

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST



January 19, 2020
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME

Whether you're a registered parishioner or first-time visitor, we hope you feel welcome. There are many ways to get involved. If you have any questions, please let one of our staff members know or call the parish office 253-630-0701

MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Community of St. John the Baptist: Where stewardship is a way of life and the diversity of our gifts is used to answer Christ's call to proclaim and live the Gospel.

Gather in God's Name, **Grow** in God's Time, **Go** in God's Spirit



SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

Word and Communion: Monday and Tuesday 9:00 am

MASS: Sunday	9:00 am, 11:30 am, & 5:30 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am
Thursday	6:30 pm
Friday	9:00 am
Saturday	5:30 pm

CONFESSIONS: Individual confessions every Saturday from 4 pm to 5 pm or call the parish office at 253-630-0701 to make an appointment with Fr. Jim.

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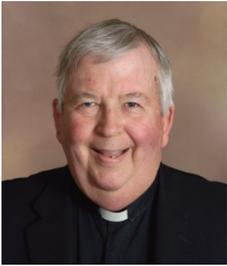
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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

FROM YOUR PASTOR



In putting together my reading list for the winter months I'm trying to have a good mix of both spiritual, fiction, and non-fiction. A few of them are as follows: The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire by Edward Gibbon, the seventh book of The Eye of the World series by Robert Jordan, Heaven's Prisoners by James Lee Burke, Into Your Hands, Father by Wilfred Stinssen, The Rabbit Angstrom novels by John Updike, The Education of Henry Adams by Henry Adams, Riddley Walker by Russell Hoban, and Tender is the Night by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Let me know which book tickles your fancy.

Just a reminder that I have a box of books in my office that are yours for the taking.

Fr. Jim



Real sense of community...when one person has a problem everybody knows about it...they take care of each other. Sentido real de comunidad...cuando una persona tiene un problema, todos lo saben...se cuidan mutuamente

I have never seen anything like them...They have so little yet are so thankful Nunca había visto algo así ... Tienen tan poco pero están tan agradecidos

Very hospitable. Their generosity has stayed with me. I received so much more from them, than they received from me. Muy hospitalario. Su generosidad se ha quedado conmigo. Recibí mucho más de ellos de lo que ellos recibieron de mí.

Even though a lot of poverty they had joy. Aunque mucha pobreza tenían alegría.

They lived and showed their faith. Altars displaying religious items and flowers in even the poorest homes. Vivieron y mostraron su fe. Altares que muestran artículos religiosos y flores incluso en los hogares más pobres.

Another aspect of the mission trips involved the St. John the Baptist Community **living a legacy of love** in supporting their projects. We were not there to tell them what to do or teach them, but rather to live with them and support their needs. The Guatemalan people know how to design and build. We provided resources so they could do their own work and have dignity.

There were open fires for cooking and warmth that produced black walls and soot hanging from the ceiling. Understanding the problem allowed for a solution and they were able to move forward on the stove project. The Guatemalan Committee fund raised more than \$20,000 at weekend masses. This empowered our sister parish to obtain and install ventilated, fuel efficient stoves.

Another project involved assistance for home construction. It was especially pleasing to help a newly married couple living in a shack. We were involved with leveling of the plots and the cement block foundations. Mainly it was the expertise of the Guatemalan people who went around sharing their talents and skills with those in need. Our St. John's community assisted by providing resources.

The most recent project involved funding water filtration systems that were built in Guatemala and distributed to village families for water purification.

After 6 years, our Guatemala Committee felt the call to reconnect with our sister parish brothers and sisters in another mission trip from February 16-25, 2020. We would love your support by attending the **February 2nd pancake breakfast fundraiser** to support this trip and future projects.

Blessings and gratitude to Fr. Jim, Jerry, Nancy, Lyn and Mary for giving me a delicious taste of Guatemalan chocolate!

Muchas gracias,
By: Margie Battisti



Living a Legacy of Love Across Cultures

In preparing this article about **our sister parish in Guatemala, Union del las Aldeas Corpus Cristi** and their past mission trips, God led me to this discovery: Guatemala is thought to be the birthplace of **chocolate**. The word cacao derives from the Mayan "Ka'kau". Guatemala has approximately 9,200 cacao farms that produce around 10,500 tons of chocolate each year. What is my point? I have never been to Guatemala, but I have tasted chocolate as have many of our St. John's parishioners. I could easily convey the essence of chocolate but not of past mission trips. I was blessed to interview a few of those who have been on one or more of these mission trips. I am so grateful to them for their patience in trying to give me a "**taste**" of their personal experiences in words.

