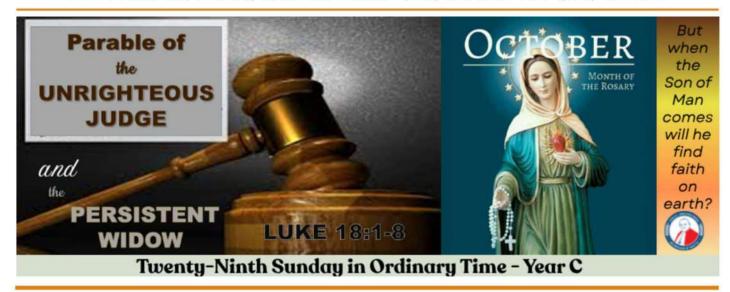
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#### **SCHEDULES**

#### 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 St. Tacoma, WA 98409 Phone (253) 472-1360

#### **Mass Schedule:**

Thursday - 9:00 AM Saturday: Reconciliation 8 -8:55 AM Mass 9:00 AM 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 Phone (253) 474-6424 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 St. John XXIII parish faith community,

Welcome to the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Jesus teaches the necessity to pray always without becoming weary (Luke 18:1). In our parable for today, we have the witness of a widow who came to a dishonest judge and continuously begged him for a just judgment. Though the judge did not care about the woman, he eventually rendered a just decision for her because she was so persistent. It's interesting that Jesus used the image of a "dishonest judge" to teach us about persistent prayers being answered. He does so because He wants us to understand that if even those who are dishonest respond to persistence, then so much more will the Just Judge of Heaven respond to persistence.

Does God eventually give into our requests as a parent might give into a child who keeps begging for something? Not exactly. One of the most important qualifiers mentioned in this parable is the word "just." We read that the woman's plea before the judge was, "render a just decision for me..." At the conclusion of the parable, Jesus gives this interpretation: "Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night?" When we pray, we ought not pray for whatever we want. We ought not pray for our preference, selfish desires, or our own ideas. We must pray only for the justice of God. When we do so with unwavering perseverance, God will secure our rights and bring forth His justice.

Last week, we joyfully celebrated the feast of our patron saint, Pope Saint John XXIII. It was a wonderful and grace-filled celebration! My heartfelt thanks to Deacon Theman, Sister Theresa, and all members of our liturgy teams from every campus for their dedication and loving service. Your efforts in preparing and leading the liturgy helped us honor our patron saint with reverence and joy. May Pope Saint John XXIII continue to intercede for our parish, guiding us to live in unity, peace, and the love of Christ.

We are in the month of October which is specially dedicated to prayer. I invite everyone to pray for peace and for the vocation to priesthood and religious life. Pray also for the young generation to commit to married family life which is foundation of all vocation. We have a lot to pray for, thank the prayer group of our parish, as anyone can reach out to them if you have a special intention. Thanks also to our Seven Sisters ministry members specially praying for all our priests. We have adoration on Mondays at St. John of the Woods (SJOW) from 7-8pm, on Wednesday after the morning mass from 10-11am. We also have whole day adoration on every Thursday after the morning mass at the main campus, please come and be in the presence of the Eucharistic Lord and pray.

We had wonderful Fall Harvest Bazaar at SJOW last Friday and Saturday, we thank all the volunteers who sacrificed their time and energy to organize and set it up. We thank and pray for them, appreciating their love and commitment to the parish. Special thanks to everyone who contributed towards the ACA from SJOW this year, we are about \$3000 away from reaching our goal. I'm sure we will reach our goal by your generous contributions.

Looking ahead, we invite everyone to join and support the Fall Bazaar at Pope St. John XXIII on October 24 & 25; and Halloween Party at St. John of the Woods on Sunday October 26. Your participation and assistance are vital to our parish life—please consider lending a helping hand. I pray especially for all who give so generously of their time, talent, and treasure for the good of our faith community.

