

# PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL FAMILY 30



Father Carlos Orozco, Pastor  
Father Crispin Okoth, Vicar



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## Jam Sales Benefit *St. Vincent de Paul*

For the past four years, around the second week of August, **Al & Rita Myers** are out in the portico (or narthex if inclement weather) selling their jars of homemade raspberry jam. This duo pick the berries themselves and can them in their very own kitchen. This year, Al & Rita canned 192 jars of raspberry jam, bringing in a total of **\$1,432.00 to help** our St. John the Baptist conference of **St. Vincent de Paul**. **Thank you Al & Rita!!!** This amount will help at least four families with rent or several families with food and clothing. Thank you to the many parishioners, who purchased jars of jam. If you missed out on buying jam this year, come back around this time next year to buy your jar of jam!

# August 25, 2024

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)



The Catholic Community of  
St. John the Baptist



### Who We Are

United in the Holy Spirit, we are a multicultural community celebrating Mass in four languages as we strive to live humility, gentleness, patience, bearing one another through love, striving to preserve unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body, one spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God.

-Ephesians 4:1-6

### Worship Schedule

**Vigil: Saturday at 5:00p | Spanish 7:00p**

**Sunday Masses:**

**8:30a | 10:30a | 12:30p Spanish**

**2:30p Swahili | 6:00p Chuukese (1st Sunday)**

**8:00p Spanish**

**Weekday Masses (in chapel):**

**Monday 9:00a**

**Wednesday thru Friday 9:00a**

(Spanish Mass on Wednesday at 7:00p)

**Confessions:**

**Saturday 3:00p to 4:30p (Main church)**

**Wednesday 6:00p to 6:45p (chapel)**

**Office Hours & Contact Information**

**Monday to Friday from 10:00a to 2:00p**

**Saturday & Sunday - Closed**

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**310 3rd Ave. S.**  
**Kent, WA 98032**  
**253-859-0444**

### 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!

### Worship Schedule

**Vigil: Saturday at 5:30p**

**Sunday Masses:**

**9:00a | 11:30a | 5:30p**

**Weekday Masses:**

**Monday & Wednesday at 9:00a**

**Thursday at 6:30p**

**Word & Communion:**

**Tuesday & Friday at 9:00a**

**Confessions:**

**Saturday 4:00p to 5:00p**

**Office Hours & Contact Information**

**Tuesday to Friday from 9:00a to 4:00p**

**Saturday from 10:00a to 3:00p**

**Sunday & Monday - Closed**

Come visit us at:  
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# This Week in Our Church



## Sunday, August 25

**Mass - 9:00 am**

Blood Pressure Screening after morning Masses

Elementary Catechist Training - 10:15 am

**Mass - 11:30 am**

**Mass - 5:30 pm**

HS Catechist Training - 6:30 pm

## Monday, August 26

Word & Communion - 9:00 am  
Choir (9:00 am) Practice - 7:00 pm

## Tuesday, August 27

Word & Communion - 9:00 am  
WICS - 6:00 pm  
Guatemala Meeting (at Holy Spirit) - 6:30 pm  
Choir (Fil-Am) Practice - 7:00 pm

## Wednesday, August 28

**Mass - 9:00 am**  
Oracion - 6:00 pm  
MS Catechist Training - 6:30 pm  
Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm  
Vida en el Espiritu Santo - 7:00 pm

## Thursday, August 29

Mostly Yoga - 7:30 am  
Hora Santa - 2:30 pm  
Greeter Committee Meeting - 4:30 pm  
**Mass - 6:30 pm**  
Choir (11:30 am) Practice - 7:00 pm  
RCIA/OCIA Team Training - 7:00 pm

## Friday, August 30

Word & Communion - 9:00  
Young Adult Social with Fr. Carlos - 6:00 pm  
Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:30 pm

## Saturday, August 31

Confession - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
**Mass - 5:30 pm**

## Please Pray for

the sick:

**Barb Martz**  
**Jerry Miller**  
**Renee Nicholas**  
**Eleanor Raschkow**

and those who have recently died:

**Keith Klapperich** - brother of  
Denise Jackson, Joan McIntyre, & Dolores Paul  
**Rosa Monteban** - mother of Ruby Camat  
**Eleanor Ojeva-Samson** - sister of Patricia Fernandez



Get ready for a new season of faith enrichment opportunities at St. John the Baptist.

- RCIA starts on September 12
- Children's Faith Formation (FF) & Youth Ministry programs start the week of September 29
- Annual Fall Parish Mission will be held on September 26 & 27 with Father Carlos and Father Crispin speaking on our theme of "Hope!"
- Adult Faith Formation on Tuesday evenings throughout the school year.

Additional information can be found on our [website](#).

## Parents & Kids, Check Out Our Nursery



So you got your toddler all dressed up and ready to go to church. But as soon as you enter the building and find a place to sit, your toddler decides he or she wants to explore the premises and the toys you brought with you are suddenly not interesting anymore.

