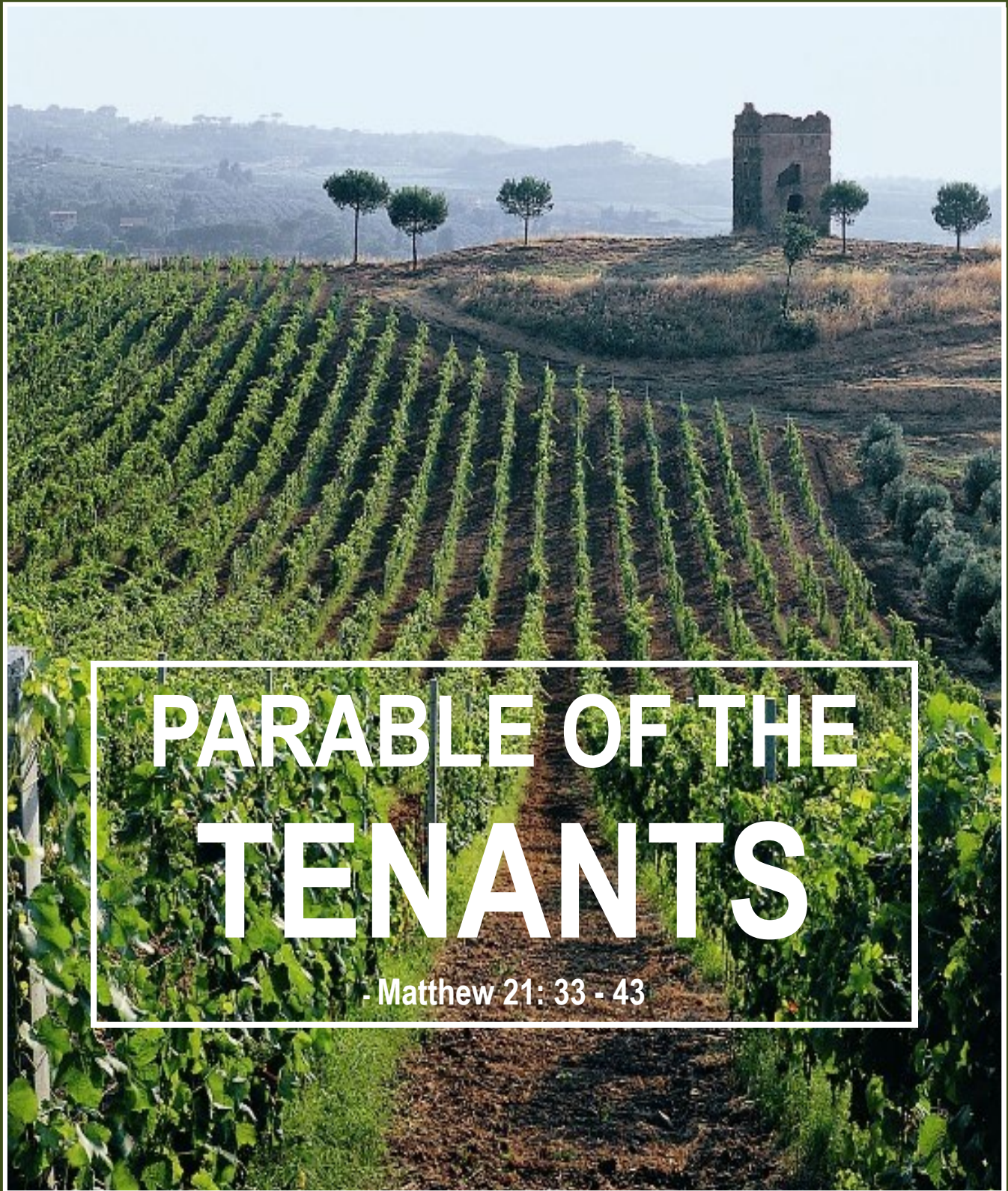


# Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

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



October 2023

Dear Parishioners,

May and October are Marian months dedicated to Mary. The Church has long set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary. As for October, it has been dedicated to the Rosary – a set of prayers said in honor of the Blessed Mother. Back in the fifteenth century, the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, also celebrated as Our Lady of Victory was established by Pope St. Pius V in 1571 to celebrate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7 of that year. St. John Paul II called the rosary his favorite prayer, “in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a Mother meditated on in her heart.” Let us make time to pray this prayer in honor of Mary and give thanks to almighty God.

