

# PARISH FAMILY 14

ST. ALPHONSUS | ST. BENEDICT | ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil at St. Alphonsus  
 5:00 PM Vigil at St. John  
 Sunday: 8:30 AM at St. John  
 9:00 AM at St. Alphonsus  
 10:30 AM at St. John  
 11:00 AM at St. Benedict

## DAILY MASSES

Mon - Thurs: 7:30 AM at St. Alphonsus  
 Friday: 9:00 AM at St. John  
 Saturday: 8:00 AM at St. Alphonsus  
 (except 1st Sat: 9:00 AM at St. John)

## CONFESSION

Mon - Thurs: 7:00 - 7:20 AM at St. Alphonsus  
 Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM at St. Alphonsus  
 Sunday: 8:00 - 8:45 AM at St. Alphonsus  
 Sunday: 9:45 - 10:15 AM at St. John  
 By appointment: [info@parishfamily14.org](mailto:info@parishfamily14.org)  
 First Thursday Confession and Adoration:  
 7:00-8:00 PM at St. Alphonsus



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# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

October 19, 2025

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

	ST. ALPHONSUS	ST. BENEDICT	ST. JOHN
<b>October 19</b> <b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	8 AM Confession 9 AM Mass 10 AM Coffee & Donuts after Mass 10:15 AM First Reconciliation Class	10 AM First Reconciliation Class 11 AM Youth Mass with CLOW (Livestream) 12 PM Social Hour	8:30 AM Mass 9:30 AM Lectio Divina 9:35 AM First Reconciliation Class 9:45 AM Confession 10:30 AM Mass with CLOW <u>7 PM Book Club</u>  SVdP Collection Coffee & Donuts after both Masses
<b>October 20</b> <b>Monday</b> <i>Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest</i>	7 AM Confession 7:30 AM Daily Mass RIP: Keely Rogel's Mom 7 PM Men's Group - McGrath Rm	8:30 AM SMdP Sandwich Making 7 PM Gospel Study via Zoom	
<b>October 21</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	7 AM Confession 7:30 AM Daily Mass INT: The Corcoro Family		
<b>October 22</b> <b>Wednesday</b> <i>Saint John Paul II, Pope</i>	7 AM Confession 7:30 AM Daily mass RIP: Jon Condon		
<b>October 23</b> <b>Thursday</b> <i>Saint John of Capistrano, Priest</i>	7 AM Confession 7:30 AM Daily Mass 10 AM Scripture Study 7 PM OCIA - Family Center		<u>3-4 PM Family Adoration</u>
<b>October 24</b> <b>Friday</b> <i>Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop</i>	8:15 AM Adoration Chapel open to 8 PM		9 AM Daily Mass RIP - John Albert Flynn INT - Phi-Hung Nguyen
<b>October 25</b> <b>Saturday</b>	8 AM Daily Mass 4 PM Confession 5 PM Vigil Mass <b>6:15 PM Listening Session</b>	9:30 AM Craft Group	4 PM OCIC Inquiry Session - Parish Admin Building 5 PM Vigil Mass (Livestream) <b>6:15 PM Listening Session</b>
<b>October 26</b> <b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	8 AM Confession 9 AM Mass <b>10:15AM Listening Session</b> 10 AM Breakfast by Angel's Cafe 10:15 AM First Reconciliation Class	10 AM First Reconciliation Class 11 AM Mass with CLOW (Livestream) <b>12:15 PM Listening Session</b>	8:30 AM Mass <b>9:45 AM Listening Session</b> 9:30 AM Lectio Divina 9:35 AM First Reconciliation Class 9:45 AM Confession 10:30 AM Mass with CLOW <b>11:45 AM Listening Session</b>  Coffee & Donuts after both Masses
	For livestream and recorded masses, click the links:	<a href="https://parish.stbens.net">https://parish.stbens.net</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stbenseattle">www.facebook.com/stbenseattle</a>	<a href="http://www.stjohnsea.org/live-stream-masses">www.stjohnsea.org/live-stream-masses</a>



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# PARISH FAMILY HIGHLIGHTS

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP TIME. TALENT. TREASURE.

