

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

October 16, 2022

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lk 18:1-8



## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:30 am, 5:30 pm

Word & Communion: Mon & Tues 9:00 am

Weekday Masses: Wed 9:00 am, Thurs 6:30 pm, Fri 9:00 am



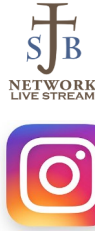
## MISSION STATEMENT

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!

## WELCOME

Whether you're a registered parishioner or first-time visitor, we hope you feel welcomed. 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.



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**OPEN;** contact Joan Williamson if interested

## THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

### Sunday, October 16

Mass - 9:00 am  
Elementary Faith Formation - 10:15 am  
Mass - 11:30 am  
Mass - 5:30 pm

### Monday, October 17

Yoga - 7:30 am  
Life Justice Peace Commission Meeting - 3:00 pm  
Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:00 pm  
Word & Communion - 9:00 am

### Tuesday, October 18

Word & Communion - 9:00 am  
Living Your Strengths Class (Zoom) - 6:30 pm  
WICS (support for widowed people) - 7:00 pm

### Wednesday, October 19

Mass - 9:00 am  
American Sewing Guild Meeting - 10:00 am  
Hispanic Charismatic Group - 6:00 pm  
Stewardship & Evangelization Meeting - 6:30 pm

### Thursday, October 20

Yoga - 7:30 am  
PREPARES Meeting - 9:30 am  
Creation Care Team Meeting - 1:00 pm  
Hora Santa de Reparación - 2:30 pm  
Universal Christ Faith Group Meeting - 4:00 pm  
Mass - 6:30 pm  
RCIA - 7:00 pm

### Friday, October 21

Mass - 9:00 am  
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:30 pm

### Saturday, October 22

Parish-wide Zoom 10:00 am  
Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
Mass - 5:30 pm

**REMINDER:**

Free Blood Pressure Check  
**Sunday, October 23**  
after 9:00 & 11:30 am masses

## Pastor's Corner



*"World Mission Sunday also calls us to see ourselves as missionaries, called to bring the Gospel to our corner of the world by the witness of our lives as well."* ~ Fr. Bill

### World Mission Sunday, October 23

In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity, so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world.

Our financial support enables the proclamation of the Gospel, the building of churches, and the work and witness of mission priests, sisters, and lay pastoral leaders. These missionaries provide food, education, and medical care to the most vulnerable communities throughout the world. Through their work, they reveal the compassionate heart of Jesus.

In addition to our partnership with these missionaries overseas, World Mission Sunday also calls us to see ourselves as missionaries, called to bring the Gospel to our corner of the world by the witness of our lives as well. The commission Jesus gave his disciples is given to us: "Go make disciples."

-Fr. Bill

## Finance

### Parish Stewardship

Expected Stewardship for September	\$86,382
Actual Stewardship Revenue	\$84,986

### Bill of the Month

For the month of September, your stewardship gifts helped us pay our Puget Sound Energy bill of \$1,893.46.

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## We Pray

For the **sick** :

**Peter Behrens, Mary Grizzle,  
Julius Johnson, Page Lane,  
Terry Nelson, Luz Manalo**

For those who have **died**:

**Santos Ciambra** (friend of Jackie Raczka)  
**Rita Drew** (aunt of Sarah Pirson)

### CARE and Walking Through Grief

This is a 9-week FREE program offering support and hope to those experiencing loss.

**October 19 - December 14**

7:00 - 9:00 pm Online via Zoom

Please **contact Frank Hammock at the parish office** or [office@sjtbcc.org](mailto:office@sjtbcc.org) for more information.

## Parish Mission

### CARE and the Knights of Columbus



Our Knights of Columbus Council 11780 was contacted by a parishioner on behalf of a senior relocating into an assisted living facility. The Knights, along with several other parishioners, moved unneeded furniture from a third floor apartment to a staging area, where it was picked up by Habitat for Humanity.

It was a case of "many hands make light work." Parishioners of various ages and abilities came together and accomplished the move in about an hour, turning what could have been a difficult task into a rewarding time for all.

