

FEB. 18TH
2024

Pope St. John XXIII Parish | LENT SEASON

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is the time of
fulfillment.

The kingdom of God is at
hand. Repent, and believe
in the gospel."

Mk 1:12-15



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Vietnamese Mass:

Sunday | 7:45am & 4:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday | 7:00pm

First Friday | 7:00pm

Vietnamese Reconciliation:

Sunday | 3:00pm

Mass Schedule:

Saturday | 4:30pm

Sunday | 9:45am

Monday to Friday | 8:00am

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 3:30pm

Our Pastors:

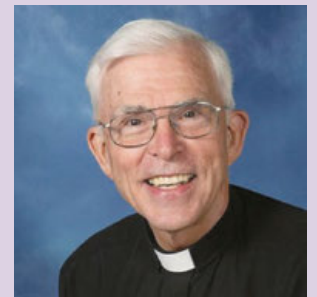


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Mass Schedule:

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

Phone (253) 472-1360

Mass Schedule:


Thurs. & Sat. - 9:00 a.m.


Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

St. Rita Station

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Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners,

We had a blessed weekend celebrating our parish's ministries and activities before the start of Lent. Thank you for joining us, especially for participating in the Lunar New Year event. Many attended, making it a joyful celebration. Special thanks to the core team for organizing. We were pleased to see many children learning to make sticky rice cakes and experiencing Vietnamese New Year food. Thank you for celebrating the Year of the Wood Dragon with us!

During this first weekend of Lent, I met with parents of students preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. We discussed the program's completion and their role in supporting their children during these sacraments. It was a blessed meeting, and we're grateful for their dedication to guiding their children's faith.

Many joined us for Ash Wednesday Mass and the start of Lent. Join our Lenten Journey with Rice Bowls for charity and prayer. Receive Communal Anointing, Reconciliation, and reflect on Stations of the Cross. Join us in caring for the needy at Stations of the Cross every Friday.

Congratulations to all the Elects and Candidates who joined the Archbishop for the Rite of Election. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey of Christian Initiation. Join us in prayer for them throughout Lent. Special thanks to the core team and Faith Formation Program members for their support in welcoming newcomers to our parish community. Thank you for your love and care.

We're pleased to inform you about the Parish Family announcements from the Partner in the Gospel Office and appreciate your contributions for consultation. The Archbishop has made his final decisions on promotions, which are now available on our parish website. Please keep our parish family in your prayers. As we transition, we'll need short and long-term plans to establish priorities and vision. Let's pray for the leadership team to have the necessary focus on our parish's priorities and vision.

Due to scheduling constraints, immediate responses to emergency calls from nursing homes or hospitals may not always be feasible. If you need a Priest for sacraments or prayer due to illness, please contact the Parish Office, allowing us time to assist you. We strive to offer timely sacramental support, so kindly avoid last-minute requests. Lent is an opportune time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, available before Daily Mass, Saturday Mass, and by appointment.

We're actively advancing various parish projects, including relocating statues and a crucifix from Holy Rosary Church to Pope Saint John XXIII. Committees are working on these initiatives, with communication established with relevant Archdiocesan offices, Parish Staff, and the Leadership Team. Updates on projects at Saint John of the Woods Mission Church, Holy Rosary, Saint Rita's Church, and Visitation/South Tacoma Chapel will be provided soon.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making our Lunar New Year celebration a success. Special thanks to the Confirmation Class students for volunteering and to parents for their support. For more details, please visit our parish website, bulletin, or weekly newsletter. Wishing you a blessed day and week ahead with your family!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Fr. Tuan Nguyen, D. Min
Pastor

Stewardship of Treasure

How to set up an Online Giving

All parishioners are welcome to set up a Pushpay online giving.
Visit <https://pushpay.com/g/popestjohn23> (or scan the code below)
all QR codes are available for PSJXXIII, SJOW, STC, and St. Rita

We encourage you to contribute to the church through Pushpay's Online Giving, saving on envelope fees for the parish. If you've set up recurring gifts online, you can supplement them by using envelopes, conveniently available in each pew.

