

Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

"United as One, in Christ, to Worship and Love, Witness and Serve."

The background of the entire image is a photograph of three lit candles. The candles are of different heights and are lit, with their flames glowing. They are set against a backdrop of vibrant red poinsettia flowers. The lighting is warm and festive, typical of a Christmas or winter holiday theme.

JOY

HAPPINESS AND JOY
WILL OVERWHELM THEM

—ISAIAH 35:10

St. John Bosco
10508 112th Street SW, Lakewood, WA 98498
Parish Office/Church Closed Until Further Notice
Parish Phone: 253-582-1028
Parish Website: www.stjbosco.org
Emergency Anointing of the Sick: 206-225-8058



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you or someone you know who...has expressed interest in becoming a Catholic? Has a child over 7 who has not been Baptized? Was Baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? Is a Baptized Catholic but would like to return to the Church after a long time away? St. John Bosco Parish community offers an opportunity to come together (electronically, for now) in a small group to learn about our beliefs and explore our journey of faith to God. Sessions focus on our Christian roots revealed in the Bible and the teachings and experience of the Church. For those who choose, we also prepare individuals to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in this process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For more information, please contact Mary Lou Colasurdo at:

maryloucolasurdo@stjbosco.org

or

253-582-1028



Thank you to all of our parishioners for your unwavering support. Your care and kind words are truly appreciated and so are you.

Blessings to you and those close to your heart.

Your, SJB and IC Parish Staff



Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Our Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Programs are in full swing but your children are welcome to join us anytime you just need to register on our website, see links below.

Faith Formation (Grades K-6):
stjbosco.org/ff-registration

Youth Ministry (Grades 7-12):
stjbosco.org/ym-registration

We are also entering the third week of Advent. If you are looking for ways to celebrate this period of waiting, be sure to check our website.

Faith Formation Families were given a Jesse tree activity to help mark the days of advent and learn more about Jesus's Ancestors. To learn more check out our website: stjbosco.org/advent.ff.

For Youth Ministry, we have been following our own Advent Calendar with different challenges every day. Check out our Website for details and ways to participate: stjbosco.org/advent-ym. Also, be sure to follow us on social media we have been posting daily.

Follow us on Social Media!

Facebook: St. John Bosco YM

Instagram: @stjboscoym

Questions contact Cassie Denning at:
cassiedenning@stjbosco.org.

Learn More:

stjbosco.org/faith-formation

stjbosco.org/ym

Lessons & Carols

Presented by 250+ students from the
Catholic High Schools in the Archdiocese of Seattle

Friday, December 18, 2020 | 7:00 p.m.

Facebook Livestream: @ArchdioceseofSeattle



Now Available For Your Convenience

Fill out your Stewardship Card online at:
<https://stjbosco.org/stewardship-1>

Thank you to all who have returned their **Parish Stewardship** commitment card or placed their pledge online. Your generosity supports the mission and the many ministries of St. John Bosco and Immaculate Conception.

How will you know whether you have pledged the right amount? You will feel **comfortable** and at **peace** with the size of your gift.

Prayer: Gracious and loving God, You call us to be stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us to always use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. Send the Holy Spirit to work through us, bringing Your message to those we serve. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in our lives. We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name. Amen.



Saint Vincent De Paul

In today's Gospel John the Baptist says, "I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord." As we prepare for Christmas let us ask for the grace to hear the cries of the poor.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...Please share your abundance by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas. Please call **(253) 820-9472** for information or assistance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION CALLS

We are most anxious to help our parish families because of illness, handicap, or age. If you or a family member is ill or hospitalized and you wish to receive the Sacraments, please call the parish office so that we may support you during these difficult times.

- * Our parish office number is **253-582-1028**.
- * Emergency **ONLY** number for an **emergency Anointing of the Sick** request **206-225-8058**

Weekly Collection Including Weekly Online Giving

December 5 & 6, 2020

Weekend Collection	\$12,878.00
Weekly Online Giving	\$4,788.25
Total Weekly Collection	\$17,666.25
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$12,784.75
Weekly Goal Under/Over Budget	\$4,881.50
<u>Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date-Giving</u> (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021)	\$214,541.82
<u>Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal</u> (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021)	\$294,049.25
Under/Over Budgeted Goal	(\$79,507.43)



If you haven't already registered for online giving, now is a great opportunity to do so. Simply go to stjbosco.org and on the homepage click the "Online Giving" button to begin your registration.

Thank you for your continued support!

"Grant [us]... the resolve to run forth to meet Christ with righteous deeds at his coming."

-Pope Francis

WELCOME We welcome you to St. John Bosco Parish, celebrating with us, whether you are new to the area/parish or maybe not so new but just have not registered. If you are not registered, please complete the form below and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. Thank you. (This is not a registration form).

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

{ } New Parishioner { } New Address { } Moving, please remove from parish directory

New Phone _____ New Email Address _____



Mass Registration Online

Join us for outdoor Mass on Sundays at 10:00am for 50 people. Please register in advance by going to stjbosco.org if you have a computer. For those who *do not* have a computer, you may call the office to register. If you attended Mass previously, please wait a week or 2 before registering again so all parishioners have a chance to attend. Please note: Covered canopies will be available soon for parishioners.



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Visit the
Archdiocese of Seattle's
Virtual
**Giving
Tree**



**Give
a Gift**
to local and
national
Catholic
collections
**this
Christmas**

To make a contribution to the giving tree go to www.seattlearchdiocese.org/Assets/General/Virtual-Giving-Tree-fn.pdf to select the organization of your choice.



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CCS APPEAL FOR THE POOR

HOPE AND LIGHT



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES
CATHOLIC HOUSING SERVICES
SERVING PEOPLE OF ALL BELIEFS

How much money goes directly to those in need?

Every dollar makes a difference. As good stewards of your gifts, CCS/CHS is pleased to report that 92 cents of every dollar spent goes directly to those in need.

Our partnership can accomplish more together than each can do individually as we combine our strengths and resources to live out our call to serve. To learn one way CCS/CHS supported parishes in 2020 and find contact information of your local Network Builder visit: <https://ccsww.org/1-million-pounds-of-food/>.

To make a donation visit: <https://ccsww.org/donate-appeal-for-the-poor/>.

Questions? Please contact Sr. Monica Moffat at monicam@ccsww.org or call 206-714-1310.

CCS Appeal For The Poor Prayer

Lord God,

You came to give honor to the least, those forgotten, overlooked and misguided.

You came to give first place to the last, those left behind, misunderstood and undervalued.

You came to give a warm welcome to the lost, those who are orphaned, abandoned and destitute.

Help us to be your ears to listen to their cries.

Help us to be your voice speaking out love and acceptance.

Help us to be your feet walking beside those in need.

Help us to be your hands to clothe, feed and shelter them.

You came for the least, the lost and last of this world.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Amen.

JOIN US FOR THE 23RD ANNUAL COMMISSIONING MASS

Simbang Gabi

Watch live:

Saturday, December 12, 11:00 a.m.

Facebook and Vimeo @ArchdioceseofSeattle



Archbishop Etienne's Advent Challenge
Visit: <https://vimeo.com/483656285/16c864e351>



Advent Resources
Grow in Faith this Advent

Visit: <https://marriagefamilylife.seattlearchdiocese.org/athomewithfaith>

Join us

PERMANENT DEACON ORDINATION

December 19, 10am

Watch: Facebook or Vimeo
@ArchdioceseofSeattle