WE ARE CALLED TO SHARE  
OUR GIFTS WITH OTHERS.

### October is Stewardship Season!

Mark your calendars! We are kicking off our **2026 Parish Stewardship Renewal Drive** the weekend of **November 1 & 2**.

#### Our State of the Parish Schedule

will be as follows:

**St. John: Nov 1 and 2**

**St. Alphonsus: Nov 8 and 9**

**St. Benedict: Nov 9**



We ask that we all prayerfully reflect on our giving plans for the coming year.

Many, many thanks for your continued support.

Because of your generosity, we are able to continue to serve the ongoing ministries of our Parish Family. This financial commitment is a testament to your dedication to this community.



**YOU'RE INVITED TO THE LISTENING SESSIONS! SIGN UP NOW!**

#### St. Alphonsus

**October 25, Saturday, after the 5 PM Vigil Mass\***

**October 26, Sunday, after the 9 AM Mass\***

#### St. Benedict

**October 26, Sunday, after the 11 AM Mass\***

#### St. John

**October 25, Saturday, after the 5 PM Vigil Mass**

**October 26, Sunday, after the 8:30 AM Mass**

**October 26, Sunday, after the 10:30 AM Mass**

**\* Updated dates**

We'll focus on questions like:

1. How have your experiences in our parish and the gifts and charisms you've seen brought you closer to God?
2. If you had to describe the main gifts of our parish to a newcomer in one sentence, what would you say?

**Please join us! Your voice is important as we walk together in faith and mission.**



Sign up and  
be heard!



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Youth MASS

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

OCTOBER 19, 2025  
SUNDAY, 11 AM  
ST. BENEDICT CHURCH

*Our young hearts come together to worship and serve!*



*Our amazing young people will lead the way in our celebration! From music to hospitality, the youth will be at the heart of the liturgy.*

*After Mass, the celebration continues with our Social Hour - **Taste of Fall!** Bring and share your fall-inspired dishes!*

*All youth are also invited to volunteer as altar servers, ushers, readers, or Eucharistic ministers. It is a great way to serve the Lord and get involved in our parish community.*

*Scan the QR code to sign up!*



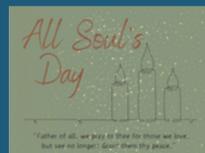
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Honor and remember your departed loved ones this

## All Souls' Day

November 2, 2025, Sunday

**Novena Candles** will be available at **St. Benedict Church** for \$10 each, beginning Sunday, October 12. You are invited to decorate your candle and write the names of your departed loved ones before placing it in the church. These candles will be lit on All Souls' Day as we pray for all the faithful departed throughout the novena.



**Prayer Cards** will be available at **St. John Church** on October 25-26. Write the names of your departed loved ones and place the cards in the basket near the altar to be prayed for at each Mass.

A **Book of Remembrance** will be available at **St. Alphonsus Church** the weekend of October 25-26. Write the names of your departed loved ones to be remembered in prayer throughout November.



## EVENT RECAP

On Sunday, October 12, we celebrated the annual Blessing of the Pets at St. John in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Families brought their pets, dogs, cats, and other furry friends, to receive a special blessing.

St. Francis of Assisi Ministry  
**BLESSING OF THE Pets**

Thank you to everyone who joined us! We hope to see you and your pets again next year.



## Spaghetti DINNER



*Thank you!*

All proceeds support the students and programs of St. Alphonsus School.

