

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

April 30 , 2023

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

***"I came so that they might have life and have it
more abundantly." John 10:10***



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



Seeking Nominations for Consultative Roles in the Parish

Please consider nominating yourself or a parishioner you know to any of our parish consultative bodies. Nominations will take place in a couple of weeks. Here is a list of our councils and commissions. Whom do you know whose talent and interest would benefit the community?

The **Parish Leadership Team** (Pastoral Council) helps develop the priorities and directions for the parish to become the means of achieving greater participation by the whole parish in its mission. Over the next three years, the Parish Leadership Team will play a major role in the formation of our new parish family through **PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL**. Seeking members with a long history and understanding of the community as well as expertise guiding groups through change. Meets the first Wednesday of the month.

The **Finance Council** conducts long-range financial planning with regard to funding operational and capital needs in the parish; develops and overseeing a parish budget process; reviews fiscal status reports; and provides fiscal analysis of proposed goals, strategies, programs, and administrative aspects of parish life. Meets the third Thursday of the month.

The purpose of the **Facilities & Grounds Commission** is to make short and long-range plans for facility and grounds, and to make sure the parish has well maintained facilities and grounds that meet the needs of the parish community. They meet on the second Thursday of each month.

Our **Stewardship and Evangelization Commissions** welcomes, engages and equips our community to share God's gifts of time, talent and treasure. We meet via zoom on the third Wednesday evening of the month. We would especially appreciate having more cultural/ethnic diversity with our group members and invite all those who enjoy hospitality to join our fun ministries!

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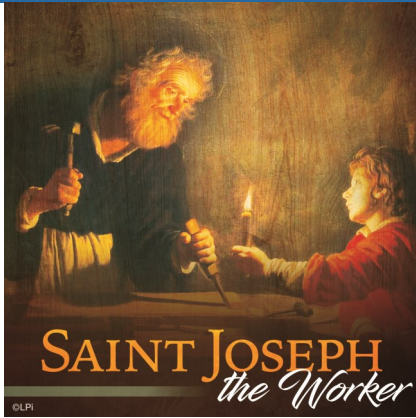


Question: What is the process?

Answer: This is a multiyear, consultative process and everyone is invited to participate. In the first phase, the archdiocese will share and request feedback on an initial draft of the parish families with priests and parish leaders, school principals and leadership, archdiocesan employees and all Catholics across the archdiocese in the **Fall 2023**. Once all the input has been collected, the Oversight Committee and the Presbyteral Council will finalize the recommendation. Archbishop Etienne will officially promulgate the new parish family structure in **early 2024**. In the second phase, parish families will work together over three years to determine how they will best become **one parish by 2027**. Each parish family will have a liaison assigned to them to help throughout the process.

For information or to sign up for the Partners in the Gospel update newsletter, please visit archseattle.org/partners/

Our Church



This Week in Our Church

Sunday, April 30

Mass - 9:00 am

Faith Formation (Pre-School & Elem) - 10:00 am

Mass - 11:30 am

Mass - 5:30 pm

Monday, May 1

Yoga - 7:30 am

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am

Choir (Fil-Am) Practice - 7:00 pm

Choir (Sunday 9am) Practice - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 2

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am

WICS - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 3

Mass - 9:00 am

Truthful Reign Band Practice - 7:00 pm

Walking Through Grief - 7:00 pm

Youth Group - 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 4

Yoga - 7:30 am

Funeral and Reception for Willard Rydberg—11 am

Creation Care Team Meeting 1:00 pm

Hora Santa de Reparación - 2:30 pm

Mass - 6:30 pm

Choir (11:30 am) Practice - 7:00 pm

RCIA - 7:00 pm

Friday, May 5

Adoration 9:45 am-4 pm

Mass - 9:00 am

Saturday, May 6

Gospel Reflection SFC - 10:00 am

Confessions - 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Mass - 5:30 pm

Film Showing: Mother Theresa—**6:30 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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DONATE

Annual Catholic Appeal

Last week, we launched the Annual Catholic Appeal. Today we will watch a video that testifies to the impact of the Annual Catholic Appeal to minister to those in need, build the Catholic faith within us and directly support our parish mission services. See the bulletin insert for a list of these ministries.

Please consider Archbishop's message in the letter you received as you discern your gift and use the envelope in the pew or the QR code on the envelope to give online today. Keep an eye on the tracking thermometer on our website to see our progress towards our \$117,416 goal and beyond to fund our in-parish assistance program. Click above to donate!

Our Church

Prayer Requests

For those who are **sick**:

Dennis Taft, Pat Frost, Kristy Knabel, Irene Knabel, Bonnie Sawyer, and Pat DeFiesta

For those who have **died**:

Willard Rydberg (husband of Rita Rydberg), Antonio and Teresa Mendoza (brother and sister-in-law of Rafael Mendoza), Suzanna O'Toole (sister of Bruce and Lois Willard), Debbie Pettite (friend of Rita Myer), and Flora Perry (aunt of Tess Reyes).

Volunteers Needed for St. John the Baptist Yard Sale

We are looking for people to sign up to receive donations at the four Masses for the weekends of May 20 & 21, 27 & 28, June 3 & 4, and June 10 & 11. We also need people who are Safe Environment-qualified to pick up items from those who cannot bring them in. Please sign up for a slot at this link: archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/scheduling/56/public, or on the sign up sheets in the Narthex.

Welcome Back

Do you know someone who has left the Church and may be interested in returning? We would like to welcome them back!

Please contact Anne Frederick at our parish office or annef@sjtbcc.org or ext. 125. Chat with Anne on how we can welcome him/her back to our church.

