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FAMILY 30



The Catholic Community of

Father Carlos Orozco, Pastor
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Holy Spirit



Youth Group Attempts Escape!

Even though it is still summertime, we have prepared our youth for the new school year by putting their critical thinking skills to the test at *Sure Lock Escapes*. One group had to escape from a coal mine shaft and the other group from a pirate ship. The first team used TNT to blow their way out of the shaft and the other had to load the canon and blast their way out. Though neither group was able to escape, **a great time was had by all! Everyone will have another chance to escape religious themed rooms** designed by our youth ministry team for our first night back to youth group. Hope to see you there!

September 1, 2024

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)



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

Come visit us at:
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The Catholic Community of
St. John the Baptist



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!

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Vigil: Saturday at 5:30p

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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

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Saturday from 10:00a to 3:00p

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Please Pray for

the sick:

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Barb Martz

Paula Gonzales

Jerry Miller

Renee Nicholas

Eleanor Raschkow

and those who have recently died:

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Rosa Monteban - mother of Ruby Camat

Eleanor Ojeva-Samson - sister of Patricia Fernandez

Eli Villa - cousin of Abi Nelson

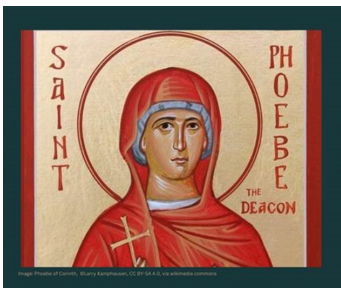


Get ready for a new season of faith enrichment opportunities at St. John the Baptist.

- 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](#).

Prayer Service and Celebration



Don't forget! *St. Phoebe Day Prayer Service and Celebration* is this **Tuesday, September 4, 2024** and is open to everyone. Women and men, including high school aged youth, are strongly encouraged to attend.

Prayer service starts at 5:30 pm followed by a light meal. Childcare is offered during the prayer service and reflection, and the kids will join for the meal, which includes meat-free and gluten-free options. Reflection with **Patty Bowman** starts at **7:00 pm**.

Please be sure to sign up at the **Women's Commission table** in the narthex or online at [176 St Phoebe Night of Reflection | Archdiocese of Seattle \(ccbchurch.com\)](#). **Be sure to indicate childcare needs and what parts you plan to attend.**

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.

Liturgy Commission Update

The *Liturgy Commission* met on August 8, 2024 at 7:00 pm. The Greeter subcommittee gave an update on its progress of recruiting more greeters and refining the greeting process. There was some discussion about changing the name of the ministry to better reflect both the greeting and ushering aspects of the role. That will be discussed at the next subcommittee meeting.

Changes to the communion process for Eucharistic Ministers (EMs) and Sacristans were also discussed. The goal is to better accommodate purification of the vessels at the altar. A process that will allow one half of the choir to get communion before the assembly and the other half during the regular communion procession was agreed upon. This will enable the choir to play longer as well as have all the EMs finish at the same time, so that the vessels can be purified.

Father Carlos gave the committee a broad overview of the consultative bodies for Partners in the Gospel as well as a look at each of the different phases to get St. John the Baptist and Holy Spirit to one canonical parish in three years. We are currently in Phase 1, and there will be very few minor changes - one of them being the updated communion process.

The commission will not be meeting in September due to vacation schedules, so the next meeting is Thursday, October 10, 2024. All inquiries and comments regarding this commission and its goals should be directed to Laurie Moloney at lauriem@sjtbcc.org. Inquiries and comments will be discussed at future commission meetings.

Pilgrimage to Italy

Save the date for a celebration in Italy (Padova, Venice, Siena, Assisi, and Rome) on **April 23 to May 3, 2025**.

For more information, call the parish offices at either Holy Spirit or St. John the Baptist.

Kicking Off the Season of Creation



The five Sundays of the 2024 *Season of Creation* have themes that build up an integral ecological vision and spirituality that nurtures less violent, more life-giving relationships with each other and with the natural world. They speak powerfully to “hope and act” with creation.

This week we reflect on the first Sunday’s scripture reminding us that it is not our association with external factors that renders us impure in the eyes of God, but rather it is our decisions of injustice, indifference, and selfishness that render us impure. We need to embrace this truth and choose a better life through greater justice, sustainability, solidarity, and attentive care to the needs of all Earth’s creatures and Earth itself.

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.

Catch Us Live

Most of our Masses are now being livestreamed. Unfortunately, there is no schedule as to which Masses will be livestreamed. However, signs will be posted before you enter the sanctuary. If you attend one of our Masses and do not want to be in the line of view of the livestream, please notify the *Media Team* in the back of the sanctuary before Mass.

You can watch our daily Masses at St. John the Baptist on our [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/stjohnthebaptistseattle) page on Mondays and Wednesdays at **9:00 am** and Thursdays at **6:30 pm**. Note that Word & Communion Services are not livestreamed.

