

*Whoever eats my flesh and
drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him*



POPE ST. JOHN XXIII PARISH

June 11, 2023



**Solemnity of the Body
and Blood of Christ**

Mass Schedule and Reconciliation:

Pope St. John XXIII Parish

7025 South Park Ave.
Tacoma, WA 98408

Daily Mass:

Saturday | 4:30pm

Sunday | 9:45am

Monday to Friday | 8:00am

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 3:30pm

Vietnamese Mass:

Sunday | 7:45am & 4:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday | 7:00pm

First Friday | 7:00pm

Vietnamese Reconciliation:

Sunday | 3:00pm

St. John of the Woods Mission

9903 24th Ave. East
Tacoma, WA 98445

Daily Mass:

Saturday | 6:00pm

Sunday | 8:00am & 11:30am

Wed. & Friday | 9:30am

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 5:00pm

South Tacoma Chapel

3314 So 58th Street
Tacoma, WA 98409

Daily Mass:

Saturday - 9:00 a.m.

Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

St. Rita Station

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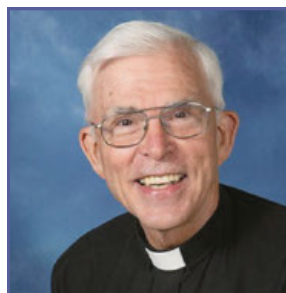
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Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners,

We had a blessed weekend celebrating the Feast of the Holy Trinity. We thank you for taking the time to join us to celebrate this event. We gathered to praise and to thank God for the gift of our Faith that we have in the Trinity as we profess, God is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We gathered with our students in our Catholic School to celebrate the Feast Day of Visitation of Mary, the Virgin on May 31st at the 10 AM Mass to honor the Patron Saint of Visitation Church. We pray through the intercession of our Virgin Mary to continue to bless upon our parish of Pope Saint John XXIII. We also joined our students at their Graduation Mass and school celebration. We are so proud of our students for completing their studies this year and celebrating their graduation. We thank you for joining us with the celebration and procession on the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, (Corpus Christi). We thank the core team members, and all our parishioners for engaging and supporting this event within our parish. We have been engaging in the Partner of the Gospel by praying the prayer each time we gather for a meeting as well as when we gather around the Table of the Eucharist, to pray for our parish's mission, for each parishioner to be Jesus' Disciple and for us to be a witness of Jesus, the Risen Lord to the world. We invite those that we meet to join our parish's family to share the Good News about our Risen Christ with Joy.

We thank our parish's leadership team for attending their regular meetings as well as different commissions within our parish, such as the School Commission's Zoom meeting and other commissions who had checked in to share the Good News with their members. I am very happy that our parish school and parish are taking time to look into the future and trying to find a way on, how we to build up our parish and school with support from our parishioners, school parents, and the larger community around our Church. We have warmly invited you to join us for the Annual Catholic Appeal and to be a good steward of our parish's mission and ministry. We need to share with our parish members about the importance of having a good vision and priority, which will allow us to have a vitality parish. Our parish is blessed to have a dedicated Parish Leadership Team and the Advisory Team that meets with me so we can pray and discuss what the Vision and Priority of our parish is. We will share with you what these are on our parish's bulletin, parish's email and parish's website and other methods of communication, such as announcements at Masses. We pray that we will be able to obtain a good rebate amount over the goal from the Annual Catholic Appeal. We always have a high expectation and anticipate a good rebate amount over our goal to assist us pay for many small projects at our parish's sites (sharing our financial resources and completing projects that we are committed to do). This campaign has been successful each year.

We thank you for taking time away from your work and from home to join us for different Funeral Services. We thank you for remembering to pray for those who have or are experiencing the loss of their loved ones within their families! We pray for the souls of those whom God has called home and for their families who are mourning for them. We thank the Lazarus Ministry from our parish for trying to reach out to those families when they need our support. We have a wonderful support group in this area. Please keep them in your prayers so they continue to support these families during their time of great sorrow and grief.

We thank our volunteers who come each week or twice a month to mow the grass around our parish's property. Our Parish Family has five different sites that we must take care of. Some parish sites can pay for a groundskeeper to take care of the site. We also have wonderful parish volunteers that come in each week to mow the lawn and to clean up the grounds. We have a third group of blessed volunteers who spend a lot of time serving our school. It is difficult for many volunteers to come in to assist our parish, because of their family commitments, and I have been taking time to call each week and kindly reminding our volunteers to come in to support us, as our parish needs your assistance. We ask you to pray and to thank our volunteers for their generous hearts and for caring for our Parish Family by assisting us with this task.