Thirty-six of us went on the pilgrimage to Poland, Austria, and Italy recently. Thank you for your prayers and support and for allowing me to do this. We had a wonderful and grace-filled time. Unlike previous pilgrimages, I was able to visit the place where Saint Pope John Paul II was born, raised, and served for many years before he was elected Pope. We visited various magnificent basilicas and cathedrals, following in the footsteps of many saints, and celebrated Holy Mass every day. The most touching moment was when I was able to celebrate Mass in the Vatican at one of the private chapels next to St. Peter’s tomb. Another great moment was participating in Wednesday’s audience with the Holy Father, Pope Francis with thousands of pilgrims around the world. The Pope greeted us in person on his mobile, welcomed us with his words, and finally bestowed the pontifical blessings upon us, our family members, and our parishioners. What a wonderful blessing to have that experience!

Our RCIA program, Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, and Confirmation classes will begin this month. I encourage you to register your children in these programs if you have not already done so and I invite you to deepen your faith by being involved in these ministries.

We have had our first Partners in the Gospel listening session with two more sessions to follow. Please check your calendar and participate in these sessions, share your thoughts, concerns, and hopes for our proposed parish family. Your input is important as we journey together in the Archdiocese of Seattle.

Ping Pong will resume twice a week at the beginning of this month. There will be a daily Mass at Immaculate Conception Mission on October 21st at 9:00am. Women of the Well have already begun collecting items for Thanksgiving baskets. Please see the bulletin, Facebook, or our bulletin boards for items needed. Stewardship will begin on October 21, 2023.

There are not enough words to express how grateful we are, and how blessed my ministry has been, because of Terri Nelson. Congratulations on your promotion and new position at the Vicar General Office. I offer our prayers and gratitude to you, Terri, and wish you success in your new adventure. May God bless you as you take off to serve the people of God in the Archdiocese and don’t forget that St. John Bosco is your home parish.

May God, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary, 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  
10508 112th Street SW, Lakewood, WA 98498  
Parish Phone: **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

Debbie Pedraza, Pastoral Assistant for Administration

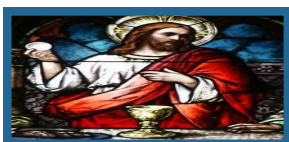
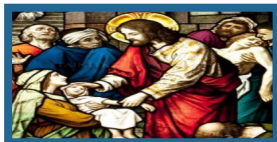
Marianne Manning, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Laurie Kaiser, Secretary

## 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.



### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION

**Emergency Anointing of the Sick: 253-582-1028**

*"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** 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**.



Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of  
Maria Havens, Jose Dolor, Faustina Galo,  
Corazon Rodriguez

May they, their families and friends 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 Wednesdays 10am and 10:30am until further notice. Doors open for prayer.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Mass - 9:00 am

Wednesday, 11/9: **No Mass/No Blessing**

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass - 10:00 am

Wednesday, 11/1: **All Saints Mass: 9am & 7pm**

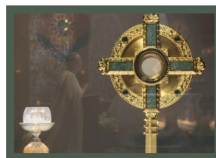
Thursday, 11/2: **All Souls Mass 9am**

### 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

### First Friday Adoration



First Friday Adoration  
After 9am Weekday Mass



Interested in being part of our Homebound Ministry Program visiting the sick and homebound? Contact the Parish Office.



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](#).



Are you an adult interested in learning about becoming Catholic or in need of completing initiation sacraments?

All people who are open to discerning their personal experience of faith and to learning more about the Catholic Church are welcome to begin the RCIA process. Many people come to an awareness of their desire to learn about membership in the Catholic Church in various and different ways. Often it may be a personal faith experience, overcoming personal difficulty and tragedy, or a relationship or discussion with a person of faith which leads one to begin this exciting journey. All that is truly required is a sincere desire to learn, to grow, and to develop one's relationship with God.

The RCIA process can be applied to the following 3 groups:

- \* **Unbaptized:** persons (age of discretion: 7+ years) who have never been baptized and who need a process to help them grow in awareness to God's call to conversion as well as ways to respond to that call. They are considered catechumens.

