

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 9, 2024
10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130:7)



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Breakfast Is Served!
(see related story on Page 4)

Worship Schedule

Vigil: Saturday 5:30 pm

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

Weekday Masses: Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 am; Thursday - 6:30 pm

Word & Communion: Monday & Tuesday - 9:00 am

Confessions: Saturday - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Office Hours & Contact Information

Tuesday to Friday - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm; Saturday - 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sunday & Monday - Closed

Come visit us at **25810 - 156th Ave. SE**
Covington, WA 98042
253-630-0701

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**.

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!



We All Will Be Founding Members

This parish is blessed to still have with us many of our founding members. Recently, we just lost two, Ray Weidert and Barbara O'Neill.

Our founding members did an incredible job getting this parish started. From practically nothing, they established not only the physical structure but also the identity and feel of this local community. With hopes and dreams, commitment and generosity, and a lot of prayers and sacrifices, they played a major role in who we are today.

In a very real sense, each of you will now become a founding member of our Parish Family that begins July 1. Who this Parish Family will become depends a lot on you: on your hopes and dreams, on your commitment and generosity, and on your prayers and sacrifices. Establishing a parish from scratch takes the active involvement of each person. So too, establishing a Parish Family.

Someday, future generations will look back with gratitude to those who got this Parish Family started. Get involved and stay involved. It will be a benefit for you and your family as well as future parishioners.

Fr. Bill

Contact Us!

Please feel free to email or call one of us below if you have any questions regarding our parish.

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This Week in Our Church



Sunday, June 9

Mass - 9:00 am
Pancake Breakfast 10:00 am
New Parishioner Welcome Gathering - 10:00 am
Mass - 11:30 am
Mass - 5:30 pm

Monday, June 10

Mostly Yoga - 7:30 am
Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Choir (9:00 am) Practice - 7:00 pm
Choir (Fil-Am) Practice - 7:00 pm
Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, June 11

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am
WICS - 6:00 pm
MDES Rehearsal - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, June 12

Mass (with marriage) - 9:00 am
Oracion - 6:00 pm
Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm
Vida en el Espiritu Santo - 7:00 pm

Thursday, June 13

Mostly Yoga - 7:30 am
Hora Santa - 2:30 pm
Facilities and Grounds Commission Meeting - 4:30 pm
Mass - 6:30 pm
Liturgy Commission Meeting - 7:00 pm

Friday, June 14

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

Saturday, June 15

Faith Formation Commission Meeting - 9:00 am
Reconciliation (Confessions) - 4:00 pm
Mass - 5:30 pm

**Please Pray for
the sick:**

Faye Driessen
Barb Martz
Renee Nicholas

and those who have recently died:

David Garvida
(father of Dan Garvida)
Barb O'Neill
(mother of Art O'Neill)
Ray Weidert
(husband of Mary Weidert)

June 15 Deadline

The end of the fiscal year is coming - June 30 to be exact. If you have any reimbursement requests for items you have purchased for programs, **please turn the receipts in before June 15.** After approval by a staff member from your program, a reimbursement check will be mailed to you. Contact **Nancy Moore** at the office if you have any questions.

Have you joined St. John the Baptist in the last year?
We would love to welcome and get to know you!



**Welcome Gathering
Lunch, Fellowship and Gifts**

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, after the 9:00 am MASS

Contact Kathy to RSVP or for more information
kathyw@sjtbcc.org or 253-630-0701 ext. 101



**Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast**

All donations will support the
Washington State Knights of Columbus
Aid and Support After Pregnancy Program
(a Pro-Life program that assists mothers and infants)

**Sunday, June 9, 2024
10:00 am to 11:30 am
McMullen Center**

**Present Your Ministry to
Our New Parishioners**

If you are a member of a commission, committee, or ministry team and would like to present your ministry to new parishioners during future welcome gatherings at St. John the Baptist, please contact **Kathy Wickward** at **253-630-0701 ext. 101** to get on our list.

Yard Sale Donations Continue

Have you seen some of the things we are getting as donations? You need to sign up as a "receiver" or "sorter" so you can check out the cool things being donated! We are now collecting your items after all Masses **until June 16.**

Remember, if it's not in working condition, please don't bring it in. Bring your large furniture starting June 10 at 9:00 am.

We will NOT accept the following: fuel tanks and cans, large appliances, car seats, helmets, and mattresses. **Do not drop off any items without authorization.** If unauthorized items are dropped off, we are responsible for disposing of them, which usually comes with a fee.

For those who want to get a jump start on the yard sale and would like to pay an entry fee of \$10 to shop before the yard sale is opened to the general public, join us on June 20 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Fees will be collected upon entry. The following three days will be open to the general public (no entry fees): June 21 to 22 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and June 23 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Supporting our yard sale means supporting Catholic education, tuition, and programs. Please donate your items that were once your treasures, and pick up new treasures when you shop at our yard sale.

Sign-up here: sjtbcc.org/get-ready-to-shop/



Or scan the code to see the various volunteer opportunities to sign up for.

A Senior Status Celebration

Come join us in wishing "Congratulations" and "Good Luck" to Father Bill, as he enters the next chapter in his life, a Senior Priest!



His last day as Pastor of our parish is **Sunday, June 30.** After the 11:30 am Mass that day, we will celebrate with music, a barbeque, and an ice cream truck! Come one, come all to wish Father Bill the best in "retirehood."

