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FIVE MOUNTAINS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Brought to you by the
Parish Family Advisory committee
for Parish Family 44

*"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who
brings good news, who publishes peace..."*

Isaiah 52.7

Pastor: Fr. Jose Ma. Alvarez

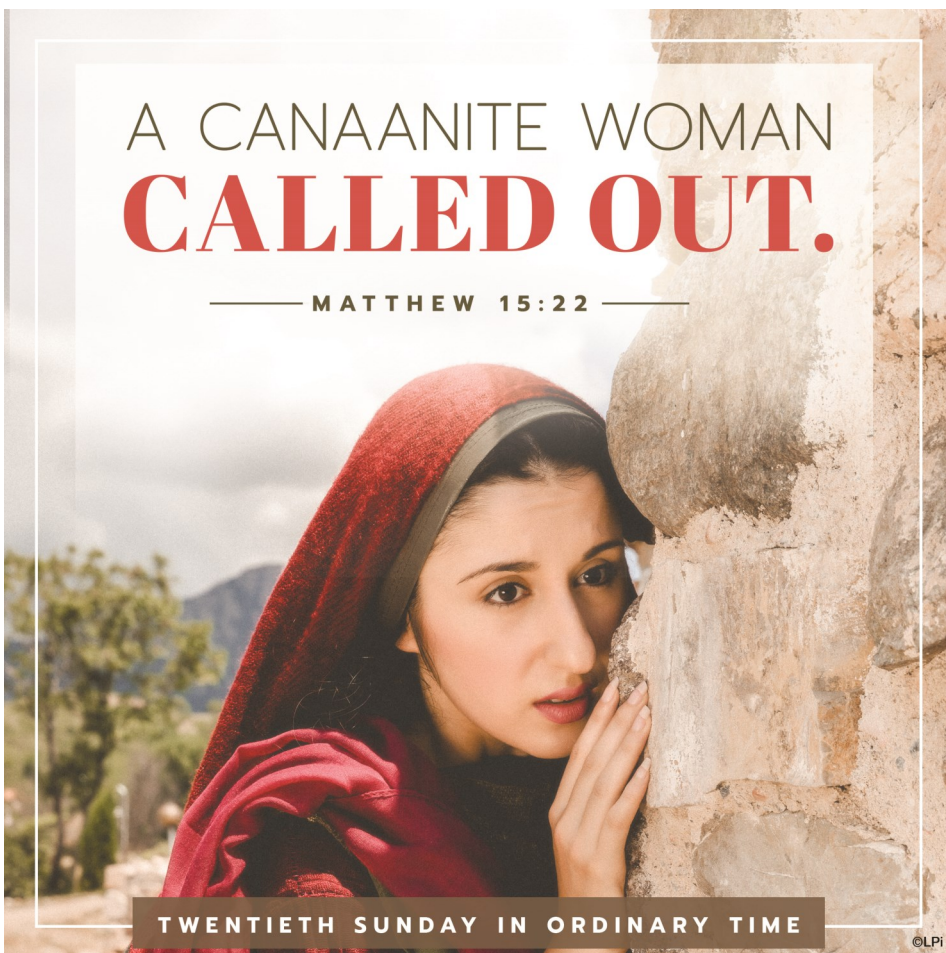
Parochial Vicars: Fr. Vu Tran, Fr. Nicholas Kayongo

Deacons: Adolfo Carbajal, Steve Reeves, Jack Roscoe

August 16, 2026

A CANAANITE WOMAN CALLED OUT.

— MATTHEW 15:22 —



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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■ **SJE St. John the Evangelist** ● **SH Sacred Heart** ◆ **SJW St. Joseph the Worker**

▲ **SP St. Philip** ◆ **SMG St. Mary of Guadalupe**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

● **SH Sacred Heart**

Wed. (8/19) 9:00 am: Ernetso Funtilon+
 Friday (8/21) 9:00 am: Jerry Collins+
 Sat. (8/22) 5:00 pm: Jim & Lola Walsh+
 Sunday (8/23) 8:30 am: Pro Populo
 10:30 am: Parable Cordes

◆ **SJW St. Joseph the Worker**

Sunday (8/23) 12:30 pm: Rodney Alan Riley+

▲ **SP St. Philip**

Wed. (8/19) No Wednesday Mass the month of August
 Friday (8/21) 9:00 am: Pro Populo
 Sunday (8/23) 8:30 am: Anthony Moreno
 1:00 pm (Spanish): Pro Populo
 1st Sat (9/5) 9:00 am: For the souls of Purgatory

