

POPE ST. JOHN XXIII

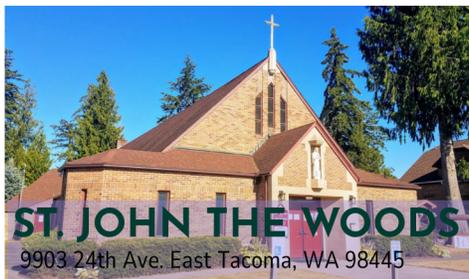
PARISH FAMILY

7025 S Park Ave., Tacoma, WA. 98408 -Phone - (253) 472-1360 -Fax - (253) 475-6335

MARCH 8, 2026 | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

JESUS AND THE SAMARITAN WOMAN AT THE WELL

“Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.” John 4:5-42



PASTORAL LETTER

Dear Parishioners of Pope St. John XXIII parish family,

Welcome you to the Third Week of the Lenten Journey; the word of God calls us to reflect on the mercies of God. In Exodus, the people are in the desert. They have no water and feel afraid. But God tells Moses to strike the rock, and water flows out. God provides, even when they doubt Him. This shows how God stays close, even when we struggle to believe. Today's gospel recounts for us the story of a conversion. The Samaritan woman has all the water she needs to quench her thirst. Yet, she thirsts for something more in her life. She's searching for that intangible more that will satisfy her dryness and give meaning to her life. She is like us in so many ways; for aren't many of us searching for the who or the what that will help give real meaning to our lives?



This weekend at our main campus, we celebrate the Scrutinies for our Elect and Candidates as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation and enter fully into the Catholic faith. We thank our core team members who faithfully guide them in our Faith Formation program. Please continue to pray for them, that the Holy Spirit may lead and strengthen them during this sacred time of preparation.

We are also in an important season of preparation for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. I am grateful to the parents who have taken the time to meet with us and help organize all the necessary steps. Their dedication shows a beautiful commitment to the spiritual growth of their children.

I am very pleased to see the students in our Faith Formation program and school supporting one another. My sincere thanks to our teachers and catechists for their time, generosity, and dedication to our parish and school community. I would also like to thank our parish leadership teams for their participation in last week's meetings. Their wisdom and insight help us evaluate our progress and plan carefully for both short-term and long-term goals. We are blessed with strong and dedicated volunteers in Outreach and Homebound Ministry, Liturgy, Faith Formation, Facilities, School Commission, Stewardship, and Communications. We depend greatly on their service and welcome anyone who feels called to join these ministries.

During this Lenten season, I warmly invite you to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions are available before Daily Mass and before our Saturday Masses. We are also celebrating this sacrament with our Faith Formation and school students. Additionally, you are invited to join our Lenten reflections every Thursday after Mass during Adoration. Thank you to Deacon Theman for leading these reflections.

This Wednesday at St. John of the Woods, we will have a Lenten recollection following the 9:30 a.m. Mass, with Adoration and Confessions to follow. Everyone is welcome. We will also have a Lenten reflection at the main campus on March 20 after the daily Mass. A special three-day retreat for the Vietnamese community will take place from the 11th to the 13th of this month. Thank you, all speakers, for these reflections: Father Hendry, Father Maximiliano, Father Thao Nguyen, S.J, and Professor Ngoc Khong. Please see the bulletin and website for complete details.

Thank you for your continued prayers for our sick parishioners and for your presence at funeral services as we support families who are grieving. We are also preparing to send postcards to our parish neighbors, inviting them to join us for Holy Week and Easter celebrations. May this Lenten season draw us closer to Christ. Wishing you a blessed week.

Sincerely, Yours in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Fr. Tuan Nguyen, D. Min.

Fr. Tuan Nguyen, D. Min, Pastor

MASS AND LITURGY SCHEDULE



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him” (Revelation 3:20).

Our parish family has a long and beautiful tradition of Adoration, and we warmly invite all parishioners to join:

Pope St. John XXIII (PSJXXIII):

Adoration every Thursday from after the 8:00 AM English Mass until 6:00 PM, before the evening Vietnamese Mass.