Plan B: Head to the nursery located to the east of the narthex. There are rocking chairs, couches, and toys for the kids. Parents and sitters can "attend" Mass in the nursery by watching it livestreamed on a big TV while the kids play with new toys or make new friends.

Ask a greeter, point person, or staff person for more details and help with location.

## Support Our Students in the Kent School District



We are still in need of school supplies especially **glue sticks, pre-sharpened #2 pencils, two pocket folders, dry-erase markers (dark colors), highlighters, 24-count crayons, coloring pencils, washable markers, Sharpies, and composition books**. Donations can be dropped off in the bin located in the narthex.

Thank you for your help!

## Marriage Encounter Pizza Party



Let's gather and get to know each other. A community of joyful and committed couples supporting each other is a powerful beacon in our society and culture.

For couples who have attended a **Marriage Encounter (ME) weekend** in the past, you are invited to a pizza party that will be held on **Friday, September 6, 2024 at 6:00 pm** at the **McMullen Center** on the grounds of St. John the Baptist parish. This invitation is extended to all married couples who have attended an ME weekend from both Holy Spirit and St. John the Baptist.

If you are interested in attending this event, please RSVP to **Jackie Raczka** at [mamaraczka@yahoo.com](mailto:mamaraczka@yahoo.com).

## One Parish One Prisoner Update



**Chaz T.** has been doing well since his full release from prison on October 4, 2023. He pursued his professional interest in plumbing, having secured work as a plumber and is expected to reach the number of work hours to secure his plumbing certification. Due to the stability he has achieved, he has renewed his bonds with his three daughters and celebrated key milestones with other extended family members. All this has been achieved by **Chaz**, and we remain committed to accompanying him on his life journey.

Understanding that solid friendship bonds are critical, we were happy to embrace **Jeff L.**, who is a close friend of **Chaz**. They were incarcerated together, currently share housing, and provide support to each other. **Jeff** has successfully established himself as a welder. Both **Chaz and Jeff**, by themselves, are paying forward the support they have received from us.

Because vigilance is an on-going success factor, please pray for their continued success in their life.

## Kicking Off the Season of Creation



The *Season of Creation* is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation. The ecumenical family around the world unites to listen and care for our common home. The Celebration begins September 1 with

*The Feast of Creation*, also known as *Creation Day* or *World Day of Prayer for Creation*. It is the celebration that inspires and nourishes the larger *Season of Creation* that flows from it. Inspired by a rich tradition of the Orthodox Church, it was later embraced by the *World Council of Churches* in 2008 and the Catholic Church in 2015. The season ends on October 4 with the *Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi*, the patron saint of ecology and beloved by many Christian denominations.

This year September 1 falls on a Sunday, so it is a very special occasion. Sunday has a dual symbolism: the day when God began the first day of His creative act (Genesis 1), and *The Day of the Resurrection* (St. Justin Martyr, *First Apology*, Chapter 67; St. Gregory the Great, *Primo die quo Trinitas*, [laudatosimovement.org/news/why-a-feast-of-creation-on-september-1/](http://laudatosimovement.org/news/why-a-feast-of-creation-on-september-1/))

The 2024 theme for *Season of Creation* is to “Hope and Act with Creation.”

In the letter of Paul the apostle to the Romans, the biblical image pictures the earth as a mother, groaning as in childbirth (Romans 8:22). Francis of Assisi understood this when he referred to the earth as our sister and our mother in his *Canticle of Creatures*. The times we live in today show that we are not relating to the earth as a gift from our Creator but rather as a resource to be used.

And yet, there is hope and the expectation for a better future. To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and quiet; but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles. Just as in childbirth, we go through a period of intense pain, but new life springs forth!

You will find “*Hope and Action*” weekly reflections through this 2024 Season of Creation in this bulletin. You are invited to discover much more for yourself at [seasonofcreation.org](http://seasonofcreation.org).

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Sign up for upcoming WWME weekends at [wwme.org](http://wwme.org).

**September 15 to 17, 2024**

Beaverton, OR

**October 4 to 6, 2024**

Spokane, WA

**November 15 to 17, 2024**

Everett, WA

Contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321

## Rachel's Corner

Hope and Healing After Abortion



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Peace starts here

This Thursday we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. Let those who have been wounded by a past abortion trust in the Blessed Virgin Mary to lead us to her son, Jesus Christ through whom all healing comes.

Is it hard to imagine escaping the darkness you have known since your abortion decision? Would you be willing to invite God in so He can show you the way with His light? Join us for a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

English Retreat - **November 8 to 10, 2024**

Spanish Retreat - **October 25 to 27, 2024**

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**You are loved with an everlasting love!**



## We Need Diapers, Please!

Our PREPARES ministry here at St. John the Baptist still needs diapers Size 5 & 6. Please help us meet our needs and drop off some diapers by our ministry table in the narthex. Thank you for your support!



# YOUNG ADULT END OF THE SUMMER SOCIAL

Private tour of  
Fr. Carlos's **exotic  
animal** collection,  
**pizza**, and **bonfire!**

*All young adults from Holy Spirit  
and St. John the Baptist ages 18-39*



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