many people show up.
- Debit Card: The debit card came in for grocery shopping for Pride breakfast, etc.
- Dignity Weekend Out: Paula didn't much response from the "Dignity Weekend Out" inquiry for Shakti Cove in Long Beach. Shakti Cove still has a number of weekends in August and September available. The Board is holding off on a decision to go while Paula keeps checking with people.

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**New Business:**

- Marriage Equality: John Reardon is planning a meeting after Mass at Ravenna for all Catholics concerned about Marriage Equality. A number of people outside of Dignity are tentatively coming. *The Seattle Times* may come and write about Dignity/Seattle. More "QVs" and membership brochures will be printed for it.
- Pride Breakfast: Delia sent an e-mail to Central Lutheran Church to reserve a space. SGN: The SGN will probably be contacting Delia soon about advertising in the Pride week special. Tickets: Alan will start printing out tickets as soon as Central Lutheran is reserved and will deliver them by the middle of April. The Board will make sure that the donation of inkjet cartridges and cell phones is mentioned in the cover letter for Pride breakfast. Raffle donation letters: Delia will send the raffle donation letters to vendors soon. The price of the tickets will be the same. The Board will talk to Leo about whether we want to continue to donate to Multifaith Works or have all the money go to Bailey-Boushay.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Birthday/Anniversary Brunch: The next (second quarter) Birthday/Anniversary Brunch will be scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup>. Alan Scott will investigate a place for us to go.

**Next Board meeting: April 7 or 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Delia Vita's house.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise Arceneaux



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Information for April events was not available as of press time. D/V sponsors 2-3 events per month. Please contact them for information if you are headed to Canada..

**The Board of Directors of Dignity/Seattle wishes everyone a blessed & hopeful Eastertide Season!**