

Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

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



"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

~ Mt 2:1-12

January 2024

Dear Parishioners,

As we welcome the New Year 2024, we ask for the intercession and guidance of Mary, the Holy Mother of God and we pray for peace in our parish, Archdiocese, and the world. Let me quote this ancient priestly blessing given by God to Moses be the opening words of our New Year. *“The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!”* (Nm 6:24-26). The Year 2024 is the Year of the Lord. As in all years, we are pilgrims of hope together. There will be challenges along the way, but always be assured that He walks with us as we begin our journey, with courage and faith.

First of all, I would like to thank everyone for your love, dedication, and support to our parish during the 2023 Christmas liturgy. We had a wonderful celebration of the Incarnation of the Lord, the Emmanuel this year. It was so good to see many people involved in different roles and ministries. People helped decorate the church with Christmas lights, setup the manger, sang carols, participated in our Nativity Pageant, served during Mass, and donated to our Christmas Giving Tree and the Nativity House providing gifts to those in need. In helping others and worshipping God together, it brought us all closer to Christ.

For some in-house items, there are a couple of heating issues at our facility. We will try to get them fixed as soon as possible. In the meantime, you may experience the cold in the parish hall and our daily chapel. Thank you for your patience. There is a dead tree next to the 10-commandment monument, close to gate 2. We will take it down after we receive the permit to do so from the City of Lakewood. We also had someone evaluate the skylight bubbles in front of the main entrance to the parish office. Once we hear from them, we will arrange to have them repaired.

Our patron Saint, St. John Bosco's Feast Day is coming at the end of this month and Bishop Frank Schuster, the Regional Bishop will be coming to celebrate with us this year on Wednesday, January 31st at 9:00 am. I cordially invite all of you to come to give thanks to almighty God, through the intercession of St. John Bosco, meet Bishop Schuster, and have a reception after mass.

We are grateful to have Paul Nguyen, the Seminarian Candidate for the Archdiocese of Seattle here with us. He will be with us until the end of June 2024. Please keep him in your prayers as he discerns his vocation and pray for an increased vocation within our Archdiocese.

We will host a confirmation retreat here on Saturday, January 20th with the combined candidates of St. Patrick and St. John Bosco parishes. We will offer a Bible Discussion Group starting this month. Please sign up with Carole White to deepen your faith by meditating on the word of God.

As you have heard, the Partners in the Gospel process has been delayed since we had the public input session in September and October 2023. There was a second listening session for over 20 parishes and due to this, Archbishop Etienne will promulgate the new parish families in early February 2024. I ask you to continue to pray for this process and be patient with it.

We are in the process of hiring for both a part-time Pastoral Assistant for Outreach and Parish Involvement position and a Maintenance Facility position. Please say a prayer asking the Lord to send us someone who has a heart for servicing Him and His people.

Lastly, thank you for all you do for these wonderful communities. I am blessed to be your pastor and thankful to each of you. Happy New Year to all of us. May God bless us in His mercy.

In Christ,
Fr. Thomas

January 6 & 7, 2024

St. John Bosco
10508 112th Street SW, Lakewood, WA 98498
Parish Phone: **253-582-1028**
Parish Website: www.stjbosco.org

Parish Staff:

Fr. Thomas Tran, Priest Administrator

Jeff Greer, Permanent Deacon: Liturgy, Baptism, RCIA

Debbie Pedraza, Pastoral Assistant for Administration

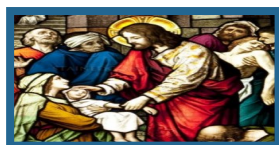
Marianne Manning, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

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

Franklin Hyke, Corazon Rodriguez, Anthony Joe Mantanona, Reese Widman, and Budd Gonzalez.

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.

(Office Closed: January 15, 2024)

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

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9am Daily Mass
(1/10, 1/26 Daily Mass Cancelled)

Frank Hyke Funeral 1/26/24 at 11am
Reception to follow

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

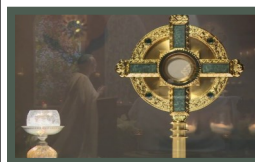
Sunday Mass - 10:00 am

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



Interested in being part of our Homebound Ministry Program visiting the sick and homebound? Contact the Parish Office at 253-582-1028.



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.*



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.

See updated RCIA schedule information on page 6 of the bulletin.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word meets during the 10am Mass on Sundays. We still need volunteers to help run the program. Please contact Marianne 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 Marianne Manning at marianemanning@stjbosco.org

Faith Formation

Please join us for Faith Formation class after breakfast (11:30-1pm) 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 \(stjbosco.org\)](http://Faith%20Formation%20-%20St.%20John%20Bosco%20Catholic%20Church%20-%20Lakewood,%20WA%20(stjbosco.org))

YOUTH MINISTRY

Please join us for Youth Ministry after breakfast (11:30-1pm) every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

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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 \(stjbosco.org\)](http://First%20Reconciliation%20&%20First%20Holy%20Communion%20-%20St.%20John%20Bosco%20Catholic%20Church%20-%20Lakewood,%20WA%20(stjbosco.org))

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation class meets every other Sunday (11:15-1pm) every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. If you are interested in Confirmation, please register for youth ministry. [Youth Ministry - St. John Bosco Catholic Church - Lakewood, WA \(stjbosco.org\)](http://Youth%20Ministry%20-%20St.%20John%20Bosco%20Catholic%20Church%20-%20Lakewood,%20WA%20(stjbosco.org))

Saint Vincent De Paul

January 7 - Epiphany of the Lord:

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child.

