

POPE ST. JOHN XXIII PARISH FAMILY

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SCHEDULES

Pope St. John XXIII - Viet Mass:

Sunday | 7:45am & 4:00pm
Tuesday & Thursday | 7:00pm
First Friday | 7:00pm

Vietnamese Reconciliation

Sunday | 3:00pm

English Mass:

Saturday | 4:30pm
Sunday | 9:45am
Monday to Friday | 8:00am

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 3:30pm
Adoration - Thursdays:
9:00am-10:00am and 4:00-6:00pm

Visitation Church

3314 S 58th Street
Tacoma, WA 98409
Phone (253) 472-1360

Mass Schedule:

Thurs - 9:00 a.m Sat - 9:00 a.m.
Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
Rosary Mon – Fri: 8:20AM

St. John of the Woods Mission

9903 24th Ave. East Tacoma, WA 98445
Phone – (253) 537-8551
Fax-(253) 537-0459
Email: sjowmission@psj23.org

Mass Schedule:

Saturday | 6:00pm
Sunday | 8:00am & 11:30am
Wed. & Friday | 9:30am

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 5:00pm
Rosary: Sat 5:30pm & Sun 7:30am
Adoration: Mon 7pm & Wed 10am

PSJ XXIII STEM Academy

3306 S 58th St, Tacoma, WA 98409
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bostwickk@psjstem.org

St. Rita Church

1403 S Ainsworth Ave,
Tacoma, WA. 98405
Prayer: Saturday Prayer 10am

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PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear Parishioners of Pope Saint John XXIII Faith Community,

As we enter the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we are invited to reflect on how wisely we use the gifts given to us. In the first reading, we hear how the egotistic affluent cunningly use the cover of darkness to deceive and exploit the poor. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the dishonest manager. While He praises the manager for his prudence, Jesus does not endorse dishonesty or deceitful business practices. Rather, He uses this parable to illustrate that many who are motivated by selfishness and worldly goals exercise prudence with greater zeal than many of the "children of light."

When it comes to practicing the faith, it is rare to find someone who devotes significant time and energy to daily prayer, studying the Scriptures, learning the Catechism, or reflecting on the lives of the saints. For some, Sunday Mass feels like a burden. Charitable service can seem undesirable, and the proclamation of the Gospel is often neglected. Yet, we are called to re-examine our goals in life, committing ourselves fully to the love and service of God and neighbor with the gifts and abilities He has entrusted to us.

In speaking about the wise and generous use of our resources, I sincerely thank our faithful parishioners for helping us reach our goal at the main campus. At the same time, I earnestly urge our community at St. John of the Woods to give generously to the Annual Catholic Appeal, as we have not yet reached our goal at the mission station. This appeal allows us to support the many ministries of our archdiocese.

Faith Formation classes have now begun. Thank you to those who have registered your children. If you have not yet registered, please do so soon, as registration will close shortly. I am grateful to all our volunteers who assist in this important program. Classes for children take place every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Church School. The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) sessions are held every Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the PSJ23 Religious Center. Please ensure punctuality for all sessions.

Through the initiatives of our parishioners, many new families have joined our parish and registered across our locations. We warmly welcome them into our faith community. I encourage everyone to take part in the ministries of the parish and to actively engage in the faith and life we share.

Today, there will be a Mental Health Awareness Workshop for the youth at St. John of the Woods beginning at 9:30 a.m. I extend my gratitude to Sr. Phuong Anh Tran for leading this effort to guide our youth in avoiding depression and fostering healthy living. Many more programs are scheduled in our parish; please check the bulletin and website for details. Next week, we will have training sessions for lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. I ask all lectors and EMs to attend so that we may carry out our liturgical service with reverence and proper formation.

Last week, we conducted a parish survey to help us plan more effectively for the future. Thank you to everyone who participated. I am also grateful to the PFAC for working with the data to prepare a vision for our parish's growth.

