

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

March 5, 2023
Second Sunday of Lent
Matthew 17:1-9



Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (*Psalm 33:22*)

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm

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

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

Word & Communion: Mon & Tues 9:00 am

Office Hours & Contact Information

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sunday: Closed

253-630-0701



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**.

Pastor's Corner

New Liturgical Commission



We are reconstituting a Liturgical Commission that will be made up of representatives from the various liturgical ministries as well as members at large. One of the emerging priorities arising from our parish experience of the synod is respecting the cultural diversity of our community. I hope that our Liturgy Commission will be able to be a diverse group that reflects the composition of the parish.

The purpose of the Liturgy Commission is:

1. To assist the pastor in achieving the goal of full, conscious, and active participation of the people at the Eucharist, as stated in the Constitution on Sacred Liturgy (SC, 14).
2. To advise and support the pastor on the spirituality and prayer life of the parish community.
3. To oversee the formation of parish liturgical ministries under the direction of the pastor.
4. To develop liturgical guidelines specific to this parish.

To be considered for serving as a member at large, please contact Laurie Moloney at 253 630 0701, ext. 111 or lauriem@sjtbcc.org.

Other commissions in the parish include Faith Formation Commission, Stewardship and Evangelization Commission, Life Justice and Peace Commission, and Facility Commission. There are various committees under these commissions. The two Councils we have are Finance and Parish Leadership Team. It would be wonderful if every adult parishioner, including teens (or at least one from every parish family), would take a turn at serving on one council, commission, or committee. A normal term is three years. Contact Anne Frederick at annef@sjtbcc.org or myself at billm@sjtbcc.org for more information.

-Fr. Bill



There is no predetermined outcome for this strategic pastoral planning effort. Together we will pray to the Holy Spirit to guide our efforts so that we can support our mission to encounter Jesus, accompany others, and live the joy of the Gospel.

What we do know is that Partners in the Gospel will bring most parishes together into a new family structure with two or more other parishes. The pastor, parish leaders, and parishioners will determine how this new family will best join together to carry out the mission of the Church as one parish.

For more information, please visit archseattle.org/partners/

Our Church

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

This Week in Our Church

Sunday, March 5

Mass - 9:00 am

PS & Elementary Faith Formation - 10:15 am

Mass - 11:30 am

RCIA Dismissal - 11:30 am

1st Sacramental Prep (5-12 graders) - 4:00 pm

Mass - 5:30 pm

Monday, March 6

Yoga - 7:30 am

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am

Prayer Ministry SFC - 9:30 am

Knights of Columbus - 6:00 pm

Fil-Am Choir Practice - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, March 7

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am

Living Your Strengths - 10:30 am

LJP Commission - 6:30 pm

Adult FF Bible Study - 7:00 pm

Confirmation Year 2 - 7:00 pm

Hispanic Music Group - 7:00 pm

WICS - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 8

Mass - 9:00 am

Hispanic Charismatic Group - 6:00 pm

Faith Formation Commission - 7:00 pm

Walking Through Grief - 7:00 pm

Youth Ministry (Grades 5 - 12) - 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 9

Yoga - 7:30 am

Adoration in Spanish Retreat - 9:00 am

Adult Faith Formation - 10:00 am

Adult FF Bible Study (Zoom) - 10:00 am

Hora Santa de Reparación - 2:30 pm

Facilities & Grounds Commission - 4:30 pm

One Parish, One Prisoner - 5:00 pm

Mass - 6:30 pm

RCIA - 7:00 pm

Friday, March 10

Mass - 9:00 am

Creative Kindness Sewing Group - 9:00 am

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - 5:00 pm

Stations of the Cross - 7:00 pm

Hispanic Charismatic Group - 8:00 pm

Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 9:00 pm

Saturday, March 11

Confirmation Year 1 - 10:00 am

Gospel Reflection SFC (Zoom) - 10:00 am

Confessions - 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Mass - 5:30 pm

Contact Us!

If you're new to St. John the Baptist parish, welcome! Please feel free to email or call one of us below if you have any questions regarding our parish.

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Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation:

Joan Williamson, ext. 109, joanw@sjtbcc.org

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Liturgy & Pastoral Care:

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Member Engagement:

Anne Frederick, ext. 125, annef@sjtbcc.org

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THANK YOU!



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all who helped and attended the January Crab Feast.

Your generous support enabled us to make a \$2,000 donation to St. John the Baptist's Outreach Ministries.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Our Church

Prayer Requests

For those who are **sick**:

Norm Bailey,
Faye Driessen,
Virginia Sandoval

For those who have **died**:

James Clevenger (father-in-law of Mark Williams)
Aila Angel Maldonado (niece of Manny Martinez)

Walking Through Grief

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

March 1 - April 26

Wednesdays from 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Online via Zoom

If you are grieving or know of someone who is grieving and you feel this might have some benefit for you, please contact **Frank Hammock** at the parish office at **253-630-0701**.



St. John the Baptist Yard Sale Is Back!

The yard sale is back after a three-year COVID hiatus!

This year, we are setting aside **June 22 through 25** to open up the McMullen Center to sell our previously beloved treasures. In late May, we will start accepting donations of **clean** clothes, games, toys, household items, jewelry, artwork, tools, and furniture. All items must be in usable condition. **If it belongs in the free pile, it doesn't belong at our yard sale.** And, although my beloved kitty, Liberty, came from the 2019 Yard Sale, please do not plan to bring your adorable baby animals to sell or give away.