Next weekend, a speaker will share with us about the Stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure. This is an important moment for each of our parish locations, as we reflect on how our parish ministries and mission depend on your faithful support. I encourage everyone to prayerfully discern how God is calling you to contribute to the life of our parish.

As we continue through this week, know that you remain in my daily prayers—for your health, your families, and your spiritual well-being. May we all continue to pray for one another, that our community may grow in faith, hope, and love.

Fr. Tuan Nguyen, Pastor

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#### PARISH FAMILY NEWS

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#### Stewardship of Treasure - Week Sept. 29-Oct.5



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Giving	PSJXXIII	Visitation	sjow
Sunday Sacrificial Giving	\$6,672	\$3,065	\$5,051.10
Online Sacrificial Giving	\$2,322	\$516.32	\$586.98
Total Sacrificial Giving	\$8,994	\$3,581.32	\$5,638.08
Sunday Breakfast	\$1,521		\$372
Envelopes	191	24	64

#### **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:



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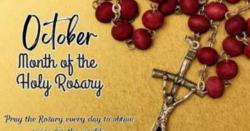


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SJOW Sacrificial Giving







<u>Volunteer Sign Up</u>

## 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

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#### Sunday

8:45am Viet breakfast
9:45 Mass - Commissioning for Ministers
after English Mass: Coffee and Donut
10:30-12:30 Viet language class
12:35-1:40 Viet Religious Education class
1:45-3:30 Viet Eucharistic Youth group

2:00 PM - 3:45 PM OCIA Viet

#### Monday

6:30 - 8:30 PM OCIA – English Class **Wednesday** 6:30- 7:30 PM Religious Education **Friday** 9:30 AM-4:00 PM PSJ - Holiday Bazaar **Saturday** -10-12noon: Vovinam activity

#### New Families Register to PS JXXIII



Colleen Herzog, Paul Piguet, Sue Farley,



**Registration Form** 

#### Announcements

Please keep the parish giving envelopes away from children. For the little ones, we provide special Pew Art Envelopes so they have something of their own to use during Mass. Thank you.

**Do you know this name:** Bruce Burglin? We are trying to contact him regarding transferring his online giving from WeShare to Pushpay. Please contact Sr. Linh.253-905-7269 srlinh@psj23.org Thank you

#### PSJ - Pray for those in In Our Prayer List

Norma Vettori, Don Brock, Veronica Titialii, Krista Brown, Virginia Wooten, Marian Bronson, Helene Cordeau, Muriel & Ron Bate, Cathy Bunger, Olivia Davis, Kathleen Genge, 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, Eldon Weber,

Anointing of the sick or need a priest? Call Sr. Anna 253.592.2455

#### **EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**



October 24&25 9:30 AM-4:00 PM

Come see what the Elves have made for you

Wheelchair accessibility from elevator at East entrance

#### Congratulations to those who attended Lector Training on Sept. 26th.

Lectors at PSJXXIII Theresa Naufahu Louis Matei Richard McMakin Joleane Reece L.B. Gilmer Monty Montes Judy Vaiese Simeamativa Togise Galang (Vy) Bui Alex Nguyen Debbie Shrader Thomas Thien Tran Senia Papaia Christian Papaia Felicidad Mousel Vida Yingling-Thomas

Lectors at SJOW
Brenda Kelly
Cheryl Penry
Juan Palomo
Lou Palomo
Cindy Almogela
Nancy Higdon
Anthony Femaro
Bernie Mesa

Lectors at Visitation Chris Lechowicz Teresa Woolery Angela Hitchins Abigail Roque



## 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

#### Sunday

- Commissioning for Ministers
- 9:45 11:10 AM Faith Formation (SJOW) **Tuesday** 1-3:00 PM Bible Class (SJOW) **Wednesday**
- 6-8:00 PM Bible Class (SJOW)
  Friday 9:30 AM-4:00 PM PSJ Holiday Bazaar
  Saturday
  - 9:30 AM-4:00 PM PSJ Holiday Bazaar

No Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 26th. The hall will be reserved for Halloween decorations. Thank you for your understanding!