St. John of the Woods (SJOW):

- Mondays: 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- Wednesdays: 10:00 – 11:00 AM

PSJXXIII

Viet Mass:

Sunday | 7:45 AM & 4:00 PM
 Tuesday & Thursday | 7:00 PM
 First Friday | 7:00 PM

Vietnamese Reconciliation

Sunday | 3:00 PM

English Mass:

Saturday | 4:30 PM
 Sunday | 9:45 AM
 Monday to Friday | 8:00 AM

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 3:30 PM

Adoration - Thursdays:

9:00-10:00 AM and 4:00-6:00 PM

ST. RITA

Rosary: Saturday 9:40 AM

Prayer: 10:00 AM

Anointing of the Sick: 2nd Saturday

SJOW

Mass Schedule:

Saturday | 6:00 PM
 Sunday | 8:00 AM & 11:30 AM
 Wed. & Friday | 9:30 AM

Reconciliation:

Saturday | 5:00 PM

Rosary:

Sat 5:30 PM & Sun 7:30 AM and Sun 11:00 AM

Adoration:

Mon 7:00 PM & Wed 10 AM

Anointing of the Sick:

The 5th Saturday and Sunday

VISITATION

Mass Schedule:

Thursday - 9:00 AM
 Saturday - Mass 9:00 AM
 Sunday - 9:30 AM

Reconciliation: Saturday 8 -8:55 AM

Rosary Mon – Fri: 8:20AM

Anointing of the Sick:

The 2nd Saturday and Sunday

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

PSJXXIII: Leigh Ann Gilmer, Mary Margaret Brasher, Carmela St. Pierre, Johnny Goon, Norma Vettori, Don Brock, Veronica Titiali, Krista Brown, Virginia Wooten, Marian Bronson, Helene Cordeau, Muriel & Ron Bate, 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, Shirley Pietz, Bob & Rayanne Richardson, Eldon Weber,

VIS and St. Rita - Joyce Taylor, Paul Silone, Jeanette Gatbunton, 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.

SJOW: Christian Blum, Lornell Soderlind, Cirila Elfleda Bardelas, Luis A. Arce Jr. Lettie Devish, 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.

PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REST OF THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED ON

Johnny Goon, Ed William (PSJ),
 David Casey, Benny Hurst (SJOW)
 Joan Trutman (Vis)
 Mary Reyes Cruz (Vis)

PARISH FAMILY CLERGY

FR. TUAN NGUYEN

Pastor

(253) 472-1360 | frtuan@psj23.org

FR. HENDRY AROCKIASAMY

Parochial Vicar

253-444-8614 | frhendry@psj23.org

DEACON THEMAN PHAM

(253) 224-0237 | DPham@psj23.org

DEACON MIKE TESKEY

(253) 219-6475 | dcnmike@psj23.org

OUR STAFF

Parish Secretary: Carmen Lozano

- (253) 472-1360, ext. 101 |

carmen@psj23.org

Pastoral Assistant for

Administration: Jeannine Wargo -

253-229-2077 | jwargo@psj23.org

Director of Pastoral Ministry:

Sr. Theresa Nguyen - (253) 592-

2541 | sotheresa2022@psj23.org

Facility Operator: Michael Truong

Do - (253)-590-6824 |

mike.do@psj23.org

Director of Operations:

Thien Dinh (253)-279-3361 |

thiendinh@psj23.org

Pastoral Associate for

Operations:

Sr. Linh Nguyen (253)-905-7269 |

srlinh@psj23.org

Outreach/ Homebound Ministry:

Sr. Anna Nguyen - (253) 592-2455

| sranna@psj23.org

Pre-K and Viet community

Sr. Trinh Nguyen - (253) 592-3025

| srtrinh@psj23.org

DONATE ONLINE

Donating online is easy! Use your phone camera to scan your Church QR code below.



PSJXXIII



VIS



SJOW

WE'RE HIRING!

