# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF



# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST May 1, 2022

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 at 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!

# Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread

### OFFICE HOURS: Mon-Fri 9am to 4pm; Sat 10am to 3pm

and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

Sunday Liturgies
Vigil: Sat 5:30pm; Sun 9am, 11:30am, and 5:30pm
Vigil mass is live-streamed Saturdays at 5:30pm on Facebook
and posted to website by 8am on Sunday

Weekday Liturgies
Word & Communion: Mon & Tues 9am
Mass: Wed 9am, Thurs 6:30pm, Fri 9am

Confession: Saturday at 4pm

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### **Pastor's Corner**



"If you have been a victim of abuse, I pray that you may know you are surrounded by angels."

- Fr. Bill

### **Child Abuse Prevention Month**



As we end Child Abuse Prevention Month, I came across this icon of Jesus, with his wounds visible, embracing a victim of abuse. He enters the dark void, caused by abuse to be present. A mantle of safety envelops her. Angels surround both of them.

When a child is abused, the effects are grave and can last a lifetime. Common effects can be the loss of faith and trust in God, post-traumatic stress disorders, and greater risk of substance abuse and suicide.

We pray for healing of all victims of abuse. In addition, we take steps to prevent abuse. We train staff and volunteers to recognize and report the warning signs of abusers. We educate families and children to protect themselves and to report abuse. We hold offenders accountable and report all suspected abuse to local public authorities.

If you have been a victim of abuse, I pray that you may know you are surrounded by angels. And in that dark void, our gentle Savior seeks you out. In his woundedness, he desires to heal your wounds.

Any one of our staff would be honored and available to walk with you on the path to recovery and healing. Don't hesitate to call.

-Fr. Bill



### **Stewardship**

Sunday Collection - April 24, 2022	
SOURCE	AMOUNT
Stewardship Envelope	\$5,065
Stewardship Loose Checks	3,359.00
Stewardship Loose Cash	904.50
Easter	3,387.00
Ascension	5.00
Vigil lights	31.50
St. Vincent de Paul	2,715.00
Missals	5.00
2nd Collections	55.00
Bible Study books	30.00
Mass intentions	80.00
Easter flowers	10.00
Holy Thursday/Guatemala	350.00
Good Friday	940.00
Ukraine	800.00
Funeral	50.00
Rice Bowl	1,715.00
Seminarians	100.00
Safe Car Parking	289.50
Faith Direct 4/4/22	26,537.25
Faith Direct 4/15/22	19,549.00
TOTAL	\$65,977.75





Thanks

Providing ministries for our brothers and sisters in Western Washington.

Please make your 2022 ACA gift today.

As we do every year at this time, we are kicking off **The Annual Catholic Appeal**. The theme this year is "Together We Can be Christ to Others." Please take time to look at the materials during the campaign, which reflect how we live out our mission as church. Envelopes are on the chairs for your prayerful reflection. Also refer to the in-depth letter you should have received from Archbishop Etienne this week. **Our parish goal this year is** \$115,812.00. Please consider the average gift from our parish last year, which was \$415.00. All gifts received over our goal will be returned to the parish for **our parish project, which is parking lot safety improvements**.

Please give generously.

### **Faith Formation**

### **Vacation Bible School**

We are so excited to have Vacation Bible School back in person this year! Go off-road for a monumental adventure, through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest. By exploring God's

awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead. More details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE!
June 27 to July 1

9 am to 12 noon daily

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Adult Faith Formation presents:

Holy Spirit and Spiritual Gifts

Bible Study by Stephen J. Bintz



Thursday morning Zoom
April 21 through June 30, 2022

Tuesday evenings in-person/Zoom hybrid **April 12 through June 28, 2022** (except April 26)

Sign up here: tinyurl.com/sjtbhsbiblestudy



### Photographers & Calligraphy Artists Wanted

First Holy Communion for 25 of our 2nd through 4th Graders will be celebrated on May 14, 2022!

If you have a knack for photography and would like to help us capture the special event, **we need you!** 

Are there any calligraphy artists out there? If so, please consider helping out with the First Holy Communion certificates. We would love to put your calligraphy talents to good use! For details, please Contact Theresem@sitbcc.org.

### **Synod**



The synod journey has entered a new phase in our parish! All of the feedback gathered from our dialogue sessions have been summarized. Two of our parishioners will be spending the next several days reviewing

this information and compiling a draft report for Fr. Bill and our Parish Leadership Team. We are on schedule to have our final report submitted to the Archdiocese by early May.

# However, the synod journey will continue at St. John the Baptist!

Dialogue on the themes elicited during the listening sessions will lead toward future strategic planning and activities for our parish community. Stay tuned, as we continue on this journey of discipleship together. We are a Synodal Church!

### **TIMELINE**

May 6, 2022: Deadline for local listening summaries.

June 18, 2022: Closing Synod Mass as part of the Multicultural Corpus Christi Mass and Process. This Mass will also mark the completion of the local Archdiocesan phase of Pope Francis' Synod process. Let us continue to journey together in the Body of Christ.

**June 30, 2022**: Archdiocesan summary due to USCCB.



### We pray for synod of synodality



Holy Spirit, our way to truth, guide the church in the midst of turmoil and chaos in the world of uncertainties. Help each person to be bond in the unity of love and peace, fill everyone in the church with abundant joy in times of crisis, suffering and grief.

We pray for synod of synodality be a new Pentecostal experience in building the church and the zeal to evangelize the human race. Mother Mary hold our hands to be united with your children entrusted by Jesus. Amen.

