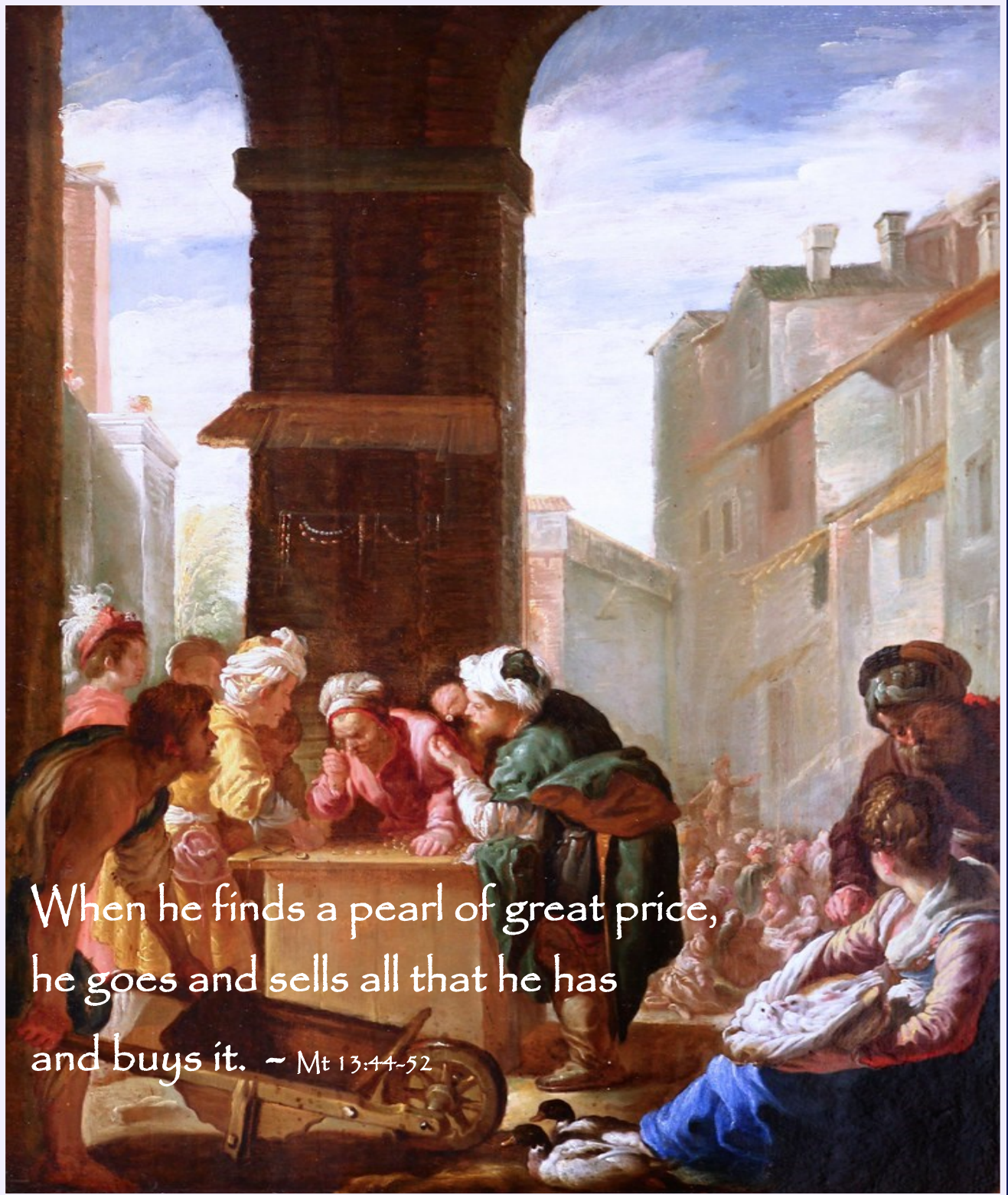


Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

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



When he finds a pearl of great price,
he goes and sells all that he has
and buys it. ~ Mt 13:44-52

Dear Parishioners,

I pray that you are all enjoying the beautiful sunny weather and summer vacations with family, visiting relatives and friends. Summer is so gorgeous here in the Northwest. Looking back one year ago, July 4th weekend was my very first service with you. Where did the time go? Thank you very much for your prayer, support, cooperation, and love. I am blessed to be your priest and able to serve and accompany you through those months and beyond. Thank you for your kind words, greeting cards, gifts, and prayers on my 3rd anniversary of priesthood. I am grateful to each of you; your presence, encouragement, and observation have been very helpful in forming me into the priest that I am today. I look forward to serving as your parish priest in the years to come.