PSJXXIII is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant. Job duties include data entry, answering phones, light bookkeeping, clerical duties, a willingness to learn and being part of a team. Qualified candidates will have experience with Microsoft Office and have a good customer service attitude. Hours are 18 per week. If interested, please send your application and resume to jwargo@psj.23org. The application can be found at: <https://archseattle.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/HR1.2-EmploymentApp2019Parish.pdf>

BUNNY BINGO NIGHT!

Join us on Saturday, March 21st, after the 4:30 PM Mass for Bunny Bingo in the Parish Hall.

Come for an evening of fun, fellowship, and prizes! Everyone is welcome!



MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS

April 11 and April 18 at PSJ XXIII

Couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage are encouraged to attend.

For more information or to register, please contact Mrs. Tien Vo or Sr. Theresa.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16-22/2026

PSJXXIII

Sunday Donations: \$5,187

Online Donations: \$1,665

Ash Wednesday: \$3,603

Weekly Total \$10,455

Viet Breakfast: \$ 1,229

Visitation

Sunday Donations: \$2,487

Online Donations: \$1,328

Ash Wednesday: \$1,187

Weekly Total \$5,002

SJOW

Sunday Donations: \$4,002

Online Donations: \$582

Ash Wednesday: \$ 801

Weekly Total \$5,385

Thank you for your generous support of our Parish Community!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 2026

POPE ST. JOHN XXIII

- **Fridays:**
 - 3:00 PM English |
 - 5:00 PM Samoan
- **Sundays:**
 - 3:30 PM Vietnamese
- **Palm Sunday:**
 - 3:00 PM **Vietnamese**
- **Good Friday:**
 - 11:00 AM Samoan
 - 3:00 PM English

ST. JOHN OF THE WOODS

- **Fridays:**
 - After 9:30 AM Mass |
 - 7:00 PM
- **Good Friday:** 3:00 PM

VISITATION

- Fridays: 5:30 PM
- Good Friday: 5:00 PM

ST. RITA

- **Good Friday:** 12:00 noon

Join us in walking with Christ through His Passion.

LENTEN EVENTS

VISITATION

Visitation will be doing the Lenten small groups also each Sunday after the 9:30 am Mass in the upper hall.

After the Friday Stations of the Cross, around 6pm, all are welcome to gather in the Lower Hall for a Soup Supper. Please see sign-ups this week in the church if you would like to bring something to share for these Lenten meals.

REFLECTIONS

PSJ MAIN CAMPUS:

Lead by Deacon Theman: Five Bible study sessions throughout Lent, immediately after Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 PM every Thursday.

Lead by Fr. Thao in Vietnamese:

- March 11th, 12th and 13th Lenten retreat

Lead by Fr. Maximiliano:

- Friday, March 20th, Lenten reflection at PSJXXIII - After 8:00 AM Mass

SAINT JOHN OF THE WOODS

Lead by Fr. Hendry

- Wednesday, March 11th, Lenten Reflection - After 9:30 AM Mass

SOCIAL JUSTICE TALK BY MIKE CURRY - DEACON ASPIRANT & VICE PRESIDENT, CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES OF WESTERN WA.

March 15th at PSJXXIII, he will give a talk before the 9:45 AM Mass, followed by a seminar after Mass in the parish hall.

Coffee and donuts will be provided. All are welcome!

SENIORS MASS

A special Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in preparation for Easter on Wednesday, March 25th at 10:30 AM at PSJXXIII. A reception will follow the Mass.

There will be entertainment presented by our Pre-K class, as well as raffle tickets available with many wonderful prizes.

All are warmly welcome to join us for this joyful celebration.



