



THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

August 21, 2022
Twenty-First 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!



21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

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

Sunday Liturgies:

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 (*this week only*):

Word & Communion:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 9am; Thurs 6:30 pm

Confession: Saturday at 4pm

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Pastor's Corner

This Week At Our Church



“Each person deserves a day away in which no problems are confronted, no solutions searched for. Each of us needs to withdraw from the cares which will not withdraw from us.”

- Maya Angelou

Fr. Dave Rogerson will be with you this weekend while I am away on a week's vacation. Fr. Rogerson is one of our senior priests who continues to help in various parishes. I have known him since my high school years, which is a long time.

For vacation, I am planning on getting some projects around the house accomplished, some extra reading done, a few friends and family visited, and enjoying these August days in the northwest.

I came across a couple of quotes about vacations. The poet and civil rights activist, Maya Angelou, once said: “Each person deserves a day away in which no problems are confronted, no solutions searched for. Each of us needs to withdraw from the cares which will not withdraw from us.” The Turkish playwright, Mehmet Murat ildan said, “Neglecting vacation is neglecting success because every success needs an accumulated positive energy!”

I am not sure how much I will get done. It is never all I have planned. However, I hope I come back rested and energized. We have a full and exciting program year beginning. Hope you are also able to get summer rest and refreshment.

Fr. Bill

Parish Leadership Team

The parish Leadership Team met on August 3rd. Members of this consultative body are Bob Denney, Gary Lara, Irene Cervantes, Joe Burianek, Kathy Dalseg, Trish Hanson, Nkechi Echeruo and Stephanie Esteban. Anne Frederick and Joan Williamson serve as ex-officio members.

The special August meeting was held to lay the groundwork for a convocation of all parish councils and commission members on October 27th. Parish Leadership Team also discussed a process for discerning the parish's next five-year goals.

What's Happening

Sunday, August 21

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

Monday, August 22

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am
Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Communications Team - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, August 23

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
WICS (Support for widowed people) Meeting - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, August 24

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am
Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Stewardship & Evangelization Commission - 6:30 pm
Adult Faith Formation *in Spanish* - 7:00 pm
Adult Formation Committee - 7:00 pm

Thursday, August 25

Universal Christ Faith Group - 4:00 pm
Word & Communion - 6:30 pm
RCIA Team Training - 7:00 pm

Friday, August 26

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Hora Santa de Reparación - 1:30 pm
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:30 pm

Saturday, August 27

Faith Formation Parish-Wide Zoom - 10:00 am
Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass - 5:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Welcome Gathering
Last day for Back-To-School Supply Drive
Free Blood Pressure Screenings

Thursday, September 1, 2022

Season of Creation Begins

Stewardship

Faith Formation & Ministry

Sunday Collection - August 14, 2022	
SOURCE	AMOUNT
Stewardship Envelope	\$6,366.00
Stewardship Loose Checks	5,255.00
Stewardship Loose Cash	1,111.00
Vigil Lights	47.78
St. Vincent de Paul	969.00
Peter's Pence	5.00
Wedding Fees and Donations	220.00
TOTAL	\$13,973.78



A Journey In Faith

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



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.

Mark Your Calendars



The Season of Creation begins on Thursday, September 1st and ends on Tuesday, October 4th. This is a period Christians from around the world celebrate and pray for the gift of God's creation. Stay tuned for how we will celebrate in our community!



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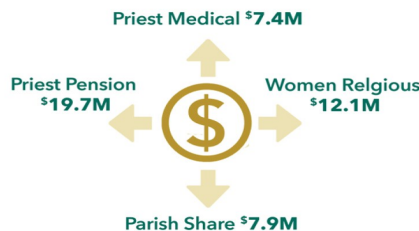
We are continually grateful for the generosity of everyone who supported the Called to Serve as Christ Campaign. Over 23,000 families from every parish in the diocese contributed more than \$65,500,000 in gifts and pledges. To date we have received \$53,600,000 in cash and have dispersed it all. These gifts have made a tremendous impact on the Priest Pension fund, the Retired Priest Medical fund and for the Women Religious in the archdiocese.