# FAITH FORMATION AND SACRAMENTS

## SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS

### Gospel/Scripture Ministry

**October 20, 7 PM** | St. Benedict Gospel Study via Zoom  
Meeting ID: 864 2616 6842 Password: 961919

**October 23, 10 AM** | St. Alphonsus Scripture Study in  
the St. Alphonsus McGrath Room

### Men's Group

**October 20, 7 PM** | St. Alphonsus Men's Group fellowship and faith sharing in the St. Al McGrath Room; We will continue watching "The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius" series and praying the Rosary. All men over 18 in the Parish Family are welcome. Please join us! For more information, please contact Brian LeBlanc: [brianleblanc76@gmail.com](mailto:brianleblanc76@gmail.com).

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

### Infant Baptism

Baptisms in our Parish Family are scheduled during the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses at our three churches. Upcoming baptism dates: **December 13 and 14, 2025; February 28 and March 1, 2026; June 13 and 14, 2026** For more information, contact Julia Rudden at [jrudden@parishfamily14.org](mailto:jrudden@parishfamily14.org).

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Are you an adult seeking confirmation or interested in becoming Catholic? Join our OCIA! Sessions are held on **Thursday evenings at 7 PM in the St. Alphonsus Family Center**. This is open to anyone who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. Email Claire Shea at [claireshea@stalseattle.org](mailto:claireshea@stalseattle.org) for more information. All are welcome!

### Book Group

**October 20, 7 PM** | St. John Book Club at St. John Parish  
The next book is *Paul Among the People: The Apostle Preached and Reimagined in His Own Time* by Sarah Rudden. This author gives a high-level overview of Paul's time and community. According to Goodreads, "It is a common—and fundamental—misconception that Paul told people how to live. Apart from forbidding certain abusive practices, he never gives any precise instructions for living. It would have violated his two main social human freedom and dignity, and the need for people to love one another."

### First Holy Communion and Reconciliation

*It's not too late to register! Open to baptized children 7 years of age and in the second grade.*

**St. Alphonsus:** Classes are on Sundays, 10:15 AM, in the McGrath Room. For registration and more information, Email Claire Shea at [claireshea@stalseattle.org](mailto:claireshea@stalseattle.org).

**St. Benedict:** Classes are on Sundays, 10 AM, in the St. Ben Resource Room. For registration and more information, email [jrudden@parishfamily14.org](mailto:jrudden@parishfamily14.org).

**St. John:** Classes are on Sundays, 9:35 AM, in Telia Oines's Classroom. For registration and more information, email [jrudden@parishfamily14.org](mailto:jrudden@parishfamily14.org) or visit <https://www.stjohnsea.org/first-reconciliation-and-first-communion>.

## IS YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

**OCIC (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN) IS FOR KIDS OR TEENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH.**

- Do your kids have questions about the Catholic faith?
- Are they from another faith tradition but feel at home in our Parish Family?
- Do you have kids over 7 years old who haven't been baptized?
- Were they baptized Catholic but want to learn more?

If any of these describe your situation, the OCIC might be the perfect opportunity for your family to grow in faith. Come to an inquiry session and learn more about our OCIC program.

Come to an inquiry session!

**St. John - October 25**  
4:00 PM in the Admin Building

**St. Benedict - November 5**  
6:00 PM in the Parish Center

**St. Alphonsus - November 9**  
10:30 AM in the McGrath Room

Questions?

Contact Claire Shea  
at 206-632-0843 ext 214 or  
[cshea@parishfamily14.org](mailto:cshea@parishfamily14.org)

REGISTER NOW!

Youth  
Confirmation  
PREPARATION  
CLASSES

START NOVEMBER 2

- All baptized Catholic youth of our Parish Family in grades 7 and above are invited to join.
- Register here: <https://bit.ly/PF14ConfirmationReg>
- For full details, go to <https://www.stjohnsea.org/confirmation> or contact Julia Rudden at [jrudden@parishfamily14.org](mailto:jrudden@parishfamily14.org) with any questions.

# SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

## Breakfast by Angel's Cafe

October 26 | Sunday | St. Alphonsus Family Center

Join us for a delicious breakfast immediately following the 9 AM Mass at St. Alphonsus. All are welcome!