◆ **SM St. Mary of Guadalupe**

Wed. (8/19) No Mass on Wednesday month of August
 Thurs. (8/20) 9:00 am: Yeilian Aurelio Salas Pineda
 Sunday (8/23) 10:30 am: Pro Populo

■ **SJE St. John the Evangelist**

Wed. (8/19) 9:00 am: (Eng) Pro Populo
 7:00 pm: (Spanish) (RIP) Enrique Lopez
 Thurs. (8/20) 9:00 am: (Eng) Pro Populo
 Fri. (8/21) 9:00 am: (Eng) (RIP) Arturo Lomeli
 Sat. (8/22) 5:00 pm: (Eng) (SPI) Fran Hale; Nancy Cann
 Sunday (8/23) 9:00 am: (Eng) (RIP) Rick Pasco
 11:00 am: (Spanish) (SPI) Jose Heredia & Family (RIP) Eduardo & Froylan Zamora Rocha; Hilario Chavez Lejes; Chavez Jimenez Family
 5:00 pm: (Spanish) (SPI) Luis, Bianca, Camila; Ky Blas; Brenda & Jaime Blas (RIP) Adriana, Herminia, Jose, Arango Servin

◆ ▲ **St. Philip & St. Mary**

Weekday Mass Schedule for the Month of August

Th Aug. 20, 9AM St. Mary—Fr. Jerry
 Fri Aug. 21, 9AM St. Philip—Fr. Jerry
 Th Aug. 27, 9AM St. Mary—Fr. Jerry
 Fri Aug. 28, 9AM St. Philip—Fr. Jerry

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS

● **SH Sacred Heart**

Wednesday (8/19) 8:30 am: Rosary
 9:30 am-11:00 am: Adoration
 1st Friday (9/4) 9:30 am: Anointing of the Sick

◆ **SJW St. Joseph the Worker**

Thursday (8/20) 11:00 am: Rosary

▲ **SP St. Philip**

Wednesday (8/19) 10:30 am: Rosary for Char Patnode
 Thursday (8/20) 6:00 pm: (Spanish) Divine Mercy,
 1st Friday (9/4) 8:45 am: Liturgy of the Hours
 9:30 am-11:00 am, Anointing of the Sick,
 followed by Adoration
 5:00 pm-6:00 pm (Spanish) Divine Mercy

◆ **SM St. Mary of Guadalupe**

Sunday (8/19) 6:00 pm: Charismatic Prayer Group

■ **SJE St. John the Evangelist**

Monday (8/17) 9:00 am: Morning Prayer & Communion
 Service (English)
 Tuesday (8/18) 9:00 am: Morning Prayer & Communion
 Service (English)
 Wed. (8/19) 5:00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed
 Sacrament
 6:00 pm: Chaplet of Divine Mercy in the
 Library
 Thursday (8/20) 7:00 pm: Works of Mercy - (Spanish) Divine
 Mercy Group, Room K

CONFESSIONS

● **SH Sacred Heart**

Saturday (8/22) 3:30 pm-4:40 pm

▲ **SP St. Philip**

Wednesday (8/19) 8:30 am NO CONFESSIONS
 Friday (8/21) 8:30 am

◆ **SM St. Mary of Guadalupe**

Wednesday (8/19) 5:30 pm NO CONFESSIONS
 Thursday (8/20) 8:30 am

■ **SJE St. John the Evangelist**

Wednesday (8/19) 5:00 pm-6:45pm
 Saturday (8/22) 3:30 pm-4:45 pm

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Jan Zastoupil, Steve Hainley, Dick Herlein, Molly & Jett Graham, Elizabeth Eriksen, Grace Jemal, Carolyn Carpio, Luana Murray, The victims and responders to the Longview Paper Mill incident, Sue Comeau, Cesar Jose, Abraham Rene, Oscar Ariel, & Marco Tulio Arango, Amy Colvin, José Heredia & Family, Mary Kay Wey, Billy Hayes, Jan Myer, Gayle Maxwell, Margot Kilmer, Irmgard Swanson, Finny Dermawan, Dan Harrington, Epi, Ben Klein, LaVonne Millard, Dick Derby, LuAnn Hutchins, Laurie Thompson, Bob Clark, Scott Clark, Lynn Hainley, Faye Lister, Jeff Rice, Mike Speilman, Anne Flynn, George & Carmen Brandreth, Ron Marquez, Shirley Keller, Don Mass, Tony Giovingo, JoAnn Heichel, Butch and Margaret Martin, Jack Otokichy, Flor Carrillero Baltazar, Mary Jo Piazza, Ron Hertz, Courtney Ingersoll

Those who are sick and unable to join us today, the men and women in our Armed Forces, and all the faithful departed,

