

Saint John Bosco Catholic Church

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



"He approached...

Then fever left her and she waited on them."

- Mk 1:29-39

February 2024

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to Saint Vincent de Paul for hosting our Chili Cook-off Contest and all of our participants for entering their chili dish. It was an honor for me to be a part of it as one of the judges. I hope there will be more participants next time. We had a very successful and grace-filled Confirmation Retreat on January 20th with St. Patrick Confirmation candidates. Thank you, **Marianne Manning**, and all of you who helped on this day.

We were very blessed to have **Bishop Frank Schuster** take time out of his busy schedule to celebrate our patron saint, St. John Bosco with us this year. Thank you to everyone who helped us prepare for our Feast Day, for attending Mass, and the reception. It is always great to have him visit us. He brings so much joy and energy to our community.

There will be a daily Mass at Immaculate Conception Mission on Saturday, February 17th at 9:00 am. All are welcome.

The Holy Season of Lent is approaching. Lent is a time of return, repentance, renewal, and preparation. Its purpose is two-fold, namely to prepare both catechumens and the faithful as they celebrate the paschal mystery. We stand in need of prayer, knowing full well our faults, challenges, strengths, and hopes. Lent is a penitential season that involves the entire Church in the journey of the catechumenate. Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord's Supper exclusive on Holy Thursday. Here at Saint Bosco Catholic Church, we have Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:00 pm followed by soup and bread supper. Plus, the Lenten Penance Service is on Friday, March 22nd at 6:00 pm.

The new update on Partners in the Gospel will be released the first weekend of February. I invite you to take a look at our parish family (37), pray, and prepare for this strategic plan. We pray that God will send us a good shepherd to minister to our families.

Please keep our catechumens and candidates for the sacraments in your thoughts and prayers.

We give thanks to almighty God for answering our prayer. Please join me in welcoming **DeAnna Bridenback** as the newest staff at St. John Bosco.

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. Happy Holy Season of Lent!

In Christ,
Fr. Thomas

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

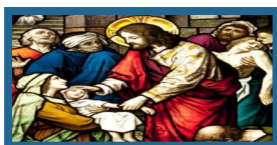
Marianne Manning, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

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

Ben Lago, Lolita Hingada, Arcelia Ramirez, Patty Vera, Vivian Chargualaf, Pauline Ciamicchella, Faustina Galo, Erdelinda Clavecillas.

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: 2/19, 3/29, 4/1, 5/27, 6/19, 7/4, 9/2)

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
(2/15, 2/16 Daily Mass/Blessing Cancelled)

Ash Wednesday Mass: 9am & 6pm

For those scheduled to WORK during the 9am & 6pm Masses, ashes will be available in the office at Noon.

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

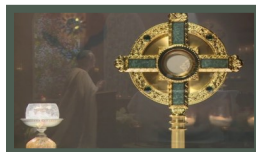
Sunday Mass - 10:00 am

Reconciliation

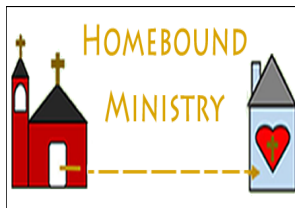


The sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at St. John Bosco every Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 pm in the church reconciliation room (masks required) or by appointment. Call the office at 253-582-1028 to schedule an appointment.

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.

February 15th: RCIA @ St. Charles Borromeo 6pm

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

Youth Ministry Registration Forms available at:

[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))

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))



In the Gospel today, we find that Jesus would rise very early before dawn and go to a deserted place to pray and then he went out to preach and to heal.

Please pray for the poor and suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness, and dread.

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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING VIGIL

FEBRUARY 14 - MARCH 24
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

public right of way outside of
CEDAR RIVER CLINICS
1401 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Tacoma, WA

40DAYSFORLIFE.COM

Weekly Collection

January 27 & 28, 2024

Including Weekly Online Giving

Sign up for online giving at: stjbosco.org

Weekend Collection	\$7,729.70
Weekly Online Giving	\$3,132.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$10,861.70
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$9,746.42
Weekly Goal Under/Over Budget	1,115.28

Childrens Collection
(Included in weekend collection total). \$2.00

Parish Stewardship Update

Effective 1/26/2024

Family Returned Pledges: 144

Total Pledged Amount: \$341,321.00

Year-End Charitable Gifts

All year-end charitable gift letters have been mailed.