"Remember the Church in your Will"



Online Donation



Offering Week Feb. 5-11, 2024

Pope St. John XXIII

Sunday: \$9023
in 189 Envelopes
Online Giving: \$1874

South Tacoma Chapel

Sunday: \$2590
in 35 envelopes
Online Giving: \$942.33

Thank You

St. John of the Woods

Sunday: \$6141
in 110 envelopes
Online Giving: \$1045
Loose: \$619.23

Total = \$7,805.23

PSJ Online Registration



1-2 persons



3+persons

SJOW Online Registration



1-2 persons



3+persons



We are updating our registry for regional parishes. If you are not currently a registered parishioner, we invite you to consider registering at this time.

Last name _____ Middle _____ First _____
Spouse _____
Home address: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip code _____
Phone _____ cell _____
Email _____

PARISH NEWS

Mass

Children's Mass

Feb. 24th, Children's Mass at PSJXXIII, Rosary at 4pm and Mass at 4:30pm

March 3rd: Children's Mass at SJOW at 11:30am.

First Scrutiny Mass for OCIA

March 2nd: First Scrutiny Mass for OCIA at 4:30pm Mass at PSJXXIII.

Rice Bowl

will be available in the South Vestibule of the Church on Ash Wednesday. Please take one home, and return it on Holy Thursday- March 28th.

Whole-Life Confession

The Archdiocese of Seattle is making it possible for pastors and parishioners to participate in Sacred Story Institute's (SSI) four-week Whole-Life Confession program for Lent of 2024. The Institute has agreed to coordinate the logistics to make this pathway to grace and healing available to as many as possible.



sign up here!

Events

Save and Environment Class in Vietnamese

March 9th: Save and Environment Class in Vietnamese, Class from 9:30am to 12 noon at PSJXXIII.

Enrollment Open for Pre-K Class

The Bilingual PSJXXIII Preschool at Pope Saint John XXIII Parish is now accepting registrations. Please contact us at (253) 592-3025, (253) 592-2541, or email Sr. Trinh Nguyen at srtrinh@psj23.org

Faith Formation

CCD Class: 6:30 - 7:30 P.M. Wednesdays

Baptism Class

Baptism Class at PSJXXIII every second Saturday (by Deacon Theman)

Contact: Sr. Theresa at 253-592-2541



OCIA & OCIC 2024

Rite of Sending on Feb 3rd

Rite of Election on Feb 15

1st scrutiny Mar 2nd

2nd scrutiny Mar 10

3rd scrutiny Mar 17

Retreat on Mar 23 at SJOW's.



In Our Prayer

Muriel & Ron Bate, Krista Brown, Olivia Davis, Kathleen Genge, Anita Griggs, 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, Beverly Slanina, Michael Thompson, Eldon & Marge Weber, Woody Woodring, Virginia Wooten. We pray for Ssgt. Wells, all servicemen, servicewomen and their families.

Saint John of the Woods Mission

Mission Statement: St. John of the Woods is a rural Catholic community centered in Jesus Christ, growing in faith and sharing the Word of God through the Eucharist and our Sacraments. We are a welcoming parish of active, involved people of all ages and cultures, serving families and recognizing the gifts that each person brings.

Schedules

February 21st—Senior Lunch at 11:30am—Bring your smiles and an appetite!

February 24th—St. John's Italia Fest—Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle Prizes

February 25th—First Communion Parent Meeting 9:45am in the Hall

March 3rd—Children's Mass at 11:30am

March 3rd—Confirmation Parent meeting at 6pm at PSJXXIII

BIBLE STUDY

SJOW' Bible class on Tuesday afternoons 1:00 -3:00 P.M.

"The Gospel of Matthew".

All are welcome.

Contact:

Brenda Kelly at 253-922-6569 or Cheryl Penry at 253-531-4355

Parking Lot Reminder:

Lately, the Clergy parking in front of the Parish Office has been occupied by parishioners. Please leave the Clergy parking open for the Fathers to park.