Names will be kept on the list for two months. To add or remove a name to our prayer list, please contact Garri Linardos in the Sacred Heart office. (360) 687-4515, or email g.linardos@sacredheartbg.org

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EVENTS

SH Sacred Heart

Tuesday (8/18) 10:30 am Book Club, Hall
4:30 pm Finance Council, Hall
Wednesday (8/19) 10:30-12:30 pm Parish Office CLOSED for Staff Meeting
Thursday (8/20) 5:00 pm Combined Family Council Meeting, Hall
Friday (8/14) 11:00 am Casual Friday Scripture Group, Hall

SJW St. Joseph the Worker

SP St. Philip

Tuesday (8/18) 6-8:00 pm Choir Practice, (Spanish) Church
Wednesday (8/19) 10:30-12:30 pm Parish Office CLOSED for Staff Meeting
Friday (8/21) 6:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal, Church
Saturday (8/22) 1:00 pm Wedding, Rachel Bentz & John Naylor. Church

SM St. Mary of Guadalupe

Wednesday (8/19) 6-7:30pm SVdP/ Meeting

SJE St. John the Evangelist

Monday (8/17) 5:30 pm Children's Choir Practice, Rm K & F
7:00 pm Bible Study (Span.), in the Library
Tuesday (8/18) 1:00 pm SVDP Monthly Meeting, Fireside Room
Wednesday (8/19) 11:00 am All Staff Meeting, in the Fireside Room
Friday (8/21) 10:30 am Legion of Mary, Library
10:30 am Rosary for Allyn Cecilia Rapcinski followed by Mass
6:00 pm Children's Choir Practice, Rm K & F
7:00 pm Sharing Talks with Married Couples Room D
Saturday (8/22) 11:00 am Wedding (Aida J. Portillo & Roberto J. Villalpando)
5:00 pm Sale of Olive Wood Religious Items after All Masses
Sunday (8/23) 9:00 am Sale of Olive Wood Religious Items after All Masses
3:30 pm Children's Choir Practice
6:30 pm Conformation Class Prep, Fireside Room



St. John the Evangelist

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE





BEGINNING
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5,
St. John the Evangelist will offer
The Mass in Spanish
at 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

AS PART OF THIS SCHEDULE CHANGE,

THE MASS IN SPANISH
AT 5:00 P.M. ON SUNDAYS
WILL NO LONGER BE OFFERED.



We are one family in faith, united in Christ. † Together in faith.

BULLETIN ARTICLES

Following are submittal timelines for any news or announcement your group or ministry wants published in an upcoming bulletin. You can submit your articles to your parish office, or to Garri Linardos at g.linardos@sacredheartbg.org

August 23 bulletin: submittals due to parish office by August 10

August 30 bulletin: submittals due to parish office by August 17

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
**INSTALLATION
MASS**
of
Fr. Jose Alvarez
Family 44

PRESIDED BY
The Most Reverend
Paul D. Etienne
Archbishop of Seattle

 **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

 **1:00 PM**

 **ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**
Vancouver, Washington

UNITED IN FAITH. CALLED TO MISSION.
Guided by our shepherd.

ACOMPÁÑENOS A LA
MISA DE INSTALACIÓN
de
Padre Jose Alvarez
Familia 44

PRESIDIDA POR
El Reverendísimo
Paul D. Etienne
Arzobispo de Seattle

 **DOMINGO,**
6 DE SEPTIEMBRE

 **1:00 PM**

 **SAN JUAN
EVANGELISTA**
Vancouver, Washington

*"I will give you shepherds
after my own heart, who will
lead you with knowledge and
understanding."*

~ Jeremiah 3:15

*"Les daré pastores según mi
corazón, que los apacienten con
ciencia y con inteligencia."*

~ Jeremías 3:15

FIVE MOUNTAINS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ~ STEWARDSHIP



CHAPTER 2 ~ Knowing Whose We Are

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Matthew 17:5

Before Jesus preached a sermon, healed the sick, or called His first disciples, the Father declared who He was:

"This is my beloved Son."

The first invocation of the Litany reminds us that everything begins here:

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father.

Jesus knew who He was because He knew whose He was. Throughout His life, He remained rooted in the Father's love and faithfully sought to accomplish the Father's will. Even in moments of suffering and uncertainty, His trust never wavered.

The same invitation is given to us.

Before we ask what God wants us to do, we must first remember who we are. Through Baptism, we have become beloved sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father. Our identity is not found in our accomplishments, our failures, or the opinions of others. It is found in God's unchanging love.

When we truly believe that, our lives begin to change.