We had a blessed Mother's Day celebration to honor all the mothers in our parish on this day. We also cordially invite you to join each other to pray for all the fathers on Father's Day. We would like to ask you to bring them to Church so we can bless them and pray for them at next Weekend's Masses. We remember those fathers who have passed away and those fathers who are working hard each day to care for their children and families. We also ask you to pray for those fathers who are dealing with health and job problems. May they continue to have good health and a good job, so they can continue to be a provider for their families! We thank you for taking time to attend the Ordination of Maximilian to a Transition Deacon at Holy Spirit Church. He will be ordained to the Priesthood next year.

I had mentioned to you in my last bulletin letter that we will have wedding celebrations after the Easter Season. We congratulate those couples that have made their vows this weekend. We also congratulate them for receiving this Sacrament. It is a true joy to know that these couples have made their decision to be married in the Church and to observe God's Commandments. They made their vows in the presence of God and the assembly to receive their blessings.

Two of our parish staff are leaving us this month, Sister Kim is leaving us at the end of June, and I ask you to pray for her and find a way to thank her for what she has done for our parishes. Susan found out that she had cancer and she had step down immediately from working to focus on her treatment. Please keep her in your prayers.

We will have Priest's Day this year again. As a Priest, I am looking forward to having this week with other priests so we can have the opportunity to catch up and share information about the parish's stag and other parish ministries. It is good to learn from each other, so we can be good leaders for our parishes. We will also meet with Newly Ordained Priests this year as well. Please remember to keep us in your prayers when we gather to pray and to learn from each other. May you have a blessed weekend with your family!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Fr. Tuan Nguyen, D. Min

Mission Statement

We parishioners of Pope Saint John XXIII are a renewed multi-cultural Catholic faith community of South Tacoma united in proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ. We welcome all to come to join us by living our faith as a Eucharist-centered Catholic family in worship and service to all God's people.

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• Treasurer: Maryann Harshman

Sandwich Ministry & Food Bank

M thru Fri. 9:30—11:30am

Gift Card/Voucher Assistance:

By appointment only: Tue & Thur 9:30 - 11:30am

No Utility or Rental assistance available.



Stewardship of Treasure - Sacrificial Giving

Pope St. John XXIII Parish

May 27 & 28: \$7,820 - 177 Env

Online Giving: \$1,799 | Viet Breakfast: \$1,081

St. John of the Woods Mission

May 20 & 21: \$5,274.35 - 55 Env & online

May 27 & 28: \$4,464.07 - 70 Env & online

South Tacoma Chapel

May 28: \$2,937 - 32 Env



Annual Catholic Appeal

We have received gifts and pledges totaling \$35,180 from 148 families of the parish. We are looking forward to surpassing our goal of \$53,707 to fully fund our parish fencing project.

The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. Thank you for your continued support.



Parish News

Congratulations to Pre-K graduates this year 2023



We especially thank God for a great school year and are grateful to Father Tuan Nguyen, our pastor, and our parish staff and leaders who provide us a wonderful and educated environment as well as support us in our program.

St. Rita Feast Day

We had a wonderful celebration honoring the patron saint of St. Rita's Station, both at the main campus and at our station church. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped organize the liturgy and reception!



Patriotic Rosary & Mass

The 12th Annual Patriotic Rosary and Mass will be on **Thursday, July 6, 2023**, at Pope St. John XXIII Church. The Rosary will start at **6:00 PM with Mass following at approximately 7:00 PM**. Please mark your calendar and plan to come join us in prayer for our Country



Prepare for Picnic



Summer is almost here and the picnic in August will be coming before you know it. Let's make this the greatest event ever.

If anyone has anything they would like to donate for the Raffle, Baskets too!! I would love to work with you.

Volunteers are needed!! Let's have Fun together. Get to know everyone. Thank You. Please contact Gayle Jensen (253-318-2077)

Bellarmino Alumni Weekend

Friday, July 14
Saturday, July 15,
Sunday, July 16,



All Aquinas, Bellarmine and St. Leo Alumni are invited to a weekend of events and opportunities to reconnect with friends on campus.

For registration and more information, please visit website: <https://www.bellarminoprep.org/alumni>

Ministers of Homebound Training

There will be a training for Eucharistic ministers of homebound on Sunday, **June 18, right after the 9:45am Mass in school building** (at Pope St. John XXIII parish).



If interested, please contact Sr. Anna at 253-592-2455 or sranna@psj23.org

Prayer Request

Anyone who has prayer intentions and would like to have the **Pope St. John XXIII prayer Team** include them in their prayers, please call Bob Gummingsall at 253-459-2486

St. John of the Woods Corner

Prayer Corner

Summit Christian Preschool Open for Registration Now!

