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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

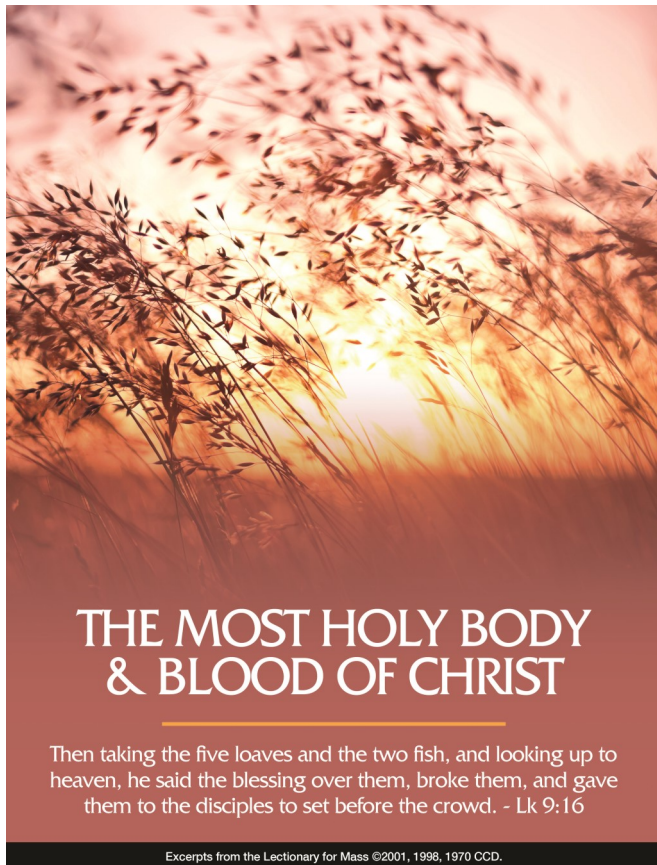
WELCOME

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!



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS (6/20 - 9/5): Mon-Fri 9am to 3pm; Sat 10am to 3pm

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



"This is a way for a person to reflect on and identify what was missing from their marriage that made it impossible to live out the full definition of marriage."
~Fr. Bill

Annulments

With marriage, the Church tries to do two things that may seem contradictory. On one hand, we uphold the dignity and ideal of marriage as a life-long partnership of life and love. Married love is called to mirror God's love. And God loves us God's whole life - eternally. Married couples are called to love their whole life – as the vows say, "until death do us part." However, on the other hand, not every couple who enters into marriage has all the necessary ingredients to live the ideal of marriage despite their best intentions. The Church desires to accompany them with compassion and understanding.

We do both through the annulment process. This is a way for a person to reflect on and identify what was missing from their marriage that made it impossible to live out the full definition of marriage. It does not deny the good that came from that union, especially if there were children. It simply states that, looking back with some objectivity, I can now identify an essential ingredient that was missing from the beginning of the marriage. It does not change our definition of marriage as a life-long union.

The easiest case is when the Catholic form of the marriage ceremony was missing. A Catholic has the obligation to marry within the Catholic Church. Another easy case may be when one's spouse was not free to marry in the eyes of the Church due to a previous marriage. Other cases may be more complex when dealing with issues of freedom, maturity, knowledge, addictions, and the like. These situations may require greater reflection around one's life and/or the life history of one's spouse. The parish has trained Advocates, who assist those going through the annulment process. The process is most often done through writing.

The purpose of the annulment process is to bring healing and closure to the painful experience of a civil divorce. It also allows the Church to issue a declaration of freedom, so a person may marry in the Church in the future. Often, one may have already entered into a new marriage. The annulment process allows the Church to get caught up and able to acknowledge and celebrate with you your current life-giving union.

For more information on the annulment process, let's get together and chat.

