

# Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

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



To the Empty Tomb in Haste

Jn 20:1-9

April 2023

## **The Lord is Risen. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of Deacon Jeff, the parish staff, and the volunteers, I wish all of you a very blessed and holy Easter Season. I welcome all who might be visiting family and friends and who may be home on spring break or vacation. I welcome anyone who may be joining us for the first time here at St. John Bosco Parish. What a joy it is for us to pray with you this Holy Week, the Sacred Paschal Triduum, and the Easter season. I invite you back each Sunday during this Easter season to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. This is an exciting adventure for us all, whether new to the journey or a well-seasoned traveler. It has been a blessing to walk with you from the beginning of Lent to this Holy Week and toward the end of the Easter season. For the next 50 days, we celebrate this great mystery of Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Congratulations and welcome to our newly baptized and confirmed at Easter Vigil Mass: Lindsay Strait, Drew Lockridge, Noah Lockridge, John Harai, Donald Whisler, and Isaia Manaea. We congratulate 15 youth and one adult who will be confirmed by Archbishop Etienne on April 20, 2023.

Thank you, Michael and Paul, who restored the crucifix in Meditation Park where I will bless it right after Easter Sunday Mass. I invite you to join me and spend time praising God in this beautiful spot. I am grateful to the staff and volunteers who have been helping out with breakfast on Sunday, soup and super on Friday during Lent, faith formation team members and volunteers who have assisted the RCIA program, Confirmation class, First Communion, Baptismal Preparation, Marriage Preparation, Funeral Committee, Garden and Meditation Park, musicians, sacristans, cantors, lectors, altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Knights of Columbus, Women at the Well, Saint Vincent de Paul society, and so on.

There will be a 9:00 am Mass at the Immaculate Conception Mission on April 15<sup>th</sup>, Bingo on April 22 at 2:30 pm, Ping-Pong will resume on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, and Mass at Patriots Landing on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

I was asked to lead a pilgrimage for Fr. Paul, for this reason I will be out of town from April 26 to May 9. Please pray for us and we will remember you all in our prayers.

Our Redeemer has risen from the tomb, let us sing a hymn of praise to the Lord our God, may this be a time of great rejoicing and renewal throughout this Easter journey. Let us continue to reach out to others whom we know, to invite them to join us, to pray with us, to share the good news with us that Jesus Christ is risen. Happy Easter everyone. Alleluia.

Love in the risen Christ,

***Fr. Thomas***

St. John Bosco  
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Parish Phone: [253-582-1028](tel:253-582-1028)  
Parish Website: [www.stjbosco.org](http://www.stjbosco.org)

### Parish Staff:

Fr. Thomas Tran, Priest Administrator

Jeff Greer, Permanent Deacon: Liturgy, Baptism, RCIA

Terri Nelson, Pastoral Associate, Outreach & Parish Involvement

Debbie Pedraza, Pastoral Assistant for Administration

Cassie Denning, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Laurie Kaiser, Secretary



### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION**

#### **Emergency Anointing of the Sick: 253-376-2924**

*"Through this holy anointing may the Lord in His love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up."*

- From the Rite of Anointing of the Sick

**PRAYER LINE:** Are you, a loved one, or a friend in need of a prayer? Call the parish office at [253-582-1028](tel:253-582-1028) to be added to our prayer line.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention for a loved one, please call the parish office at [253-582-1028](tel:253-582-1028).

Celebrate the  
**EASTER  
SEASON**  
April 9 to May 28



Click the link below to view Archbishop Etienne's 50 Days of Easter Video...

[Easter 2023 with Archbishop Etienne \(vimeo.com\)](https://www.vimeo.com/688888888)



### **Church Office Hours**

**Tuesday - Thursday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Masks are required upon entering the Parish Waiting Area and the Parish Office. Only one individual or family is permitted in the Parish Waiting Area at a time. Please wait in the Hall until the individual or family has completed their personal request, exited the Parish Waiting Area. Do not remove your mask when making your request. Thank you.

### Mass Times at St. John Bosco

**Office Closed 4/7 (Closed at Noon), 11th & 12th  
No Daily Mass 4/12, 26, 27, 28**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Mass - 9:00 am

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

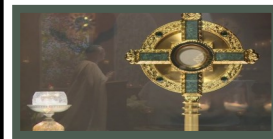
Sunday Mass - 10:00 am

### Reconciliation



The sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at St. John Bosco every Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 pm in the church reconciliation room (masks required) or by appointment. Call the office at 253-582-1028 to schedule an appointment.

### First Friday Adoration



**First Friday Adoration  
After 9am Weekday Mass**

### PARISH BREAKFAST

Join us Sundays for breakfast following our 10:00 am Sunday Mass. We would love to have you join us for fellowship and share your faith journey with each other.