As I listened and took notes, the flavor of a repeating mantra came from everyone of them. In many ways our mission trip participants were sharing their experiences of these Guatemalan friends and Catholics as they **live a legacy of love. Vive un legado de amor.**

The Guatemalan people:
friendly, gracious, sharing, dedicated to their faith
El pueblo guatemalteco:
amigable, amable, compartido, dedicado a su fe

More things in common than different...love of family
Más cosas en común que diferentes ... amor por la familia

Sharing family photos helped show our connections
Compartiendo fotos familiares ayudo a mostrar nuestras conexiones

STEWARDSHIP

Dear Parishioner,

I would like to personally thank you for your ongoing support for St. John the Baptist! Your engagement with our parish ministries is the foundation for our parish's approach to stewardship, through your generous sharing of time, talent and resources! You are gift and blessing!

On Sunday, January 26th after the 11:30 am Mass, we will be offering a "Taste of Alpha." We will begin with a brunch and follow with a short video and table group discussion. We will conclude by 3 pm. An invitation to this event is below. Please feel free to extend this invitation to others you think might be interested in attending.

My hope for this afternoon session is to open a conversation on how St. John the Baptist might begin a discussion about our evangelization approach for the future. Many of us have friends and families that have stepped away from the Church or perhaps are searching for answers on how God is present in their lives.

Alpha is a program that offers an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, non-threatening setting. It is focused on developing relationships over food and conversation. Christian Downs, who is the leader for Alpha in Washington State will be leading our program. He will be able to answer questions and to explain how the Alpha approach has been very well received by other Catholic parishes in our area.

You can also access more information by going to <https://alphausa.org>

If you would RSVP to annef@sjtbcc.org by Wednesday, January 22nd, it will help us with planning the food for our time together. Thanks!

Blessings, Anne

You're invited to Sunday Brunch!

January 26, 2020

After the 11:30 am Mass until 3 pm

McMullen Center

Come and spend some time learning about the Alpha approach to evangeliza-

tion and discuss how this approach might be a future offering for St. John the Baptist! Feel free to invite others! RSVP or more information contact annef@sjtbcc.org by January 22nd



January Questions:

January 19: If you had 25 hours in the day, how would you use the extra hour?

January 26: If you could invite anyone to dinner, who would you ask? Why?

LIGHTING/SOUND ENHANCEMENTS

We are hoping you have noticed the amazing difference in the quality of sound in the sanctuary! Last summer, Luis and David approached me (Kathy) with their desire to solve a number of problems with the sound, the lighting, and the projection system in the church. The first and most obvious, of course, was the many times the system cut Fr. Jim off midsentence during the homily. There were speakers that were no longer projecting sound and challenges during the Christmas and Holy Week masses. Further, there have been dreams of having a projection system built in, rather than wheeled in and out, and a desire to improve lighting at the altar, particularly to improve the light on the homilist and guest speakers, and to shine a light on the Blessed Sacrament during adoration. We have an excellent contractor, Morgan Sound, who can handle all of this.

An anonymous donor came forward with money to jump start the installation of a new sound system – it just made more sense to replace what we had rather than to try to fix the problems of an obsolete system. In order for us to continue this project, the donor has asked that we approach the parish specifically to help fund enhancements to the sound, lighting and projection systems in the parish – to bring up the quality of worship experience to the level that all can enjoy – especially those with hearing and visual disabilities. That way this project belongs to all of us, not just a single donor. The donor has offered to match all funds raised, and an additional match will come from the church's capital budget. Because this is a special project not originally on the capital budget list, the church would have waited much longer before funds became available for this enhanced sanctuary system. We are very grateful that this donor came forward.

If you would like to participate financially in this project, there are envelopes in the pews marked "Sanctuary Sound and Lights." Your contributions are welcomed and appreciated very much!

Kathy Wickward

Pastoral Assistant for Administration
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: In today's gospel, John the Baptist shows us how what we do and say reveals to others what we really believe. He has a clear sense of who he is and who he is not, and by his life's work he gives testimony to God's active presence in people's lives. He challenges us to examine how our actions reveal our attitudes, testify to our beliefs and show how those beliefs reveal our true selves to others. Good stewards of their faith are aware of the sort of God they reveal to the world by their words and actions. Do our acts witness to a God who takes away that which alienates people from God and each other? Do our actions truly reveal God's presence in the world today?