In gratitude, I thank you for your prayer and concern; we had a wonderful annual Priest Days at Ocean Shores. It was a blessing to meet and hang out with my fellow priests and bishops, share meals, discuss the strategic plan (Partners in the Gospel), play games, celebrate the Eucharist, and appreciate each other's company.

On Sunday – Father's Day – I blessed the new Cross at Meditation Park in the presence of many others. Thank you, Paul and Michael, who worked to assemble and erect the cross. You did a fantastic job. May the good Lord bless you and reward you abundantly. This very spot becomes an attractive place for retreat and recollection. Last month we hosted two groups, one from the Tacoma area and the other from South Center. They really enjoy and appreciate the environment and the cleanliness that we are able to offer. We always welcome and offer for people to come, pray and spend time with God.

The St. Anthony of Padua celebration was a blast; it was my first time celebrating with the community. We had a very prayerful Novena preparing for the Feast Day. The celebration of the Eucharist and the reception were outstanding. The parish hall space was wide open for the first time since I got here, and the place was filled with people. The food was so good, and the music was excellent; thank you, Barci, Lou, and Bobbie for your leadership in organizing it.

We just hosted our first 2-day Vacation Bible School since Covid; thank you, Cassie, volunteers, and the youth who signed up for this event and made it very joyful and meaningful.

As you already know, we have reached our goal for Annual Catholic Appeal this year and surpassed it. I encourage you to continue to contribute to this ministry if you have not done so. We will receive a rebate that will be used to help maintain our campus. Thank you for your donation to Peter's Pence and other charitable works. Your generosity and prayers helped folks to go through tough times and bring comfort to families. May God bless you with your good work.

Lastly, I ask you to pray and consider if you can volunteer to help out with the Eucharistic Ministry at Mass, Youth, and Faith Formation ministries, maintaining campus ground and hospitality. Cassie Denning will finish her work with us on July 7th, 2023. Thank you, Cassie, for your good work, you have done so many great things here, and we wish you a very happy future ahead of you and come back to celebrate Mass with us.

As we celebrate the birthday of our country, Happy Independence Day, everyone, be safe and enjoy time with family and friends.

In Christ,

Fr. Thomas

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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

Vacant: 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).



Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

Dorothy Davis
Christopher Dempsey
George Thumborg
David Charles Albert Zink
Waltraud Erika Smith
Dalyan Gilligan
Jerry & Mary Ellen McKain

May they, their families and friends find peace and comfort



Church Office Hours

*****Effective 8/7- Monday - 8:00 a.m. to Noon*****

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 and exited the Parish Waiting Area. Do not remove your mask when making your request. Thank you.

Mass Times at St. John Bosco

The parish office will be closed Tuesdays between 9:30am and 10:30am and Wednesdays 10am and 10:30am until further notice. Doors open for prayer.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Mass - 9:00 am

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass - 10:00 am

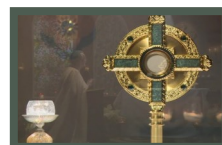
**August 12th and September 2nd in the Grotto:
9:30am Rosary & Confession, 10am Mass**

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

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 & 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 - click on the **Liturgy & Sacraments tab** and then **Sacraments**.



Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We will continue our Children's Liturgy of the Word program this Summer but are in need of additional volunteers. Please contact Terri to Volunteer and check out our website for more info: stjbosco.org/childrens-liturgy-of-the-word

For More Info or Questions, please visit our Website: stjbosco.org/faith-education Or Contact Terri Nelson at terrnelson@stjbosco.org

We're Hiring!

Part-time position, 20 hours per week, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation & Youth Ministry. Interested? <https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs/ViewJobDetails?job=129262&clientkey=BB7A931544EE535844C24FB8F8C1578D>

Annual Parish-Wide Picnic

Join for Food, Fun, and Fellowship at our Annual Parish-Wide Picnic on Saturday, August 19, 2023 from noon-3:00 pm. This year we are featuring Pulled Pork Sliders and a Vegetarian Hoagie (for non-meat option), with chips and drinks. Parishioners are asked bring a side dish/salad or dessert to share.

We will have a Ping Pong Tournament, corn-hole, bag races and other fun activities for family members of all ages. Join us on the Meditation Park side of the church!

Once again, we will have our **Saturday Vigil Mass in the Grotto** at 4:00 pm (NOT 5:00 – PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE) following our Annual Parish Picnic on Saturday, August 19, 2023.