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The **Life, Justice, Peace** Commission provides assistance for various organizations, through collective collaboration, who help those in need and to promote education and advocacy experiences regarding social justice so that members might be more aware and conversant with the need to live out gospel values in our society. We are looking for representatives of different communities within our parish: youth (high school), young adults (18-40), middle-aged (40-60), Hispanic, Fil-Am, etc. Ultimately, anyone with a heart for social justice and accompanying those on the margins would be welcome. Meets the first Tuesday evening of the month

The **Liturgy Commission** assists the pastor in achieving the goal of full, conscious, and active participation of the people at the Eucharist and all other liturgies. Its overall purpose is to advise and support the pastor on the spirituality and prayer life of the parish community. The Liturgy Commission also looks at recruiting, training and supporting all our liturgical ministers.

The purpose of the **Faith Formation Commission** is to ensure that the parish offers quality faith formation, available to all members in the parish. This includes working to provide for all ages, abilities, and diversities. We work at inclusivity as we break open the teachings of Jesus in our Catholic Tradition. We are seeking members who represent the diversity of our parish in age and culture.

To nominate yourself or another parishioner, please use the form at this link (or use the QR code above): <https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/192/responses/new>

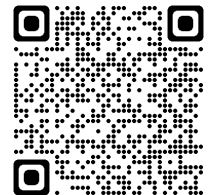
On the cover: Saturday, April 15, afternoon saw our youth preparing for Confirmation, who were on retreat, planting a new blooming cherry tree in honor of Earth Day. You can see their handiwork across from the Garden of the Good Shepherd and pollinator garden. As you do, say a prayer for their continued preparation leading up to their Confirmation next weekend, that the Holy Spirit be with them on their journeys of faith.



Let's Clean Our Church!

Our annual parish deep cleaning will be held on **Friday, May 19** from 10:00am to 4:00 pm and **Saturday, May 20** from 9:00am to 4:00 pm. Many hands make light work. Help us wash windows, clean chairs, wipe down and dust hard-to-reach spaces, and move items into yard sale storage. **Please RSVP**, as lunch and snacks will be provided. Sign up for either day at this link: archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/scheduling/55/public or contact the office if you can come.

Scan this code for commission nominations.



Our Church

PREPARES Mother's Day Event!



The weekend of May 13/14 the PREPARES ministry of St. John the Baptist is hosting a Mother's Day "needs drive." We will be collecting items to fill PREPARES

Support Bags that will be distributed to disadvantaged mothers in our community.

Currently, our volunteers are ministering to at least 10 families- mothers, expectant mothers, and lots of babies and kids! They are greatly appreciative of the wonderful items the St. John the Baptist community has contributed in the past. With this Mother's Day collection, we are hoping to restock our supplies in order to continue and expand our outreach.

Appropriate items to donate include:

- Diapers and pull-ups (Please, no newborn diapers. Babies outgrow them too fast!)
- Diaper wipes
- New baby blankets
- New clothes (pajamas, underwear, socks; ages infant to 5 years)
- Baby shampoo and toiletries
- New or gently used puzzles, toys and beginner books
- Comfy socks/slippers for mom
- Maternity store gift cards
- Financial contributions (cash or checks made out to St. John the Baptist-memo: PREPARES ministry)

Donations will be accepted after each of the masses on May 13/14, Mother's Day weekend. A baby crib will be set-up in the narthex. Thank you!

Would you be interested in welcoming new members into our parish? We are looking for singles, couples, and families to assist our new parishioners develop a personal connection with our wonderful community.

For more information, please contact Anne Frederick at annef@sjtbcc.org or ext. 125.

Join the Knights of Columbus for a special screening of *Mother Teresa No Greater Love* this **Saturday, May 6**, 6:30pm - 8:30pm after the Vigil Mass.

This inspiring documentary film is the definitive historical account on the life and legacy of this beloved saint for our times. Optional discussion will be held after the screening.



Our Community



An In-Person Marriage Encounter Experience

"Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." (Malachi 3:1)

Make the decision to grow in your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

May 5-7, 2023

Embassy Suites Hilton Seattle
44th Ave. W., Lynnwood, WA

Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early.

For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit wwme.org. For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, feel free to contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil at 360-930-2321.

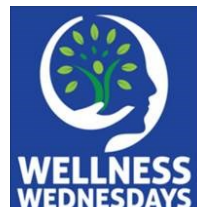
The Necessity of Faith in Caregiving - A Father's Perspective

As a parent and social worker, Deacon Ronnie San Nicolas will share about the need for faith in caring for his autistic son diagnosed with a medical condition that impacts 1 in 200 children and youth resulting in mental illness like symptoms. 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.

To Register: archseattle.org/ministries/outreach-ministries/mental-health-ministry/wellness-wednesdays/. Zoom link will be emailed to you.

**Wednesday, May 3
7:00 – 8:30 PM**

For more information, please contact Joe Cotton at joe.cotton@seattlearch.org



QUO VADIS DAYS

JUNE 26-29, 2023
AT CAMP HAMILTON

This amazing 4-day camp for high school men grades 9-12 with priests and seminarians from the Archdiocese of Seattle will provide participants the opportunity to:

- Learn more about the priesthood
- Deepen their faith
- Better discern God's call in their lives

Space is limited to 60 participants.

The nominal \$50 fee can be waived in cases of need.

Email the Office of Vocations with questions:

vocations@seattlearch.org


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FLORES DE MAYO

In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MAY 14, 2023, SUN

HOLY ROSARY: 10:45 AM

PROCESSION: 11:15 AM

MASS CELEBRATION: 11:30 AM



RECEPTION FOLLOWS AFTER THE MASS . EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!

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