



THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

August 14, 2022

Twentieth 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!

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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

Pastor's Corner



"The quality of our participation in such sung praise comes less from our vocal ability than from the desire of our hearts to sing together of our love for God"

- Fr. Bill

Singing

St. Augustine said that music is a way for God to lead us to the realm of higher things. God dwells within each person, in the place where music takes its source. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops have written, "Thus, it is no wonder that singing together in church expresses so well the sacramental presence of God to his people" (Sing to the Lord, #2).

During COVID, when singing was limited, we had to participate internally to the singing done by a cantor, joining with our minds and hearts as we listened. Now, in addition to internal participation, we are returning to greater external participation, as we now can join our voices in song.

Once, in a former parish, when I was trying to encourage greater singing, a parishioner responded, "Well you don't sing everything. I don't see your lips move all the time." Upon further discussion, I discovered this person was referencing to those times when the Assembly was supposed to sing – not the presider. I had to explain that some of our singing is a part of a dialogue. There are different parts taken by the priest, the cantor, and the People. As presider, I do not sing the Great Amen or the memorial acclamation. That is the part of the Assembly. The rite is very specific as it states, "The People acclaim" as opposed to "The Priest says or sings." We are engaging in liturgy together.

As COVID restrictions on singing are being lifted, we will return to greater congregational singing. Be sure to take your part. We need your voice. The U.S. Bishops noted that, "The quality of our participation in such sung praise comes less from our vocal ability than from the desire of our hearts to sing together of our love for God" (#13).

Fr. Bill

This Week At Our Church



Sunday, August 14

Mass - 9:00 am

Mass - 11:30 am

Mass (Life Teen) - 5:30 pm

Monday, August 15 - The Assumption of Mary

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am

Mass (Feast of the Assumption) - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, August 16

Word & Communion - 9:00 am

WICS (Support for widowed people) Meeting - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, August 17

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am

Mass - 9:00 am

American Sewing Guild - 10:00 am

Adult Faith Formation *in Spanish* - 7:00 pm

Thursday, August 18

Creation Care Team - 1:00 pm

Mass - 6:30 pm

RCIA Team Training - 7:00 pm

Friday, August 19

Mass - 9:00 am

Hora Santa de Reparación - 1:30 pm

Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:00 pm

Saturday, August 20

Faith Formation Parish-wide Zoom 10:00 am

Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Mass - 5:30 pm



Sunday, August 28, 2022

Welcome Gathering after the 11:30 mass
McMullen Center

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Last day for Back-To-School supply drive

Stewardship

Sunday Collection - August 7, 2022	
SOURCE	AMOUNT
Stewardship Envelope	\$7,871.13
Stewardship Loose Checks	2,010.50
Stewardship Loose Cash	779.69
Holy Day	5.00
Vigil lights	49.31
St. Vincent de Paul	125.00
Faith Formation fees	775.00
Peter's Pence	5.00
Wedding fees and donations	500.00
Missal sales	3.00
School supply drive	20.00
TOTAL	\$12,143.63



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Annual Catholic Appeal

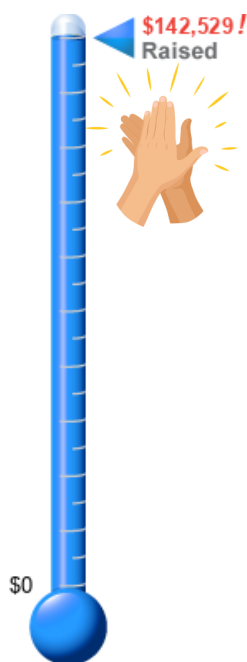
Thank you to all of you who have returned your Annual Catholic Appeal pledge. Your gift makes a difference to our brothers and sisters in all places in life.

As of August 7, we have received gifts and pledges totaling \$142,529 (123% of our goal) from 311 families (26.2%) of our parish! THANK YOU! The average pledge is \$458.29.

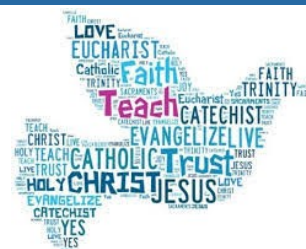
We have reached AND surpassed our goal! But please don't stop here. Remember, **anything above and beyond \$115,812 will be returned to St. John to fund our projects.** This means that to date and once everyone has fulfilled their pledges, **\$26,717** will come back to St. John the Baptist to help fund 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!



Faith Formation & Ministry



Pass On The Good News

What good news? The Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith!

This fall, over 200 children and young people, preschool through grade 12, will sign up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. **You can help them learn and grow in faith by becoming a catechist for Faith Formation.** With classes offered Sunday mornings and evenings and Wednesday evenings you are almost sure to find a time that fits your schedule. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! As one long-time catechist put it, "I learn so much from the children!" **We provide you with training, materials, and support.** Classes begin in late September. If interested or for more information, contact Therese McHenry or Joan Williamson at the parish office.



ONE PARISH || ONE PRISONER

Each month the members of the One Parish, One Prisoner (OPOP) team, including our friend Chaz, spend some time reflecting upon a learning module. The first module we covered in July was on the Lost Art of Letter Writing, where the team delved into how letter writing can be Biblical in nature, noting how many of the New Testament letters were written while Paul was imprisoned.

