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The Catholic Community of
St. John the Baptist

Father Carlos Orozco, Pastor
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Holy Spirit
PARISH



Sale of Honeycrisp Apples Supports Coats for Kids

The *Knights of Columbus* sold 300 bags of Honeycrisp apples on the weekend of September 14 and 15, raising about \$2,200. Proceeds support the purchase of coats for children in the local community.

September 29, 2024

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart. (Ps 19)



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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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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

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This Week in Our Church



Sunday, September 29

Mass - 9:00 am
Blood Pressure Check after both morning Masses
Elementary Faith Formation Classes - 10:15 am
Mass - 11:30 am
Mass - 5:30 pm
High School Youth Group - 6:30 pm

Monday, September 30

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

Tuesday, October 1

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
AF Oracion - 6:00 pm
WICS - 6:00 pm
Vida en el Espiritu Santo - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, October 2

Mass - 9:00 am
Parish Leadership Team Meeting - 6:30 pm
Middle School Youth Group - 7:00 pm
Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm

Thursday, October 3

Creation Care Team Meeting - 1:00 pm
Hora Santa - 2:30 pm
Safe Parking Meeting - 3:00 pm
Greeter Meeting - 4:30 pm
Mass - 6:30 pm
Choir (11:30 am) Practice - 7:00 pm
RCIA/OCIA Team Training - 7:00 pm

Friday, October 4

English **Mass - 9:00 am**
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 9:45 am
Hispanic Charismatic Adoration - 4:00 pm
Blessing of Pets - 4:30 pm
Spanish **Mass - 7:30 pm**

Saturday, October 5

Adopt-A-Street Cleanup - 9:00 am
Brotherhood in Christ Men's Retreat - 9:00 am
Confession - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass - 5:30 pm

Please Pray for

the sick:

Faye Driessen
Rosalee Gothier
Pam Schwalm

and those who have recently died:

Horatio Tan Torres - husband of Kit Tan Torres

Grief Support Program

Offered by St. John the Baptist Grief Ministry

October 9, 2024 through December 11, 2024
7:00 - 9:00 pm every Wednesday
via Zoom

Walking Through Grief is a nine-part educational and inspirational grief program offering support and hope to those experiencing the loss of a spouse, parent, child, friend, or other loved ones in their lives and is offered at **no charge**.

During each weekly session, attendees will gain insight and education about their loss as they watch videos featuring professionals in the field of grief. These professionals are joined by a group of contributors, who share their own grief journey and provide inspiration on how they have dealt with their own loss. Each week will have a specific topic and include a group discussion as well as a workbook to work on between meetings. The workbook is provided, along with some tools, handouts, and articles to help in the grief journey.

If you are grieving, or someone you know is grieving and you feel that this may have some benefit, please contact **Frank Hammock** (Lead Facilitator) at the Parish Office, 253-630-0701 or email office@sjtbcc.org to learn more about *Walking Through Grief*.

Calling All Men!



Father Crispin and the Faith Formation Team invite all men to join them for the first semi-annual **Brotherhood in Christ Men's Retreat** on **October 5, 2024** from **9:00 am to 3:00 pm**. This event will be held in the sanctuary at **St. John the Baptist**.

Register at archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/3804/responses/new or scan the QR code. Walk-ins are also welcome!



Season of Creation Fifth Sunday Reflection



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.

The scriptures of the fifth Sunday encourage openness to all who are not explicitly against God and warn us against the destructive and mistaken pursuits of worldly greatness. Jesus emphasizes the faithful sacrifice needed to care for those who are vulnerable in our midst. Our compassionate actions to care for those vulnerable and for creation can be an effective means of evangelization by living lives of sacrifice and faith.

Learn more at catholicclimatecovenant.org. Their stories are painful and tragic, but God is our help.

You will find “*Hope and Action*” weekly reflections throughout this 2024 Season of Creation in this bulletin. You are invited to discover much more for yourself at seasonofcreation.org.

Bless Our Pets



The annual pet blessing will be held on the *Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi* on **Friday, October 4, 2024 at 4:30 pm**. Bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, turtles, birds, and other pets on leashes or in cages. After the pet blessing, meet some of Father Carlos' pets at the first *Father Carlos Pet Expo* in the multi-purpose rooms.

The blessing of pets will take place outside the McMullen Center if the weather is nice. If the weather is inclement, the blessing will take place in the multi-purpose rooms of the McMullen Center. Come celebrate St. Francis and the end of the *Season of Creation* with many of God's creatures!

We will be accepting pet food donations for those pets in need. Donations will go to the Covington Storehouse.

Drawing With Father Carlos

Did you know that Father Carlos is an amateur artist?

Young adults are encouraged to come and learn about the origin of art and how beauty leads us to God. It will be followed by an art class taught by Father Carlos. You will learn the fundamentals of drawing with charcoal.

Join us on **Monday, October 7, 2024 at 7:00 pm** on the grounds of Holy Spirit Parish. For more information, please call Holy Spirit Parish office.