- ✓ Western omelet with ham, peppers and onions
- ✓ Sister Giovanni's Rosemary Potatoes
- ✓ Fruit Cocktail
- ✓ Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate



## St. Martin de Porres Sandwich Making

SMdP sandwich makers prepare a total of 800 sandwich lunches every month for men who live at the SMdP shelter in downtown Seattle.

Join the next sandwich making!

When: **October 20, 2025, Monday, 8:30AM**

Where: St. Benedict Parish Center

Contact Vicky Briones at [vicster912@gmail.com](mailto:vicster912@gmail.com) for more information.



Help rescue food that 1) would have gone to waste, 2) contributed to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and 3) can be used to feed the hungry!



Join our final packing and sorting event for 2025 on **Wednesday, November 5, 6:00 - 8:00 PM** at the South Park Warehouse. Children as young as 10 years old (with parental accompaniment) can join.

Note that all volunteers must register in advance (FLL recommends 5 days prior). If you don't have an FLL account (required), it usually takes 2-3 minutes to create the account.

Sign up now, scan the QR code or click <http://stbens.foodlifeline.volunteerhub.com>, or contact Len at [kannapell@yahoo.com](mailto:kannapell@yahoo.com).



**PILGRIMS OF HOPE FOR CREATION**

**North Seattle SACRED SALMON PILGRIMAGE**

**Saturday, November 8, 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM**  
**Starting Location: Christ the King Church**  
**405 N 117th Street, Seattle**

Participants will gather at Christ the King Church at 9:00 AM. The group will then walk for approximately two miles into Carkeek Park, entering at the Eddie McAbee Entrance and proceeding down to the lower level of the park along Piper's Creek. The pilgrimage will include stops for prayer and reflection, offering an opportunity to honor the sacred salmon and promote community action for Earth Our Common Home and local ecosystems. For those who can't make the full 2-mile journey, there will be shorter options.

This pilgrimage is designed to be family-friendly and encourages participation from people of all ages. All are welcome to join in this meaningful experience.

Please RSVP so we can anticipate attendance. After you register, additional information about event logistics (including rides back to the start) and the route will be sent to you. RSVP at [tinyurl.com/salmon-pilgrim](https://tinyurl.com/salmon-pilgrim)

For questions, contact us at [nescs.socialjustice@gmail.com](mailto:nescs.socialjustice@gmail.com)

## Sancta Vita

The USCCB has asked Catholics to pray a Respect Life Novena from October 22-30.

This novena prays for the protection of human life, from conception to natural death. Each day of the novena features a different respect-life prayer intention.

The daily prayer intentions are available in the St Alphonsus vestibules and upon request.

You can read or sign up to receive the novena reflections at: <https://www.respectlife.org/respect-life-mont>.

# FAITH IN FOCUS



## Distractions

“DON’T PRAY at Mass. Pray the Mass.”

That piece of advice disoriented many Catholics in the 1960s when the Church invited us to take a different role at Mass. Catholics used to go to church carrying prayer books and rosaries so they could say their own prayers while Mass was going on. They were asked to set aside many of the prayers they used to say privately in order to take part in the prayer going on around them publicly. When you visit someone, you do not immediately pick up the phone to visit someone else. Having a conversation is good, but having the wrong one will distract us. While at Mass we don’t avoid prayer; we take part in a specific prayer.

Distractions come in many other forms, too. You will find people reading the bulletin, balancing their checkbook, cutting their nails, and adjusting their makeup during the homily, the Scripture readings, or the Eucharistic Prayer. Occasionally a cellular phone rings. Sometimes it belongs to the priest! If he answers it, you know that distractions have gotten way out of hand.

Sometimes we bring our own distractions. You may come to church with the intention of joining in the prayer, but your mind begins to wander to the events of the day ahead, the memory of the day past, the fears you harbor, the loves you enjoy, the appearance of the church or the behavior of worshipers.