LENT RECONCILIATION 2026

DATES	PSJXXIII	SJOW	Visitation
Saturdays:	3:30 - 4:40 PM	5:00 - 6:00 PM	8:00 -9:00 AM
Sundays:	3:00 - 4:00 PM	-----	-----
Mon thru Fri	7:30 -7:55 AM	-----	-----
Wed & Fri	-----	9:00 - 9:25 AM	-----
March 11 th , 12 th & 13 th	6:00 PM	-----	-----
March 18 th	6:30 PM(1 st Reconciliation)	-----	-----
March 20 th	-----	6:00 PM (1 st Reconciliation)	-----



BAPTISM CLASS

Baptism Class for parents and godparents at PSJXXIII every second Saturday (by Deacon Theman) from 1pm to 2:30pm at PSJXXIII Parish Center.

Contact Sr. Theresa 253-592-2541.

OCIA/OCIC PROGRAM

- March 8th and 15th Scrutinizes the 1st and 2nd at 9:45AM
- Sunday, March 22nd Scrutiny the 3rd at 11:30AM Mass at SJOW
- Saturday, March 28th: Confession, Retreat 9-12PM at SJOW

CONFIRMATION AND OCIA/OCIC RETREAT

- March 14th confirmation retreat day from 9AM to 7PM at PSJXXIII



BREAKFAST/COFFEE AND DONUTS

PSJXXIII: After 9:45 AM Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall

Viet - Sunday Foods

To purchase food, please come directly to the Parish Center or contact a team member:

- Mrs. Hùng: 253-394-8166
- Mrs. Uyên: 253-224-7726
- Mrs. Michelle: 253-327-9132



- **SJOW:** Seniors Lunch March 4 and 18
- **NO** coffee/donuts on March 15

Thank you for supporting this beautiful ministry.

STEM ACADEMY

You're Invited — "Let's Get Wild" Gala Auction

Saturday, March 28, 2026

Doors Open at 5:00 PM

McGavick Conference Center

4500 Steilacoom Blvd SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

Purchase tickets and learn more:

psjstem.org/auction

WELCOME TO PARISH FAMILY

Monalisa Leoso, Christopher Vivier

Robby and Therese Aquino

Rob-Antony Aquino, Roielle Aquino

Giovanna Baza, Loivaya Lawton

Leo Akujor,

Jack Aguon and Geneca Tomokane,

Damian Aguon

SJOW EASTER EGG HUNT - CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!

Please help us fill the Easter baskets for the SJOW Easter Egg Hunt. We are collecting individually wrapped Easter candy. A donation box will be placed in the vestibule for your convenience. Thank you for your generosity and support!

PARISH LEADERSHIP:

Pastoral Council:

Louie Tran - (253) 230-4265

Finance Council:

Bob Richardson - 253-381-5121

Ministries of the Poor Food Bank

(Vis):(253) 474-0835;

MinistryOTP@psj23.org

Faith Formation and Adult Catechist:

Dr. Monty Montes (253) 304-

4473; montypm@msn.com

Knights of Columbus:

Anthony Quintanilla -

aquintanilla06@gmail.com-

(206) 947-8299

OCIA Director: LB Gilmer - (253)

472-1360 | lbgilmer@psj23.org

Lazarus Committee:

Theresa Naufahu,

theresa.snaufahu@gmail.com|

(253) 290-6249/

Darlene Cartwright,

(253) 848-1633

|Cartwright5915@comcast.net





Minihan Roofing

At Minihan Roofing, We Won't Sell You Something You Don't Need!

(844) 847-6464 • minihan@minihanroofing.com

6211 224th St, E Spanaway, WA 98387 | Mon-Fri 9a-5p | Sat-Sun 9a-5p



ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide



SafeStreets

833-287-3502

IF YOU LIVE ALONE

MDMedAlert!™ As Low As **\$19⁹⁵** /mo.

- ✓ Ambulance/Police
- ✓ Family/Friends
- ✓ GPS & Fall Alert

CALL NOW! 800.808.9294

md-medalert.com



Car Accident?
*We're not just a firm,
we're a family.*



Veteran Owned & Operated
Adam & Lillian Daheim

253-212-2654
5900 100th St. SW Ste. 13
Lakewood
daheiminjurylaw.com

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here
and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME
Scott Sheppard

ssheppard@4LPi.com

(800) 950-9952 x1804

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.