### Cover Photo

This Sunday's Gospel, Lk 18:1-8, Jesus talks about always praying and never getting tired of it. The front cover shows **Irene Cervantes** praying to Our Lady of Guadalupe. The quote written on the statue states, "No estoy aqui que soy to Madre." Translated, "Am I not here who am your Mother?" Irene, like many other parishioners, believes in the power of prayer, of tirelessly praying.

Irene is also the winner of the "Deer on St. John Grounds" photo contest (photo posted in the October 2, 2022 version of the bulletin). Irene correctly identified the deer grazing on the church grounds behind the church, where the statue of St. Francis stands. Irene won a big chocolate bar for correctly identifying the exact location of the photo.

**Congratulations Irene!**

There is no photo contest this week, as we reflect upon the Gospel of praying without being weary.



## Ministry Spotlight



My husband I joined St. John the Baptist in 2018. We were married in the summer of 2019 and joined **Financial Peace University (FPU)** that fall.

Having the opportunity to be part of FPU could not have come at a better time. We bought a house, got married, and were pregnant with our first child all within six months! While we were dating and engaged, we had discussed finances and held very similar values in terms of giving, saving, and spending. But we didn't have a very clear idea on how to actually do those things and achieve our goals!

FPU was the roadmap we needed. Through the lessons, videos, and group discussions, we learned what steps to take as a newlywed couple and expecting parents to be able to achieve our goals. We were able to begin investing an appropriate amount into our retirements. We purchased insurance with the proper amount of coverage; we set up a college fund for our daughter; we were able to increase giving to our favorite charities; and we were able to make improvements on our home without going into debt.

Our family has continued to grow, and we welcomed our second baby, a son, in March 2022. I have been able to take time off of work and will return after his first birthday. We feel so blessed that I am able to stay home with our children during this season. This blessing is in part due to FPU.

Doing this work while our kids are still young has really allowed us to plan for many different aspects of the future. We would recommend FPU to anyone, but especially those with young children or those who are hoping to grow their families.

- Emily and Craig Pilawski  
FPU Graduates

The first session of Financial Peace University will begin on **November 6, 2022**.

This program offers a variety of online and written resources for money management and investing in your future. The nine sessions will be facilitated by a fellow parishioner and retired financial executive, who will share his expertise with participants.

Classes will be held between Sunday morning Masses in the parish conference room. For more information, please **contact Anne Frederick at the parish office**.

## Other Ministries

### Pancake Breakfast To Benefit



Sunday, October 23, 2022  
10:00 - 11:30 am

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

The annual Apples Sales Fund Raiser in October and November typically supports this program. However, our Grower's apple orchard in Yakima was attacked by a flock of birds that destroyed the entire crop this year. Please keep our Grower in your prayers and also continue to support our Coats for Kids program by joining us on our pancake breakfast.

### Facilities and Grounds Commission

**Pruning shrubbery and trees** and transporting accumulations of yard debris to the compost pile and yard waste container will happen on Saturday, **November 5 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**. Service projects for Eagle Scouts and Girls Scouts available.

- Repair/Replace sanctuary chair couplers
- Chain link fence around the garage
- Extend/Add concrete sidewalks around parish grounds and retention ponds.

### Give Shampoo Bars A Chance!



Consider switching to, or at least trying, a shampoo bar rather than bottled shampoo for your hair. A bar typically comes with minimal packaging; and when it is gone, there is no container to recycle or toss in the trash.

### Life, Justice, Peace Commission Prepares for Parish Council & Commission

Members met on Tuesday, October 4 to continue preparation for the Parish Council & Commission Convocation occurring at the end of the month. They spent time reviewing the parish's previous 5-year plan and discussing areas of strength and future opportunity. The Commission is planning on meeting once before prior to the Convocation to continue preparation.

### Parish Councils and Commissions Convocation

All those serving on councils and commissions will gather in person on Thursday, October 27. We will gather for the 6:30 Mass (open to all parishioners) and then move to the social hall for the convocation.



## From Our Community



Every year, the Seattle Seafarers' Center provides about 1,000 ditty bags stuffed with basic personal necessities to merchant seafarers. These bags are one way we help seafarers celebrate Christmas while they are far from home during the holiday season. Seafarers help make Christmas possible by transporting lots of goods to the US. Help make a seafarer's Christmas by providing them with a ditty bag to say thank you!

