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FAMILY 30



The Catholic Community of
St. John the Baptist

Father Carlos Orozco, Pastor
Father Crispin Okoth, Vicar



Holy Spirit
PARISH



Pumpkin Carvers (October 28, 2024)

November 10, 2024

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146)



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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

Office Hours & Contact Information

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

Saturday from 10:00a to 3:00p

Sunday & Monday - Closed

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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, November 10

Mass - 9:00 am

Elementary Faith Formation Classes - 10:15 am

Mass - 11:30 am

Mass - 5:30 pm

Monday, November 11

Veteran's Day

Mostly Yoga - 8:00 am

Mass - 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

Guadalupe Celebration Practice - 7:30 pm

Tuesday, November 12

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am

Oracion - 6:00 pm

WICS - 6:00 pm

MDES Rehearsal - 7:00 pm

Vida en el Espiritu Santo - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 13

Mostly Yoga - 8:00 am

Mass - 9:00 am

Backpack Buddies Packing - 6:45 pm

Middle School Youth Group - 7:00 pm

Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm

Walking Through Grief (via Zoom) - 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 14

Facility & Grounds Commission Meeting - 4:30 pm

Hora Santa - 5:00 pm

Mass Honoring Veterans - 6:30 pm

Women's Commission Meeting - 6:30 pm

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

Confirmation Year 2 Meeting - 7:00 pm

Liturgy Commission - 7:00 pm

RCIA/OCIA Meeting - 7:00 pm

Guadalupe Celebration Practice - 7:30 pm

Friday, November 15

Word & Communion - 9:00 am

Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 6:30 pm

Saturday, November 16

PREPARES Meeting - 9:30 am

Saturday Morning Scripture SFC - 10:00 am

Elementary 1st Reconciliation In-Service #1 - 1:00 pm

Confession - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Mass - 5:30 pm



Please Pray for

the sick:

Faye Driessen

Ronie Gerona

DeRonda Knight

Yvonne Lawless

Michelle Rosenberger

and those who have recently died:

Jerome Fischer (cousin of Frances Miller)

Don Hruby (cousin of Don Reiling)

Jonathan Pilapil (father of Raphael & Gabriel Pilapil)

Randy Woodson (father of Christi Ackerman)

and those whose names
are inscribed in the "Book of the Dead"

Visit the Altar de Día de los Muertos

Remember your loved ones with a photo displayed at the *Day of the Dead* Altar or Altar de Día de los Muertos. The altar is displayed in the narthex through November 25. We invite you to bring a photo of your deceased loved one to put on the altar. Don't forget to pick up your photo before November 25. May our beloved, who have all gone before us, rest in peace.



Can you hear them? The sighs of relief and praises of thanks! Three weeks ago, we sadly announced that the *Giving Tree* event was not going to happen this year. But we did not give up hope, and we certainly did not give up praying. Last week, our prayers have been heard and the hearts of **Andrea Chay**, **Judy Peterson**, and **Amanda Varelia** responded to the call.

As we draw closer to Christmas, the *Giving Tree* will help to bring Christmas joy to families who are facing difficult and challenging times. We collaborate with the *St. Vincent de Paul Ministry* to find families in need. In the past, we have decorated a Christmas tree with tags in the narthex. The process may be a bit different this year. We will have more details in the weeks to follow.

Our goal is to support at least 50 families this holiday season.

If you would like to be involved in this wonderful ministry, please contact **Kathy** at kathyw@sjtbcc.org or 253-630-0701 ext. 101.

Please check our bulletin for more information after Thanksgiving.

Techies, Here's Your Chance

Interested in helping people solve technology issues? St. John the Baptist is looking for volunteers to staff a "Tech Table" for the **first three weekends of November after Masses** during our *Stewardship of Treasure Campaign*. If you are interested, please contact **Kathy Wickward** at kathyw@sjtbcc.org.



Feeding Our Hungry for Thanksgiving

GOOD NEWS! We have reached our goal of \$10,100.00! Thank you to our wonderful and generous donors! Your donations will feed 423 families.

However, **we received some additional meal requests**. If you had intended to donate and have not yet done so, please consider helping with the additional meal requests, which will cost \$1,473.00.

To donate, please take an envelope on one of the church chairs, write a check (to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church) or insert cash, and drop in the collection basket. **Please write, "Thanksgiving Meal" on the outside of the envelope.** Otherwise, it will be counted towards regular stewardship. We will need the donation **by November 22** to purchase the meals on the morning of the 23rd. You can also donate via the Pushpay button on our website, pushpay.com/g/sjtbcc and choose "Thanksgiving Meals." Or you can scan the QR code to the right to donate.



