THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST September 11, 2022

Twenty-fourth 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!



OFFICE HOURS: Mon-Fri 9am to 4pm; 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:

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

Confession: Saturday at 4pm

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Pastor's Corner



"Deacons, married or single, are ordained as a sign that all the faithful are called to service."

- Fr. Bill

New Deacon Class

The archdiocese has called for a new formation class to become a deacon. Aspirants should be men between the age of 30 and 56. Deacons, married or single, are ordained as a sign that all the faithful are called to service. Deacons have a special role of service to the liturgy, to the Gospel and to the works of charity.

Candidates should be:

- A man of prayer, who demonstrates this quality in his daily life, and in his full and active participation in the liturgy
- A Catholic who is fully initiated and in good standing with the Catholic Church
- Commitment to serving the needs of the Church, especially the poor and vulnerable
- A lifetime pattern of spiritual, pastoral, human and intellectual growth
- Solid moral character demonstrating the human virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance
- Humility, good listening skills and openness to conversion
- Empathy, constancy, sincerity, truthfulness, patience enabling good relationships with others
- Preparedness to understand, present and promote the teachings of the Church

As you read this description, does someone in the parish come to mind? Could you encourage that man to consider a call to the diaconate?

For more information go to <u>archseattle.org/deacon/</u>

This Week At Our Church



NOTE OUR NEW OFFICE HOURS ON THE FRONT PAGE

Sunday, September 11

Mass - 9:00 am PS & Elementary Parent Orientation - 10:15 am Mass - 11:30 am Life Teen CORE Training - 2:00 pm Mass (Life Teen) - 5:30 pm

Monday, September 12

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am Word & Communion - 9:00 am Christ 2nd Commandment - 10:00 am Cub Scout Pack 506 Den Meeting - 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 13

Word & Communion - 9:00 am Maplewood Pony Club Meeting - 7:00 pm One Parish, One Prisoner - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, September 14

Safe Parking Breakfast - 8:00 am Mass - 9:00 am Hispanic Charismatic Group - 6:00 pm Adult Faith Formation *in Spanish* - 7:00 pm Faith Formation Commission - 7:00 pm 5th - 12th Grade Parent Orientation - 7:00 pm

Thursday, September 15

PREPARES Meeting - 9:30 am Creation Care Team - 1:00 pm Mass - 6:30 pm RCIA - 7:00 pm

Friday, September 16

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

Saturday, September 17

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



Sunday, September 18

Faith Formation Catechist Training Parish Mission (through Tuesday)

Stewardship

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Sunday Collection - August 28, 2022*	
SOURCE	AMOUNT
Stewardship Envelopes	\$8,572.00
Stewardship Loose Checks	1,674.50
Stewardship Loose Cash	947.00
Holy Day	172.00
Vigil lights	45.10
St. Vincent de Paul	1,097.00
Faith Formation fees	510.00
ACA	640.00
Facility Use deposit	200.00
School supplies donation	50.00
Missal sales	GUIPPORT 3.00
Faith Direct 8/15/22	18,400.00
TOTAL	\$32,310.60

^{*} Due to the Labor Day weekend, the Sunday 9/5/22 collection will be combined with the 9/12/22 collection report on 9/19/22

Prayer requests

For the sick:

Barbara Hogenhout, Gina Howell, Cheryl Oakley, and Cheyenne Reugger

For those who have **died**:

Richard Blackmore
(father of Karen Lepola)
Helen Hobbid
(sister of Lvonne Lawless)

Faith Formation



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.

Ministry Spotlight



My husband and I live in Ten Trail out in Black Diamond. Over the past year, our neighborhood has been under construction with new homes being built. Last week, I was walking through the developing neighborhood and was struck by the similarity between building a new house and building one's faith. Both involve a buy-in (an investment, a promise), choices, a multitude of people, and lots of faith.

Building a home in a new development usually starts with a visit to the model home and a buy-in of the builder's design. You say "yes" and invest your money in the promise of a future home. Building faith also starts with a buy-in; a "yes" to living by God's design and a promise of eternal life.