LIFE, JUSTICE, PEACE

Thank you for the gifts for the Men's Shelter. It is a joy to watch the men find a shirt that is new, and in their size. This year Margi and Angelo Battisti were able to be there. (I needed the help sorting) We had a wonderful meal by several families. For 25 years or so the Bickel's started serving on Christmas Eve, then Nabarrette's took on the date. So much fun!

The men got to choose a shirt, several pairs of socks and razors.

Thank you so much!
Nancy Huntington

Wow!!! Another wonderful month for St John's homeless men's program. So many to be thankful for: Sabah Jabbouri-picking me up every night, helping set up and take down everything, Tony and Bonnie Kraskouskas setting up, taking down every night and shopping for things we needed, Knights of Columbus for all the sandwich making, Maria Ross-Lyons for the milk pick up, those that made the special cookies and, all the meals prepared by so many make our church awesome and giving in the men's eyes, Cornerstone Methodist's and mine. Every year I am proud and excited for December. We have done this over 25 years. Thank you all.

Nancy Huntington

Do you have a heart for seniors and desire to help them navigate applying for benefits and connecting them to resources? St. John's is launching a ministry that pairs parishioners with individuals who could benefit from some support, encouragement, and assistance navigating paperwork and applications. If you would like to learn more about this ministry and ways you can get involved, please contact Donna Jeanne Gully at 253-670-1550. **An informational meeting including training will be held on Thursday, January 23rd, from 6 PM to 8 PM in Room 7.** Donna Jeanne will also be providing resource sharing at the Terrific Tuesday Meals at 5:30 PM every Tuesday in January.

Knights of Columbus
Annual Crab Feed

Saturday January 18, 2020
Doors Open: 6:30 PM
Dinner: 7:00 PM

\$40 / Person
\$300 / Reserved Table for 8

Dungeness Crab, Salad, Corn, Rolls & Drinks

**Tickets on Sale after all Masses, in
the Church Office, or see any Knight**

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Monday, Jan. 20

Strong Bones Yoga, 8 am
Word & Communion, 9 am
Small Faith Group/Zelie, 10 am
Cub Scout Lion Den, 6:30 pm
Cub Scout Pack 506 Tiger Den, 6:30 pm
9am Choir Practice, 7 pm
Pastoral Leadership Team, 7 pm
Knights of Columbus Officers, 7 pm

Tuesday, Jan. 21

Word & Communion, 9 am
Home Educators Co-Op, 9:30 am
Terrific Tuesdays, 5:30 pm
Girl Scout Troop #46865, 6 pm
Girl Scout Troop #40528, 6 pm
Stewardship & Evangelization, 6:30 pm
Fil-Am Choir Practice, 7 pm
WICS(Widowed information and consultation), 7 pm
Confirmation Prep, 7 pm

Wednesday, Jan. 22

Mass, 9 am
Truthful Reign Practice, 7 pm
Grief Ministry, 7 pm
Adult Formation Committee, 7 pm
Youth Group, 7 pm

Thursday, Jan. 23

Facility & Fellowship, 8 am
Strong Bones Yoga, 8 am
Light Weigh, One King, 12 pm
Senior Ministry, 6 pm
Mass, 6:30 pm
Cub Scout Pack 506, Arrow of Light, 6:30 pm
Hispanic Music Group, 7 pm
RCIA(Rite of Christian Initiation Adults), 7 pm

Friday, Jan. 24

Mass, 9 am
Craft & Hobby Retreat, 10 am
Small Faith Group/Myers, 10 am
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer Retreat, 4 pm
Guadalupanos-Rosary in Spanish, 6 pm
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer, 7 pm
Bible Study in Spanish, 7 pm

Saturday, Jan. 25

Craft & Hobby Retreat, 9 am
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer Retreat,
Knights of Columbus Spiritual Retreat, 9 am
Senior Ministry, 10 am
Confessions, 4 pm
Mass, 5:30 pm

Sunday, Jan. 26

Mass: 9am, 11:30 am, and 5:30 pm
Elementary Faith Formation PS-Grade 4, 10:15 am
Evangelization Encounter Session, 12:30 pm
LifeNight, 6:30 pm

Parish Ministries

ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT

Communications Team

Bob Jensen
Kathy Wickward

Money Counter

Kathy Wickward

Office Helpers/ Special Projects

Connie Tietz

Website Support

Kathy Wickward
Bob Jensen

COMMUNITY LIFE

Coffee & Donuts

John & Melissa Fieser

Craft & Hobby Group

Nancy Moore

Creative Kindness Sewing

Barb O'Neill

Fil-Am Association

Angie Santiago

Funeral Reception

Kathy Pryor
Denise Jackson

Guadalupanos

Mary Ellen Pardo

Knights of Columbus

Angelo Battisti

Strong Bones Yoga

Ann Happe

Yarning for Community

Anne Diaz

FACILITIES & GROUNDS

Facility & Maintenance Crew

David Aldous

Facilities & Grounds

Kathy Kernan

Grounds Maintenance Crew

Open (coordinator needed)

