

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD.

— JOHN 1:36 —



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If there is no answer, please call St. Benedict Parish Office:
206-632-0843

If it is past 4pm, or a weekend please use the emergency line:
(206) 276 8085

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of January 14, 2024

Sunday:

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday:

1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday:

1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday:

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday:

1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday:

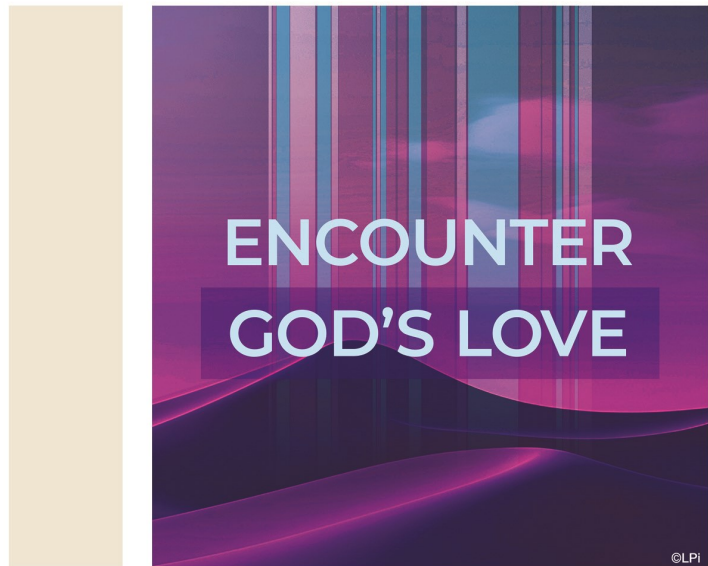
2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday:

Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "he wore a blue shirt," "we ordered brussels sprouts," "her hair was up in a bun," and "he spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all real.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, "**...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.**" Why does that tiny detail matter? Because *that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives*. Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a *human* relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p. m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real.

— Father John Muir

Evangelization and Faith Formation

For information contact Olaf at faithformation@st-c.org

Infant Baptism

(for children younger than 6 years of age) Dates available for baptism at **Saint Catherine of Siena** are held on Sundays at 9:30 am Mass:

January 21, April 21, May 19, June 16, 2024

Dates available for baptism at **Saint Benedict** are held on Sundays at 8:00 am Mass:
February 4, April 7, May 5, 2024

Next preparation classes will be at: St. Catherine –in the Church at 4:00 pm
March 16, 2024

RCIA MEETINGS

Weekly RCIA meetings for St. Catherine's and St. Ben's are every Thursday at St. Ben's at 7:00 pm.

Anyone who wants to attend can contact Kim Burkhardt at rcia@st-c.org

Kim Burkhardt, our RCIA staffer, is typically available in the parish office on Friday mornings.

You can also contact her at rcia@st-c.org to schedule an appointment.



The RCIA groups at St. Catherine's, St. Benedict's, and Our Lady of the Lake (OLL) came together for a joint meeting at OLL the first week of January for Andy Simons' (St. Catherine's parishioner) presentation on the Old Testament.

St. Catherine Events/News



8th Grade Babysitting Night! JANUARY 20th / 5:30 – 8:30pm

Enjoy a few hours of freedom while our 8th graders entertain your kids with pizza, games, crafts, a movie, and FUN!

Money raised helps support the 8th grade DC trip this May!

RESERVE YOUR SPOT [HERE](#)

Location: St. Catherine's Gym – Victoria Hall

Cost / Donation: \$45 for 1 child; \$35 for each sibling – paid [HERE](#)

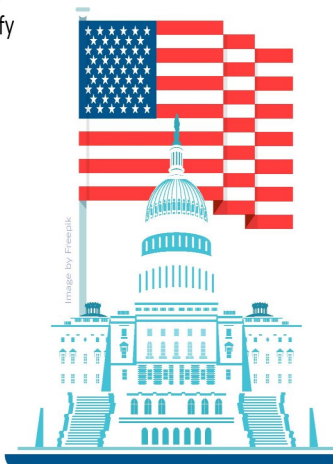
Ages: 3–12 (Must be age 3 by 8/31/22 and fully, independently potty-trained)

What to know? Dinner and snacks will be provided.

What to bring? Send your child with a water bottle.
Also, consider sending a blanket, pillow and/or stuffy for the movie.

Questions? Text Erica Snow at 206-240-7403
or email elsnow@live.com

SAVE THE DATE
Next Babysitting Night
FEBRUARY 10th!