- \* **Baptized in Another Christian Church:** Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. They are considered candidates. For baptized Christians interested in possibly joining the Catholic Church, the process will vary depending upon the depth on one's religious and spiritual readiness.

- \* **Baptized (but uncatechized) Catholic Adults:** persons who were baptized as infants and not given any religious instruction in the Catholic faith. These adults will be prepared to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and Eucharist. They are also considered candidates.

Please join us for our first gathering on Sunday, October 8, 2023, following the 10:00 am mass in the Parish Library Meeting Room. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 253-582-1028.

# YOUTH MINISTRY

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

We will continue our Children's Liturgy of the Word program this Fall but are in need of additional volunteers. Please contact Marianne 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 Marianne Manning at [marianemanning@stjbosco.org](mailto:marianemanning@stjbosco.org)

## Faith Formation

Please join us for Faith Formation class after breakfast (12-1:30) every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

Please enter classrooms through the outside doors labeled with the grade your child is registered to attend. Grades 7-12 (Youth Ministry) meet in the room behind the parish hall. Parents must bring student to check them in and must sign child out at the end of class.

The classes are broken up into the following groups:

Kindergarten-First

Sacrament Prep (labeled Second Grade)

Third-Fourth

Fifth-Sixth



Faith Formation Registration Forms available at:

[Faith Formation - St. John Bosco Catholic Church - Lakewood, WA \(stjbosco.org\)](#)

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Youth Ministry Registration Forms available at:

[Youth Ministry - St. John Bosco Catholic Church - Lakewood, WA \(stjbosco.org\)](#)

## FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion Registration Forms available at:

[First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion - St. John Bosco Catholic Church - Lakewood, WA \(stjbosco.org\)](#)

## CONFIRMATION (First Class October 8th after Mass)

Confirmation class meets every other Sunday (11:15-1pm) with the first class on Oct.8. If you are interested in Confirmation, please register for youth ministry. [Youth Ministry - St. John Bosco Catholic Church - Lakewood, WA \(stjbosco.org\)](#)

## **Calling all Bosco Youth Ministry to a Pilgrimage**

Fr. Val Park is inviting Bosco youth to join youth from St. Charles Borromeo to a pilgrimage on October 14. Participants will start at St. John Bosco, walking to Immaculate Conception Mission for Holy hour prayer and fellowship, then walk back. The walk to Immaculate conception takes about 35 minutes.



**What: Youth Pilgrimage to Immaculate Conception**

**When: Saturday October, 14, 2023**

**Time: 3:00 pm- about 6:00 pm**

**How: Dress for the weather, bring water**

**Please Respond by: Friday October 13, 2023**

**Bring this form filled out on Saturday:**

<https://archseattle.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/ParentalConsEXTRev.1016.pdf>

**Questions? Contact: Marianne Manning at:**

[marianнемanning@stjbosco.org](mailto:marianнемanning@stjbosco.org)



## St. Vincent de Paul

### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time:

The good news of this Gospel is that all we need to do is let God tend us and bring us to produce good fruit. All we need do is be faithful; God will take care of the rest.

Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned.

*Last month we assisted our 53 neighbors with \$1,375 in donations for utilities, gas and SVDP gift cards for clothes.*

*Many Thanks!*

Is there a neighbor, a family, or are you in need of assistance because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 253-820-9472 to leave a message so that we can assist them. Many Thanks again!

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Put God in your marriage by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on:

Oct 13-15, 2023

Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center at the Palisades, Federal Way, WA

Oct 6-8 Immaculate Heart Retreat Center, Spokane, WA

Nov 15-17 at Holy Rosary Parish, Edmonds, WA.

For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org). For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, feel free to contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321.



### Weekly Collection

**September 30 & October 1, 2023**

Including Weekly Online Giving

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

Weekend Collection	\$12,631.26
Weekly Online Giving	\$3,650.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$16,281.26
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$9,746.42
Weekly Goal Under/Over Budget	\$6,534.84
Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	\$139,550.05
Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	\$136,449.88
Under/Over Budgeted Goal	\$3,100.17
Childrens Collection (Included in weekend collection total).	\$2.00



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.