-Fr. Bill

This Week At Our Church



Sunday, June 19 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Mass - 9:00 am
Mass (Celebrating Chelsea) - 11:30 am
Mass (Life Teen) - 5:30 pm

Monday, June 20

Yoga - 7:30 am
Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am
Christ's 2nd Commandment - 10:00 am
Young Families of Faith - 10:00 am
Knights of Columbus Officers' Meeting - 6:00 pm

Tuesday, June 21

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Adult FF "Holy Spirit" Bible Study - 7:00 pm
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - 7:00 pm
WICS (Support for widowed people) - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, June 22

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Faith Formation Commission - 7:00 pm
Grief Ministry (Zoom) - 7:00 pm

Thursday, June 23

Yoga - 7:30 am
Word & Communion - 6:30 pm

Friday, June 24

Vacation Bible School Set Up - 8:00 am
Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Hora Santa con al Sagrado Corazón - 1:30 pm
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:00 pm

Saturday, June 25

Vacation Bible School Set Up - 8:00 am
Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass - 5:30 pm



Saturday, June 27 - July 1

Vacation Bible School (enrollment closed)

Stewardship

Sunday Collection - June 12, 2022	
SOURCE	AMOUNT
Stewardship Envelopes	\$9,157.00
Stewardship Loose Checks	2,715.00
Stewardship Loose Cash	840.00
Holy Day	45.00
Vigil lights	85.00
St. Vincent de Paul	487.00
Facilities Restricted	1,833.77
VBS	200.00
Archdiocese Of Military	25.00
Mass intention	125.00
Multi-cultural donation	50.00
Annual Catholic Appeal	1,200.00
TOTAL	\$16,762.77



Annual Catholic Appeal

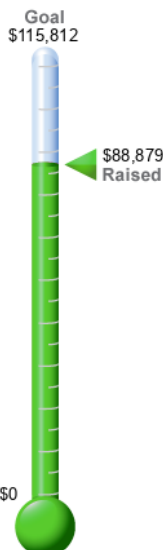
Thank you to all of you who have returned your Annual Catholic Appeal pledge. Your gift makes a difference to our brothers and sisters in all places in life including those in prison, people who are at end of life, youth and young adults, and families seeking to grow in their faith and celebrate the sacraments. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider doing so online at archseattle.org/GiveACA. Consider pledging over multiple months to be able to give your best gift and support our parish in funding our important project!

To date, we have received gifts and pledges totaling \$88,879 (76.7% of our goal) from 215 families of our parish.

THANK YOU! The average pledge is \$413.39. We are looking forward to surpassing our goal to fully fund our parish project. Keep an eye on the tracking thermometer on the right and on our website to see our progress!

Remember that our goal is \$115,812.00, which will go to the Archdiocese of Seattle to support their 60+ ministries. **Anything above and beyond this amount will be returned to St. John to fund our projects.**

Please give generously!



Faith Formation



Join us in celebrating our outgoing Youth Minister, **Chelsea Wilde**, with a blessing at the 11:30am mass on Sunday, June 19, and ice cream after mass!

She will be finishing her position as our Youth Minister at St. John the Baptist, and is joining the staff of LPI, the company who prints our bulletin.

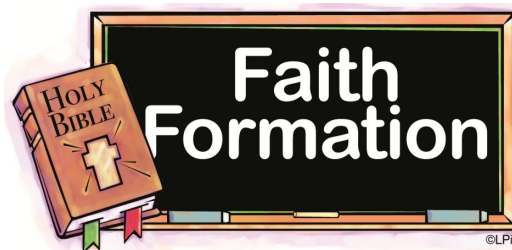
The exciting news is that Chelsea will continue living in the area and being a member of St. John the Baptist Community.

Congratulations Chelsea.
May God always be with you!



A Journey In Faith

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in joining the Catholic Faith please contact St. John the Baptist Rite of Christian Initiation Team by connecting with **Joan Williamson** at the parish office or joanw@sjtbcc.org.



GROW: Faith Formation

There are Educational Opportunities for all ages. Visit our website at sjtbcc.org/education/ for more information.

In Our Parish

Special Prayers
For Those In Need



Those who are **sick** :

**Steve Dalseg, Ann Frederick, Gina Howell,
Jonathan Lee, and Cheryl Oakley**

Those who have **died**:

Lenny Uhrich (nephew of Lou Baus)
Damian Igwenyere (brother of Christian Igwenyere)

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The St. John the Baptist Creation Care Team is 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.

Interested in being a liturgical minister?



We are recruiting for sacristans, point persons, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers and cross bearers, lectors, greeters, and sound and video ministers. **Contact Laurie Moloney** at our parish office.

Thank you for sharing your talents with others!