If you need assistance or would like to be a part of this important ministry, call Saint Vincent de Paul at 253-820-9472 to leave a message.

SVDP Chili Cook Off Contest

Save the Date

January 27, 2024 - 12pm to 3pm



All are welcome to enter their chili dish into the chili cook off contest.

If interested in entering your chili dish into the contest, please contact Suzette Reyes at 253-314-2602 or email reyessuzette226@gmail.com

No Entry Fee - Donations Accepted

Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place.

Weekly Collection

December 30 & 31, 2023

Including Weekly Online Giving

Sign up for online giving at: stjbosco.org



Weekend Collection	\$10,755.53
Weekly Online Giving	\$2,935.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$13,690.53
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$9,746.42
Weekly Goal Under/Over Budget	\$3,944.11
<u>Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving</u> (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	\$315,881.28
<u>Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal</u> (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	\$263,153.34
Under/Over Budgeted Goal	\$52,727.94
Childrens Collection (Included in weekend collection total).	\$0.00

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.

January Mass will be on: Wednesday the 24th

If we say we are H/S, we must follow the example of Christ. - 1 John 2:6

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 at 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. **Next Meeting 1/9/2024.**



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

Rachel's Corner

"It is I, I, who wipe out, for my own sake, your offenses; your sins I remember no more."

Isaiah 43:25

On this Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord we celebrate that Jesus shares His salvation with everyone! Sometimes it is hard to believe that Jesus would share His salvation with us because of involvement in a past abortion.

The Project Rachel ministry invites you join us for our next healing retreat to free of that burden, so you can finally live in peace and know with all certainty that you are forgiven.

English Retreat

Friday, March 8, Sunday, March 10, 2024

English: (206) 920-6413

Email: projectrachel@ccsww.org

Visit us at: www.ccsww.org/projectrachel



Join us every other month on the third Saturday for daily Mass at **9am**.

Upcoming Masses
2/17, 4/20, 6/15

August, October, and December dates to be determined.

All are welcome to include children with wiggles and whispers.

RCIA Sundays at 11:30am

Link to Video Series: <http://tinyurl.com/yz373hdx>

January 14: Part 2 Session 3

January 28: Part 1 Session 1

February 11: Part 2 Session 1
Part 1 Session 2

February 15: St. Charles Borromeo 6pm

February 25: Part 1 Session 4
July 23, 2021 Reflection
Part 2 Session 4

March 10: Part 2 Session 2
Part 1 Session 8

March 24: Part 1 Session 5

March 30: Easter Vigil

April 28: Mystagogy



MASS CANCELLATIONS

We will make the decision to cancel masses at the latest 1 hour before the scheduled mass. We will be sure to update our website when the decision has been made and post on Facebook.

If you have any doubts or are worried about making the trip, please stay home. You are excused from Mass.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

TIME. TALENT. TREASURE.

WE ARE CALLED TO SHARE
OUR GIFTS WITH OTHERS.

Effective 12/18/2023

Family Returned Pledges: **132**

Total Pledged Amount: **\$316,631.00** (Funds pledged remain at the parish)

Thank you to the 121 families who filled out pledge cards totaling \$289,781.00. Our Stewardship goal for 2024 is \$506,814.00. I would like to see an increased participation towards Stewardship. The funds for this campaign help fund the operations of our parish, St. John Bosco and Immaculate Conception. You may either fill out a pledge card available in the pews or you can make your weekly offertory and other donations via online giving at stjbosco.org/stewardship-1.

Bible Discussion Group



We are establishing a discussion group to review and discuss the podcast by Ascension Press with Fr. Mike Schmitz. The group will meet once a month for approximately an hour. If you would like to be a part of our Bible Discussion Group, we will have a sign-up session this weekend in the Parish Hall after Mass. Additional information will be provided at this time. The point of contact for this group is Carole White.

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Pastoral Asst. for Outreach & Parish Involvement

Part time 20 hours per week

If interested please complete an application on at <https://archseattle.org/careers>

- Click Parish, Chancery, Camps & other positions
- Sort by: location
- Under filters click location
- Scroll to 0141 St. John Bosco Parish
- Click search

For questions, please contact Debbie in the parish office at 253-582-1028.

ENCOUNTER

— SEATTLE CAMPUS —

Join Encounter School of Ministry, Seattle Campus for a night Seeking God's Glory in Worship, Renewal of the Mind Teaching, and Prayer Ministry provided by Ascend NW. This month we have Deacon Jim Johnson from Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church with a powerful message for our times.

St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church
13055 SE 192nd St. Renton, WA 98058

Friday 6-9 PM. No registration is required

<https://encounterschool.org/seattle/>



an in-person marriage encounter experience

The Marriage Encounter experience is a heart haven that helps you listen, share and connect more deeply. There's no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be.

Feb9-11,2024 La Quinta Inn & Suites, Tacoma, WA

Apply at:
wwme.org

Questions?

Jeff and Sandy Corneil
360 930-2321

jeff.sandy.corneil@wwme.org

Other Locations and dates:

- Mar 8-10, 2024 Immaculate Heart Retreat Center, Spokane, WA
- Apr 26-28 2024, Everett, WA
- Oct 4-6 2024 Immaculate Heart Retreat Center, Spokane, WA
- Oct 11-13 2024, Tacoma, WA
- Nov 15-17 2024, Everett, WA

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The disciples were sent to many different places and had to adapt. We are in a similar place.

-Parishoner



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Partners in the Gospel

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