Donate at: [archseattle.org/GiveACA](http://archseattle.org/GiveACA)

**“Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?” Luke 24:13**

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

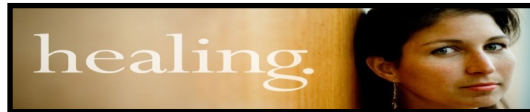
Join our Shawls of Comfort and Joy Ministry the 2nd and 4th of every month at 11am and learn how to make shawls providing comfort or joy to those during illness or recovery, at times of loss and in times of joy. Your hand-crafted gift enables the recipient to be surrounded by prayer and is a tangible reminder of God's care and love. All levels welcome from beginning to expert. We will supply the yarn. You bring the needle.



Ping Pong Club  
**Tuesdays & Fridays**  
6:30 pm to 8:00 pm  
All are welcome  
Location: Classroom 7

### Rachel's Corner

Taken from the USCCB's  
*Respect Life Month Intercessions for Life*



"After having been on a Project Rachel healing retreat, I feel like I can forgive myself for my sin against my child." -Testimonial

Is that something for which you yearn but at the same time can't even imagine it happening? Do you feel like you can't forgive yourself or be forgiven because of your involvement in an abortion decision? Join the members of Project Rachel © on their next healing retreat and find out what it is like to be free of that burden

English Retreat  
Friday, March 8-Sunday, March 10, **2024**

English: (206) 920-6413 (leave a confidential message)

Email [projectrachel@ccsww.org](mailto:projectrachel@ccsww.org)

Visit us at [www.ccsww.org/projectrachel](http://www.ccsww.org/projectrachel) or

[www.facebook.com/projectrachelww](https://www.facebook.com/projectrachelww)

*Project Rachel is a program of  
Catholic Community Services.  
**You are loved with an everlasting Love!***

### Immaculate Conception Mission Steilacoom, WA



Join us every other month on the third Saturday for daily Mass at **9am**. Our next Mass is: **10/21**.

**December 12/8/2023**

Mass for The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is 11am. Seating capacity is 50.

### **\*\*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.



**Come to Adoration**  
National Eucharistic Revival



The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement in the United States to restore understanding and devotion to the Real Presence in the Eucharist. It was launched by the USCCB on June 19, 2022 and will conclude on the feast of Pentecost on July 21, 2025.

To Register: [10th National Eucharistic Congress - Official Website](https://www.10thnationalcongress.org/)

### We Have 2 Bottles Left



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.

# Breakfast

## 2023/2024 Breakfast Schedule

September 3	February 4
October 1	February 18
October 15	March 3
November 5	March 17
November 19	April 7
December 3	April 21
December 17	May 5
January 7	May 19
January 21	

# Lite Breakfast

Courtesy of Catholic Daughters & Parish Leadership

## 2023/2024 Schedule

October 8	March 10
October 22	March 24
November 12	April 14
November 26	April 28
December 10	May 12
December 24	May 26
January 14	
January 28	
February 11	
February 25	



The Society for the  
Propagation of the Faith  
a Pontifical Mission Society

## World Mission Sunday 2023

October 22nd

**Were not our hearts burning within us?**

Luke 24:13-35

**BE THE SPARK THAT TRANSFORMS LIVES. GIVE NOW.**

OCTOBER 2023



## Radical Solidarity

For all Catholics: On this Respect Life Sunday, may we resolve anew to protect the gift of every human life and serve moms in need of assistance.



# THANKSGIVING BASKETS



Once again, Women at the Well are inviting you to participate in feeding our local families in need. We already have the funds for our purchase of the turkeys, but your kind donations of non-perishable food items will be wonderful!

Place the food in the baskets at the entrances to the church now until mid-November. Please no expired items, glass jars, or juices. Your generosity in the past makes money donations *unnecessary* this year. The baskets will go to the families the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

## Items Needed

Cans: Vegetables (corn, green beans, peas, carrots, yams), fruits, cranberry or apple sauce, gravy, tuna, other canned meats, soup, chili, beans, and tomatoes

Bottles/Jars: Vegetable oil, mayonnaise, peanut butter

Boxes/Packages: Stuffing mix, cereal, crackers, rice, dried beans, pasta, muffin/cornbread mix, cake/frosting mixes

*May God bless your for your generosity!*