Nonetheless, our common goal is to pray the Mass. It is hard, but two activities will help: preparation at home and concentration at church. At home, you can prepare for Mass by reading the Scriptures beforehand and making time for personal prayer. Then when you arrive at church, the skills you honed at private prayer will enhance your communal prayer. During the Mass, concentrate on the texts you say or sing. Think about the meaning of the words. Listen attentively when one of the ministers speaks. Observe the silences with reverence. Distractions will be fewer when our preparation and concentration grow stronger.

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## SAINT OF THE MONTH

**John Henry Newman**

**Feast Day: October 9**

**Canonized: October 13, 2019**

**Beatified: September 19, 2010**

**Venerated: January 22, 1991**



At the 2010 Mass that proclaimed John Henry Newman “Blessed,” some of the hymns sung were written by that very man. But John was not simply a man who wrote hymns. He was someone who inspired others with his life and his writings.

A well-respected priest, theologian, and writer in the Anglican Church, John left that faith when he was 44 years old and became a Catholic in 1845. Because of his contributions in spiritual writing, he was eventually named a cardinal. He helped found the Catholic University of Ireland, which today is University College, Dublin, the country’s largest university.

John was born in London, the son of a banker. From a very young age he was interested in learning and studying. He was attracted to the Anglican faith as a teenager and was ordained in 1824. He was a pastor but primarily worked as a university teacher for much of his early life. The more he learned, the more he determined that he needed to be on a different spiritual road. When he decided to become a Catholic, he lost many friends and family members.

After being ordained a Catholic priest, he lectured and continued his writing. John was known as a caring pastor among his working-class parishioners. He served as rector of the Catholic University of Dublin for several years and founded private Catholic schools for boys in England. A number of “Newman Centers” and “Newman Societies” have been created on college campuses all over the world, giving Catholic college students pastoral support.

He died in 1890 and was deemed “Blessed” by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010 in ceremonies in England. The pope paid special tribute to Newman’s vision of education, which combined intellectual training, moral discipline, and religious commitment.

<http://www.saintsresource.com/john-henry-newman>

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# PARISH FAMILY UPDATES

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETINGS CONTINUE THIS OCTOBER



The Pastoral Councils of St. John the Evangelist, St. Alphonsus, and St. Benedict parishes continue their scheduled meetings this October.

**St. John held its meeting on Wednesday, October 15, while St. Alphonsus is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, and St. Benedict will meet on Thursday, October 23.**

The agenda for these meetings includes updates on parish activities, school and faith formation programs; ongoing initiatives under Partners in the Gospel; and other important issues affecting parish life.

Stay tuned for the minutes of the meetings, which will be shared with the parish community once available.



**LISTENING SESSIONS FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18 - 40 years old)**

**Young Adults, we want to hear from you!**

Your perspective matters! We want to listen to your experiences, understand your needs, and invite you to take part in shaping the future of our parish community and how we live out our mission together.

**November 7, 2025 | Friday | 7:00 PM  
St. Alphonsus Wilson Room**

**Join us, be heard, and help shape a Parish Family that truly reflects your hopes and faith.**

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Enter your name and email

# PARISH FAMILY UPDATES

## LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER...

Please remember the following people who are ill, homebound, or need your prayers this week: Marnie Ahern, Lillian Anderson, Len Andrews, Fridon Bahrimandarlini, Alexander Bodsky, Anneliese Bodsky, Linda Broderick, Joe Chitty, Donna Day, Jeff D'Amelio, Natasha Ryan D'Amelio, Bertha Eriksson, Ritchell Cunanan, Todd Galvão, Espedito P. Galvão, Margaret Goodrich, Carol Grimes, Lianne Grimes, Myrna Israkul, Emily Jones, Joan Knebel, Nicholas Konopik, Dave Livingstone, Daniel Love, Josephine Lynch, Seamus Lynch, Norma Macke, Ginny Massett, Darren Miller, Joanne Morgan, Jerry Mulka, Patricia Mulka, Jennifer Nagel, Ray Naidu, Dan Nichols, Patricia Patterson, Jack Piza, Bob Pohlman, Lucy Rogers, Hilda Saleh, Lisa Schmidt, Jack Serwold, Abby Simpson, Lil' Stanley, Jeannette Tannario, Scott Tom, Jane Treeheal, Dennis Weiler, Jerilyn Wetzel, Shea Wilson, Lillian Yamamoto, and Megan Yoshimura.

