

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

April 18, 2021
Third Sunday of Easter

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



FROM YOUR PASTOR



Normally at this time I would be presenting my spring reading list but I'm still plugging along with the winter literature. Much of my selections come from four reference books. I really enjoy the suggestions from Seattle librarian Nancy Perl's *Book Lust* series. I'm currently in her second book *More Book Lust*, focusing on Science 101. I will choose one book she recommends from

that sections as I've done for all her sections. I also like *1000 Books to Read Before You Die* by James Mustich. I've read 279. And going alphabetically by author I'm up to *Voices from Chernobyl* by Svetlana Alexievich. The third book is *Great Books of the Century* which are New York Times Book Reviews of the 20th century. I'm up to *A Passage to India* by E. M. Forster written about a hundred years ago. Finally there is *The Top Ten* edited by J. Peder Zane. He asked 25 leading British and American writers to "provide a list, ranked in order of what you consider the ten greatest works of fiction of all time- novels, short stories collections, plays, or poems". He received 544 separate titles. He gave ten points to each writer's number one selection and one point to their tenth. From this he came up with the top ten list. *Anna Karenina*, *Madame Bovary*, and *War and Peace* were the top three. I've read 166 of the list. I'm up to *Our Mutual Friend* by Charles Dickens which is number 68. If you have any references you draw from let me know. Happy spring reading!

Fr. Jim

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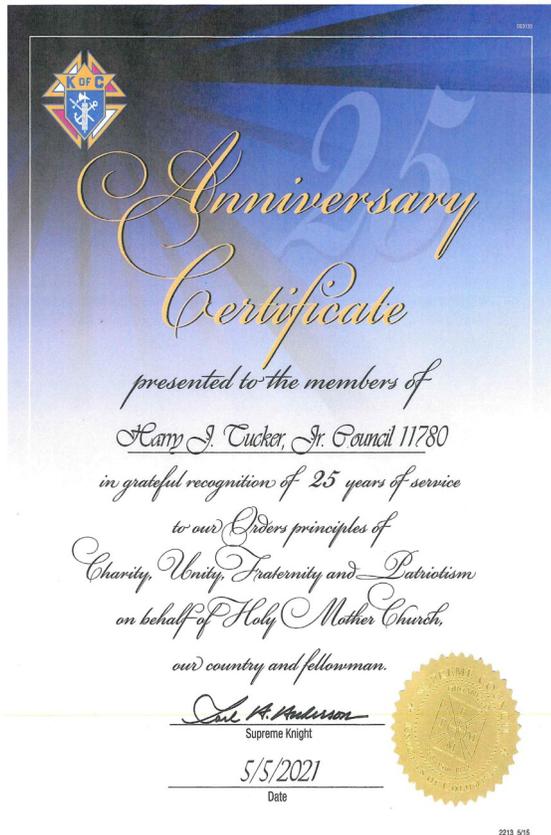
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT



Have you joined St. John the Baptist this past year? We would love to welcome you and to get to know you!

Fr. Jim is hosting a Zoom gatherings on Sunday, April 18th from 3-4:30 pm. He is looking forward to meeting you and finding out how the parish might serve you! Please Join Us!

Contact Anne Frederick at the office 253-630-0701 or email at annef@sjtbcc.org to receive the ZOOM LINK for our gathering!



Parish Stewardship Report for Sunday, April 11, 2021

Stewardship Envelopes	\$	5,234.00
Stewardship Loose	\$	1,437.00
Easter	\$	180.00
Holy Thursday ACRS	\$	140.00
Vigil Lights	\$	21.07
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	389.00
CRS	\$	50.00
Rice Bowl	\$	15.00
Mass Intentions	\$	50.00
Eagle Scout Project	\$	220.00
Total	\$	7,716.07

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who are sick: Alvin Reonal, Dick Moeller, Jerry Kelly, Trish Galbraith, Jim Legaz, Mary Peterson, Dorothy Tulip, Gina Howell, the Toitan family, the Ogarto family, the Binios family and Alex

Please pray for those who have died: Rebecca Nottingham (friend of Jackie Raczka).

FACILITIES COMMISSION

We are very grateful for the work that Alex Litchfield and Benny Beatty have put in for their Eagle Scout projects this month and last month. Alex and his team of 12 scouts painted the interior of the garage on March 27th. Robert Beatty donated paint and sprayer and brought over paint supplies. Benny's sidewalk should be complete by this weekend! We will dedicate the walkway with Father Jim and Benny taking the first steps on the new walk. Work on the facilities is often unseen unless it is not completed, but the ministry is nevertheless important - the ability to dedicate time and materials to the building and grounds frees up treasure for our other ministries. We still have many projects to be done, and our spring clean is coming up just around the corner. If you are still deciding how to get involved at St. John the Baptist, or you have a teen needing service hours, consider spending some time on site! Contact the office for more information.