We love the yard sale, because it checks off so many of our parish priorities: we can offer quality low-priced items to those in the community, who may not be able to afford new; we can help people shed the weight of too many possessions; and we can raise funds that allow us to meet our goals for justice.

We are looking for a volunteer team to help! Many hands make light work. Please contact us at the office at **253-630-0701** to let us know if you are interested in taking on a "room" of items (pricing and setting up), communications, accepting items in May, sorting, pricing, and setting up items, and helping with clean up and removing unsold items.



The Stewardship and Evangelization Commission met via Zoom on Wednesday, February 15, 2023. The meeting opened with prayer and followed with our planning for the Wine and Cheese Party on February 18, coordinated by **Christine Martincic**.

Our next Welcome Gathering will be via Zoom on February 26 and will be hosted by **Erin Marshall**. The Commission is looking forward to having representatives from the Parish Leadership Team visit our Commission for our March or April meeting. We finalized our drafts for our Vision and Mission Statements. **Jennifer Burianek** and **Bren Triplett** are working together to relaunch *Supper Club*. More information will be shared with the parish over the next few weeks.

Next meeting will be March 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. We will be discerning our next Chairperson. Christine Martincic is the Secretary for the Commission, and she has set up a webpage to host our meeting documents and action items.

SUPPER CLUB IS COMING BACK! MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!



Mark Your Calendars!

The annual Laudato Si' Summit, hosted by the Creation Care Network and partners, will be on **Saturday, April 22, 2023, at Seattle University**, with Archbishop Paul D. Etienne joining us for an 11:00 am Mass. This free in-person event is open to all and will include lunch and parking. More information and registration coming soon!



Terrific Tuesday Meals Expanding



Terrific Tuesday Meals will be expanding in March to offer an additional hot sit-down community dinner to all in need. This free dinner will be open to all and will be held the last Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm at St. Stephen the Martyr. The first dinner will be served on March 28, 2023. Volunteers are needed to help make this a success. Please contact terrifictuesdaymeals@gmail.com to sign up or feel free to reach out to Andrea at 253-893-6684 or andream@sjtbcc.org with any questions.

Our Church

As a stewardship parish, St. John the Baptist is excited about our **transition from Faith Direct to Pushpay®**, a new online giving platform.

Why Pushpay®?

- It is easier
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- You can use your phone
- It is quick and secure
- It integrates with our new parish software
- It is convenient to pay for parish events such as Faith Formation registration



We are looking forward to sharing more information about all the new features of our new software in the weeks ahead!



Our new parish database is inching ever closer to implementation! However, as the staff has started to use the software, we have found that when we use it to send out emails to parishioners in the database, they appear to come from the Archdiocese with the domain, ".ccbchurch." Please be assured that **".ccbchurch" is a safe domain!** You can whitelist it! The Archdiocese is working on this issue to change the domains to reflect the parishes sending the emails. Please call Kathy Wickward at the office if you have any questions about the new software. More information will be published in the bulletin about this new software and its partner, **Pushpay®**, over the next few months.

Our Community



Please Support Our Need For Beds!

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- 30 Full mattresses – new

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1. Online viewers, [click here to donate](#) money for beds.
2. Online viewers, [click here to order items for delivery](#) to Vine Maple Place. When you choose the shipping address, click "Vine Maple Place's Gift Registry Address".
3. Purchase items and deliver to the Family Hope Center at 21730 Dorre Don Way SE, Maple Valley (Monday – Friday 8:30am – 5:00pm).

For more information, please visit us at vinemapleplace.org/get-involved.html or contact Lisa at LisaO@vinemapleplace.org or 425-432-2119 ext. 104.

Lent

St. Patrick's Day Dispensation



The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence when Catholics, 14 years and older, abstain from meat. This year St. Patrick's Day falls on a Friday. Because this day is traditionally commemorated with special celebrations that may include customary meals, Archbishop Etienne has **granted a dispensation** from the obligation to abstain from meat on this day. He encourages all who make use of this dispensation to engage in another penitential or charitable act that day.

**Knights of Columbus
Friday Family Fish Fry
Fridays - 3/10 & 3/31
5:00 - 6:30 pm**



Breaded Fried Cod, French Fries, Ivar's® Clam Chowder, and Drinks

Proceeds will support parish ministries and the local community.

Stations of the Cross



Fridays in Lent at 7:00pm

Date

Led by

March 3	Knights of Columbus
March 10	St. Vincent de Paul
March 17	SJTB Sacristans
March 24	Stewardship & Evangelization
March 31	Faith Formation (Family Friendly)

Some Lent Fasting Ideas

- Fast from social media for a day.
- Give up a favorite snack.
- Go without headphones/air pods for a day.
- Allow others to pass in front of you in line.
- Abstain from reading gossip or rumor sites.
- Wake up without hitting the snooze button.
- Shower with only lukewarm water.
- Park in the back of the parking lot and say a prayer as you walk into the grocery store.

Joke of the Week

Why can't muggers catch Catholics during Lent?
They fast. 🤔

A LENTEN Journey for children!



Children's Liturgy of the Word

For 5–10-year-olds!

**Feb. 26th, Mar. 5th, 12th,
19th, 26th**

During the 9am Mass!

An exciting way for children to hear and discuss God's Word and gain an appreciation for their liturgical heritage as Catholics!

5-10-year-olds will be invited forward after the Introductory Rites and proceed to the McMullen Center where they will celebrate the Liturgy of the Word at their own level. They will rejoin the assembly after the Prayer of the Faithful.

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