



WEEK OF JANUARY 26, 2025

The Third Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

**Pancake Breakfast
January 12, 2025**



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**Holy Spirit
Knights of Columbus**

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And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. Acts 2:44



Our Mission

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!

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

Mass Times & Confessions

Vigil: Saturday at 5:30p

Sunday Masses:

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

Weekday Masses:

Monday & Wednesday at 9:00a

Thursday at 6:30p

1st Friday Spanish 7:30p

Word & Communion:

Tuesday & Friday at 9:00a

Confessions:

Saturday 4:00p to 5:00p

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

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

Saturday from 10:00a to 3:00p

Sunday & Monday - Closed

Monday to Friday 9:00a to 5:00p

Saturday & Sunday - Closed

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Sunday, January 26

Mass - 9:00 am

Blood Pressure Screening after morning Masses
Elementary Faith Formation - 10:15 am

Mass - 11:30 am

OCIA Dismissal - 11:30 am

Mass - 5:30 pm

High School Group - 6:30 pm

Monday, January 27

Mostly Yoga - 8:00 am

Mass - 9:00 am

Oracion - 6:00 pm

Alpha - 6:30 pm

Choir (9:00 am) Practice - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 28

Word & Communion - 9:00 am
PREPARES Baby Shower - 2:00 pm
WICS - 6:00 pm
Choir (Fil-Am) Practice - 7:00 pm
Liturgy Training (Español) - 7:00 pm
Threshold Bible Study - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 29

Mostly Yoga - 8:00 am
Mass - 9:00 am
Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm
Middle School Youth Group - 7:00 pm
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 30

Threshold Bible Study - 10:00 am
Hora Santa 5:00 pm
Mass 6:30 pm
Choir (11:30) Practice - 7:00 pm
OCIA 7:00 pm

Friday, January 31

Word and Communion - 9:00 am

Saturday, February 1

Saturday Morning Scripture - 10:00 am
Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass - 5:30 pm



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Sunday

Mass in English - 8:30 am, 10:30 am

Misa en Espanol - 12:30 pm

Bible Study (English) - 12:30 pm

Mass in Swahili - 2:30 pm

Teen Confirmation Session - 5:30pm

Teen First Communion Session - 5:30 pm

Mass in Chuukese - 6:00 pm

Misa en Espanol - 8:00 pm

Monday

Mass - 9:00 am

Food Pantry - 1:00 pm

Alpha - 6:30 pm

Tuesday

Wednesday

Mass - 9:00 am

Confession - 6:00 pm

Mass - 7:00 pm

Thursday

Mass & Exposition - 9:00 am

Friday

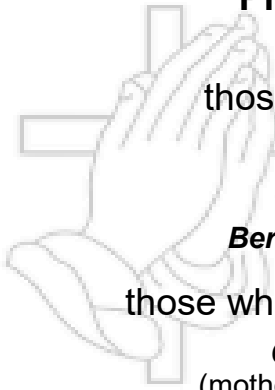
Mass - 9:00 am

Saturday

Confessions - 3:00 pm

Mass - 5:00 pm

Mass - 7:00 pm



Please Pray for

those who are **sick**:

Judy Chaney
Ronie Gerona
William Hogan
Bernadette Rollolazo

those who have recently **died**:

Cecilia Kinkela
(mother of Debbie Kinkela)

Confirmation Preparation for Adults

Were you baptized and received *First Communion* in the Catholic Church as a child? Are you an adult who has completed high school? Do you attend mass regularly? If you answered yes to all of the above and are interested in finishing your *Rites of Initiation*, then this is for you!

Please contact **Joan Williamson** at joanw@sjtbcc.org or 253-630-0701 ext. 109 to learn more about becoming a full member in the Catholic Church.

Did You Get Your Tax Statement?

They were sent this week. For those who have an email address on file with St. John the Baptist, it was emailed last week. If we do not have your email address, your tax statement was mailed to your physical address. If you do not get it by the end of the month, please contact **Nancy Moore** (ext. 102) at the parish office. It's possible that you may need to update your mailing information.



CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION DEDUCTION

Olive Wood Carvings for Sale



The handicrafts trade in the Holy Land has evolved as a cultural tradition of the Holy Land people over many centuries and has become an industry of significance to the local economy.

Issa Jaraysa will be at St. John the Baptist on the weekend of February 1 and 2, 2025 to sell these handicrafts after

all the Masses. They are crafted from olive wood. Artisans use only the pruned and discarded pieces of young olive trees and sprouts from the old, unproductive trees.

The proceeds support Catholic families in the Holy Land. The sale of these handicrafts is their major source of income. The wares (nativities, crucifixes, rosaries, statues, and more) are from more than 75 families in Bethlehem. They are beautiful and unique items.

We Have a New Rectory!

Father Carlos, with dogs and goats, is moving into a home in Kent. It is five minutes from Holy Spirit and 10 minutes from St. John the Baptist. More information with photos will be in next week's bulletin.

Last Chance to Catch Alpha!

We had great interest in the last two sessions, with over 70 guests participating in the first session. This third session on January 27, 2025 will address, "Why did Jesus die?". This is the last chance for new attendees.



Registration closes on January 27, 2025.

If you are interested in joining, come by on January 27 at 6:20 pm and register. You will be assigned a table before the session. **Alpha begins at 6:30 pm** with a meal, followed by a 25-minute video at 7:00 pm and discussions after the video until 8:00 pm. The January 27 session will be held at St. John the Baptist in the McMullen Center. There will be signs to direct you. Hope to see you there!

Help Keep Our Kitchen Clean

Our facilities calendar at St. John the Baptist is full of exciting celebrations throughout 2025. Many of them will be held at the McMullen Center, and the kitchen will be used for food prep.

A "sweep" of the kitchen at the end of 2024 revealed things that hosts and hostesses need to be especially aware of.

- Pots, dishes, and utensils were not clean and put in their proper places.
- Cooking areas (sinks, counters, stove, oven, grill) as well as the refrigerators/freezer were not cleaned.
- Floors were not swept and mopped.
- Dirty towels were not washed and dried in the washer/dryer or placed in a bucket of bleach water located near the sinks. Damp cloths are a harbor for bacteria, and many were found damp but no water in the buckets.
- Unused food and leftovers were not removed from refrigerator or freezer after completion of event.
- Garbage was not taken out.
- Power to the dishwasher and gas line to the stove were not turned off.
- Building was not secured after leaving.

For all ministries, parishioners, and anyone who uses the kitchen, there is a kitchen checklist that includes the group's name and a responsible person who is in charge of managing the kitchen. **All users are required to complete and return the checklist to the Kitchen Checklist folder on the kitchen table.** Completing the checklist will assist in identifying who to contact if discrepancies are noted during weekly inspections. Following this process will ensure that the kitchen is clean and ready for the next event. Any special kitchen requests should be coordinated with **David Aldous**, our Facilities Steward.

Thankful For Your Stewardship

We hit **\$838,472.00 in pledges** from 384 (33%) of our registered families at St. John the Baptist parish! Our goal was \$1,000,000, but we are still very thankful and blessed for reaching 83% of our goal. **Thank you so much to everyone who has pledged to support our parish with their financial contribution.** Our pledges are a bit less than last year, but we remain optimistic as we start our budget process. We appreciate all who gave, regardless of pledge status.

If you are financially supporting the parish but have not received your "Vincent van Goat" magnet, please stop by the office and pick one up!

It is not too late to contribute! We welcome any amount. Click on the QR code and follow the prompts, or you may visit our [website](#) and enter your pledge there.



A million thanks from Vincent van Goat! We look forward to building a bright future together!



Join Us For a Baby Shower

The *PREPARES* Ministry of St. John the Baptist invites you to join them in a baby shower for one of their mothers-to-be, **Elie**. Please join them on **Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 2:00 pm in the McMullen Center** for light refreshments, games, and gift giving.

