

Saint John the Evangelist Church



MISSION STATEMENT

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the people of St. John the Evangelist Parish are called to embrace the Church's mission of proclaiming the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ for all. Our witness to the presence of God and our reaching out to others allow us to deepen our relationship with God. We accomplish this through our worship together, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist; through ongoing faith development for all people of all ages and life situations; through the performance of good works; and through responsible stewardship by which we care for the gifts given to us by our God.

January 10, 2021

Baptism of the Lord

“The Lord will bless his people with peace.”

Psalm 29

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www.stjohnsea.org

The Parish office is open Mondays from 8-4 and by appointment the rest of the week.

Mass is by reservation only. Visit our website www.stjohnsea.org or call the parish office for more information.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
January 11	January 12	January 13	January 14	January 15	January 16	January 17
		3pm Live-stream Mass with Adoration to follow	3pm Live-stream Mass on Facebook		5pm Mass* with Live-streaming on Facebook	10:30am Mass*

*By appt. only

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Masses are being live-streamed on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/StJohnSeattle. You do not need a Facebook account to watch the Mass. After the live Mass, links to recorded Mass will be posted on our website.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collection for week of January 3, 2020

Total Sacrificial Giving Budget for 2020-21 is \$755,000.00. This means we need a weekly collection of \$14,519.23.

Mail in \$	5,175.50	<i>This does NOT include restricted donations such as</i>
5pm Vigil \$	245.00	<i>Holy Day Collections,</i>
8:30am \$	No Mass	<i>(Christmas and Easter), and</i>
10:30am \$	1,610.00	<i>donations made to our</i>
Electronic \$	14,419.35	<i>ministries or coffee & donuts.</i>
Total \$	21,449.85	

Staying in touch with St John Parish:

† The Parish office publishes a **weekly email newsletter** on Wednesday afternoons. If you would like to receive the latest parish updates with clickable links to flyers and web pages, right to your inbox, email smarty@stjohnsea.org.

† Like our **Facebook** page: **St John the Evangelist, Seattle**

St John Parish Web Page
www.stjohnsea.org



St John School Web Page
www.st-johnschool.org



Rev. Crispin A. Okoth, Pastor
Bernadette O'Leary, Principal
Dani D'Amelio, PA for Administration
Teresa Gillett, Director of Development
Dr. Twila McDonell, Director of Liturgical Music
Julia Rudden, Director of Sacramental Preparation
Sheila Marty, Administrative Assistant
HongPhuc Nguyen, Receptionist/Administrative Assistant

2021 is Here! Please Make Your Stewardship Pledge!

Asante Sana to all of you who have already made your Stewardship Pledge for 2021 or plan to have your pledge from last year rollover. Your commitment of support is greatly appreciated!



As you know, the weekly offertory helps to sustain our parish financially to be able to serve the ministries of St. John and the wider community. Although we have great hope for COVID-19 to be dramatically slowed this year, and to once again experience life before the pandemic, our budget shortfalls in the past year have been significant and your commitment to sacrificial giving this year is especially important. Please know that each and every gift makes a difference.

To donate, simply scan this QR code or go to: www.stjohnsea.org and locate the online giving page, or enter: bit.ly/DonateStJohn in your web browser.



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Readings for Sunday, January 17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Psalm

"Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Your bodies are members of Christ.

Gospel

John 1:35-42

They saw where he was staying and they stayed with him.

God calls Samuel in the middle of the night in today's first reading. Samuel is confused, but eventually he responds, "Speak, for your servant is listening." John's disciples are listening when he points to Jesus and says, "Behold, the Lamb of God." They follow Jesus at once. Let us listen to God's word, ponder how we ourselves are called, and recommit ourselves to following the Lord.



Thank You from BTK-8 Food Program

Please see the following letter from Samantha Woogerd, the Food Program Coordinator at Broadview-Thomson K-8. She sent it after receiving over \$1,200 in Gift Cards for the program as part of this year's Giving Tree. The continued generosity of our St. John Community means so much to so many every day and is greatly appreciated.

"Thank you to St. John's Parish from the Broadview Thomson Food Program!