To find out more, visit our website [mts-seattle.org/](https://mts-seattle.org/) or contact the Seattle Seafarers Center [office@mts-seattle.org](mailto:office@mts-seattle.org). Thank you!

## Hope and Healing After Abortion



If the thoughts and feelings you have carried inside since the day of your participation in an abortion decision have burdened you with regret and remorse, join others women and men for healing and forgiveness.

**English: (206) 920-6413 / Español: (206)-450-7814**

Email [projectrachel@ccsww.org](mailto:projectrachel@ccsww.org). Visit us at [www.ccsww.org/projectrachel](https://www.ccsww.org/projectrachel) or [www.facebook.com/projectrachelww](https://www.facebook.com/projectrachelww).

*Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community*



Hosted by the Native American community and the Archdiocese of Seattle's Multicultural Ministry, join Bishop Elizondo in celebrating the gift of Native American Catholics to the

Church, particularly by honoring St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Native American saint. St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the Lily of the Mohawks, was born in New York State in 1656. She was noted for her deep prayer life and special devotion to the Eucharist. Join us in a joyful celebration of Native American faith and culture.

**Saturday, October 22 - 11:00 AM**  
**St. James Cathedral**

## Catholic Healthcare Collaboration (Catholic Community Services)

This innovative partnership between the Archdiocese of Seattle, Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington, and local Catholic hospitals, including PeaceHealth, Providence, and Virginia Mason Franciscan Health will transform the way Catholic organizations collaborate and respond to the cry of the poor.

Working together will strengthen care giving partnerships and expand capacity to provide appropriate, coordinated community-based services using the specializations and vision of each collaboration partner.

As the first collaboration of its kind in Western Washington, the Catholic Healthcare Collaboration (CHC) is a true blending of expertise across the healthcare and social services spectrum.

For more information on the Catholic Healthcare Collaboration, please contact Irene at [irenew@ccsww.org](mailto:irenew@ccsww.org)

## Life With the Holy Spirit Retreat

Saturday, October 22, 2022  
[St. Thomas Parish](#) (Tukwila)  
8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Vigil mass at 5:00 pm

Please bring your own sack lunch. We stay together for lunch. Register online at [www.ccr.org](https://www.ccr.org) or call 206-364-2272. Registration deadline is October 14, 2022.



In this presentation, Father Michael Carson will explore the history of the last 200 years - tracing where the concept of Native boarding schools originated and how

these institutions were rooted in the sin of racism and have left a path of destruction through Native culture and peoples.

In the second part of the presentation, Father Carson will take what we have learned from St. George Residential School Tacoma history and develop some working ideas to promote healing and counter the historic trauma of boarding schools. The presentation will focus on the areas that the USCCB is coordinating with the bishops at this time: the work to move beyond apologies to concrete areas of restoration and reconciliation.

**Location:** Isaac Orr Room, 910 Marion Street  
**Date:** Oct 23rd 2022, 2:30 PM

**Virtual Location:** Zoom Link: [seattlearch-org.zoom.us/j/87613828120](https://seattlearch-org.zoom.us/j/87613828120); Meeting ID: 876 1382 8120

**Event Flyer/PDF:** [Oct 23 Native Boarding Schools](#)

Sponsored by the Native American Advisory Circle and Multicultural Ministries of the Archdiocese of Seattle

## Cristo Rey Seattle Feasibility Study [cristoreyseattle.org](https://cristoreyseattle.org)

We are seeking input from **families of 7th graders** about a possible new college prep and career focused Catholic Jesuit high school with an annual tuition of ~\$1,000 located in SE Seattle/Skyway/Renton. To provide an affordable education and valuable real-life work experiences, students have an internship 1 day per week for all 4 years of high school in a professional office setting. In Seattle students might work in the offices of companies like Twitch, Microsoft, Accenture, Darigold, Costco, and Expeditors among others.

If you are interested in offering feedback and expressing interest, please complete a survey using the following QR Code or visiting the Cristo Rey Seattle Feasibility Study Website: <https://www.cristoreyseattle.org/for-prospective-families>



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