Summit Christian Preschool at St. John of the Woods is now taking registration for fall 2023. Our faith based program is filled with fun learning opportunities to prepare your child for Kindergarten. We have openings for children who are 3, 4, & 5. Please call 253-536-1687 or email laurelsamples@gmail.com.



For anointing of the sick please call Sr. Anna at 253-592-2455.

Eucharistic Adoration

Pope St. John XXIII

Thursdays:
9:00am-10:00am and 4:00-6:00pm

St. John of the Woods Mission

Mondays : 7:00-8:00pm
Wednesday: 10:30am-11:00am



Pope St. John XXIII Parish

Ron Bate, Muriel Bate, Krista Brown, Olivia Davis, Kathleen Genge, Anita Griggs, Gayle Jensen, Wayne Haverkorn, Sally Ives, J. Mam, Nancy Jones, Jackie Lane, Terry Mathern, Doris McGuire, Wesley McMakin, Helen Murray, Peggy Neagle, Diane Orris, Shirley Pietz, Bob & Rayanne Richardson, Rita Shingledecker, Eldon & Marge Weber, Woody Woodring, Virginia Wooten.

We pray for Ssgt. Wells, all servicemen, servicewomen and their families.

Annual Catholic Appeal



We have received gifts and pledges totaling \$14,116 from 55 families of the parish.

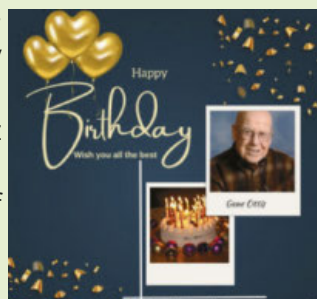
We are looking forward to surpassing our goal of \$24,963 to fully fund our parish project which is new sound system for the church. The sound system was installed May 31st.

South Tacoma Chapel

Widman family, Deborah Raynes, Ann Kormos, Emma Millikan, Shirley Keyes, Mick Flynn, Brad Bowles, Philip Stumpf Norma Marchesini, Eduardo Elizaga, John Meier, Joseph Rivera, Bill Bradley, Bob Woorley, Peter Pagano, Gene Hall, Robert & RosAnn Bridges, Petra Polequin, Brenda Gadson, Fr. Dave Gese, Dean Lucchesi, Frank & Willie Faniel, Jerry Landridge, Jim & Karen Keithley, Maxine Campbell, David Lamb, Tyler Anglin, Vanessa Elmer, Lucy Romo, Benjamin & Linda Holm. All those suffering in war and strife.

Special Breakfast for Gene Otis

"The family of Gene Otis is celebrating his 100th Birthday today Sunday June 11th with a special breakfast. Tom Cruz and his team are cooking up a parish breakfast in honor of Gene. As always we will be serving from 8am to 11am. Gene attends the 8am Mass, so after all parishioner are invited to come share a great breakfast and some time with Gene. His family will be present and plan to share a birthday cake with him. Please plan to come and share in Gene's joy. Congratulations Gene!



St. John of the Woods Mission

Jan Tally, Jonathan Keen, PJ Carpenter, Donna Severson, Wendy Hanchett, Marge Berntsen, Natalie Vieira, Dave Casey, Carol Kalapus, Susan Teskey, Gene Ottis

Grounds Care

Thank you to all of our volunteers. The grounds around St. John of the Woods are beautiful and ready for the summer season.





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8-10 am : Indoor/outdoor play
10-10:30 am : Snack
10:30-12 pm : Activity of the day
12-12:30 pm: Lunch
12:30-1:30 : Quiet time
1:30-3 pm : Free play/outdoor water fun!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Make it Monday: Start our special project of the week
Taste it Tuesday : Make or decorate a fun treat
Whatever Wednesday : Kid's choice of group activity
Theme Thursday : Dress up/do a themed craft or project
Finish it Friday : Finish and take home our special project of the week

Each day will include a snack, arts and crafts, lots of laughs and even more fun!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Horace Gozon Friend, Jr., 91, of Tacoma, WA, passed away on October 1, 2022 from natural causes. He was predeceased by first spouse Aida, Christine & Catherine and is survived by spouse Teresita and children: Sandra, Geraldine, Horace III, Stella, Philip, Therese, Jeffrey, Charles & 13 grandchildren.

He found pleasure in his support of "Project Smile." He always wanted to help those children in particular. Horace Gozon Friend, Jr., 91, of Tacoma, WA, passed away on October 1, 2022 from natural causes. He was predeceased by first spouse Aida, Christine & Catherine and is survived by spouse Teresita and children: Sandra, Geraldine, Horace III, Stella, Philip, Therese, Jeffrey, Charles & 13 grandchildren.

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