

# Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

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



"Take courage, it is I;  
do not be afraid."

- Mt 14:22-33

August 2023

Dear Parishioners,

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful summer weather and have had the opportunity to spend time with family and friends. I have been enjoying the season working in my backyard and planting a small family garden. Currently, I have tomato plants, cucumbers, and peppers. Hopefully, I will get some home-grown products soon.

Every three or four years, the Catholic Church holds its World Youth Day event which brings all the youths from around the world together with the Pope, bishops, priests, and religious brothers and sisters. This year, the 37<sup>th</sup> World Youth Day is being held in Lisbon, Portugal this week (August 1-6, 2023). The motto is “Mary arose and went with haste” (Lk 1:39). I have been following this event every day since it started through social media. I encourage you to do the same and pray for these young people who are the future of the Church. May they be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to go out to bring the Good News to all nations.

We want to thank Kathleen Kattija-Ari for her help tuning our piano so that we have a better way to praise and worship God. A big thank you to Don Denning and Debbie Hines for their outstanding service on the Finance Committee over the past years. We welcome three new members and thank Steve Hibbs for remaining and accepting the chairperson position for this committee.

We are in the process of hiring a part-time (20 hours a week) Pastoral Assistant for Youth Ministry and Faith Formation. Please say a prayer asking the Lord to send us someone who has a heart to serve Him and His people.

Our parish's new office hours will be on Monday from 8:00 – 12:00 pm, Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 – 4:00 pm, and Friday from 9:00 – 1:00 pm effective August 7, 2023. We hope this extension of hours will better serve you and meet your needs.

A few events that I want to remind you of this month are: Mass in the Grotto on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 10am (rosary at 9:30am), the highlight of the liturgical month is the Solemnity of Mary - we will celebrate The Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm; daily Mass at Immaculate Conception Mission is on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am, our parish-wide picnic also the same day (August 19<sup>th</sup>) is from Noon to 3:00 pm with Mass at 4:00 pm. Please note, we will not have confession on this day. I hope to see you all there.

As you all know my parents are visiting me and they want to thank you for your warm welcome and generosity. Even though they cannot speak a lot due to the language barrier, they appreciate your kindness and prayers. They will be around until September 15<sup>th</sup> if you want to say “Hi”.

May God, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint John Bosco, and all the Saints bless you, and your families. May they unite us as One, in Christ, to Worship and Love, Witness and Serve.

In Christ,  
Fr. Thomas

St. John Bosco  
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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

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...

Kathleen Caughey  
Yvette Hadley  
Elfriede Layne  
Paula Mc Ganney  
Laura Ryan

May they and their families find peace and comfort in the Lord.



### **Church Office Hours**

**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  
**(August 23rd - No Weekday Mass)**
- Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm
- Sunday Mass - 10:00 am

### **August 15th 6pm Mass:**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

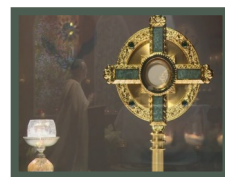
**August 12th and September 2nd** in the Grotto: 9:30am Rosary & Confession, 10am Mass

### 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](http://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](http://stjbosco.org/childrens-liturgy-of-the-word)

For More Info or Questions, please visit our Website: [stjbosco.org/faith-education](http://stjbosco.org/faith-education) Or Contact Terri Nelson at [terrinelson@stjbosco.org](mailto:terrinelson@stjbosco.org)

### Faith Formation

Registration will be available beginning in September.

Classes for Faith Formation will start the first weekend of October.

### 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.



## Eucharistic Ministers

Training for those who are Interested, New or Existing Eucharistic Ministers on Saturday, August 12 following 5:00 pm mass OR Sunday, August 13 following 10:00am mass. We are in desperate need of additional EM's – please consider joining us for training. If you are unable to attend but wish to become an EM, please call the parish office or email [terrinelson@stjbsoco.org](mailto:terrinelson@stjbsoco.org).

## **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

### **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

**Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope!"**

*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.*

## **Weekly Collection - August 5 & 6, 2023**

Including Weekly Online Giving

Sign up for online giving at: [stjbosco.org](http://stjbosco.org)



Weekend Collection: \$9,755.33

Please note: a full report for our August 5th & 6th accounting will be provided the following weekend.



**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](http://archseattle.org/GiveACA)

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

## **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](mailto:terrinelson@stjbosco.org)

**"A wicked messenger brings on disaster, but a trustworthy envoy is a healing remedy."**

**Proverbs 13:17**

**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



*"But this I will call to mind therefore I will hope:  
The Lord's acts of mercy are not exhausted, His compassion is not spent."* Lamentations 3: 21-22

Have you experienced loss due to an abortion of which you were a part? Does it seem at times like there just can't possibly be mercy and compassion for you as well? Join the women and men of the Project Rachel ministry on our next healing retreat. You will discover all the mercy and compassion you need you need to begin your own journey of healing with Jesus.

English Retreat – Friday, Sept. 15- Sunday, Sept. 17  
English: (206) 920-6413 (leave a confidential message)

### Last Notice for Lost Items



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

We still have some Holy Water available from Covadonga, Spain that was blessed for marriage available in the parish office. It can be picked up during our office hours.



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



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## Parish Wide Picnic

**Saturday, August 19th, Noon to 3pm**

Saturday Vigil **Mass** in the **Grotto** at **4:00 pm**  
(Please note Mass is at 4pm *not* 5pm)

Join us for Food, Fun, and Fellowship.

This year we are featuring Pulled Pork Sliders and a Vegetarian Hoagie (for a non-meat option) with chips and drinks. Parishioners are asked to 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.

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## SUNDAY BREAKFAST SEPTEMBER 6TH AT 11AM

Thank you Rumina Suafoa and Sisters for the wonderful Menu!



**PARTNERS  
IN THE GOSPEL**

### Upcoming Key Dates

**August:** Consultation with deacons, parish and school staff, and Chancery will take place.

**Sept. 23-Oct. 14:** Consultation with the faithful. Parishes will host sessions for input and feedback on the draft parish family configurations.

**November:** Oversight and Presbyteral Council will review all feedback and provide their recommendations to Archbishop Etienne for his discernment.

**Early 2024:** Final parish family plan will be released.

**July 2024:** Parish families, under the leadership of one pastor, will begin.