Interested in being part of our Homebound Ministry Program visiting the sick and homebound? Contact Terri Nelson at: [terrinelson@stjbosco.org](mailto:terrinelson@stjbosco.org)



## NEW PARISHIONERS



Welcome to our community. Please call the office at **253-582-1028** to register. Anyone over 18 years of age, still living at home, should register as a single adult member of our community.



## BAPTISM



### Baptism & Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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 (online 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.

### Baptism Classes

Baptism classes will be held the third Sunday of every month at 9am in the parish library with Deacon Jeff. Complete the application prior to attending the class. The baptismal Intake Form and Guidelines for choosing godparents can be found at [www.stjbosco.org](http://www.stjbosco.org). Click on the Liturgy & Sacraments tab and then Sacraments.



## Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

**Happy Easter!**

### Faith Formation (grades K-5):

Sundays from 11:30-12:30

### Youth Ministry (grades 6-12):

Sundays from 11:30-12:30

### Confirmation (grade 7+):

Sundays from 12:30-2:00

Please note we will not meet Easter Sunday (April 9<sup>th</sup>). We will resume classes April 16<sup>th</sup> for FF and YM will resume April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### Confirmation

We will celebrate 16 people as they receive their Confirmation at our Confirmation Mass on April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. So please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers.

Our Confirmation Retreat is April 15<sup>th</sup> from 10-8pm. Parents and Sponsors are welcome to join us at the 5pm mass and for dinner following.

Please note we will not be meeting for class April 16<sup>th</sup>. We will have a final class the following weekend April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

We have started a new ministry on Sundays for children. We invite children of all ages to join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word during mass on Sundays. This is a great program where children are able to understand and participate in. We also looking for additional volunteers or this program so if you are interested in learning more, please join us one Sunday or email Cassie Denning.

**For More Info or Questions please contact Cassie Denning.**

Email: [cassiedenning@stjbosco.org](mailto:cassiedenning@stjbosco.org)

Phone: (253) 582-1028 ext. 623

Website: [stjbosco.org/faith-education](http://stjbosco.org/faith-education)



## Easter Sunday:

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing in the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice because it is then we bring new life to others.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul RED envelopes, know that you are a sign of the resurrection for those who are suffering as you give them Easter hope and joy.

***Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the St. Vincent de Paul Society? Call our helpline 253-820-9472 and leave message for the St. Vincent de Paul team.***

## WOMEN AT THE WELL

Beyond the Thanksgiving Baskets, our group meets the third Monday of each month at 7 PM in the library for social and spiritual fellowship. (No meetings in the summer) Please join us as we explore opportunities for faith in action at St. John Bosco and in our community. Below are the dates of meetings and their scheduled speakers.

April 17	Dorothy Wilhelm	Local Historian
May 15	To be scheduled	

## THE JOY OF GENEROSITY



Weekly Collection  
Including Weekly Online Giving  
Sign up for online giving at: [stjbosco.org](http://stjbosco.org)

### April 1 & 2, 2023

Weekend Collection	\$7,125.41
Weekly Online Giving	\$1,794.25
Total Weekly Collection	\$8,919.66
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$11,938.18
Weekly Goal Under/Over Budget	(\$3,018.52)
<u>Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving</u> (July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)	\$418,242.81
<u>Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal</u> (July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)	\$477,527.20
Under/Over Budgeted Goal	(\$59,284.39)
Childrens Collection (Included in weekend collection.)	\$2.00

### Year End Statements

Year end donation statements were mailed out on January 31st. For those of you who have provided us with an email, they were emailed to you. For those of you who have not provided us with an email, they were mailed to you. If you have not received your statement, please contact the parish office at 253-582-1028.

**"Choose today who you will serve, but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."**

**- Joshua 24:15**

**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]



## YARN & STITCH MINISTRY

Join our new Yarn & Stitch Ministry and learn how to make shawls providing comfort to those during illness or recovery, at times of loss and in times of joy. Your hand crafted gift of a prayer shawl enables the recipient to be surrounded by prayer, and is a tangible reminder of God's care and love. All levels welcome from beginning to expert. We will supply the yarn. You bring the needle. Contact the office if interested.



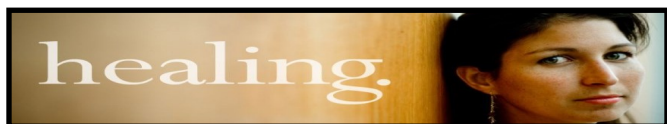
## Happy Easter!

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya and commit to share our Easter joy with people in our local community and around the world.

Please convert your CRS Rice funds to bills or write a check to: St. John Bosco and insert in the check memo line: Rice Bowl.

