

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time





WEEK OF JULY 13, 2025



















Photos by Paul Dehmer, Than Lerner, & Tat Vu

A Jubilee Year, or Holy Year, is a special time of grace, forgiveness, and renewal in the Catholic Church. During this sacred period, pilgrims (see photos on Page 4) are invited to deepen their faith and receive spiritual benefits through prayer, confession, and acts of charity. One of the highlights is the Jubilee Mass, celebrated at designated Jubilee sites such as major basilicas or shrines - including the Church of the Vietnamese Martyrs in Tukwila, WA (pictured above). The Holy Year of Jubilee for 2025 has been officially proclaimed by the late Pope Francis.







Our Mission

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

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!

Mass Times & Confessions

(check weekly schedules for holiday times)

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)

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

Office Hours

(check weekly schedules for changes)

Monday to Friday 8:00a to 5:00p Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday - Closed Tuesday to Friday 9:00a to 4:00p Saturday from 10:00a to 3:00p Sunday & Monday - Closed

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH FAMILY



Sunday, July 13

Choir Rehearsal (Swahili)
Swahili Community
Centro Rendu
Cursillos (Spanish)
Adult Faith Formation/Bible Study
Cornucopia Booth & St. Anthony Chapel

Monday, July 14

Bible Study Groups (Spanish)
Food Pantry
Small Christian Communities
Grupo de Oración
Youth Group
Grandparent Bible Study (Spanish)

Tuesday, July 15

Young Adult Choir (Spanish)
Adult Confirmation
Small Christian Communities
Grupo de Oración
Choir Rehearsal (12:30 Spanish)
HS Youth Group
Terrific Tuesday Meals

Wednesday, July 16

Young Adult Group (Spanish)
Knights of Columbus
Pastoral Council
Bible Study (Spanish)
RCIA/OCIA
English Class

Thursday, July 17

Young Adult Core Team (Spanish)
Holy Hour for Vocations
Apologetics Bible Study (Spanish)
Adult Confirmation (Spanish)
Small Christian Communities
Bible Study Communities
Grupo de Oración Leadership Meeting

Friday, July 18

Grupo de Oración Bible Study Communities Baptism Prep (Spanish)

Saturday, July 19

Choir Rehearsal (7pm Spanish) Young Adults (Spanish) Small Christian Communities Grupo de Oración



Sunday, July 13

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

Monday, July 14

Mass - 9:00 am
Choir (Sunday 9:00 am) Practice - 7:00 pm
Kateri Prayer Walk (picnic) - 6:00 pm
Kateri Prayer Walk (blessing) - 6:30 pm

Tuesday, July 15

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am WICS - 6:00 pm Vida en el Espíritu Santo - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, July 16

Mass - 9:00 am
Divine Will Prayer Group - 10:00 am
Volunteer Appreciation Tea - 2:00 pm
Choir (Truthful Reign) Practice - 7:00 pm

Thursday, July 17

Walking Group - 11:00 am
Creation Care Team - 1:00 pm
La Hora Santa - 5:00 pm
Mass - 6:30 pm
Choir (Sunday 11:30 am) Practice - 7:00 pm

Friday, July 18

Word & Communion Service - 9:00 am Choir (Filipino) Practice - 7:00 pm Hispanic Charismatic Prayer - 7:00 pm

Saturday, July 19

Reconciliation - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Mass - 5:30 pm

Pilgrims On a Mission



Photos by Paul Dehmer & Tat Vu

With hearts full of faith and purpose, we were committed to walking the six miles in joyful witness to support the *Jubilee Year*. This pilgrimage was more than just a journey on foot - it was a spiritual act of devotion, unity, and renewal. Every step we take was a step closer to grace, to each other, and to the heart of the Church.

If you would like copies of photos of the pilgrimage, please email Pat at bulletin@sitbcc.org.

Send corrections and bulletin content to

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 two (2) weeks before publication.