We explored how those who are incarcerated can impart much wisdom from their lived experiences. The OPOP team members commenced writing physical letters to Chaz.

The second module the OPOP team covered for August was on Success, challenging our expectations of what might come from this experience. The module states: "Our primary goal is not to help our new friend become a 'productive member of society,' as that miserably utilitarian phrase goes... 'Success' in this journey, if we have to use that word, is opening such relationships of embrace and trust. Success is learning how to be faithful. Success is mutual transformation."

We ask for your continued prayers for the OPOP team, especially Chaz, on this journey. We hope to provide monthly updates as this journey continues.

In Our Parish



Those who are **sick** :

**Barbara Hogenhout, Randy Karns,
Deilya McClelland, Ryan Moore, Paige Patrick,
Eden Wallace, and Cheryl Oakley**

Those who have **died**:

Valotin Pardo (brother of Deacon Anselmo Pardo)



WELCOME GATHERING

August 28 after 11:30 mass

McMullen Center (Education Building)

Did you join the parish in 2021 or 2022? If so, you are invited to **join Father Bill for lunch and conversation. All registrants will receive a free gift!**

RSVP to Anne Frederick at the parish office by August 24!

St. John the Baptist Fun Facts:

- Established in 1991 - services were initially held at Horizon Elementary School
- Number of households in 1991: 250
Number of households in 2021: 1157
- McMullen Education Center dedicated in 2001

Parish Priorities: Gather in God's name, grow in God's time, and go in God's Spirit.

Interested in joining?

Register at sjtbcc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Parish-Registration-Form.pdf



Life, Justice, Peace Commission Seeking Members

Do you have a heart for caring for those on the margins and ideas on how we can continue to be Christ's hands and feet in our community and world? We need your voice! Our commission is looking to grow in membership representing our diverse family of faith. If you are interested and/or have questions about this commission, please do not hesitate to reach out! Please **contact Andrea at 253-893-6684** to set up a time to chat.

Conserve the Rainforests

Know, listen to, and support those who live in forests across the world, especially Indigenous Peoples and local communities. Support efforts that work against deforestation by not consuming the products that cause it, connect with like-minded groups, and collaborate with other organizations that advocate for such sustainable living.



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.

Wanted: Fresh Produce

Our crate and cooler are out by the McMullen Center ready to receive donations of fresh produce! These donations can be either grown from your own garden or bought at the store.



Like your donations of non-perishable food items, these are delivered weekly to the Storehouse where they are used to provide nutritious sustenance to our Covington neighbors facing food insecurity.

Thank you for your generous donations!

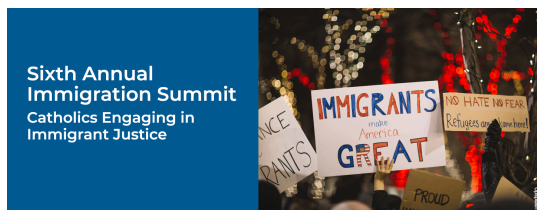
From Our Community



Wanted!

Please join our **back-to-school supply drive** to support low-income schools in the Kent School District through the work of Communities in Schools. We will have a bin in the Narthex at the Life, Justice, Peace table for you to fill with school supplies. Supplies will be collected **through August 28, 2022**.

Thank you for your support!



Catholics Engaging in Immigrant Justice

Saturday, **August 27, 9:00am – 4:00 pm**
Seattle University,
parking and lunch included at this free event

The recent synodal process has encouraged Catholics to engage in a Culture of Encounter, which entails deep listening. With an open heart, this deep listening allows us to receive the hopes and aspirations, pains and struggles, of our brothers and sisters seeking justice. In response, we commit to accompany these communities and invite you to join us for a day of camaraderie, listening, learning, and action in our struggle for justice for immigrants. We'll have opportunities to hear from immigrant communities, get updates on current immigration issues, and celebrate our diverse traditions. Specific workshops will address mental health, advocacy, legal issues, and refugee sponsorship.

Save the date. Registration will open soon, and space is limited!



St. James Cathedral's Mental Health Wellness Ministry and the Archdiocese of Seattle Mental Health Ministry are sponsoring Wellness Wednesdays, a monthly educational forum featuring professionals from various mental health disciplines speaking on topics of interest.

Wellness Wednesdays virtual events will be held on Zoom and will take place on the first Wednesday of the month. Visit us at archseattle.org/events/wellness-wednesdays-neurofibromatosis-becoming-informed/ for topics and schedule.



We Are Hiring

Vine Maple Place is growing and hiring. Along with the Maple Valley and Kent facilities, they are working to serve more homeless families throughout South King County than ever before. We currently have several job openings and internship opportunities found here: bit.ly/VMPCareers

Rachel's Corner

(a program of Catholic Community Services)

Hope and Healing After Abortion

"Find God in all things."

- St. Ignatius of Loyola Feast Day - July 31

Yes, in the pain, shame, and regret following your loss due to an abortion decision, you can find God as well. He wants nothing more than to hold you in His merciful arms and remind you that He has never stopped loving you and never will. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and give Him that chance to do so.

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Become A Member



In honor of the new feast day, August 13, of the Knights of Columbus founder, Blessed Michael McGivney (August 12, 1852 - August 14, 1890), the Knights of Columbus are waiving the first year membership

dues for new online membership applications submitted during the month of August. Visit

kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html

Enter code **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY**



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