For those who have completed their pledge and for those who are still providing gifts, your faithful generosity is greatly appreciated. For any questions and to learn more, please visit archseattle.org/called-to-serve or contact the Archdiocesan Development Office at 206-903-4620 or campaign@seattlearch.org.

Pledge Fulfillment



Distribution



Participation



In Our Parish



Those who are **sick** :

Deilya McClelland, Paige Patrick, Eden Wallace, Barbara Hogenhout, Joe Welsh and Cheryl Oakley

Those who have **died**:

Lilian Meyer (granddaughter of Vicky Warnock)
Lawrence Acheson (uncle of Rita Myers)

News from the Garden



These first 2 weeks of August have been great for our produce collection in the crate and cooler at the McMullen Center. Thank you gardeners for your green thumbs and generous hearts.

We have delivered 77 pounds of beets, cabbage, carrots, squash, beans and cucumbers to the Storehouse food bank!



**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!

Interested in joining?

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

Ministry Spotlight

Sacristans: The Silent Servers

"To me, sacristans are an important part of the team of 'silent servers' who serve God and our parish at every Mass. It is a unique opportunity to meet and work with others, and to become more focused on the Mass itself," reflected a current sacristan at the weekend Masses. This sentiment is shared by other sacristans.

Annette Parker, a sacristan at the Life Teen Mass, said, "Being a sacristan has increased my faith. I am handling the consecrated hosts and wine, which I knew was important before, but now with being a sacristan, I see it as an honor. When I am at the tabernacle in the side chapel, sometimes I will see individuals or families deep in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. I am amazed and humbled to witness their profound spiritual faith, and this has deepened my faith. Of course I was a bit overwhelmed and nervous in the beginning, but now I have the rhythm and process down and can truly feel the sacred moments of the Mass."

"For me, being a sacristan has been very rewarding. I have become more focused on the various parts Mass and have enjoyed getting to know the many people involved in preparing for the celebration of Mass. Since I am a "Martha type" person, being a sacristan allows me to actively, yet prayerfully, serve the Lord," reflected Laura Rothschilds.

Laurie Moloney says she gets much more out of being a sacristan than she gives. "The graces of the Eucharist makes the role a blessing."

But we are very short of sacristans for most of the weekend Masses and need new people to volunteer at each of the Mass times, especially the 5:30 PM Saturday as well as the 9 and 11:30 AM Masses on Sunday.

Weekend sacristans set up the vessels, cloths, hosts and wine before Mass, bring the reserved consecrated hosts from the tabernacle to the altar and distribute consecrated low-gluten hosts during Communion, and return remaining consecrated hosts to the tabernacle after Communion. After Mass, sacristans distribute consecrated hosts to Eucharistic Ministers for the sick and homebound and then properly clean and store all the vessels and cloths.

The only requirement is that you are a confirmed, practicing Catholic, willing to share your time and talents about once a month for the Mass of your choice. We provide training and a detailed process that you can easily follow.

Making preparations for Mass as a sacristan gives me some focused time to also prepare myself spiritually for the celebration of the Mass. As someone who likes "doing" something, being a sacristan is ideal. I feel like I'm helping to make the Mass go smoothly for the celebrant, the altar servers as well as everyone in the congregation. Bringing the consecrated hosts from the tabernacle to the altar is a privilege.

If you feel God is calling you to this special ministry, please contact Laurie Moloney at the office (253-630-0701) for more information or to volunteer.

-- Paul Dehmer

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!

Rachel's Corner

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

"I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh." - Ezekiel 36:26

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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 Humanity." It asks the question, "How can we foster an enriching encounter with migrants and refugees?" To hear the responses of others, we invite you to check out this video and pray about your answer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kILEb39X6x8&t=30s>.

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**



Items Needed

The Care Closet shelves are bare at both the Kent and Maple Valley locations. VMP needs your help now to provide basic hygiene items for their families.

Here is the list of the most critically needed items:

- Laundry soap (liquid)
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Dish soap (liquid)
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Deodorant (female)
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes (adult & kids)
- Tampons
- Feminine hygiene pads
- Kitchen trash bags

To purchase at stores and deliver items directly to Vine Maple Place in Kent or Maple Valley, click [HERE](#) for the complete item list or visit <https://www.vinemapleplace.org/get-involved.html>.

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