For St. John the Baptist questions/comments, email Pat at bulletin@sjtbcc.org

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Please Pray for those who are sick:

Sheri Arigoni Bruce Barnes John Carroll Neal Johnson

and those who have died:

Mary Bovee (niece of Mary Ellen Nelson)
Victims of the Texas flood

One Church, Many Gifts Update from Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all who have responded to the needs of our regional Church by supporting this campaign. As of July 10, \$123,556.28 (91% of our goal) has been pledged towards our parish goal of \$136,467.00 with 24% of parish households participating.

Last year during the same time period, we had just over \$17,000.00 more than we do now. Last year's rebate was about \$31,000 and allowed us to complete an important safety project - build a fence around our retention ponds. This year, we need another \$13,000 to bring us over the top and get a rebate for next year's project, which will support Catholic Relief Services and the Archdiocese Mission Essential Parish Family Fund. Catholic Relief Services has experienced a decrease in funding, impacting its ability to provide vital humanitarian assistance. The Mission Essential Parish Family Fund supports parish families within our Archdiocese in economically depressed regions or rural areas with small populations. This support allows the parish to carry out the mission of the Church.

Thank you, once again, for your generosity. You can still donate by filling out an envelope in the pews, or go online to archseattle.org/GiveACA.



This event kicks off on Monday, **July 14**, with a picnic at **6:00 pm**, followed by a special blessing from Father Carlos at 6:30 pm. Bring your own meal - frozen treats will be provided by the *Women's Commission*.

Walk and pray with *St. Kateri Tekakwitha*, the first Indigenous American saint. Begin your self-guided prayer walk under the grape arbor and follow the stations for reflection and prayer. As you conclude, create a "twig Kateri cross" to leave behind. These crosses will be gathered and presented at Mass on the *Feast of the Assumption*, August 15, 2025.

Our Parish Family Update

In July 2024, the Archdiocese of Seattle formed 60 families from 136 parishes. This was a milestone in the *Partners in the Gospel* strategic pastoral planning process focused on re-envisioning parish life. To help guide our parish family on this journey to becoming one parish, we have two consultative bodies – the *Parish Family Leadership Team* (comprised of staff) and the *Parish Family Advisory Council (PFAC)*. These groups are following the *One Parish Planning* process, in consultation with the parish family membership.

As a parish family, we have begun asking ourselves two critical questions: Who are we as a parish - who do we serve both in our parish communities and within the geographic boundaries of the parish - and what are our gifts? *Partners in the Gospel* is an opportunity to renew our commitment to the larger mission of the church, to go and make disciples, while re-envisioning parish life in a new structure.

The parish demographic survey was the first step in answering these questions. We will publish the results of the survey in a future bulletin and on the website. In a couple of months, the *PFAC* will host focus groups that will be discussing first our gifts, and later our unique challenges and opportunities as a blended parish. St. John the Baptist's parishioners on the *PFAC* are *Brittany and Devin Craig*, *Alex de Dios, Mike Dennis, Jessica Mendoza, Butch Padua, Rene Santiago*, and *Peter Smith*.

St. Vincent de Paul Continues to Help Neighbors

"As you grow older, you will discover you have two hands one for helping yourself, the other for helping others." ~Audrey Hepburn~

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

Because of your generous monetary donations totaling \$36,761.00 from January to June 2025, we were able to assist 60 families with rent and utilities as well as provide 17 families with clothing, food, hygiene items, bus tickets, and beds. THANK YOU to our St. John the Baptist community!

If you want to live out your Gospel call by participating in this life-giving ministry, please contact **Pat Defiesta** at patd@SVdPSeattle.org.

Please encourage our neighbors who need help with rent, utilities, food, or clothing to call the **St. Vincent de Paul Help Line at 206-767-6449**. If you would like to help our neighbors in need, please visit us at pushpay.com/g/sjtbcc and click on "St. Vincent de Paul" under "Fund".

Thank you for your generosity!



Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Here is the chance for you and your family to have a fun Sunday outing without breaking the bank! Come join the *Knights of Columbus* and fellow parishioners for an afternoon at the ballpark! Reserved tickets, which are in a shaded area of the stadium, are \$15.50 per person. It includes a hotdog, a bag of chips, and a bottle of water. There's plenty of parking, which is only \$10.00 per car.

Tacoma Rainiers vs. El Paso Chihuahuas Sunday, July 20, 2025 at 1:35 pm Cheney Stadium in Tacoma

Contact **Ang Battisti** via the parish office for tickets, or talk to one of the gentlemen wearing a red vest at each of the Masses.





What Do Abuse Survivors Need?

What is the emotional, spiritual, and relational impact of abuse within church settings on victim survivors, their families, and communities? For a better understanding of this issue and answers to questions such as the above, join us for a seminar at:

Peace & Spirituality Center, Bellevue

July 23, 2025

6:30 to 8:00 pm

Participants will learn ways to help those impacted by abuse on their journey toward healing.

Click here to register. This program is offered at no cost, thanks to the generosity of those who support similar ministries. Donations are greatly appreciated to help us continue offering meaningful experiences to the community.

Step by Step, Closer to Grace: My Jubilee Pilgrimage Experience By Karen Remy-Anderson

As part of the Jubilee 2025 celebration, one of my spiritual goals this year is to visit all five pilgrimage sites designated by the Archdiocese of Seattle - and what a blessing it has been! Taking part in the Parish Family 30 pilgrimage from Holy Spirit to the Church of the Vietnamese Martyrs on July 1 was nothing short of extraordinary. It turned out to be a deeply moving and joy-filled journey of faith, connection, and renewal.

Together with my nieces, *Selena* and *Amaya Parrott*, and more than 100 fellow pilgrims from Parish Family 30, we walked the Interurban Trail - a five-mile journey, according to Google Maps. My Garmin recorded over 20,000 steps and 8.7 miles by day's end! The atmosphere was alive with energy and spirit as parishioners of all ages joined in - from infants in strollers to grandparents. We sang with joy, prayed the rosary with devotion, and shared moments of quiet reflection as we made our way toward the newly built and beautifully dedicated (November 2024) Church of the Vietnamese Martyrs in Tukwila.

Our arrival was met with such grace and beauty. *Fr. Dao*, priest of Vietnamese Martyrs, welcomed us warmly and shared the rich meaning behind the church's incredible art and architecture - the striking twin bell towers, the heralding angels, the hallowed statues, and the luminous stained-glass windows that grace the walls of the sanctuary and dance above the entry doors. It was all so inspiring!

Fr. Carlos then celebrated a bilingual Spanish-English Mass that was both heartfelt and uplifting, bringing together our diverse community and drawing us into a moment of unity and grace that truly reflected the spirit of Jubilee. After Mass, some pilgrims gathered for a shared meal of delicious Vietnamese Banh Mi sandwiches, while others participated in Eucharistic adoration and personal prayer - an opportunity to reflect and prepare as they take another step on their path to receiving the *Jubilee Indulgence*.

Though the day brought record-breaking heat, our hearts were full, and the destination was well worth every step. Standing in the Church of the Vietnamese Martyrs, surrounded by love, faith, and community, I was reminded that the destination truly magnified the journey.

With this pilgrimage, I joyfully mark my third Jubilee site visit - and my second pilgrimage Mass. May our continued pilgrimages draw us closer to Christ, to

one another, and to the abundant grace of this Jubilee Year. Let us keep walking in faith and hope!

Karen is a parishioner at St. John the Baptist and was our Elementary Faith Formation Coordinator. Karen retired at the end of June 2025.



Karen with nieces Selena & Amaya

From the Food Pantry at Holy Spirit

Greetings!