- John Prakash Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

### In Our Parish



Please pray for those who are sick:

Melvin Campbell, Janet Gilsdorf,
Carmen Neste,

Walter Rzonca, and Mary Weidert

Please pray for those who have died:

Larry Angelo (brother of Norm Angelo),
Ana Ebat (aunt of Reid Nabarrete),
Mike Freeman (brother of Joan Spring),
Ford Keine (friend of Norm Angelo),
Rosalie Mosher (sister of Gary Fuchs), and
Phil Trounstine (brother-in-law of Mark Williams)



### Spend some time outside this week

Take some time to appreciate the outdoors this week. Go for a walk, play sports, or go to the park. Find ways to enjoy challenging weather such as snow, rain, and heat. Enjoy God's beautiful creation.

The St. John the Baptist Creation Care Team will promote just and equitable sustainability of natural resources through personal and communal awareness, attitude, and action. We are entrusted as stewards of God's creation, which is our common home. As people of faith, we affirm that all of God's creation is sacred.



We are so glad you are here!!!

All of us at St. John the Baptist look forward to finding out how we might serve you!

Please **contact Anne Frederick at** <u>annef@sitbbcc.org</u> or 253-630-0701 x125 for more information about the parish and/or our ministries.

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST WELCOMES

### DAVID CROMER

PASTORAL ASSISTANT FOR ADMINISTRATION

The staff of St. John the Baptist is pleased to announce our new Pastoral Assistant for Administration, **David Cromer**. David has held this position at St. Barbara's Parish in Black Diamond for the past four years. Prior to that, he was a regional vice-president for Operations at a large national building and home improvement company. He comes with a wealth of experience in operations, team management, and financial planning. David will be wrapping up his commitment at St. Barbara's, take a little vacation, and will join our parish staff on May 2.

### Welcome to our parish, David!



### In-parish assistance available



Did you know that St. John the Baptist has funds set aside for parishioners in need? We want to make sure that we are here for you, when you might need a bit of support. Whether it's for a power bill, housing cost, or other

unexpected expense, St. John the Baptist may be able to assist. These funds are available to all our parish families and are confidential.

If you find yourself struggling to make ends, please let us know. You can **call the parish office or let a staff member know**, and we will make sure to do what we can to help you through this difficult time.



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Thank you!

### This Week At Our Church



### Sunday, May 1 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

Mass - 9:00 am PS & Elem Faith Formation - 10:15 am Mass - 11:30 am Mass (Life Teen) - 5:30 pm Life Teen Life Night - 6:45 pm

Monday, May 2 Yoga - 7:30 am Word & Communion - 9:00 am Cub Scout Pack 506 Meeting - 5:30 pm Knights of Columbus Membership Meeting - 6:00 pm

### Tuesday, May 3

Word & Communion - 9:00 am Girl Scout Troop 46865 Meeting - 6:00 pm Life, Justice, Peace Commission Meeting - 6:30 pm Adult FF "Holy Bible Study" - 7:00 pm WICS - 7:00 pm

### Wednesday, May 4

Mass - 9:00 am Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting - 7:00 pm Youth Group - 7:00 pm Hispanic Charismatic Formation - 7:00 pm

### Thursday, May 5

Yoga - 7:30 am Adult FF "Holy Spirit" Bible Study (Zoom) - 10:00 am Creation Care Team Meeting - 1:00 pm Safe Car Parking Meeting - 3:00 pm Women's SFC: Universal Christ - 4:00 pm Mass - 6:30 pm RCIA - 7:00 pm

Friday, May 6 Mass - 9:00 am First Friday Adoration - 9:30 am Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:00 pm

### Saturday, May 7

First Eucharistic Practice - 9:00 am Girl Scout Troop 40528 Meeting - 10:00 am Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Mass - 5:30 pm



### 40 Cans for 40 Days Thank YOU!

Thanks to the very generous parishioners of St John the Baptist church for supporting the Knights of Columbus' 40 Cans in 40 Days project. We delivered 942 pounds of canned goods to the Covington Storehouse!

### **From Our Community**

### Rachel's Corner Hope and Healing After Abortion

"I feel healed in my soul, emotions and the burden of shame gone from my life." - Testimonial

Our next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be June 10-12. Please contact Angie at projectrachel@ccsww.org or call 206-920-6413 to register for the retreat or for more information.

Call for a compassionate & confidential conversation English: (206) 920-6413 | Español: (206)-450-7814

> Email projectrachel@ccsww.org. Visit us at www.ccsww.org/projectrachel or www.facebook.com/projectrachelww.

Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services. You are loved with an everlasting Love!



### KentHOPE is hiring!

They have a number of openings, both full and part time available.

- Intake Support Associate, full time: Assist Intake Coordinator - welcomes new women and children as they arrive at KentHOPE for services.
- Guest Services Associate, part time: Responsible for all operations of the day center.
- Guest Services Supervisor, full time: Responsible for the supervision of all guest services staff.
- Support Services Coordinator, full/part time: Oversee operations 24/7. Many part time positions also available.
- Overnight Support Services Coordinator, full time: Responsible for overnight support of 50 beds for women and children in four 10-hour shifts per week.
- Support Services Coordinator, full time: Responsible for all cleaning and maintenance.

Apply at the following link: www.ugm.org/employment If you have further questions about any of the positions, reach out to Lisa Mauga's email at Imauga@ugm.org.





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