For those who have died, including the mother of Keely Rogel, that they may rest in the healing embrace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord. For Armed Forces personnel throughout the world, that they come home safely to their families, we pray to the Lord.

*Note:* To request a prayer, please call the Parish Office or use the QR code or this link:

<https://bit.ly/PF14Prayer>



## READINGS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading

*The God of justice knows no favorites.*

**Sirach 35:12–14, 16–18**

Centuries before Christ, Sirach writes that the Lord hears the prayers of the lowly, the poor, the weak, and the oppressed. He assures his readers that God will respond. In the Gospel, Jesus applauds those who humbly acknowledge their sinfulness and ask for God's mercy, declaring that God will exalt them. May we realize our own poverty before the Lord as we sing the refrain to the responsorial psalm, "The Lord hears the cry of the poor."

### Psalm

*"The Lord hears the cry of the poor."*

**Psalm 34**

### Second Reading

*I have competed well, I have finished the race.*

**2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18**

### Gospel

*"O God, be merciful to me a sinner."*

**Luke 18:9–14**

## PARTICIPATION AND STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Invite your friends and family to attend Mass and experience the peace, community, and spiritual growth it brings. Sharing our mass times with them can help strengthen our Parish Family!

### Week of October 12, 2025

#### St. Alphonsus Parish

##### MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday, 5 PM	114
Sunday, 9 AM	161

##### PARISH COLLECTION

Mass Collection	\$ 3,769.00
Online Donations	\$ 1,713.03
Mailed-in	\$ 5,112.45
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 10,594.48</b>
Weekly Budget	\$ 9,833.00
<b>Over Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$ 761.48</b>

Thank you so much for all your support to St. Alphonsus Parish!

Set up your recurring online giving now!



#### St. Benedict Parish

##### MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, 11 AM	172
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##### PARISH COLLECTION

Mass Collection	\$1,368.00
Online Donations	\$ 3,603.27
Mailed-in	\$ 2,425.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 7,396.27</b>
Weekly Budget	\$ 6,055.00
<b>Over Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$ 1,341.27</b>

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#### St. John Parish

##### MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday, 5 PM	106
Sunday, 8:30 AM	168
Sunday, 10:30 AM	147

##### PARISH COLLECTION

Mass Collection	\$ 3,009.13
Online Donations	\$ 7,448.02
Mailed-in	\$ 3,884.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 14,341.15</b>
Weekly Budget	\$ 17,229.00
<b>Under Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$ 2,887.85</b>

Thank you so much for all your support to St. John Parish!

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<https://bit.ly/PushpaySJ>



# SCHOOL NEWS

**ST. ALPHONUS SCHOOL**  
**TRUNK OR TREAT**  
**IS COMING UP!**

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Join the 1st grade class at St. Benedict Catholic School in collecting new men's athletic socks for Operation Nightwatch in Seattle.

**ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS OUR FALL SOCK-tober FUNDRAISER!**

**OCTOBER 1-31**

**How to help:**

- **Drop off socks at St. Benedict School or Church**
- **Or donate online using the QR code**

To help support our first grade service project, please bring **NEW MENS ATHLETIC SOCKS** in original packaging to school.

All donations will be given to Operation Nightwatch.

**AMAZON WISHLIST**

This year, Sock-tober also supports the Archdiocesan "Move Your Feet – Faith in Action" campaign, showing unity and prayerful support for Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis.