We also need volunteers for our **distribution day, Saturday, November 23**. You can sign up [here](#).

Thank you for your generosity.

Find the Military Service Seals

As a Veteran's Day tribute to all of our soldiers, active and retired, the six military service seals are strategically placed within this bulletin as watermarks. Can you find all six of them? There is no prize for the winner, but do thank a service member for his/her service to our country. Don't forget to thank their families too!



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, November 17, 2024

10:00 am to 11:30 am

McMullen Center

Donations will support the Archdiocese Seminarian Fund
(our next generation of priests)

Update on Backpack Buddies Program

Thank you to everyone who donated food to the *Backpack Buddies* program! We continue to fill 35 bags every week for Covington Elementary kids to take home in their backpacks to supplement their families' pantries, when they are unable to get free meals at school.



Because of our limited storage, we can only take items on a weekly basis. Please keep that in mind when you sign up for [Backpack Buddies Covington Elementary](#). If you are unable to provide all 35 pieces of an item (one each per backpack unless otherwise noted), please mention that in your comments.

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

Do You Know Where They Are?

AEDs - what are they and what do they do? It stands for Automated External Defibrillators, and they are used in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to analyze the heart rhythm and, if needed, to deliver an electric shock to re-establish an effective heart rhythm. Once it is turned on, the AED gives instructions on how to use it. It is important to have it available to use whenever CPR is administered, so a trained medical person can understand what rhythm the victim's heart is in, should it need to be shocked.

So what does this have to do with you? If someone needs CPR anywhere on the St. John the Baptist grounds, you as a bystander, need to call 911 and also **get the closest AED and bring it to the site**. It is better to know where these are located before they are needed, so you don't have to find them in an emergency!

Locate the AEDs on the grounds. There is one in the narthex hallway towards the office by the *Lost and Found* area and the fire extinguisher. There is also one in the McMullen Center, in the dining area near the kitchen. Be familiar with the AED signs, so you can easily spot them.



Heart attacks are most likely to occur during the winter months, especially during the holidays, according to [The George Washington University Hospital](#). Winter is coming - let's not wait until you need an AED to start looking for an AED!

Food & Game Night Coming Soon

Save the date for "Friendsgiving Potluck and Game Night" with **Father Carlos**. This event will be held at the McMullen Center on **Monday, November 18, 2024 at 7:00 pm**. Bring your favorite dish to share, and get ready to let your inner child out with game night.

How Can You Be a Steward of Your Talent and Treasure?

In Jesus' time, a steward was entrusted with the care of the household, the business, and even a kingdom. You have learned before about how you steward your gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Now, take a look at what that means for the church!

On the right is a triangle with the pillars of our stewardship of God's kingdom. Jesus entrusts his kingdom to us - to worship, to care for God's people, and to care for our "home." This is how we ask you to invest your time, talent, and treasure.



First, if you have not already done so, now is the time to become a part of a unique community of believers by sharing your talents to fulfill the mission of building God's Kingdom. Please check out our ministries on our [website](#) (or scan the QR code on the right) and then fill out the [talent form here](#).



There are 64 households, which have pledged their treasure over the last week for a total of \$153,653.00. That is 4.7% of our registered families and 15% of our goal of \$1M. We are hoping for 100% participation, even if it's just a small amount. Please pray about how you can commit a portion of your finances to support this church in 2025. Then fill out a pledge card on [PushPay](#) or scan the QR in the next article below. **If you pledge online, please report your total pledge for the year.**

Change your life and those around you by becoming engaged, as the steward that our Lord and Savior has called you to be. Give of your time by attending Mass and praying for us. Give of your talent by joining a ministry. Give of your treasure by pledging a portion of it.

Stewardship Pledges by Mail

If you want to use the pledge card you received by mail, **please do one of two things**:

- Use the QR code to pledge. You will be given the choice to pledge for the year without setting up your online donation, or you can set up a recurring payment online as well.
- Fill out the card enclosed in the mail and bring it to Mass. This works well if you are an envelope user and not using PushPay.





NOVEMBER 24
SJTB ANNUAL
ADVENT
FUN DAY!



10:00—11:30 a.m.

Multipurpose Rooms

Families of all sizes and shapes!

You are invited to join in the fun preparing for Advent at St. John the Baptist parish! Feel free to drop in at any time, or spend the whole morning with your fellow parishioners! Individuals and/or families will make a variety of Advent activities to use at home throughout the season. Cookie decorating, games and lots of fun will be a big part of the day! All supplies will be provided, so come, enjoy and take home activities you can use throughout Advent!

There will be no morning Faith
Formation classes on
Sunday, November 24

Instead, we ask you to join us at the
Advent Fun Day!



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