Following our picnic, we will set up for *Mass on the Grass* for the 5:30 pm Sunday Mass.

On the Cover

Come and join us for breakfast! The *Knights of Columbus (KofC)* Council 11780 always serve up a wonderful breakfast!

KofC is a Catholic family fraternal service organization. Here at St. John the Baptist (SJTB), they host a breakfast four or five times a year to support various ministries at SJTB and the community.

Featured on our cover are the *KofC* serving breakfast last year to support one of SJTB's ministries. On June 9, the *KofC* is serving a pancake breakfast to support a program called *Aid and Support After Pregnancy*.

Also happening at the pancake breakfast is our *Welcome Gathering* hosted by the *Liturgy Commission* of SJTB. This gathering is held to extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners.

Come have breakfast and welcome our new parishioners as well as support our *KofC*!

Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Our parish is living out our mission through our strong support of the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal.

At a time when the cost of groceries, gas, rent, and everything else continue to climb, we are thankful that **our parishioners are still generously giving**. We are **81%** of the way there! Thank you to all who have returned your pledges and gifts.

Please remember that all funds received over our **goal of \$128,669.00** will be returned to our parish to support our parish project of building a safe enclosure around the ponds on the church grounds.

You can use the envelope in the pews or give online (and watch your mileage or cash back grow - no service charge for credit cards) at archseattle.org/GiveACA to make a safe and convenient gift to the appeal.

Let's show Father Bill our support as he heads towards senior status by **meeting our goal before he leaves on June 30!**

Here is where we stand **as of June 3, 2024:**

Total amount pledged: \$104,382

Total pledges: 254

Average pledge: \$410.95

Olive Wood Carvings For Sale

In the past few years, St. John the Baptist had the pleasure of supporting **George Alyateem** and his wood carvings. George will be here, once again, in the narthex after Masses on the weekend of **June 29 & 30**.

The proceeds of his sales will support Christian Catholic families in the Holy Land, whose major source of income comes from the sale of these carvings. More than 80 families in Bethlehem carved the nativities, crucifixes, rosaries, and statues that George will be selling this weekend. Please support George and these families.

You Are Invited to Supper Club

Are you curious about *Supper Club*? Find out what it's all about at our picnic on

Saturday, June 29 from 2:30 to 5:30 pm
at the **McMullen Center**

Hear stories about some unusual meals shared. Find out more about our *Supper Club*. Bring a dish to share based on your last name!

If last name starts with A-F, please bring a dessert.
If last name starts with G-L, please bring a side dish.
If last name starts with M-S, please bring a main dish.
If last name starts with T-Z, please bring a salad.

Dishes and drinks will be provided. We're looking forward to connecting with you!



Claim your lost items if you think you might have lost something while attending Mass. Please check our *Lost & Found* area to the left (east end) of the narthex. It is on a shelf to your right as you turn the corner to go to the office.

We hope we can reunite these lost items with the owner. **Any items left unclaimed after June 9 will be donated to the yard sale or disposed of.**

Sign Up For Our Friday Emails

Every Friday, the office sends out an email with a link to our bulletin. The email also contains late-breaking announcements. If you would like to read our bulletin online as well as our late-breaking announcements before the weekend Mass, please contact the office at office@sjtbcc.org to get on our email list. After you sign up, be sure to check your spam email if it's not in your inbox on Fridays.

Uh-oh, We Forgot

In the May 19, 2024 edition of the bulletin, the names of the new Eucharistic Ministers (EM) were listed. A name was inadvertently left out. The bulletin staff apologizes for the oversight. **Becky Miller**, welcome as a new EM! Becky attended the retreat and will be serving at the 11:30 am Mass on Sundays.

We also welcome **Teri Johnston**, who is our newest EM trained after the retreat. Teri will be serving at the 5:30 pm Mass on Sundays.

All interested parishioners are always welcome to join our team of EMs. Please contact Laurie Moloney, our Liturgy Care Coordinator, at lauriem@sjtbcc.org if you would like more information on becoming an EM.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

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The **Annual Catholic Appeal** funds ministries and services for your local Catholic community – including your neighbors and your parish. Your donation ensures the availability of outreach ministries, education, faith formation, support for parishes and much more!

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- Inspire CYO campers
- Engage youth communities
- Promote faith sharing
- Welcome refugees
- ... and much more.

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When A Loved One Dies By Suicide Support Group



Tuesdays, June 11—July 30, 2024
6:30pm-8:00pm, on Zoom

For anyone who has experienced suicide loss, this new grief support group will encourage you to reflect on how our Catholic faith can facilitate spiritual healing, provide comfort in the midst of ongoing grief, and inspire both hope and service. We will watch the series *When a Loved One Dies By Suicide* together, featuring stories of Catholics whose loved ones have died by suicide and explaining Church teaching on suicide while offering prayers of comfort and support.

You are invited to join this new 8-week grief support group facilitated by St. James Cathedral Staff Anisa Ralls and co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Seattle Mental Health Ministry.
Preregistration required.

Information and registration, Anisa Ralls, 206-382-4269
or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org

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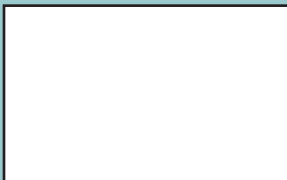
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