# THROUGHOUT THE ARCHDIOCESE


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**RICHARD DOERFLINGER**  
 Retired, former associate director of the secretariat of pro-life activities for the USCCB  
**ASSISTED SUICIDE: THE ETHICS, THE LAW, AND THE DANGERS** Oct. 23 | 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Assisting in other people's suicides violates the universal moral principle against deliberately helping to take innocent human life, and the medical profession's fundamental norm "First of all, do no harm." As laws are changed to remove initial safeguards against abuse and coercion, the reality of a "slippery slope" toward broader killing has become clear. Richard Doerflinger, former Executive Director of the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, will delve into our Catholic response. Register for this online event: <https://bit.ly/47cNKVz>


**Blessing of the Image of St. Kateri Tekakwitha**  
 Join the Archdiocese of Seattle's Native American community in celebrating the 13th anniversary of St. Kateri Tekakwitha's canonization with the blessing of her new icon following the **October 19, Noon Mass at St. James Cathedral.**


 Join us for the **MASS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS**  
 Archdiocese of Seattle

**October 28, 2025 | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM | St. James Cathedral**

Join us for the Mass for First Responders on October 28, which is National First Responders Day. A special invitation to police officers, firefighters, paramedics/EMT's, 911 dispatchers and first responder chaplains to attend. All are welcome.

The Archdiocese of Seattle's Pastoral Care and Outreach Department recently launched the First Responder Ministry. To learn more about the First Responder Ministry go to <https://archseattle.org/ministries/outreach-ministries/first-responder-ministry>.

Join in-person or virtually via Zoom at <https://bit.ly/439NQJ>.


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**NW CATHOLIC WOMEN'S RETREAT**  
*at Holy Family Parish, Kirkland*  

 Jesus Approaches: A Day Retreat for Women with Speaker Liz Kelly

**October 25, 2025 | 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Holy Family Kirkland**

Enjoy a day of sharing and growing in faith with other women through Sacraments, fellowship, and two powerful talks led by Catholic writer and speaker Elizabeth Kelly. Liz's talks explore our womanhood and the wounds that only Christ's hope and tender heart can heal. Register at [nwatholicwomensretreat.org](http://nwatholicwomensretreat.org)

The joy of marriage is the joy of the Church  
**Betrothed Retreat**  

 A Weekend to Prepare Couples for the Sacrament of Marriage

**Oct 24-26 | 4 PM - 12 PM | Archbishop Brunett Retreat Ctr**

For more information and to register, go to <https://bit.ly/4oonDl8>

Welcoming Fall with Grace  

**HEALING MASS**  
 Thursday, October 30th 2025  
 7:00 pm  
 St. John the Baptist (Covington)  
 President: Rev. Crispin Okoth  
**"Christ, our Deliverance"**

Join us for a special Healing Mass, "Christ, our Deliverance," an evening of spiritual renewal! In his home country of Kenya, Fr. Crispin has preached in open air Healing Mass rallies. He has worked with other priests in the ministry of prayer, healing and deliverance. Come and be blessed! His remarkable testimony will open the eyes of your heart.

Concelebrants: Rev. Sylvester Chanda, Rev. Carlos Orozco  
 Praise & worship begins @ 6:45pm  
 Followed by a Healing Service & Prayer Teams

Wednesdays in October  
 5:30-6:30 PM  
**SPIRITUAL ROSARY**  
 with Immigrant Detainees  

 Spiritually join in prayer from wherever you are to pray the rosary with immigrant detainees at the NW Detention Center. We are not gathering physically, rather gathering in prayer throughout the Archdiocese seeking the Blessed Mother's protection for migrants throughout the world and especially those detained at the NW Detention Center.  
 For more info, contact Terri Nelson - [terri.nelson@seattlearch.org](mailto:terri.nelson@seattlearch.org).

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