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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST July 17, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

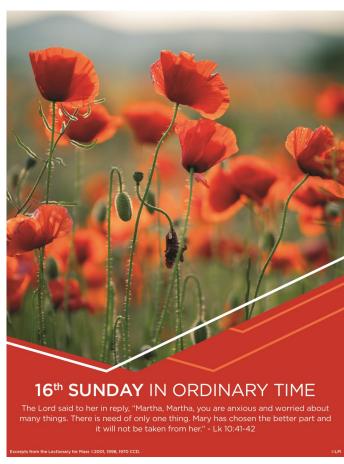
WELCOME

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 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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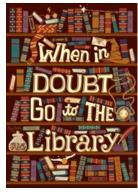
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Pastoral Asst. for Youth Ministry 5-12 **OPEN**: contact Joan Williamson above if interested in this position

Pastor's Corner





Parish Library

Albert Einstein once said, "The only thing that you absolutely have to know is the location of the library."

Our parish library is located at the south end of the parish office. You can see it from the office lobby. It's worth a visit!

Our parish library reflects the diversity of our community. We have books for beginners in the faith as well as for serious theological inquirers. We have books that would appeal to conservative parishioners and books that would interest liberal ones (and books that would probably challenge both).

There are books on prayer, books on spirituality, books on family life, books on scripture, and books on history and lives of the saints. There is something there for you!

Summer time is a great time to catch up on your reading. Visit our parish library and check out a book of two.

-Fr. Bill



Our Library Wants You!





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.

This Week At Our Church



Sunday, July 17 - Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass - 9:00 am Mass - 11:30 am

Mass (Life Teen) - 5:30 pm

Monday, July 18

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am Word & Communion - 9:00 am

Tuesday, July 19

Word & Communion - 9:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - 7:00 pm WICS (Support for widowed people) Meeting - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, July 20

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am Mass - 9:00 am Grief Ministry (Zoom) Meeting - 7:00 pm Adult Formation in Spanish - 7:00 pm

Thursday, July 21

PREPARES - 9:30 am Mass - 6:30 pm

Friday, July 22

Mass - 9:00 am
Daily Lectionary Primer Meeting - 9:30 am
Hora Santa de Reparación - 1:30 pm
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:00 pm

Saturday, July 23

Faith Formation Parish-wide Zoom 8:00 am Knights of Columbus Officer Installation - 2:00 pm Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Mass - 5:30 pm



Sunday, July 24, 2022 Free Blood Pressure Check

Stewardship

Sunday Collection - July 10, 2022	
AMOUNT	
\$4,004.00	
3,948.00	
938.00	
71.76	
1,352.00	
132.00	
1,185.00	
5.00	
190.00	
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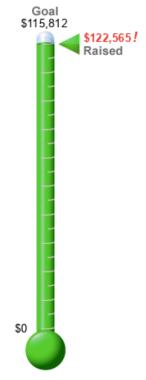
Thank you to all of you who have returned your Annual Catholic Appeal pledge. Your gift makes a difference to our brothers and sisters in all places in life.

As of July 11, we have received gifts and pledges totaling \$122,565 (105.8% of our goal) from 279 families (23.5%) of our parish! THANK YOU! The average pledge is \$439.50.

We have reached AND surpassed our goal! But please don't stop here. Remember, anything above and beyond \$115,812 will be returned to St. John to fund our projects. This means that to date and once everyone has fulfilled their pledges, \$6,753 will come back to St. John the Baptist to help fund parking lot safety improvements. If you have not yet pledged, please prayerfully consider doing so online at archseattle.org/GiveACA.

Keep an eye on the tracking thermometer to the right and on our website to see our progress!

Thank you for your generosity!



Ministry

Consider Becoming A Liturgical Minister



We are recruiting for sacristans, point persons, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, cross bearers, lectors, greeters, and sound and video ministers.

Visit <u>sjtbcc.org/2022/06/17/seeking-new-liturgical-ministers/</u> for more information and sign up.

Thank you for sharing your talents with others!



Pastoral Care Ministry to the Homebound

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect." — Pope Francis

Those who carry Holy Communion to the sick and homebound continue the community's act of worship in the Mass. You bring the Body of Christ that is present in the Mass to them, both in the form of the Eucharist and in form of the community. For the sick and homebound, the reception of Communion is not only a privilege but also a sign of support and concern shown by the St. John the Baptist community for its members, who can't attend Mass.

Pastoral Care also is a ministry of presence. Simply being present and listening to those who cannot attend Mass is a powerful ministry. At St. John the Baptist, we have ministers who take communion to the sick and homebound. Those who visit will listen and pray with them in the form of words and music.

Right now, we have a critical need for more pastoral care ministers. Our community is aging and many more people have requested communion than we have ministers to take it to them.

Contact Laurie Moloney at the parish office if you'd like to become a pastoral care minister to the homebound.

Learn More About Our Outreach Ministries



St. John the Baptist has a number of outreach efforts individuals can engage with

To find out more about a particular ministry, please check our website at sigtbcc.org/go-ministries/life-justice-and-peace/ or **contact Andrea Mendoza** at the parish office.