He found pleasure in his support of "Project Smile." He always wanted to help those children in particular. 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.

He found pleasure in his support of "Project Smile."
He always wanted to help those children in particular.

NEVER MISS OUR BULLETIN!

SUBSCRIBE

Have our bulletin emailed
to you every week.



VISIT WWW.PARISHESONLINE.COM



For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com

Pope St John XXIII Parish/St. Rita of Cascia, Tacoma, WA

B 4C 05-1531



Gaffney
FUNERAL HOME

gaffneyfuneralhome.com

1002 S. Yakima Ave. | Tacoma, WA 98405 253-572-6003

GRYPHON
REAL ESTATE



Mo Sandoval, Broker
Military Veteran
Parishioner
at St. John of the Woods

Cell: 253.533.3742
Mo@gryphonre.com
2602 S. 38th St., Ste A #254
Tacoma, WA 98409



KINGS MANOR
senior living community

Where Faith & Quality Senior Care Matter
253-538-7222
www.kingsmanorslc.com



FREE ESTIMATES
David Calmo
owner & parishioner
360.633.0500



The South Sound's Recognition Leader!
"Helping you do recognition right!"
4021 100th St SW #B • Lakewood WA
(253) 302-5566

catholicmatch®
Washington



CatholicMatch.com/WA



Faith-Affirming Mediators
Call: (253) 850-2585
www.olivebranch.solutions

ENGEL & VÖLKERS®
REIN FRANKE

Real Estate Advisor

Cell: 425.647.8823

rein.franke@engelvoelkers.com

Veteran & Firefighter



Helping You Find Your Blessed Home –
Serving Our Community with Integrity & Faith

WE APPRECIATE OUR
ADVERTISERS!



Inquire about International
Foster Care
<https://ccsww.org/services/international-foster-care/>
253-502-2745



253-359-7294

laceykellyhomes@gmail.com
Lacey Kelly Homes Provides

Real Estate Services:

Buying • Selling
Refinancing • Home Equity
Life Insurance

Protect your Income and
Savings due to:

Accidents and Injuries • Cancer
Heart Attack / Stroke
Return of Premium Benefit
Protects the Whole Family

Your One Stop Shop



STACKED
Gemetry Plot
For Sale
BY OWNER

Galvany Gemetry - Tacoma
Discounted price to sell!
253-341-2529

ACME
ROOFING

Pursuing
the Highest
Quality

Steve Keller 253-564-2292



CHURCH SUPPLIES & FURNISHINGS
CANDLES ✦ BOOKS ✦ BIBLES
RELIGIOUS GIFTS & DECOR
STATUARY ✦ JEWELRY ✦ ROSARIES
SACRAMENTAL & SEASONAL ITEMS
& SO MUCH MORE!

5201 4th Avenue South
Seattle, WA 98108
(206) 622-3100

Visit us Online!

kaufers.shop



Buying or
Selling
Your home?



MATTHEW REDDEN
REAL ESTATE AGENT
253-365-2138



Family Garden AFH LLC
SENIOR CARE

Andrea Salas, Owner,
REGISTERED GERIATRIC NURSE (RN)

253.314.7574

Contact us if 24/7
care is needed.

7+ years experience.

Hiring Event!
Inside Sales Executives

Scan for
more info!

Thursday, October 16th
9 AM - 4:30 PM
Belltown Centre
4200 6th Ave SE Suite 304.
Lacey, WA

Launch Your Sales
Career With LPI!



**Honoring Lives with
Trust and Compassion**

Where the South Sound comes to remember

Call today to learn how we
can help make a tribute
that lasts forever.

MOUNTAIN VIEW
FUNERAL HOME • MEMORIAL PARK • CREMATORY
Since 1915

253-590-4612

SCAN TO
LEARN MORE



For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com

Pope St John XXIII Parish/St. Rita of Cascia, Tacoma, WA

A 4C 05-1531