Backpack Buddies



In partnership with Real Life Church's Storehouse food bank program, St. John the Baptist will be providing bags of food for approximately 35 kids to take home over the weekends to supplement their families' pantries when they are unable to get free meals at school.

This is an opportunity for those who would like to give specific items at Sunday Masses during the offertory. You can sign up for specific items and bring them on Saturday or Sunday when you come to Mass. Below is a list of items that will be needed per back pack. Please feel free to bring some or all of the items. You can also sign up for items on our [website](#), which has information on when the items will be needed.

Items	Quantity
Oatmeal	1 packet
Belvita Biscuit	1 package
Granola Bars	2
Chicken Noodle Soup	1 can
Macaroni & Cheese	1 box
Top Ramen	2 packages
Snack 1 - popcorn	1 pack
Snack 2 - fruit cup	1 cup
Snack 3 - applesauce cup	1 cup
Snack 4 - fruit snack	1 packet
Apples and/or oranges	2
Milk (shelf-stable)	1 each of 8 oz box
Hot chocolate	1 pack
Juice (i.e., Capri Sun)	2 packages

Volunteers are needed on Sundays to collect the items after Masses and take them to a classroom. Volunteers are also needed on Wednesdays (time will be announced) to fill the bags at the McMullen Center. The bags will be delivered to Covington Elementary on Thursday mornings. **We are looking for Sunday and Wednesday volunteers, especially families with youth (Grades 5-8) or high school age kids.** This may apply as credit for community service.

No child should ever go hungry! We hope you will help us fill as many bags as we can! Thank you for your support.

The New Look of Stewardship

We are entrusted with the care of the Kingdom until the return of the King.

Starting in October, St. John the Baptist will present a new look at what it means when we say, "Stewardship is a way of life." By way of SAM (Stewardship And Ministry) Talks and blog posts, we want to encourage our community to consider what it means to be a steward of the gift that is our faith. How do we apply our resources to care for and grow the Kingdom of God in our own time? What is this awesome task to which we apply our resources of time, talent, and treasure? Read the bulletin in the next few weeks for more to come.

Adopt-A-Street Fall Cleanup

A *Clean Team Maintenance* technician with the City of Covington and parishioner here at St. John the Baptist, **Jennifer Leeden**, states, "I like to think that every time I pick up a piece of litter, no matter how small, the world is instantly a more beautiful place. I believe there are too many reasons to list as to why some people litter. My question now is not, 'Why do people litter?' but it is, 'Why doesn't anybody pick it up?'"



The *Creation Care Team* invites you to join our fall cleanup on **Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am**. All needed equipment will be provided, but bring some gloves and help us clean up the grounds of our beloved church.

Please sign up on the sheets next to the *Season of Creation* poster in the narthex or by going to our website at archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/483/responses/new or scan the QR code to the right by **October 2, 2024** and help us finish the job.



We're Getting There!

The *Knights of Columbus* thank everyone who supported the Honeycrisp Apple Sale to benefit Coats for Kids. Your support during our fundraisers (Cherry Sale and recent Apple Sale) enabled us to move forward with our goal of distributing 300 winter coats to children within our local community this November. To date, we have raised \$3,500, which is enough to buy 210 coats. We are in communication with our Yakima Apple Grower for a possible late October Fuji Apple Sale to enable us to reach our coat distribution goal. **Thank you again for your loyal support.**





YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

(SINGLES AND UNMARRIED COUPLES 18-39)

SAVE THESE DATES!!



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Art Class with Fr. Carlos

7pm @ Holy Spirit Parish Hall

Did you know Fr. Carlos is an amateur artist? Come and learn the basics of charcoal drawing while diving into how beauty draws us closer to God. No experience needed—just come ready to create!



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oct

Pumpkin Patch, Carving Contest, & Exorcisms!

5:30 PM @ Carpinito Brother's Pumpkin Patch (buy your own pumpkin) 27508 W Valley Hwy N Kent, WA 98032

7 PM - Pumpkin Carving & Discussion @ St John the Baptist Hall

- Grab your flannels and meet us for a fall photo op at the patch! Afterward, we'll gather at St John for a fun pumpkin carving contest (we'll have extra pumpkins on hand if you missed the patch).
- Ever wonder what the Church actually says about exorcisms, demons, and the devil? Bring your burning questions—Fr. Carlos will be sharing his experiences and insights. Bonus: Has he performed an exorcism? Find out!



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Friendsgiving Potluck & Game Night

7pm @ Holy Spirit Parish Hall

- Learn about Aristotle's philosophy on friendship
- Bring your favorite dish to share, and get ready to let your inner child out with game night!



30
dec

Christmas Party/White Elephant Gift Exchange & Karaoke Night

7pm @ St John the Baptist Hall

- Celebrate the birth of our Lord! Bring a wrapped unisex gift of up to \$25
- Bring your ugly Christmas sweater for our group picture!

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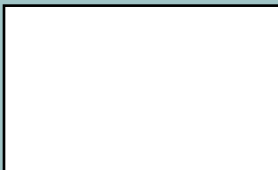
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