Your amazing Blessing of the Backpacks donations last fall supported our community with food up to the Christmas break. Your generous Giving Tree Christmas gift card donations will now go toward purchasing shelf stable items such as assorted vegetables, beans, rice, pasta, apple sauce, snack bars, crackers, pasta sauce, and toiletry items.

Currently, we are providing food to between 450-500 individuals on our Tuesday distributions, nearly double the number of people we served in late spring of 2020. 100% of your giving has a direct and immediate impact to hundreds of families in the Broadview neighborhood. We cannot thank you enough for your thoughtfulness and kindness over these months and years.

With our deepest gratitude,
Sammy and the entire staff and faculty at Broadview Thomson PreK-8 School."

Lord, hear our prayer...

Please remember the following people who are ill, homebound or need your prayers this week:

Rosario Lagman

Rich Paul

Monica Boyle Beck

Linda Melsted

Paul and Suzanna Litwin

Bobbie Jo Ramos

Chuck Carter

Angela Lizette

Maria Socorro M. Ortiz

the Lyle Stevenson family

Tullus Gordon

Vanessa Castillo

Dawn Walton

Marcela Gruscynski

Shiloh Rodgers-Daly

Milana Richardson

Mike Muenzberg

Greg Linnell

Lynn Gough

Marilyn Wittenmyer

Lisa Fletcher

Pamela Leuschen

Pat Tsagalakis

The Frankhouser family

For those who have died, that they may rest in the healing embrace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord.

For Armed Forces personnel throughout the world, that they come home safely to their families, we pray to the Lord.

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love, we pray to the Lord.



In-person Mass Registration

Monday through Thursday of each week, we will be taking reservations for our in-person **Vigil and 10:30am Mass** that weekend.

Click on the Mass Reservations button on the homepage of our website at www.stjohnsea.org or call the Parish Office at 206-782-2810.

We will send confirmation by Friday afternoon for that weekend's Mass.

Office Hours Update

St John Parish office will be open 8-4 on Mondays and by appointment only the rest of the week. If you need to make an appointment, email is the best way to reach us, but we will be continuing to check messages if you leave a voicemail.

Questions, please email the parishoffice@stjohnsea.org or leave a voicemail at 206-782-2810.

We continue to pray for our community and the world, asking for God's grace upon us all as we continue to navigate these difficult times.



Walk humbly with God...

How does this theme look in our families, school, and community?

We can walk humbly with God through the beatitudes! In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus taught His disciples (and us) about how to be perfectly happy (Heaven with God). In other words, He taught us how, in our earthly lives, we can live out the purpose for which God made us. Jesus taught us 8 ways of living called Beatitudes, so that we can begin to be perfectly happy with God in Heaven.

Each month we will focus on one beatitude and how everyday saints, like you and me, can live out this beatitude.

Beatitude of the month

“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.”

This blessing is for people who hunger for justice in our world. Children have a great capacity to see wrongs and often possess a simple view of complex issues. Perhaps our kids can use their creativity to solve some of the local injustices in schools and communities.

Cactus Flower - "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness . . ."

Matthew 5:6

God created cacti to be able to survive months or longer without water, unlike humans who can only go without water for a few days. We not only need daily nourishment for our bodies, but also our souls. We will only be satisfied when we seek God daily for his guidance.



During the pandemic, we are still able to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism! If your family has a child who needs to be baptized, please contact Julia Rudden at jrudden@stjohnsea.org for next steps.

Employment Opportunity

Our Lady of the Lake is hiring a Director of Faith Formation

<https://ollparishseattle.edlioschool.com/apps/news/article/1363259>

Saint of the month



Saint Agnes

Feast day January 21

St. Agnes, also called Saint Agnes of Rome, virgin and patron saint of girls, is one of the most-celebrated Roman martyrs. According to tradition, Agnes was a beautiful girl, about 12 or 13 years old, who refused marriage, stating that she could have no spouse but Jesus Christ. Her suitors

revealed her Christianity, which was then condemned as a cult, and in punishment she was exposed in a brothel. Awed by her purity and presence, all but one of the Roman youths left her untouched; in his attempt to violate her, the sole attacker was miraculously struck blind, whereupon Agnes healed him with prayer. Later, after refusing to renounce her faith, she was murdered during the persecution of the Christians by the Roman emperor Diocletian and was buried beside the Via Nomentana. On her feast day two lambs are blessed in the Church of Sant’Agnese in Rome, and from their wool are made the pallia sent by the pope to archbishops as tokens of jurisdiction.