I will be away for a short vacation beginning tomorrow and will return in October. Please keep me in your prayers, as I will also remember each of you in mine. Let us continue to work together to build up this parish and the Kingdom of God.

God bless you all.



Fr. Tuan Nguyen, D. Min
Pastor

PARISH FAMILY NEWS

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Stewardship of Treasure

Week September 1-7

Pope St. John XXIII

Sacrificial Offering: \$8,731
in 192 envelopes

Online Giving: \$2,032

Total: \$10,763

Visitation Church

Sacrificial Offering: \$ 2,974
in 32 envelopes

Online Giving: \$ 500.33

Total: 3,474.33

SJOW Mission

Sacrificial Offering: \$2,634.57
in 60 envelopes

Online Giving: \$596.57

Total: \$3,231.14

Viet Sunday breakfast: \$1,823

Rental: 763.91

Online Giving

The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, ENJOY; but, remember YOUR church. Set up your gift today or consider an additional gift via our Online Giving at QR Codes below:



PSJ Sacrificial Giving



VIS Sacrificial Giving



St. Rita Sacrificial Giving



SJOW Sacrificial Giving

Welcome to Our Parish

You can register at Pope St. John XXIII Parish. By registering, you will be added to our parish database and included in all communications coming from the Parish. If your child will be making the Sacrament of First Eucharist or Confirmation this year, please make sure to register them through the Parish. All the forms can be found on the parish website or you can scan this code:



Other Parish Forms

Pope Saint John XXIII

Mission Statement: We parishioners of Pope St. 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.

LITURGY/ FAITH FORMATION



Pope St. John XXIII Adult Catechism Classes
Every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 at the
Church School

Classes start 10 Sept. 2025 – Come Join Us!

We use the Bible, Sacred Traditions, and the
Catechism of the Catholic Church as our guide
for study, prayer, and spiritual mindfulness.
Come start becoming the Catholic you want to
be.

Contact: Dr. Monty at (253) 304-4473
montypm@msn.com | – Class is No-cost

Religious Education Program

Our Religious Education program is open to all
children from Pre-K (age 4) through 8th grade,
including preparation for First Communion
and Confirmation.

PSJXXIII: Classes begin Wednesday, September
10, 2025, from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM.

Registration forms at the church entrance or
online at: www.psj23.org/forms.

For questions, please contact Sr. Theresa at
(253) 592-2541.

OCIA – Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

We meet every Monday evening from 6:30 PM to
8:30 PM at the PSJXXIII Religious Center.

For more information, please call or text Sr.
Theresa at 253-592-2541.

Vietnamese Class: The 2025 OCIA

Class will begin on Sunday, October 5, 2025, and
will conclude on April 5, 2026.

Class time is from 2:00 to 3:45 PM every Sunday at
Milner Center.

The class is completely free of charge.

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

ACA Update: PSJXXIII and VIS:

- Pledged: \$79,324,
- Received to date: \$74,084.
- Goal: \$76,844.

Thank you to all who have already pledged
and contributed so generously. If you have
not yet fulfilled your pledge, please consider
completing it soon so that together we can
meet and even surpass our goal. Every
contribution, large or small, is deeply
appreciated.

Babies to be baptized in September:

1. (Joseph) Phong Chan Hua
2. (Maria) Aston Prix Doiron
3. (Maria) Aston Prix Doiron
4. Cyprus Conzalez-Cortes
5. Cyra Isabel Gonzalez-Curiel
6. Cyrus Santo Gonzalez-Cortes
7. Elías Angel Gonzalez-Cortes
8. Felix Islas Fernandez
9. Leon Allbritton
10. Lester Marvin Martinez
11. Silas Cielo Gonzalez-Cortes
12. Ulisses Elian Romero



Holiday Bazaar
October 24 & 25
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
PSJXXIII Parish Hall (accessible
by elevator and stairs)
If you are interested in reserving a
table or need more information,
please contact Gayle Jensen
at 253-318-2077 or 253-475-6428