Stewardship is no longer about checking a box or fulfilling an obligation. It becomes a joyful response to the God who has already given us everything. We recognize that our time, our talents, our resources, and even our relationships are gifts entrusted to us by a loving Father. This truth also shapes our Parish Family.

Each of us has a unique story, different gifts, and different ways of serving.

Yet we are united because we share the same Father, gather around the same Eucharistic table, and are called to the same mission of making Christ known.

The Heart of Jesus always leads us back to the Father.

And when we know whose we are, we begin to understand who we are called to become, grateful disciples whose lives reflect the love we have first received.

Living the Heart This Week

Pray: Begin each morning by praying:

"Heavenly Father, help me to live today as Your beloved child."

At Home: Take a few moments to thank God for three blessings He has entrusted to your care. How can you honor Him by the way you use them?

In Our Parish Family: Offer a warm smile or word of encouragement to someone you see at Mass this weekend. Small acts of kindness strengthen the bonds of our Parish Family.

Beyond Our Doors: Look for one opportunity this week to remind someone that they are loved—through a phone call, a note, or a simple act of compassion.

A Heart to Remember

Knowing whose we are is the beginning of becoming who God created us to be.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for calling us Your beloved sons and daughters. Through the Sacred Heart of Jesus, help us to live each day with confidence in Your love. Form us into grateful stewards and faithful disciples, so that all we do may bring glory to You.

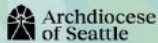
**Heart of Jesus, make our hearts more like Yours.
Amen.**



Regional Community Gatherings

Join a regional community gathering to reflect on how the Holy Spirit is guiding the future of the Church. Archdiocesan leaders will present on Partners in the Gospel, One Parish Planning and answer questions.

Come join us
6pm | Thursday, 10/29
St. Joseph, Vancouver



Register at:



YOUNG ADULTS

COLLEGE STUDENTS,
INCLUDING RUNNING START

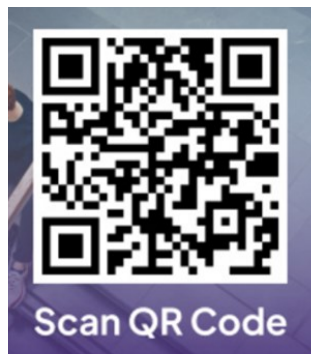
CONNECT HERE

Join your Catholic faith
community on campus today.

signupnc.newmanministry.com



The Church needs our youth, and the youth need their Church. Help us make the connection. Several students, an alumnus, Dr. Gibran Zogbi, Fr. Kyle Rink and Fr. Peter Zogbi are promoting the Newman Center Club to serve Vancouver, WA! This community is not focused on housing. It is creating a Catholic environment for Clark College and other students to gather, practice their faith, and socialize. Their mission is to build a strong, Catholic faith-centered college community. They are plugged into and receive support from the National Newman Center at the University of Dallas in Texas. All college-age students – **including Running Start** – are encouraged to join in shaping the future of the Vancouver Church while enjoying some good old Catholic fun! Last year we had Eucharistic Adoration on Campus. This year we hope to have confession, Liturgy, and countless discussions designed to help us appreciate and grow in our faith. To get involved, please scan the QR code. Complete the 2-minute form, and you will be contacted. It's that simple!. If you have further questions, please reach out to Dr. Gibran Zogbi at 503-998-9262. At this time, we also encourage the entire Church to pray for our youth and their organization



Scan QR Code

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



SACRED
HEART

Friends
OF THE POOR®
WALK

Saturday, September 26, 2026

Time: Registration/Check-in begins at 8 am;
walk starts at 9 am

Location: Sacred Heart Catholic Church,
1603 North Parkway Avenue, Battle
Ground, WA 98604

Are you ready to walk? Join our St. Vincent de Paul Sacred Heart Conference in raising money for those in need in our community. Time to get your friends, family and/or co-workers together to form a team to walk in the annual FOP event. OR if they can't walk with you them invite them to pledge their support for your walking efforts.

Find the latest updates and a walker pledge form, and donate online on our website: <https://sacredheartbg.org/st-vincent-de-paul-society>

Use this QR code to make a direct donation online.



You can also raise funds by eating out at the following Battle Ground locations (be sure to mention Friends of Poor when you order):

Burgerville Sept 10, 4-8pm
Mod Pizza Sept 17, all day
Red Robin Restaurant Sept 24, all day



Ozanam House ~ St Vincent de Paul August Food Pantry Needs

- Rice-A-Roni
- Chicken Ramen
- Pasta Shells
- Pancake Mix
- Syrup
- Peanut Butter
- Nutella

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COUNCIL 12983



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL

BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR ALL

HELPING OUR PARISH STUDENTS SUCCEED

★ **WE ARE ACCEPTING SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS** ★

- BACKPACKS ESPECIALLY APPRECIATED!
- NOTEBOOKS & PAPER
- PENCILS & PENS
- CRAYONS, MARKERS & HIGHLIGHTERS
- CALCULATORS
- NEW SCHOOL SUPPLIES WELCOME!