There are many other ministries and people who can help you find a good place to use your God-given gifts. If you are interested in learning more about a certain ministry, please **contact Anne Frederick** at the parish office or annef@sjtbcc.org

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING



June 19th AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES

WE HAVE A REGISTERED NURSE AVAILABLE TO CHECK YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE IN MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM
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SYNOD



Hopefully you have found the time to read our Parish Synod summary and detailed report. The detailed report was in last week's bulletin.

Summary: sjtbcc.org/2022/06/05/parish-synod-report/. Detailed report: sjtbcc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/SJTB-Parish-Synod-Report-1.pdf

Over the next year, St. John the Baptist will continue to unpack the comments and practical suggestions shared by our parishioners. Thus, we continue to welcome participation from all of you!

Also, below are the top three "extra credit" items our parish shared with the Archdiocese. What are your top three hopes for our church?

If the Archdiocese were to request our top three asks, they would be:

1. **(Women)** Quickly expand the diaconate to include women and move towards ordination of married people & women.
2. **(Youth & Young Adults)** Establish greater emphasis on evangelization, welcoming and faith formation to the 15-39 year-old demographic.
3. **(Clergy)** Encourage clergy to get "out of the sacristy" and engage in pastoral services. The priest as both sacrament and example.



If you have a background in Library Science or simply love books and managing them for the community, we could use your help! St. John the Baptist has a very good size library for adults as well as children. We are looking for a person and/or team to take care of our Libraries. If you are interested, please **contact Joan Williamson** at the parish office or joanw@sjtbcc.org.

From Our Community

Peter's Pence Collection Next Weekend



Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters.

Please be generous.



June Advocacy Bulletin

The Washington State Catholic Conference released its June Advocacy Bulletin highlighting the recent string of mass shootings, Juneteenth, and the Child Tax Credit among other information. To read the whole bulletin and find some action items you can engage with, visit this website: votervoice.net/iframes/WSCC/newsletters/44940. You can sign up to receive future bulletins to your at wacatholics.org/be-an-advocate/join-our-network

Rachel's Corner

(a program of Catholic Community Services)
Hope and Healing After Abortion

"Don't let what you can't do interfere with what you CAN do". - Matthew Kelly.

You can't change the outcome by mentally going back in time, to just before the abortion decision. You CAN allow God to help you with that regret and sorrow you still feel now. Don't let what has happened interfere with who you are called to be today. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat. You will be glad you did.

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Summer KidZone

We have an **urgent need** for **summer time volunteers** to support the team. More information on this volunteer opportunity can be found at our website volunteermatch.org/results/opp_detail.jsp?oppid=2385499

2022 World Day of Migrants & Refugees



This year's theme for the 2022 World Day of Migrants & Refugees is *Building the future with migrants and refugees*. Each month we will highlight a different subtopic leading us towards the day celebrated in September.

This month's subtopic is "A Future for All" and asks the question "What does it mean to put the most vulnerable at the center? To hear the responses of others, we invite you to check out this video and pray about your answer: www.youtube.com/watch?v=ne3YsAMgZXs&t=2s.

Juneteenth is June 19th!



Juneteenth is the oldest celebration that commemorates the end of slavery in the United States. It is a celebration of continued societal progress.

The core message of freedom for all continues to live on with the annual celebration of this historic day in United States history. It is a day of reflection, a day of renewal, and a pride-filled day. It is a moment in time taken to appreciate the African American experience. It is a day to build coalitions that enhance all communities. On Juneteenth, we come together, young and old to listen, to learn and to refresh the drive to achieve. It is a day where we all take one step closer to better utilize the energy wasted on racism.

Juneteenth is a day that we pray for peace and liberty for all.



Celebrate Freedom!

Religious Freedom Week



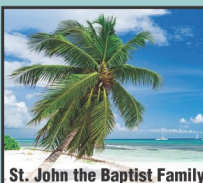
JUNE 22-29
RELIGIOUS
FREEDOM
WEEK

June 22, the feast of St. Thomas More & St. John Fisher, marks the start of Religious Freedom Week. Religious freedom allows the Church and all religious communities to live out

their faith in public and to serve the good of all. You can join the USCCB as they invite Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom: usccb.org/committees/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week

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