PSJ - Pray for those in In Our Prayer List

Veronica Titilii, Krista Brown, Virginia Wooten, Marian
Bronson, Helene Cordeau, Muriel & Ron Bate, Cathy
Bunger, Olivia Davis, Kathleen Genge, Anita Griggs, Wayne
Haverkorn, Sally Ives, LeeAnn Koch, J. Mam, Nancy Jones,
Jackie Lane, Gloria Montes, Terry Mathern, Doris McGuire,
Wesley McMakin, Helen Murray, Peggy Neagle, Diane
Orris, Shirley Pietz, Bob & Rayanne Richardson, Rita
Shingledecker, Eldon Weber,

Anointing of the sick or need a priest?

Call Sr. Anna 253.592.2455

St. John of the Woods

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 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.

LITURGY/ FAITH FORMATION

Welcome New Parishioners

Gerardo, Beatriz, Geraldine, Adrian Campos
Anton Aloisio, Denise Barbre, Donald & Janis Schmidt, Emeritha, Isaac, Madalyia Torres-Sablan, Jeffrey and Kristine, Alonzo, Zia Marzan
Timothy, Luzviminda, Byron, Grant Monaghan
Luis, Guadalupe, Alejandro Lucero
Danny, Kazuko Housden, Peter, Lena Calhoun, Ernest & Karin Stephenson

Faith Formation Program

SJOW: Classes from 9:45 AM – 11:10 AM.



Religious Education Form

Registration forms at the church entrance or online at:
www.psj23.org/forms.
Questions, please contact Sr. Theresa at (253) 592-2541.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday & Friday 9:30am Mass. Call Parish Office at 253.537.8551 to schedule.

Prayers Needed

Lettie Devish, Carol Kalapus, Danny Sneed, Dave, Casey, Debbie DeWitt, Dixie Knoll, Donna Severson, Elizabeth Wells, Glenna Nyegaard, Irmgard Wilcox, Joan Ellis, Joan Halmrast, Jonathan Keen, Keith Browne, Ken Knobbe, Lynn Sneed, Marge Berntsen, Maryann Straling, Ron Knoll, Natalie Vieira, PJ Carpenter, Vanessa Rojas, Patricia Burns.

- Anointing of the sick or need a priest? Call Sr. Anna 253.592.2455
- **Schedule a prayer request at 253-537-8551**

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

The campaign for the 2025 Annual

Catholic Appeal is nearing its close, but our parish has not yet reached the goal. As of today, St. John of the Woods: \$29,986 of the \$33,934 goal.

Ministry of Catholic Cemeteries

Peace of Mind When You Need It Most!

* St. John of the Woods – 09/20/25 Sat. 6pm and 09/21/25 Sun. 8am & 11:30am

Bible Study

Class



Begins Tuesday, September 23rd from 1pm -3pm.

The Gospel According to Matthew.
Course is 24 weeks.

Contact Brenda Kelly : 253 777 8116 or Cheryl Penry for more information.

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SAINT JOHN OF THE WOODS
FALL HARVEST
FESTIVAL AND BAZAAR

There will be fun, food and vendors

OCT. 10TH + 11TH	10AM - 5PM	9903 24TH AVE E, TACOMA, WA 98445
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So don't miss out on all the fun, and be ready for some hooting and hollering

Ministry of the Poor

Monday through Friday,
from 9:30 am - 11:30 am



Food Bank Donation

September Donation Requests**Food Requests**

- Canned Chicken / Spam
- Canned Stew / Canned Soups w/meat
- Peanut Butter – 16oz / 18oz jars
- Canned Fruit / Fruit Pouches
- Canned Veg: Green Beans / Peas / Carrots
- Tomato Paste 6oz cans / Tomato Sauce
- Spaghetti Sauce Mix / Gravy Packets
- Pasta 12oz - 16oz box / Rice 32oz bags