If you are unable to attend and would like to give **Elie** a gift, the following are gift ideas for her and her baby boy:

- Diapers (newborn and Sizes 1 and 2), baby wipes, & diaper cream
- Baby clothes (newborn to 12 months)
- Baby thermometer
- Bottles and binkies
- Baby wash and lotion
- Bassinet
- Baby rocker
- Monetary donations (checks written out to "St. John the Baptist" noting it's for PREPARES)

Elie is a young, single mother, who is looking forward to the birth of her baby boy on February 15, 2025. She has very restricted finances and will appreciate any of the above items. Thank you for any help you can give.

PREPARES will also appreciate help with providing refreshments, setting up, and clean up. If you can lend a hand with these, please contact **Laura Rothschilds** by leaving a message at the parish office at **253-630-0701**. **RSVP by January 26, 2025.**

Found: Insulin Pen

An insulin pen was found in the sanctuary a few weeks ago. If you have lost a pen, please email **Pat** at bulletin@sjtbcc.org and identify the manufacturer and the proximity of where you might have lost it. If identified correctly, you can pick it up at the church office during office hours.

Mind Your Numbers!



Blood Pressure check after all morning Masses on **Sunday, January 26, 2025**



Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day, **February 2, 2025**. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

For more information on *World Day for Consecrated Life*, please visit [United States Conference of Catholic Bishops](#) and [National Religious Vocation Conference](#).



The *Black Catholic Advisory Circle of the Archdiocese of Seattle* invites you to a special concert featuring acclaimed songwriter, composer, and storyteller **ValLimar Jansen**. Two performances; one amazing cultural experience!

February 7, 2025 | 7:00 pm

February 8, 2025 | 1:00 pm

St. Madeline Sophie, Bellevue, WA

Celebrate the lives and achievements of the six Black Catholics on the road to sainthood.

Come for an evening of culture, song, stories and soul.

Tell us how we can improve!
Email me, Pat, at
bulletin@sjtbcc.org
and send me your suggestions

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read (Neh 8:8)

Psalm:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

Second Reading:

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)

Gospel:

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 1:21)

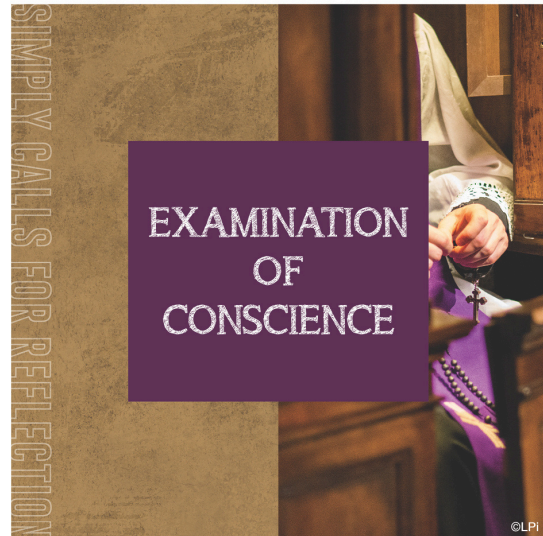
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus is the fulfillment of the Scripture passage he reads in the synagogue, a missive of promise and hope from an ancient prophet. But he invites us to be part of his work, here and now, in our own lives, our own communities. Be part of the fulfillment.

Observances for the week of January 26, 2025

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Celebrate Catholic Schools Week
- Monday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Tuesday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Wednesday:**
- Thursday:**
- Friday:** St. John Bosco, Priest
- Saturday:**
- Next Sunday:** The Presentation of the Lord,
World Day for Consecrated Life



Devotions, Explained!

The practice of examining one's conscience dates to the very beginning of the Christian faith. It simply calls for reflection on one's actions, making note of lapses in judgment that should be confessed in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Prayer of Mission

Spirit of the Living God,
Anoint me to bring your love,
light, and freedom to the places
you call. From the heights to the
depths: you are there, you are
actively moving, and when you
call, you will also provide.

Amen.

To get your content in our bulletin, websites, and social media, contact **Pat Defiesta** at communications@sjtbcc.org for St. John the Baptist bulletin) or **Mary Molina** at communications@holyspiritkent.org (for Holy Spirit bulletin).

Please send us content at least 2 weeks before publication.

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