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

**"You have made us for yourself, O Lord,
and our heart is restless until it rests in you." - St. Augustine**

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.

Rachel's Corner

"You never go away from us, yet we have difficulty in returning to You. Come, Lord, stir us up and call us back. Kindle and seize us. Be our fire and our sweetness. Let us love. Let us run."

- St. Augustine

Has it felt sometimes like God has abandoned you, or is it just beyond what you can handle to ponder reconciling with Him? Let God do the hard part! He is ready and yearns to hold you in His arms again! Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

The Project Rachel ministry invites you join us for our next healing retreat to free be 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

World Wide Marriage Encounter

Love is in the air! No matter how long you have been married, you can still have romance in your marriage.

- * The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience gives you the tools to keep your marriage alive and vibrant.
- * Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: April 12-14,
- * 2024 at LaQuinta in Tacoma, WA, Mar 8-10, 2024, Immaculate Heart Retreat Center, Spokane, WA, Apr 26-28, 2024 in Everett, WA.

Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: wwme.org or contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321.



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

Immaculate Conception Mission Steilacoom, WA



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

Mariam Shrines of Europe Pilgrimage
Pilgrimage to **ESPANA VERDE / ATLANTIC COAST OF SPAIN: Lourdes & Fatima**
From Seattle: \$4885.00. September 10-25, 2024.
Includes all but lunch and gratuity. Join Father Maurice Mamba and fellow pilgrims to visit **Santarem – Fatima**, to the medieval city of **Santiago de Compostela, Oviedo, Covadonga** (Marian Shrine), **Loyola** (birthplace of St. Ignatius), **Lourdes** (Grotto, St. Bernadette), **Zaragoza, Andorra, Montserrat, Barcelona and so much more.** J M J Pilgrimages & Polyways Travel Service LLC, Ronald, WA

For details call Bernie Guerrero, 253-357-2267.

See the flier in the bulletin for a full itinerary.



Join Bishop Schuster on a Pilgrimage to Greece!

October 8 - 18, 2024

27 spots available. Registration is open!

To register at:

[Pilgrimage to Greece with Bishop Schuster - Archdiocese of Seattle \(archseattle.org\)](https://www.archseattle.org/pilgrimage-to-greece-with-bishop-schuster-archdiocese-of-seattle)

Contact Carin Brown for questions: 206-274-3117 or



General Q & A Updated January 2024

[QA-Partners-in-the-Gospel-updated-Jan-2024 English-min.pdf \(archseattle.org\)](https://www.archseattle.org/qa-partners-in-the-gospel-updated-jan-2024-english-min.pdf)

Final parish families to be announced 2/3/24

On November 16, 2023, the archdiocese released a letter from Archbishop Etienne and a Parish Feedback Report which synthesizes more than 3,000 pages of feedback from over 700 input session reports and 800 online forms during the Public Input Phase this fall. A review of the feedback was made by the Presbyteral Council, Priest Personnel Board, Oversight Committee, Partners Core team and Archbishop Etienne. As a result, proposed changes emerged for 25 parish families. There was a second round of consultation with staff and parishioners with these 25 proposed parish families. Archbishop Etienne is now in the final stages of discernment, and the final list of parish families will be *released on February 3, 2024.*



Maintenance & Custodian Position

Provides cleaning and hands-on maintenance services to buildings, grounds, vehicles and maintenance equipment including light carpentry.

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

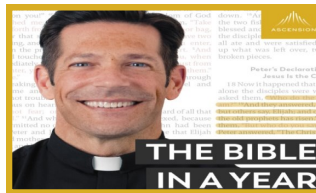
- Click Parish, Chancery, Camps & other positions
- Sort by: Location
- Under filters click location
- Scroll to 0141 St. John Bosco Parish
- Click Search

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

Women at the Well

Please join Women at the Well as we enjoy fellowship and service together in the library. Our next meeting is on Monday, February 12th at 4pm. Our meetings will begin at 7pm on Monday March 18th, April 15th, and May 20ths. We hope to see you there!