Additional Requests

- Sweatshirts / Hoodies Sizes M – 3X
- Men's & Women's Socks / Underwear
- Sleeping Bags / Blankets
- Diapers sizes 1-66
- Gloves – Men's L/XL
- Men's Shoes size 10.5 & larger
- Monetary Donations

*** non-perishable / non expired food new / gently used & laundered items no oversized or bulk containers

Upcoming Events

- Picture Day - Wednesday, October 1... about three weeks away
- October 23 - October 24 - Parent-Teacher Conferences - Expectation

Play Rehearsal begins soon!

4th – 8th Grade Play
Rehearsal Begins Monday Sep. 15, 2025
3:30pm – 5:15pm
Rehearsal is weekly on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, until Oct 18, 2025
The play will be on Friday and Saturday, October 17 and 18.

Reminders

Mass is a Blessing to Share!
Please visit <https://www.psj23.org/> to learn more about our new parish.

VIS – We need new volunteers for:

1. Someone to the "Kids Corner" tidy and with supplies. This person would need to print and bring coloring sheets each week. Also, if they could keep the cry room tidy.
2. EMs. We need more Eucharistic Ministers. We also need someone willing to be the lead EM and write a monthly schedule.

Saint Rita Church

Upcoming Events - We would LOVE to have more of you join us on Saturday mornings. We are usually done with coffee hour about 11:15 a.m.

- Saturday, September 20, Rosary at 9:40 a.m. and Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Coffee hour follows in the hall
- Saturday, September 27, Rosary at 9:40 a.m. and Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Coffee hour follows in the hall.

Come to our fundraisers and have FUN while raising FUNDS for our beloved church. We are hoping to have one this fall in early November. We are waiting for Fr. Tuan and his parish team for a date. We are praying for a Mass and plan on serving a meal afterwards with a raffle. Raffle prizes are welcome for the event.

**Visitation and St. Rita – In Our Prayers**

Trisha Sloan, Cathy Adam, Bob Rooney, Jim SwanRay, Hasselman, Louise Peterson, Richard Baron, Elisabeth Douglas, Milo Ternes, Tony George, Rick Shurbet, Sabina & George Lockhart, Dick Vargo, Elaine Elliott, Lillian Albers, Odkod McMillin, Jennifer Brandt, Emma Millikan, Shirley Keyes, Mick Flynn, Philip Stumpf, John Meier, Joseph Rivera, Bob Woorley, Peter Pagano, Gene Hall, RosAnn Bridges, Petra Polequin, Brenda Gadson, Dean Lucchesi, Frank & Willie Faniel, Jerry Landridge, Jim & Karen Keithley, David Lamb, Tyler Anglin, Vanessa Elmer, Lucy Romo, Benjamin & Linda Holm, Charles, Robin Mazza, Charlie Faniel, Bobby Gatbunton Myrl Gregg, Sharon Turner and her Family. All those suffering in war and strife. *Please email srlinh@psj23.org to add or remove names from the lists.*



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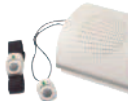
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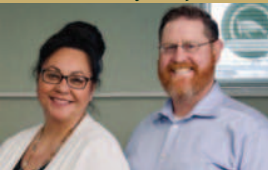
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Horace Gozon Friend, Jr., 91, of Tacoma, WA, passed away on October 1, 2022 from natural causes. He was predeceased by first spouse Aida, Christine & Catherine and is survived by spouse Teresita and children: Sandra, Geraldine, Horace III, Stella,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

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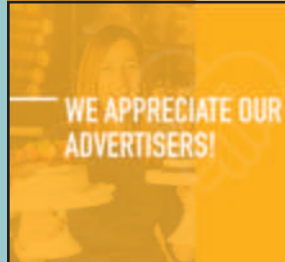
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