Thank you from St. Vincent de Paul



The *St. Vincent de Paul Conference* at St. John the Baptist is making a difference in our community by answering the calls of our neighbors for assistance with food, rent, utility costs, and personal hygiene products.

Because of your generous donation of **\$15,442.00** from April to August 2024, we were able to assist 158 families with rent and utilities as well as provide 33 bags of food.

If you would like to donate to this ministry, so we can help our neighbors in need, please visit us at pushpay.com/g/sjtbcc and click on “**St. Vincent de Paul**” under “**Fund**”. **THANK YOU to our St. John the Baptist community!**

Walk in the footsteps of Jesus as he would have served in today’s world. St. Vincent de Paul ministry provides the perfect opportunity to live out the call of the gospel to serve our neighbors in need.

If you want to participate in this life-giving ministry by volunteering, please contact Pat at patd@seattlesvdp.org.

Join Archbishop Etienne for a
**Mass for Suicide Healing
and Remembrance**



September is *Suicide Prevention Awareness Month*. At this special Mass, we pray for all who have been lost to suicide, for survivors of suicide, and for all who have lost a family member, friend, or colleague. We also pray that, as Church and as individuals, we can help prevent suicide by raising awareness and knowing how to help those in need. Please join us on

Saturday, September 14, 2024

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

St. James Cathedral, Seattle

If you or someone you know is in crisis, please call or text the **988** Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.



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For more information, please contact **Julie** at juliet@ccsww.org or 206-482-6999. If you would like to keep up with us via our newsletter, please email Julie with “Newsletter” in the subject line.



Save the Date
Winter Wonderland Bazaar
October 26th 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
St. Barbara Catholic Church
32416 6th Ave Black Diamond

The second annual Winter Wonderland Bazaar will be held on October 26th from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. in our newly remodeled parish hall at St. Barbara Catholic Church. Come enjoy a wide selection of homemade items from food, carvings, pictures, paintings, clothing and more! There will be raffles and a cafe for shoppers to enjoy. This event is hosted by the Knights of Columbus.



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, September 1

Mass - 9:00 am
Mass - 11:30 am
Mass - 5:30 pm

Monday, September 2

Labor Day

OFFICE CLOSED

Mostly Yoga - 7:30 am
Mass - 9:00 am
Prayer Ministry SFC Meeting - 9:30 am
Choir (9:00 am) Practice - 7:00 pm
Choir (Fil-Am) Practice - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, September 3

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
Life Justice Peace Meeting - 3:00 pm
AF Oracion - 6:00 pm
WICS - 6:00 pm
St. Phoebe Night of Reflection - 6:30 pm
Vida en el Espíritu Santo - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, September 4

Mass - 9:00 am
MS Catechist Training - 6:30 pm
Parish Leadership Team Meeting - 6:30 pm
Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm

Thursday, September 5

Creation Care Team Meeting - 1:00 pm
Hora Santa - 2:30 pm
Safe Parking Meeting - 3:00 pm
Family Night - 6:00 pm
Mass - 6:30 pm
Choir (11:30 am) Practice - 7:00 pm
RCIA/OCIA Team Training - 7:00 pm

Friday, September 6

Word & Communion - 9:00
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 9:45 am
Adoration - 9:45 am to 7:00 pm
Marriage Encounter Pizza Party - 5:30 pm
Spanish Mass - 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 7

Scripture SFC - 10:00 am
Confession - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass - 5:30 pm

1er. Misa en Español

Septiembre 6 | 7:30pm



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GRUPO DE ORACION DIVINA MISERICORDIA

te invita al terminar la misa a un tiempo
de Alabanza y Oracion
(Compartiremos bocadillos)

NO ASAMBLEA DE ORACION AGOSTO 30

El grupo de Oracion Divina Misericordia
estara en preparacion para la 1er Misa



Message for the Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2024

"Hope and act with creation"

(Rom 8:19-25)

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION?



Pope Francis encourages us to:

- **Live an incarnational faith**, one that can enter into the suffering and hope-filled "flesh" of others.
- **Join forces** and help rethink the question of human power, its meaning and its limits.

In *Fratelli tutti*, the Holy Father invites us to live a **spirit of social friendship, marked by universal fellowship**, Christian peace and the stewardship of our common home.

HOW CAN WE LIVE OUT THIS SPIRIT OF UNIVERSAL FELLOWSHIP?



The Holy Spirit calls faith communities:

- To extend this harmony between human beings to creation, with **responsibility for a humane and integral ecology**, the path to salvation of our common home and of ourselves who inhabit it.
- To **conversion, a change of lifestyle**, to resist environmental degradation.
- To engage in that social critique which is above all a **witness to the possibility of change**.

“ The protection of creation is therefore not only an ethical issue, but one that is also eminently theological. It is the point where the mystery of man and the mystery of God intersect. ”

Looking ahead to **Jubilee 2025**, we are moving towards "a life that becomes a song of love for God, for humanity, with and for creation, and that finds its fullness in holiness."



"Hope and act with creation"

World Day of Prayer for the **Care of Creation**

1-IX-2024



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