"The Bible In A Year" Podcast Discussion Group (Produced by Ascension Press - Narrated by Fr. Mike Schmitz)



We are offering two Discussion Group session times for you to choose from each month that covers the same material.

Option 1:

The last Tuesday of each month from 6pm - 7pm

Option 2:

The last Wednesday of each month from 3pm - 4pm

To begin The Bible In A Year Podcast click on the link below:

[The Bible in a Year \(with Fr. Mike Schmitz\) \[All Episodes\] - YouTube - Search Videos \(bing.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

The Point of Contact for the group is Carole White: whitex1@comcast.net



PILGRIMAGE TO ESPANA VERDE / ATLANTIC COAST OF SPAIN Lourdes & Fatima

September 10 – 25, 2024

Spiritual Leader: Fr. Maurice Mamba

Group Leader: Bernie Guerrero 253-357-2267

J M J Pilgrimages & Polyways Travel Service LLC

John Golubiec, Polyways Travel Service LLC
206-499-9661

DAY 1, Sept 10 – Departure

Depart for your Lufthansa transatlantic flight to Lisbon. Meals will be served on board.

DAY 2, Sept 11 – Arrival – Santarem – Fatima

Upon arrival at Lisbon Airport meet your guide. You will be escorted to the bus and travel north to the old city of Santarem. Visit and attend Mass at the Church of St. Stephen, which holds the 13th century Eucharistic Miracle. Transfer to hotel in Fatima for dinner and overnight.

DAY 3, Sept 12 – Fatima

Morning Mass in Cova da Iria, the actual place of the apparition where Our Lady of Fatima gave a message to the world through Jacinta, Francisco, and Lucia. Guided tour of the shrine, visit the Fatima Light and Peace. Afternoon at leisure. In the evening candlelight rosary procession. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

DAY 4, Sept 13 – Fatima

Morning Mass in Cova da Iria. Via Sacra will lead us to the homes of the seers in Aljustrel and pasturage at Valinhos, where an Angel appeared to the children of Fatima. Afternoon at leisure for private devotions. In the evening candlelight rosary procession. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

DAY 5, Sept 14 – Fatima - Santiago de Compostela

After morning Mass travel to the medieval city of Santiago de Compostela. According to legend, the bones of the Apostle St. James the Great were transported to Spain after his martyrdom in A.D. 44 and placed at the site of the Cathedral in the year 813. Dinner and overnight in Santiago de Compostela.

DAY 6, Sept 15 – Santiago de Compostela – Oviedo

Morning Mass at the Cathedral of St James. Later travel to Oviedo the capital city of Asturias. Visit the Cathedral of the Holy Savor and its Holy Chamber that contains important relics like one of the six jugs of the Cana Wedding and the Sudarium of Our Lord, sweat/burial cloth that was used to cover Jesus' bloodied face following his death. Dinner and overnight in Oviedo.

DAY 7, Sept 16 – Oviedo – Covadonga

After a morning sightseeing and Mass in Oviedo travel to Covadonga, an ancient Marian Shrine nestled in the mountain range of the Picos De Europa. Dinner and overnight in Covadonga.

DAY 8, Sept 17– Covadonga – Loyola

Morning visit and Mass at the Sanctuary of Covadonga dating back over 1000 years ago when the Catholic reconquest of Spain was started. Travel along the Atlantic Coast to Loyola, the birthplace of St. Ignatius. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 9, Sept 18 – Loyola – Lourdes

Visit to the Basilica and St Ignatius's family house concluded with Mass. After lunch transfer to Lourdes for dinner and overnight.

DAY 10, Sept 19 – Lourdes

During your stay in Lourdes, we celebrate Mass at the Grotto, we pray for the sick and drink water from the miraculous spring. Submerge yourself at the baths and visit the places connected with St Bernadette. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes.

DAY 11, Sept 20 – Lourdes

Day at leisure. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes.

DAY 12, Sept 21 – Lourdes – Zaragoza

Morning Mass in Lourdes. Transfer to Zaragoza, where St James had a vision of Our Lady standing on the pillar encouraging him to continue his apostolic mission in Spain. Guided tour of the city includes Plaza del Pilar, one of Spain's grandest squares and the spectacular La Seo. Dinner and overnight in Zaragoza.