Esperanza International News!

Kick Off and Informational Meeting
Sunday January 21st after mass.

Next summer's trip is planned for
August 4 - August 10th, 2024.

All current sophomores and juniors are
encouraged to join us on our trek
to Tijuana!

All planning and fundraising is done
through St C Parish however any
students are welcome.

Esperanza International has been
helping communities in Tijuana since
1984.

Check out www.esperanzaint.org and
then put January 21st on your calendar!

For more information contact Katie
Fleming kjfleming1239@gmail.com or
206-354-5161

Mark your Calendars!

Friday February 9th after 9:00AM daily mass.

Parish Breakfast! All are welcome.

Let's gather and celebrate our wonderful
community.

Questions? email or call Katie Fleming
kjfleming1239@gmail.com or 206-354-5161

St. Catherine's parishioner, Andy Simons, will do a presentation on the Septuagint at St. James Cathedral January 18th 2024

The Old Testament was the Scripture of Jesus, the New Testament writers, and the early Church, but that Scripture was a Greek translation of the Hebrew Scripture called the Septuagint. Jewish scribes had begun the translation in the third century BCE in the wake of Alexander the Great's conquest of the region and had completed it in the century before Jesus's birth. The Septuagint's story and formative influence on the New Testament writers is a fascinating mix of history, legend, and hidden treasures, including a pivotal conflict between Saints Augustine and Jerome over what constituted the Church's Bible.

The presenter, St. Catherine's parishioner Andy Simons, has an M.A. in Theology from Denver Seminary and is a lawyer with the state attorney general's office. All are welcome, registration required.

The presentation will be in the Cathedral Hall, entrance on Columbia Street.

Information and registration, John Simpson, jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-274-3108.

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Catherine of Siena

SATURDAY	5PM
SUNDAY	*9:30AM
WEDNESDAY	9AM
FRIDAY	9AM

CONFESSION	SAT 3:30-4:30PM
ADORATION AT ST. BENEDICT	1ST FRI 6-7PM
ANOINTING OF THE	1ST FRI 9AM

*Livestream
Available



WEDNESDAY	ROSARIES
FRIDAY	9:30AM

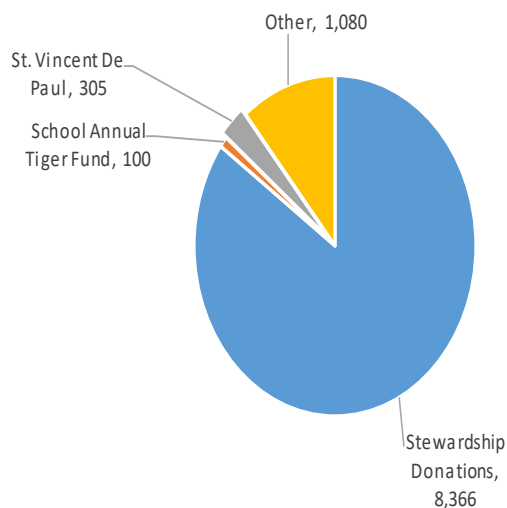
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FRIDAY	10AM — 12PM
SATURDAY	3:30 — 4:30PM

STEWARDSHIP

TOTAL WEEKLY GIVING
\$9,851
December 24-30, 2023



Parish Administration & Finance

You may have noticed that recent bulletins have lacked the Stewardship updates or only supplied Online Giving amounts.

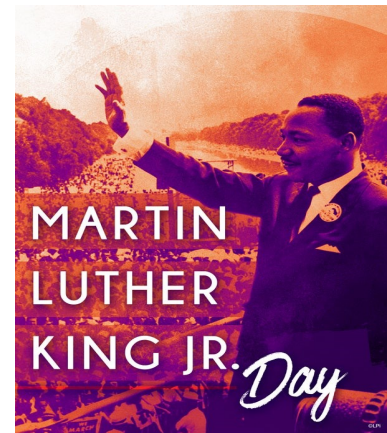
We upgraded our IT infrastructure and that has caused some issues with our database.

There is a temporary fix in place and we are working diligently with the Archdiocese and our IT consultant to solve the issue.

We will notify you if there are further concerns.



**Parish Office Closed
Monday, January 15th**



During Advent, our heater went out in the church.

We received a **\$2,000** donation for Facilities that helped cover the cost of a new motor. Our repair folks struggled to meet our needs during Christmas, but we now have the replacement complete.

Thank you for your generosity and we keep you in your prayers.