



The Catholic Community of St. John Bosco welcomes you, God's beloved, and we wish you a very Merry and Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Whether you are a regular parishioner, a Catholic who joins us only once in a while, a visitor, or a member of a different faith tradition, you are God's beloved. That is how God sees you, and so our parish community wishes you God's gift of Christmas peace.

May you who are parishioners rejoice in God's many blessings and know that you have been a blessing for others.

May you who have come home from college or far away to rejoin your family for the holidays know that you are always welcome at St. John Bosco, your spiritual home.

May you who are visitors find here a community of welcome and a community that rejoices in praising God.

May you who are members of the parish family, but of a different faith tradition or of no specific faith, know that we hold you in our hearts and ask for God's blessings on you.

May you who come with sadness in your heart or who have experienced great sorrow, pain or hurt in the past, experience this Christmas as a new beginning of healing, hope and peace.

At Christmas, God sent His Son to bring all of us to new life.

If you would like to express this new life with us, please visit our website www.stjbosco.org or give us a call at the parish office 253-582-1028 so that we can meet with you.

St. John Bosco Catholic Church

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9AM -5PM

Mass Schedule

SJB: Saturday 5PM, Sunday 9:30AM
Immaculate Conception: Sunday 7:30AM

Weekday Mass Schedule

SJB: Wed, Thurs, & Fri. 8:30AM

Eucharistic Service

Monday & Tuesday 8:30AM

DECEMBER 25 — 29



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| Mon | Dec. 25 | 8:30am | Eucharistic Service |
| Tues | Dec. 26 | 8:30am | Eucharistic Service |
| Wed | Dec. 27 | 8:30am | Office Closed |
| Thurs | Dec. 28 | 8:30am | Office Closed |
| Fri | Dec. 29 | 8:30am | Office Closed |

****Notice****

There will not be a Mass on Jan. 1st, as the Solemnity of Mary has been abrogated and is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.



Faith Formation

Faith Formation will resume on January 7th.

Classes are held on Sundays after Breakfast
11:15AM to 12:30PM.

New students are always welcome!

Youth Ministry

- Youth Group: Sundays, Junior High 11:00 am to 12:30 pm and Senior High 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Mount Vernon Distribution Service Day: January 6th from 7AM to 7:30PM.
- Confirmation/Orientation Meeting Jan. 31st and Feb. 8th at 7PM.
- Join us for Bible Study! We have morning Bible Study for the youth every Tuesday from 6:30 AM to 7:15 AM at Topside Coffee Cabin in Steilacoom (215 Wilkes ST.)



Are you interested in Baptism for your child? Please contact the church office for information on becoming a registered parishioner and attending a baptism preparation class. We use the excellent REBORN video series for the Baptism classes. Through the REBORN series you will deepen your understanding of this Sacrament and see how Baptism reveals the heart of God's love for his children.



Are you interested in joining our Catholic faith community here at St. John Bosco?

Adults (18 and over) become Catholic through the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**. RCIA is a gradual process that takes place within the faith community. By gathering together for prayer and reflection on the Word of God along with faith-filled volunteers who are excited about sharing their Catholic faith, you will be inspired to follow the Holy Spirit more generously, wherever the Spirit might be leading you.

The Catholic Church recognizes that the Holy Spirit does not follow a rigid timetable. The process of listening to God's call and responding can take months for some people and an entire lifetime for others. Therefore, the RCIA is a flexible process intended to support you, wherever you may be on your faith journey. It is intended to honor the experiences of God you have already had, and at the same time to help you grow deeper in your faith and understanding of God. For further information, please contact Terri Nelson at: 253-582-1028 or terrnelson@stjbosco.org

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION CALLS

We are most anxious to help our parish families because of illness, handicap, or age. If you or a family member is ill or hospitalized and you wish to receive the Sacraments, please call the parish office so that we may support you during these difficult times.

- * Our parish office number is: **253-582-1028**
- * Emergency **ONLY** number for an **emergency Anointing of the Sick** request: **206-225-8058**

Ministry Opportunities At SJB

Here are some of the exciting ways YOU can be involved in service to others:



Outreach Ministries

- *Food Bank Garden
- *Funeral Ministry Reception Teams
- *Breakfast Ministry Teams
- *Visiting the Sick & Homebound through Legion of Mary Ministry
- *Our Lady of Guadalupe Maternity Center
- *PREPARES—Pregnancy & Parenting Support
- *Parish Health Ministry/Blood Pressure Checks
- *St. Vincent de Paul
- *Women at the Well (Thanksgiving Baskets)
- *Christmas Giving Tree

Liturgical Ministries

- *Altar Servers (people of ALL ages are welcome)
- *Eucharistic Ministers
- *Lectors (Readers at Mass)
- *Greeters (Welcome Ministry)
- *Ushers
- *RCIA Volunteers (Sponsors for the journey)

Service Organizations

- *Catholic Daughters of the Americas
- *Knights of Columbus

Please consult the parish website at www.stjbosco.org or call the parish office at 253-582-1028 for more information.

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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 _____

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