Catechists and Volunteers Needed for Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

We are looking for a few more catechists/teachers and assistants to help in our Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Program. We are hoping to add a Preschool (ages 3 & 4) to our list of classes this year! Grades as follows:

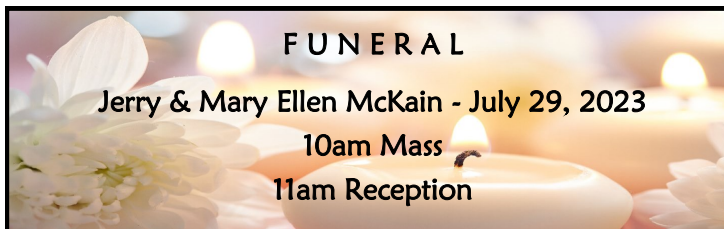
PK (ages 3 & 4), K-1, 2nd grade Sacramental Prep, 3-4, 5-6 Confirmation Prep grades 7 + up
Youth Ministry grades 7-12

FUNERAL

Jerry & Mary Ellen McKain - July 29, 2023

10am Mass

11am Reception



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In the Gospel, we find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend our life primarily searching for the kingdom of God.

Last month through your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 35 families, providing \$2,243.00 in pledges for food, and utility etc. Thank You!

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining our St. Vincent de Paul Society? You can be a part of this ministry in various capacities. Call our helpline 253-820-9472 and leave message for our St. Vincent de Paul team.



As of July 5, 2023

Parish Goal **\$54,680** - Pledges **\$ 64,484.81**

Thank you to those of you who have returned your Annual Catholic Appeal pledge. If you have not yet made a pledge, there is still time to do so. Please select one of the options below.

Donate at:

Option 1: Online Webpage: archseattle.org/GiveACA

Option 2: Link to be taken directly to : [GiveACA - Archdiocese of Seattle \(archseattle.org\)](http://GiveACA - Archdiocese of Seattle (archseattle.org))

Option 3: Visit our website and scroll down on the homepage to find the link to be taken to the Archdiocese donation page.

Option 4: Fill out a Pew Envelope and forward to the office.

Weekly Collection - July 22 & 23, 2023

Including Weekly Online Giving

Sign up for online giving at: stjbosco.org

Weekend Collection	\$5,805.00
Weekly Online Giving	\$1,977.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$7,782.00
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$9,746.42
Weekly Goal Under/Over Budget	(\$1,964.42)
Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	\$38,729.36
Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	\$38,985.68
Under/Over Budgeted Goal	(\$256.32)
Childrens Collection (Included in weekend collection total).	\$2.00

UNWANTED ITEMS DROPPED OFF AT BOSCO

Do not drop off items you no longer desire at the church. We do not have the storage space or staff to sort or to drive them to SVDP on 56th Street. If you would like to donate an item to the church, you must contact the office (253-582-1028) to inquire whether or not we can use the item.



Interested in being part of our Homebound Ministry Program visiting the sick and homebound? Contact Terri Nelson at:

terrinelson@stjbosco.org

“May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.” - Romans 15:5

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]



Shawls of Comfort and Joy 2nd & 4th Tuesday of Every Month @ 11am

Join our Shawls of Comfort and Joy Ministry the 2nd and 4th of every month at 11am and learn how to make shawls providing comfort or joy to those during illness or recovery, at times of loss and in times of joy. Your hand-crafted gift 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.

Project Rachel - Peace Starts Here



"I came here with so much doubt that this would really help me, and during the retreat I released all that I had stored up inside. Now I have so much peace and desire to keep going. I am free of the burden of sin now that I have carried for so very long." Testimonial

Have you been carrying deep inside of you the pain of your role in the abortion decision, wondering why it is still there after all these years? Project Rachel is offering an English Retreat this fall.

Friday, Sept. 15 - Sunday, Sept. 17

Call (206) 920-6413 to leave a confidential message.

Email: projectrachel@ccsww.org

Visit: Project Rachel - Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington (ccsww.org)

St. Anthony, St. Anthony, Where Can It Be?



We have a variety of items that have been found throughout the church and turned into the parish office. If you have lost an item, please contact the parish office. We might have what you are looking for.



Blessed Holy Water For Marriage

For those of you who are interested and entered into the union of marriage, we have Holy Water from Covadonga, Spain that was blessed for marriage available in the parish office.



Join Fr. Thomas' Ping Pong Club
Tuesday's Only During the Summer
(June, August, September)
No Friday Ping Pong During the Summer
6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
All levels of experience welcome.
Location: Classroom 7

Immaculate Conception Mission in Steilacoom



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

****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.

Opportunities to Volunteer

Liturgical Ministries: Eucharistic Minister, Altar Servers, Lectors, Sacristans, Greeters, Ushers

Outreach: Food Bank Garden, Shawls of Comfort & Joy, Funeral Ministry Team, Parish Nurse Ministry, Women at the Well, St. Vincent de Paul

Community Building: Breakfast Teams, Filipino-American Group, Library, Meditation Park

National Organizations: Catholic Daughters of the Americas and Knights of Columbus