#### **Mass Intentions**

As part of the job reorganization, going forward, Carmen will be receiving all requests for Mass intentions from all campuses. Please contact:

- Parish Secretary: Carmen Lozano (253) 472-1360, ext. 100 | carmen@psj23.org
- ♠ Confirmation Students to Visit King Manor Senior Living Community ♠

Sunday, December 14, our 25 Confirmation candidates from St. John of the Woods, along with a parent volunteer, will visit King Manor Senior Living Community from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

During the visit, our students will spend time socializing with the residents, enjoy some fun baking and craft activities, and spread Christmas cheer through carols and fellowship.

#### **Prayers Needed**

Lettie Devish, Carol Kalapus, Danny Sneed, Dave Casey, Debbie DeWitt, Dixie Knoll, Elizabeth Wells, Glenna Nyegaard, Irmgard Wilcox, Joan Ellis, Joan Halmrast, Jonathan Keen, Ken Knobbe, Lynn Sneed, Marge Berntsen, Maryanne 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**



Bible Study Class

Begins Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1pm -3pm.

The Gospel According to Matthew.

Course is 24 weeks.

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

#### 🖈 Annual Catholic Appeal Update 🧩

For St. John of the Woods, our goal is \$33,934, and thanks to your generosity we have already pledged \$30,361. That means we are less than \$3,000 away from completing our Annual Catholic Appeal!

Thank you to all who have already contributed. If you haven't yet made your pledge, please prayerfully consider joining us today—your participation will help us cross the finish line!

#### VISITATION & ST. RITA NEWS

#### Ministry of the Poor

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

#### October Donation Requests

#### <u>Food Requests</u>

- · Canned Chicken / Spam
- Canned Stew / Canned Soups w/meat
- Peanut Butter 16oz /18oz jars
- Canned Fruit / Fruit Pouches
- Tomato Paste 6oz cans / Tomato Sauce
- Cup of Noodles
- Pasta 12oz 16oz box / Rice 32oz bags
- Hot Cocoa Mix



#### Monetary Donations Additional Requests

- Sweatshirts / Hoodies Sizes M – 3X
- Men's & Women's Socks/Underwear/ long sleeve shirts
- Sleeping Bags / Blankets
- · Hand/Foot warmers
- Gloves Men's L/XL
- Men's Shoes size 10.5 & larger
- \*\*\* non-perishable / non expired food new / gently used & laundered items no oversized or bulk containers

#### Welcome New Parishioners to Visitation

Aliitasi Bob, Jacqueline, Thomsen, Eddie Bob jr. Dakota Bob, Rosemary Bob,

#### **Announcement:**

- We have a parishioner who is selling one space in the columbarium at Getsemany Cemetary. If you are interested in purchasing this spot, please contact the Parish Office.
- 9:00 AM Mass- Anointing of the Sick



#### Pierce Deanery Catholic Women's Group



#### Saint Rita Church

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

Saturday, October 18, Rosary at 9:40 a.m. and Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Coffee hour follows in the hall

Saturday, October 25, Rosary at 9:40 a.m. and Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Coffee hour follows in the hall.

Saturday, November 1, All Saints Day Rosary recited at 9:40 a.m. and Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Coffee hour follows in the hall.

#### POPE ST. JOHN XXIII STEM ACADEMY

#### Information

- 3rd Grade Field Trip Oct. 21
- NO SCHOOL for K-8 on Thursday, Oct. 23 & Friday, Oct. 24 for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Basketball Registration due Oct. 24
- Holiday Bazaar at PSJ Parish Oct. 24 & 25
- Picture Re-take Day Oct. 29
- NOON DISMISSAL for K-8, Friday, Oct. 31 for Teacher Collaboration

Pictures:-soccer game for k/1st grade team



#### Visitation and St. Rita - In Our Prayers

Paul Silone, Jeanette Gatbunton, 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 Greggs, 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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