Once the agreement is signed to build, it's off to the design center, where many choices must be made: colors, styles, materials, etc. This part is fun as you decide which touches will make the home unique to you. Faith formation is like that; there are choices and decisions to make in fitting your unique gifts and interests into God's design! Which books to read? Which ministries to join? Consultation with the Designer is a must.

After the design decisions have been made, a multitude of contractors make their mark (foundation, siding, floors, walls, roofs, etc.). Each contribution is significant and critical to the building of a sound house. Faith formation is like that too! Seeds are planted and people and experiences leave a mark on your soul. Each contribution is significant and critical in building faith.

The similarities in building a house and building faith reminds me of why I love being involved in the ministry of Faith Formation at St. John's. Our community is like a developing neighborhood, and the ministry of Faith Formation is like the contractors, whose contributions are significant and critical.

There are so many ways to participate in faith formation. Your gifts and talents are valued and welcome. Please contact Joan Williamson or myself at the parish office to find out about all the opportunities to become "builders of faith" for our youth.

Therese McHenry Pre-School/Elementary Faith Formation

Our Church



Listen to the Voice of Creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The Burning Bush

During the Season of Creation, we invite you to bring up gifts of fresh produce to the crate on the altar. These gifts may be from your garden or store-bought. All donations of fresh produce will be delivered to The Storehouse.

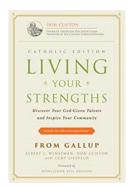
Celebrating the Beauty of Nasturtiums: On April 26, Jeff Renner delivered an informative and inspiring presentation on Faith and Environment - Care for Creation. During the presentation each person in attendance was given a small piece of paper towel. On one side we were asked to answer the question: "What worries you the most?" On the other side: "What matters to me?"

At the end of the presentation, Jeff spoke about the importance of ritual. It is a way the spirit of an experience can be captured. For this event, Jeff had a large clay garden pot that represented our St. John's community. The paper slips were added on which we expressed our worries, hopes, and what matters. Paul Dehmer assisted by adding the soil to the pot. The soil represented the fertility of our commitment to work together. Finally, Jeff added a package of Nasturtium seeds. These were our ideas and inspirations working together.

The resulting ritual pot was kept indoors in the sun, and the soil was watered. On May 4, about 12 seeds had germinated. The leaves of Nasturtium (aka *Tropaeolum majus*) are attached to long twining and sprawling stems. By June 5, the plant was thriving. July 6 brought great joy as the first flower bloomed!

Rituals can have great power to solidify what we are able to achieve. The leaves and stems capture our unity and interconnectedness as a community. Although it took some time, the flower seemed to express the realization of our hopes and the beauty of what can blossom through patience and care. During this Season of Creation, may we all work towards adding beauty to our world and community.





Find out your Top 5 Talents and explore how to use them in all aspects of your life!

Come join our four-week reflection and study opportunity to know how God has gifted you.

New classes begin this fall both in person and Zoom options.

We will be meeting on Tuesday from 1 to 2:30 pm in person and on Tuesday evenings 6:30 to 8 pm via Zoom. In person classes begin on September 27 and Zoom starts on October 4. Other dates and times can be arranged on request to fit a variety of schedules.

To register or for more information, contact Anne Frederick at 253-630-0701 x 125 or email at annef@sjtbcc.org

From Our Community

Terrific Tuesday Meals - Toiletries Needed

Terrific Tuesday Meals has continued providing a weekly hot to-go dinner to anyone in need in downtown Kent.

Many of those stopping by are experiencing homelessness and request travel size toiletries. If you would like to donate toiletries for this cause, please drop them off at the Life, Justice, Peace table or office. If you would like to be involved with Terrific Tuesday Meals, please contact Andrea at 253-893-6684 or andream@sitbcc.org.



Volunteer Services

Volunteer Services, a program of Catholic Community Services, connects volunteers to assist older adults and adults living with disabilities to assist with household chores and other services they can no longer accomplish on their own. Volunteers are currently needed to support community members seeking these services. Training is provided, hours are flexible, and the service can be tailored to match your interests, location preference, and schedule availability. Additionally, mileage is reimbursed for those that sign on as drivers, and insurance is provided while in service. If you are interested in getting involved, please call 206-328-5787 or visit ccsww.org/volunteer/.



Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection Next Week

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at usccb.org/cchd.



Considering Separation or Divorce?

Wait! There is an alternative.

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has brought healing to tens of thousands of troubled marriages worldwide.

Your situation may seem hopeless, but there is always hope, and you are not alone in your struggle.

For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for our upcoming program on Oct. 14-16, 2022, call 206-706-2608 or go to helpourmarriage.org.



Prepares is a ministry that supports moms who are currently pregnant or parenting children up to the age up 5. Moms in need are referred primarily through Catholic Community Services and St. Vincent de Paul, although anyone is welcome to receive services.

Our *Prepares* volunteers provide emotional support as well as tangible items such as diapers, while connecting them to more ongoing resources. As more moms are referred for support, the ministry needs new volunteers to walk along these families, providing a ray of hope during this challenging time.

If you would like to learn more about this ministry or get involved, please contact Andrea at 253.893.6684 or AndreaM@sjtbcc.org.



Rachel's Corner

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

"My tears are of joy and healing and not of sadness anymore. I am free, and I am not alone."

Testimonial

Have you forgotten how to laugh and enjoy life? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard[™] Retreat and see what joy-filled tears feel like and be reminded that you are His – you always have been and you always will be.

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You are loved with an everlasting Love!



All are welcome.

Come & experience God's supernatural love!

Friday, October 28, 2022 7:00pm HEALING MASS St. Anthony Parish

416 4th Street, Renton, WA 98057

Praise & worship begin @ 6:45 pm followed by a Healing Service, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Prayer Teams

Celebrant: Fr. Ed white
Concelebrant: Fr. Xavier Bazil H.G.N
Sponsor: Friday Night Prayer Group
For more info, call:
Marilou 206-832-6081 | Christine 425-533-8437

2022/2023 St. John the Baptist

Craft & Hobby Group Meeting Dates

Welcome Back!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

10 am-5 pm

(Come when you can, stay as long as you can)

September 24, 2022

October 15, 2022

November 19, 2022

February 18, 2023

March 18, 2023

April 15, 2023

May 20, 2023

Our 15th Annual Craft and Hobby Retreat will be Friday and Saturday, January 27-28, 2023

(10 am—9 pm Friday, leave your things overnight, come back Saturday for breakfast at 9 am and stay until 9 pm)



- No cost! Nothing to buy!
- Uninterrupted time to work on your craft .
- Bring your own supplies
- Bring your own snack and lunch.
- Invite a friend.
- The Yarning for Community group will join us!



If you have questions or want more information, please contact NANCY MOORE in the parish office.

(253) 630-0701, ext. 102 or nancym@sjtbcc.org

Fall Parish Mission

"We Cannot Give What We Do Not Have" Living a Life of Prayer

September 18, 19, \$20 from 7-8:30pm In the Sanctuary

Our parish theme this year is CARE. In order to care for others, we must care for the gift God has given in our self. This parish mission will inspire deeper relationship with God through personal, household, and community prayer!

Sisters Julian and Anna-Čamille bring a wide variety of prayer practices and experiences to aid in this growing and deepening of relationship with God. Some of experiences may be familiar, but given in a new/refreshing way. There will be ample time for Q & A, as well as small group dialogue.

Sister Julian Cleary OSB practiced disability law for about 25 years before entering St. Placid Priory in Lacey in 2014. Prior to that, she enjoyed practicing nursing as a Nurse Practitioner. She is a certified Spiritual Director. Occasionally, she presents Priory Courses, including but not limited to the Oasis, Listening with the Spirit, and Prayer Practices programs. At the Priory, Sr. Julian enjoys helping take care of the monastic cat, "Pretty Girl," and working in the Priory dahlia garden.

Sister Anna-Camille Wooden OSB was a teacher for 40 years and performed with an improvisational theater group for over 20 years. She was an oblate at St. Placid Priory for 8 years before beginning the path to yowed religious life. She is a commissioned presenter of Centering Prayer, retreat and workshop leader, and a liturgist in the priory. She also is co-director of oblates, works in the priory archives and helps keep the bird feeders full.

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