Kitchen Helper

Susan Ravotti

Prayer Garden Maintenance

Mark Rosenberger

Security Team

David Aldous

For phone numbers for the
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FAITH FORMATION

Adult Formation Committee

Al Myers

Baptism

Joan Williamson

Catholic School Families Group

Joan Williamson

Confirmation

Chelsea Wilde

Elementary Faith Formation Gr.1-4

Amy Bonte

Faith Formation Commission

Laura Sutton

Home Educators Support Group

Marisa Maricich

Library

Therese McHenry

Life Teen (Gr 9-12)

Chelsea Wilde

Marriage Preparation Team

Fr. Jim Coyne
Perry & Tish Faulk

Pre-School Faith Formation PS-K

Stephenie Abadilla

Alisha Nguyen

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Joan Williamson

Sacramental Prep

Joan Williamson

Small Faith Communities

Mary-Kaye Soderlind

Vacation Bible School

Cathy Olaes

Young Adults

Joan Williamson

Youth Group (Grades 5-8)

Chelsea Wilde

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Pastoral/Leadership Team

Trish Hanson

Bob Denney

Finance Council

Mike Dennis

LIFE JUSTICE & PEACE

Christ's 2nd Commandment

Ben Lee

CRS Parish Ambassador Corps

Renee Samuelson

Garden of The Good Shepherd

Angelo & Marge Battisti

Guatemala Companion Parish

Open

HOME (Homeless Outreach)

Nancy Huntington

Life, Justice & Peace Commission

Andrea Mendoza

Pregnancy Aid

Judy Peterson

LIFE JUSTICE & PEACE

Prepares

Erin Marshall

Molly Murphy

Safe Car Parking

Nancy Huntington

Norm Bailey

Senior Ministry

Donna Jeanne Gully

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Tom Howell

LITURGY

Altar Servers & Cross Bearers

Kathy Androes-Downes

Charismatic Praise & Worship

Linda Smith

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Defiesta

Flower Ministry

Judy Fuchs

Greeters Ministry

Chuck & Angie Santillan

Lay Leaders of Prayer

Laura Rothschilds

Lectors Ministry

Norm & Tia Bailey

Music Ministry

Luis Diaz de Leon

Point Person Coordinator

Scott Gilyeat

Sacristan Coordinator

Paul Dehmer

PASTORAL CARE

Grief Support Ministry

Frank Hammock

Helping Hands

Laurie Moloney

Prayer Song Ministry

Cheryl Nowacki

Nancy Schmitt

Sick & Homebound

Laurie Moloney

STEWARDSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

Member Engagement & Strengths

Anne Frederick

Stewardship & Evangelization

Mary-Kaye Soderlind

Returning Catholics/Landings

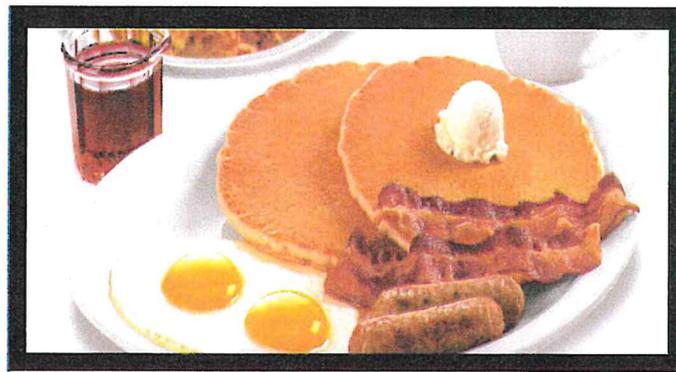
Anne Frederick

Welcome & Evangelization

Erin Marshall

Irene Aguilar

Knights of Columbus February Pancake Breakfast Sunday February 2, 2020 8:30 – 11:00



**All Donations Will Support
OUR SISTER PARISH
Union de las Aldeas Corpus Christi
in Guatemala**



SJTB is sending it's 7th delegation of parishioners to Guatemala to visit our sister parish Feb 16-25th, 2020! All donations will support this mission trip and future sister parish projects. If you have questions, contact Rose Racicot at rmracicot@gmail.com



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