**Online
Donation**

https://ppay.co/_q-e992YsjU

Stewardship of Time and Talent

St. John of the Woods needs additional volunteers. Please give back to the church through volunteering your time and talents. There is something for everyone and for all ages: ongoing programs and one-time projects. Join us and be an active part in our community. Roles are available in Leadership, Financial Committee, Liturgy, Faith Formation, Fellowship, Lazarus, Facilities, Grounds Maintenance, Music, Outreach, Altar Servers, etc. See the listing of Committee Contacts in the back of the Church or call the Parish Office at 253.537.8551.

Volunteer Needed

The Finance Committee needs new members. If you are interested and would like to volunteer, please contact Gaye Dolan by phone: 253-579-2764, email: dolan.tomandgaye@gmail.com or leave your contact information at the St. John of the Woods Office. Thank You

Final Parish Families Announced

After more than a year of careful planning and consultation, the final parish families were announced this weekend. These parish families will go into effect on July 1st under the leadership of a pastor and one or more parochial vicars. Pastors and parochial vicars will be announced this spring.

Please join us in announcing our new parish family: Pope St. John XXIII, PSJ XXIII South Tacoma Chapel, St. John of the Woods Mission, and PSJ STEM Academy. Welcome each other and pray for the blessings of our bright parish future.

In Our Prayer

Larry Volland, Maureen Salafai, Jan Tally, Jonathan Keen, PJ Carpenter, Donna Severson, Wendy Hanchett, Marge Berntsen, Natalie Vieira, Dave Casey, Carol Kalapus, Susan Teskey, Keith Browne, Don Kaperick, Lynn Sneed, Danny Sneed, Joan Ellis, Ken Knobbe, Debbie DeWitt, Joan Halmrast

For Anointing of the sick, please call: Sr. Anna at 253-592-2455.



Pope St. John XXIII
STEM ACADEMY

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PSJ Stem Academy is a ministry of Pope St. John XXIII Parish, which includes St. John of the Woods Mission, PSJ XXIII South

Tacoma Chapel, and Pope St. John XXIII Main campus.

Join us in supporting Our Parish Catholic elementary and middle school. Our Academy is empowered in STEM and enriched in faith. Located in South Tacoma, serving Catholic students and their families since 1925.

Now accepting donations for financial aid sponsorships for the 2024-2025 school year. Please reach out to Alexis Tibbits at the Parish Office for more information.



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3314 So 58th ST,
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0835

Sandwich Ministry & Food Bank
Monday - Friday: 9:30 -11:30 A.M.

Gift Card/Voucher Assistance:
Tues & Thursday 9:30 -11:30 AM

No Utility or Rental assistance
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Co-Presidents: Linda Lamb &
Dcn. Mike Teskey

Vice Chair: Margaret Thompson,
Treasurer: Maryann Harshman

Pregnancy Aid of Tacoma

Pregnancy Aid serves the well-being of families with children in & beyond the womb by providing material and emotional support. At this time, we are looking for a bookkeeper and Co-leader. We are in need of the following items: baby wipes, size 4-6 diapers and Pull-Ups, toddler clothing up to 5T, baby toiletries for layettes, new carseats, and monetary donations. We are open M, W, & Sat. @902 Market St. in Tacoma, from 10-1:30pm. Please call ahead (253-383-4100)

In Our Prayers:

South Tacoma Chapel

We pray for Widman family, Ann Kormos, Emma Millikan, Shirley Keyes, Mick Flynn, Brad Bowles, Philip Stumpf, Norma Marchesini, Eduardo Elizaga, John Meier, Joseph Rivera, Bob Woorley, Peter Pagano, Gene Hall, 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, Charles, Robin Mazza, Charlie Faniel, Bobby Gatbunton Myrl Greggs, Sharon Turner and her Family. All those suffering in war and strife.



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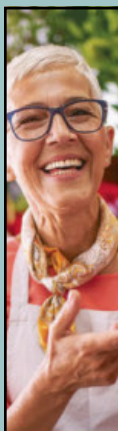


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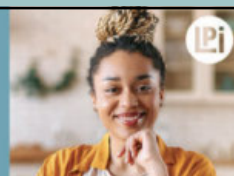
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