Prayer:

For our community, that we may share the hope of the Resurrection by helping our sisters and brothers experiencing hunger, poverty and the devastating effects of climate change.



## Project Rachel - Peace Starts Here

The experience of an abortion can cause many forms of brokenness in a person's life. Often women and men suffer silently, not knowing where to turn for help or support. If you are suffering from the experience of an abortion, you do not need to walk alone.

All calls are confidential: 206-920-6413  
ccsww.org/projectrachel

## PING PONG CLUB



Join Fr. Thomas' Ping Pong Club  
**Tuesday's & Friday's 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**

All levels of experience welcome.

Location: Classroom 7

**Ping Pong Cancelled - Resumes April 14th**

**No Ping Pong April 28**

## Immaculate Conception Mission in Steilacoom



Join us every other month on the third Saturday for daily Mass at 9am. Mass schedule for 2023: 4/15, 6/17, 8/19, 10/21. *December 12/8/2023 time to be determined.*



To learn more go to:

[Child-Abuse-Prevention-Month\\_Eng.pdf \(archseattle.org\)](#)

## **\*\*Patriots Landing\*\***

Rosary available Wednesdays at 10:30am. St. John Bosco volunteers Cecilia Lago and Marie Cadungug will offer communion (not a liturgy service) to those who are homebound after the rosary.

Celebrate Mass with Fr. Thomas every last Wednesday of the month. The anointing of the sick will be offered every other month.

**March Mass 3/29**



**Moved to 4/19**





Partners in Gospel is a strategic pastoral planning effort taking place across the Archdiocese of Seattle to re-invigorate and renew our local Catholic Church. Today we face many realities that impact parish life and make it difficult to fully live out our mission. This archdiocese-wide renewal effort, led by the Holy Spirit and grounded in prayer, will help us better support vibrant, sustainable, mission-focused parish communities across the entire Archdiocese of Seattle. To learn more about Partners in the Gospel, visit [archseattle.org/Partners](https://archseattle.org/Partners).

Be sure to subscribe to the *Partners UPDATE* for the latest information sent right to your email box.

Today the archdiocese has 80 diocesan pastors for 174 locations, by 2036, we estimate we will only have 66 diocesan pastors, an 18% decrease. (We also have fewer seminarians and fewer lay ministry leaders).

While the overall population of the Archdiocese of Seattle is growing, registered households are declining, along with Mass attendance, baptisms, first communions, marriages in the Church and parish giving:

From 2010 to 2019, Mass attendance as a percentage of total registered parishioners decline from 40.7% to 35.5%. Between 2010 and 2019, baptisms declined 30% and weddings declined nearly 19%.

Currently, 67% of parishes operate with a financial deficit (excluding extraordinary income, which is income apart from Sundays and Holy Days).

### Prayer for Partners in the Gospel

Gracious God, we praise and thank you for the Catholic Church in Western Washington. We praise and thank you for the women and men who have shared the joy of the Gospel here for more than 170 years. Send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might encounter your Son anew and become more effective partners in sharing the Good News of his saving love. May our partnership in the Gospel empower us to be your missionary disciples, bringing the Good News to all, especially to those who are marginalized or hurting in any way. Give us the courage, the flexibility and the vision to renew parish life, so that the good work, begun long ago, may continue among us, and one day, be brought to completion in your Kingdom, where you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen

### PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND, AUSTRIA & ITALY: \$4,150 September 8-22, 2023



Join Fr. Thomas Tran as together we follow the footsteps of St. John Paul II in Krakow. Visit the Divine Mercy Capitol, Lagiewniki and the tomb of St. Faustina before going on to Auschwitz Concentration Camp. Then to Czestochowa to pray before the miraculous icon of the Black Madonna. Heading for Rome, overnight in the Austrian Alps at Mariazell. From there we journey to Venice and Padua, Italy. At Assisi we will learn about St. Francis and St. Clare. In Rome, we tour St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican museums and the Sistine Chapel, attend the audience with Pope Francis...and so much more. For complete details call Janina Hansen, 253-241-6177, or Evelyn Czapiewski, 253-229-5554.

Join us at St John Bosco this



# TRIDUUM

Celebrate Holy Week with us at St John Bosco

## Holy Thursday

April 6, 7pm

Mass & Washing of the Feet



Adoration 8:30-9:30

## Good Friday



April 7, 7pm

Communion Service &  
Veneration of the Cross

April 7, Noon

Stations of the Cross in the  
Mediation Park

## Easter Vigil



April 8, 8:30pm

## Easter Sunday



April 9, 10am

Easter Egg hunt to follow

Questions? Visit [stjbosco.org/lent-and-easter](http://stjbosco.org/lent-and-easter)  
or call the Parish Office (253) 582-1028