Donate at our Pop-Up Blood Drive Covington!

Join us as St. John the Baptist and Bloodworks Northwest work together to support our local hospitals and patients by giving blood. St. John the Baptist's is opening their doors in April and May to provide an opportunity for local donors to come save lives! What better time to make a donation and impact someone's life than now?

Pop-Up Blood Donor Center @ Covington
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
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April 30th & May 1st from 9am to 4pm
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Donating blood is an essential and encouraged activity critical to sustaining community healthcare, especially during emergencies. Your one-hour donation appointment is a safe action to support local hospitals and patients. Pop-Up Donor Centers are being conducted in accordance with social distancing guidelines and CDC guidelines.

No walk-ins, guests, or people under age 16 are permitted onsite. Donors are asked to bring a mask/face covering to your donation and appointments are required.

800-398-7888 | schedule.bloodworksnw.org



April 30th & May 1st / FOR SAFETY, APPOINTMENTS ONLY



GRIEF MINISTRY

Are you grieving the loss of a spouse? Do you dread the lonely days and nights? Wonder what to do with your spouse's belongings? Feel like your brain is in a fog? Unsure of how you'll go on?

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church of Covington WA will be hosting a **Loss of a Spouse GriefShare®** seminar to help you managed your grieving process.

It will be held on **Wednesday, April 21st, 2021** from **7 PM until 9 PM** via the parish **ONLINE ZOOM** and will feature a video and discussion. Participants will be required to purchase a \$5.00 book called "Loss of a Spouse" for the seminar (which comes with a free Digital version along with your online purchase/registration), and this is the only charge for the seminar. The book is extremely helpful, and is put together very nicely by the people of **GriefShare®** - and provides a lot of valuable tips and ideas on how to cope with this type of loss.

Not sure if it's right for you? Check out this 3 minute video at the **GriefShare®** web site at: <https://www.griefshare.org/loss>

Once you register, you will receive an email from **GriefShare®** thanking you for your registration, and you will also be sent an email from your Parish Grief Ministry leadership that will provide the Zoom link for the event a few days before the event starts on April 21st. This seminar is open to anyone who has lost a spouse recently or some time ago, and you don't have to have attended any previous **GriefShare®** sessions. This is a stand-alone session.

At a **Loss of a Spouse** seminar you'll discover:

What to expect in the days after such a loss
The emotional, physical, and spiritual effects of grief
Challenges that surviving spouses face
Reasons for hope
Practical tips for coping with the death of a spouse

Here is the link to register for the event online: <https://www.griefshare.org/loss/events/3621>.

We hope to see you there. If you should have any questions or concerns, you may contact the parish office at 253-630-0701, office@sjtbcc.org. You can also send a message to the lead facilitator, Frank Hammock, at the registration link provided above by selecting the orange "Message the contact person" button on the web site.

Frank Hammock

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SEATTLE CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE – IRON SHARPENS IRON

Theme: Strength for the Battle
Friday, April 23rd and Saturday April 24th
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Father Ed White

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FROM OUR NEIGHBORS



Start Planning for the Summer!
CYO Summer Day Camp registration is now open.

Campers spend their days enjoying the outdoors and finding God there. Plus, swimming in the pool, making crafts, and much more before going home in the evening to rest up for the next day of fun!

Share this [graphic](#) and [registration link](#) in your community materials.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH



Prioritize Care for Creation

Recently, a number of Catholic churches and institutions in western Washington have started working together as the Creation Care Network.

The Creation Care Network is at a point where they want to appeal for Archbishop Etienne to prioritize Care for Creation. They have composed a letter to him and are now inviting all Catholics in the Archdiocese to join by signing the letter.

To mark Earth Day this year (April 22, 2021), the Creation Care Network of Catholic parishes and institutions welcomes you to join in asking Archbishop Etienne to rise to the challenge of the climate crisis. Please read the Creation Care Network's letter to Archbishop Etienne and indicate your support for these proposals for personal and community-based actions to care for our common home.

To read the letter and sign on to support it, go to: <https://forms.gle/EPtuTJrTJewKfViEA>.

All signatures are due by April 19, 2021.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Monday, April 19

Word & Communion, 9 am

Tuesday, April 20

Word & Communion, 9 am

Wednesday, April 21

Mass, 9 am

Thursday, April 22

Mass, 6:30 pm

Friday, April 23

Mass, 9 am

Saturday, April 24

Confession, 4 pm

Mass, 5:30 pm Register

Sunday, April 125

Mass, 9 am and 11:30 am Register



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