Britannica.com (This article was most recently revised and updated by Melissa Petruzzello, Assistant Editor.)



Confirmation Registration is Still Open!

We will be starting our confirmation program in January. The confirmation mass will be **June 9, 2021**.

There is still time to register – You can find the registration form at <http://bit.ly/StJohnConfirmation>

Please fill out and return the registration form to the parish office.

All those in grades 8 and above are invited to join the preparation sessions. Please contact Julia Rudden at jrudden@stjohnsea.org with any questions, or to return your form electronically.

Look for Your End of the Year Tax Statements



Thank you to all who have supported St. John parish during the past year. Your continued generosity, even in these most trying times, has helped us to sustain our parish financially and to serve the ministries of St. John and the wider community.

As we do each year, we will be mailing a Tax Statement to all those on record as having made a donation to St. John Parish between 1/1/2020-12/31/2020. Look for them in your mailbox in the next week or so. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Teresa Gillett, Director of Parish Development, at 206-782-2810, ext. 355 or tgillett@stjohnsea.org with any questions you may have.



Thank you!

I would like to thank the spontaneous and efficient volunteers who helped decorate and cleanup the church for our Advent season at St. John! Mary

McBride, Maha Sayah, Teresa Gillett, Josh Stutzman, Mike Mayhle, and Sheila Marty!

Patty Mayhle

St John Book (sometimes movie) Club

“Silence” is a film by Martin Scorsese and book by Shusaku Endo about 17th-century Jesuit missionaries in Japan who travel there to track down their mentor, a fellow priest. At the time, Christianity was banned in Japan, and those who practiced the faith were tortured and executed. Tens of thousands of Japanese Christians were persecuted, tortured and killed over the 250 years that the religion was outlawed. The two priests are forced to choose between apostasy and death. Read the book or watch the film, and join the book, sometimes movie, club on **January 17 at 7:00 PM** via Zoom.

For the Zoom link contact Sheila Marty at smarty@stjohnsea.org or Diana Gruczynski at diana.gruczynski@outlook.com



2021 Calendars

The 2021 Calendars from Hoffner Fisher & Harvey are here! You can pick one up in the vestibule of the Parish office between 8-4 Monday thru Friday or in the vestibule of the Church during Mass times.



Call the Parish office with any questions. 206-782-2810

**With Retreat Speaker:
Joan Williamson**
Pastoral Assistant, St. John the Baptist Church, Covington, WA

A Spring of Water Flowing in the Parched Land

2021 WWCCR Virtual Women's Retreat
Saturday, February 6, 2021

Hours: 9am - 4pm
with lunch break 12-1pm

For more information and registration details, go to wwccr.org or call 206-364-2272



Join fellow Catholic parishioners for an amazing at home screening of this award-winning climate documentary

Drawing on the best minds from around the world to focus on climate, economics, technology, civil society, agriculture and sustainability, 2040 maps out a pathway for change that can lead us to a more ecologically sustainable and equitable future. The film takes a solutions-based approach to how we can, using the technology we already have, mitigate the enormous global issues we currently face. 2040 is a story of hope, and a powerful tool to encourage people to take action.

Once, registered you will be able to watch the movie any time you like from **January 21st to February 6th**. We will also have a discussion about the movie and solutions discussed in the movie on **Sunday February 7th**.

Find out more and register here:
<https://care4creation.eventbrite.co.uk>

This event sponsored in part by the following Catholic Care for Creation teams:

St. Joseph Parish, Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, St. John Evangelist Parish, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center, St. James Cathedral, St. Patrick Church, and Seattle University Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture.