The Food Pantry would like to give a big thanks to the Knights of Columbus, Mother Mary's Guild, Staff and all the parishioners at Holy Spirit and St. John the Baptist for your generosity and support. We cannot do this without you. Below is a list of the items we put in the family bags. We are asking every family to bring just one item from our list. If we continually bring one item from this list, we will be sustained for a good while. Donations can be dropped off at every Mass, in the black bin at the right entrance of the church. We also except donations during our Monday's distribution, in the church parking lot, or Mother Theresa room from 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM. The church office when it is convenient for you, (no Wednesdays, office is closed.) Another option for drop off, St. John the Baptist if you are in the area there. We really need your help. Currently, the pantry is running very low on items as we are getting more people in need.

Remember we are doing God's work when we help the poor and feed the hungry.

Thank you, and God Bless you and your families.

Peanut Butter	Canned Tuna	Canned Fruit
Jam/Jelly	Canned Meat	Jumex Juice
Canned Soup	Canned Vegetables	Cold Cereal
Canned Beans/Dry Beans	La Moderna Pasta	Hot Cereal
Hamburger/Pasta Helper	Pasta Package	Toothbrushes
Raw Rice	Pasta Sauce	Toothpaste
Rice-A-Roni	Macaroni & Cheese	Body Soap
Instant Potatoes	Milk Shelf Stable	Toilet Paper
Pancake Mix	(Canned/Powder/Soy)	
Pancake Syrup	Fresh Corn tortillas	





De la despensa de alimentos.

Saludos.

La Despensa de Alimentos desea dar un gran agradecimiento a los Caballeros de Colón, al Gremio de la Madre María, al personal y a todos los feligreses de Espiritu Santo (Holy Spirit) y San Juan Bautista (St. John the Baptist) por su generosidad y apoyo. No podemos hacer esto sin ti. A continuación se muestra una lista de los artículos que ponemos en las bolsas familiares. Le pedimos a cada familia que traiga solo 1 artículo de nuestra lista. Si continuamente traemos 1 elemento de esta lista, estaremos sostenidos por un buen tiempo. Las donaciones se pueden dejar en cada Misa, en el contenedor negro, en la entrada de la iglesia, a la derecha. También exceptuamos las donaciones durante nuestra distribución del lunes, en el estacionamiento de la iglesia o en la habitación de la Madre Teresa de 1 p.m. a 2:30 p.m. La oficina de la iglesia cuando sea conveniente para usted, (no hay miércoles, la oficina está cerrada). Otra opción para dejar, St. John's si estás en la zona allí. Realmente necesitamos su ayuda, actualmente, la despensa se está quedando sin artículos ya que estamos recibiendo a más personas necesitadas.

Recuerde que estamos haciendo la obra de Dios cuando ayudamos a los pobres y alimentamos a los hambrientos.

Gracias, y que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias.

Crema de cacahuate	Atún enlatado	Fruta enlatada
Mermelada/Jalea	Carne enlatada	Jugo Jumex
Sopa enlatada	Verduras enlatadas	Cereal frío
Frijoles enlatados/frijoles secos	Pasta Moderna	Cereal caliente
Ayudante de hamburguesa/pasta	Paquete de pasta	Cepillo de dientes
Arroz crudo	Salsa para pasta	Pasta de Dientes
Arroz-A-Roni	Macarrones con queso	Jabón corporal
Papas de instantáneas	Leche estable Leche enlatada Leche en polvo Leche de soya	Papel higiénico
Harina para panqueques	(Enlatado/Polvo/Soya)	
Jarabe para panqueques	Tortillas de maíz frescas	

YOUNG ADULT Summer Events

"I lift my eyes to the mountains..." -Psalm 121:1

GROUP HIKE to LAKE 22

SATURDAY AUGUST 2ND

DEPARTURE: 6:30AM FROM HOLY SPIRIT, KENT

Packed lunch provided!



Hike: Lake 22, North Cascades Mountain Loop Highway, 5.4mi round trip, moderate difficulty more trail info: washington trails association, wta.org > Lake 22

What to bring

- Snacks,
- Water bottle
- Sturdy shoes, Jacket
- Hat, Bandana
- Sunscreen, Bug spray

Questions? Simon – <u>sstehr@holyspiritkent.org</u> RSVP to Simon, or by calling either parish office



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