Faith Formation



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.



A huge **THANK YOU** to **Erin Hall, Lisa Lord,** and **Cathy Olaes**, who all made a big difference in the lives of our 86 children participants, 15 teen volunteers and 14+ adult volunteers!!! They brought together and led the Monumental experience of VBS (Vacation Bible School), which was held on June 27-July 1. Women, you were amazing, bringing together a great group of volunteers, training them, and directing them through the week! Your communication was spot on! Thank you for working to make our community a place of life, joy, energy, and fun for our young families growing in faith with Jesus!



Is God Calling?



As Catholics we believe God made us! With purpose and intention, God made each one of us. God has given each person gifts/talents. These gifts/talents are not simply "owned" by the one who possesses them. Rather, they are really for the community, and we steward them. How does one come to know their gifts/ talents, and what to do with them?

Try studying the teachings of Scripture and Tradition, spending time in personal and communal prayer, and engaging in community life. While partaking in these practices, we seek our Creator asking, "How can I use these gifts/talents for the greater good of the world around me?" Through these practices, we will come to know and understand what God is calling us to. When we see the Fruits of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we can be confident that the choices we live out of are the very choices that God has called us to.

God is calling! Feel the tug on your heart!

- Joan Williamson

In Our Parish

Special Prayers For Those In Need



Those who are **sick**: **Eddie Dolan**, **Doug Johnson**, and **Grace Wickward**

Those who have **died**:

Brian Johnson
(son of Lyn Johnson & Mary Murphy-Johnson)

Sherley Naval
(cousin of Carolina Mendoza)

Participate as a Conscientious Citizen



Take a greater interest in local environmental policies. Propose changes and promote creative initiatives. Help lift up the voices of young people. In other words, be an active citizen!

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.



Own Your Own Island!

You are invited to take part in caring for God's creation on our parish campus. We still have a handful of our 36 areas available for adoption.

You can sign up as an individual, family, or group. Adopted plots will have a sign, and all who adopt will receive a certificate of appreciation.

"From the hands of God, we have received a garden, we cannot leave a desert for our children...There is hope. We can collaborate...so that our mother Earth may be restored to her original beauty and creation may once again shine according to God's plan.

Pope Francis

For more information, visit <u>sitbcc.org/islandadoption/</u> To sign-up for an island today, visit <u>forms.gle/6z22xiGicPV7FR6s8</u>

From Our Community

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 "Growing Together as a Society." This week highlights AbBA, "Abundant and Better Life Abroad," which is an initiative from the Archdiocesan Commission for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Iterant People (ACMI) in Singapore. The AbBA program is a 4-part values formation series focusing on Valuing Self, Family, Work, and Others. To learn more about AbBA, please visit: acmi.org.sg/amongst-all-of-us/



an in-person marriage encounter experience

The Marriage Encounter experience is a heart haven that helps you listen, share and connect more deeply. There's no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be.

October 7-9, 2022
at Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center, Federal Way
Apply at wwme.org
or contact Jeff & Sandy Corneil at 360-930-2321

Jeff.sandy.corneil@wwme.org
Other locations and dates:



August 12-14, 2022 Portland or Seattle

Archdiocese of Seattle - Criminal Justice Ministry invites you to

"JAIL AND PRISON MINISTRY 101"

A series of six free 90 minute Zoom training sessions

Learn how to accompany those affected by incarceration and how to offer a ministry of presence in correctional facilities.

Share your ministerial experience and gain a rich theological understanding of our mission.

To register, visit us at <u>archseattle.org/ministries/outreach-ministries/criminal-justice-ministry/jail-and-prison-ministry-101/</u>



Volunteers Are Desperately Need



We need volunteers to help with Summer KidZone at our Maple Valley & Kent location. For positions, contact Lisa at 425-432-2119 or lisao@vinemapleplace.org



Rachel's Corner

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

"The darkness inside is a reminder of how valuable this ongoing, steady awareness of God is inside of you, loving you and caring for you. Believe it is there! It never goes away. Even though you might find yourself disconnected for a while, the disconnection could be a marvelous tool to increase your awareness of what a gift it is. It will be there! Just like dawn follows night."

- Msgr. Don Fischer

Consider looking at the darkness you feel inside of you since your abortion decision, as in invitation into the light again. God has not abandoned you and wants to be that dawn for which you yearn so desperately, after a very long night. Join us on the next Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat at the end of August.

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Visit us at <u>www.ccsww.org/projectrachel</u> or <u>www.facebook.com/projectrachelww</u>

You are loved with an everlasting Love!



Catholic Community Services released their spring newsletter highlighting their work in South King County over the last three months. A quick spotlight shows that one program enrolled 23 new participants with six families moving from there into permanent housing. This program provided 2,213 bed nights. A second program moved 96 adults into permanent housing and provided 1,924 bed nights. For more news including ways to volunteer and donate, please visit conta.cc/3OWbvFu



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