

ST. JOHN BOSCO - LAKEWOOD, WA
WELCOME TO ST. JOHN BOSCO CHURCH THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 18 - 22



Mon Dec. 18 8:30am Eucharistic Service
 Tues Dec. 19 8:30am Eucharistic Service
 Wed Dec. 20 8:30am Daniel Balderson †
 Thurs Dec. 21 8:30am Brigida Paulino †
 Fri Dec. 22 8:30am Greson Madrid SI



Christmas Flowers

We are now accepting donations towards Christmas flowers. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 253-582-1028. All that we ask is that these donations all have separate checks. Our beautiful flowers are provided by Cranes Creations. Two bouquets is \$100.00. One bouquet is \$50.00. Any amount you can contribute towards the Christmas flowers would be appreciated.



Holiday Hours

Office Closures
 December 22nd - 29th
 No Mass On
 December 27, 28 & 29

Weekly Collection Including Weekly Online Giving
December 9 & 10, 2017

Weekend Collection	\$13,014.72
Weekly Online Giving	\$ 1,647.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$14,661.72
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$13,856.50
Weekly goal Under/Over Budget	\$805.22
<u>Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving</u>	\$312,115.54
(July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018)	
Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal	\$332,556.00
(July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018)	
<u>Under/Over Budgeted Goal</u>	(\$20,440.46)

****Notice****

All contributions for the year 2017 must be postmarked or received in the parish office by Dec. 31, 2017.

CCS Week 2017

Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services provide care for our poorest and most vulnerable neighbors. Thank you to those of you who have already so generously made donations to CCS. Your gifts are used locally to provide essential services and programs for people desperately in need. Please visit their website at www.ccsww.org for more information or if you have not yet made a gift of support.

Notice



No Faith Formation or Youth Ministry on December 24th or December 31st.

Classes will resume on January 7th.

Youth Ministry

- Youth Group: Sundays, Junior High 11:00 am to 12:30 pm and Senior High 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Reminder: Christmas Tree baskets will be assembled from 11:30AM to 5PM on Dec. 17th. We will not be meeting at the regularly scheduled time.

- Volunteers Needed Dec. 18th between 10AM - 4PM to help families put their Christmas baskets in their car.
- Mount Vernon Distribution Service Day: January 6th from 7AM to 7:30PM.
- Confirmation/Orientation Meeting Jan. 31st and Feb. 8th at 7PM.

Join the Advocacy Newtork!

www.theWSCC.org

Serving as the common voice of the Catholic Bishops of Washington State, the Washington State Catholic Conference (WSCC) advocates for public policies that promote life & justice.

Special Mass Schedule

December 16: Blessing of the Creche after 5:00PM Mass

Please note the unique situation this year where the 9:30AM Mass on Dec. 24th is still the 4th Sunday of Advent! Christmas Eve will be celebrated at the 5:00PM Mass on December 24.

4th Sunday of Advent:

Dec. 23rd Saturday Vigil, 5:00PM (SJB)
 Dec. 24th Sunday morning, 9:30AM (SJB)

December 24: Christmas Eve Mass, 5:00PM (SJB)

December 25: Christmas Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception 7:30AM

December 25: Christmas Morning Mass at St. John Bosco 9:30AM



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.

****The office will be closed December 22nd - 29th****
****No Mass On December 27, 28, & 29****



St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel John the Baptist "I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord." As we prepare for Christmas, let us ask for the grace to hear the cries of the poor.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share your abundance by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessing of Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support.
Our next meeting is **December 26th at 7PM.**

Now Collecting

We are collecting new and gently used hats, coats, gloves, boots, socks, and blankets effective immediately through Feb. 28, 2018. Contact Sharleen Dorland at 971-240-9253 to the pick-up of these items.

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**

When's the Deadline?

December 17th at noon is the deadline for all Giving Tree Items.



Welcome To St. John Bosco

Thank you for choosing to celebrate Mass with us this holiday season!

Advent Prayer

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ever faithful to your promises and ever close to your church; the earth rejoices in hope of the Savior's coming and looks forward with longing to his return at the end of time. Prepare our hearts and remove the sadness that hinders us from feeling the joy and hope which his presence will bestow, for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen

Christmas Prayer

God of love, Father of all, the darkness that covered the earth has given way to the bright dawn of your Word made flesh. Make us a people of this light. Make us faithful to your Word that we may bring your life to the waiting world. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Happy Holidays!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KORNER

SJB Council #11762

Meetings are held the **1st** and **3rd** Thursday of each month at 7:00PM. For questions call...

Don Havens 253-576-8459

Knight of the month for Feb: **Dennis Wachter**
Family of the month for Feb: **Drew & Lisa Gonzalez**

Stewardship of Treasure 2017-2018

A sincere "Thank You" to the many parishioners who have returned a Stewardship of Treasure Commitment Card to the parish. Your generosity supports your church and its many ministries, your fellow parishioners and their ministries and your community. We are very grateful.



- *775 Registered Parishioners
- *263 Stewardship Commitment Cards Returned
- *Our Goal is 100% of cards returned
- *We are at 34% of cards returned

Pilgrimage To The Holy Land : April 23 - May 6, 2018

JMJ Pilgrimages

Spiritual Leader: Fr. Tom Suss

Cost: \$3,835.00

The Bible will come alive for you as we travel places where Jesus lived and preached: The Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, The Transfiguration, renew your wedding vows at Cana, Nazareth, the Annunciation, Jericho, Mt. of Temptation, The Dead Sea, Jerusalem, Bethany and so much more. For details call Evelyn Czapiewski @ 253-229-5554 or Fr. Tom 206-460-6229.

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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 _____

{ } New Parishioner { } New Address { } Moving, please remove from parish directory]