★ **SERVING CHRIST BY SERVING OTHERS** ★
St. John the Evangelist Council #12983

AUGUST 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2	3	4	5	6	7	1
9	10	11	12	13	14	8
16	17	18	19	20	21	15
23	24	25	26	27	28	22
30	31					29

SCHOOL SUPPLIES WILL BE HANDED OUT
AFTER ALL MASSES SATURDAY & SUNDAY
★ **AUGUST 15 & 16** ★

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ SACRED HEART PADRE PIO COUNCIL 7117



**Knights of
Columbus®**

**Padre Pio Council
7117 upcoming
events:**

We will be participating at the 5 pm vigil mass on **August 29th**. We will also host a social gathering after the Mass, in the Parish Hall.

Save the Date for **October 10th**. Our annual **Beer and Brats** event is in the books! More information to come, just a heads up that some fun is on the horizon.



We were able to award **5 scholarships** this year with the assistance of anonymous donors for the scholarship fund.

Olivia Zafonte, Sacred Heart, attending Portland State University

Kylee Adams, Sacred Heart, attending Purdue University

Brody Olson, Sacred Heart, attending Clark College
Ilesha Moore, Sacred Heart, attending Portland Fashion Institute



Isobel Morrow, Sacred Heart, attending University of St. Andrews, Scotland

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COUNCIL 12983



Knights of Columbus St John the Evangelist

2026 Annual Golf Event

Friday, August 14th | 9AM Shotgun Start | Tri Mountain Golf Course

Registration Now Open

KofC12983Golf.com



FAITH FORMATION

Our Five Mountain Catholic Community Faith Formation, CGS, Sacramental Prep and Youth Group cohorts are officially on summer break.

● Sacred Heart



Confirmation preparation registration for youth 7th through 12th grade is now open. Sessions will take place on Sunday evenings from 5:30 to 7:00 pm starting in November. Parent and youth orientation night will be Sunday, October 25th.

To register, scan QR code.



◆ St. Mary of Guadalupe Elementary Faith Formation

Registration is now open. Register before and after Mass. Please bring birth & Baptism certificates.

▲ St. Philip Elementary Faith Formation

Registration is now open until Friday, August 28th. Registration Forms are available in the Vestibule. Please fill out and return with all required paperwork, a copy of the Birth Certificate and Certificate of Baptism.

■ St. John the Evangelist Faith Formation

Registration is open



We Want You!

Volunteer catechists are always needed, at all locations. Training is available. Call your parish Faith Formation office to find out how you too can be a part of our team.

O.C.I.A.

THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN
INITIATION OF ADULTS



The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a **journey of faith**, for those who have wondered about what the Catholic Church teaches and professes. For those who are not baptized and wonder what being baptized means, and for those who have been baptized in other faith traditions and would like to explore what it means to be Catholic. RCIA is also for adult Catholics seeking to be confirmed in their faith. OCIA is perfect for those who have been away from the Church and are “coming home again”. Cradle Catholics are also invited to learn more and accompany those on their journey of faith.

Do you have **questions**? Do you have **doubts and struggles with the Catholic Faith**? Do you want to **encounter God**? Do you already have a relationship with Jesus and feel that He may be leading you on a **journey** to the Catholic Church?

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O.C.I.A. inquiry registration is open year round
For more information:
call or email Deacon Adolfo Carbajal
deacon_adolfo@stjohnvancouver.org

● Sacred Heart

Sessions take place on Sundays after the 8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart. Please call the parish office for more information. (360) 687-4515

● Sacred Heart Order of Christian Initiation of Children & Youth Registration Now Open

Order of Christian Initiation of children and youth is the process by which children over the age of reason (normally seven years of age), are initiated into the Catholic Church. The Order of Christian Initiation of children and youth is for those who are 1.) unbaptized, or 2.) baptized Christian of other denominations seeking Full Communion with the Catholic Church.

Sessions will take place on **Monday evenings from 5:30-7:00 pm starting in September**. Orientation night for parents, children and youth will be on **Monday, September 21st**. To register, scan QR Code.



▲ St. Philip OCIA - for Children /Youth

It's a special faith journey for children aged 7-17 who want to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.). If you know someone who is interested and have questions, please call the church office: (360) 225-8308. Email us at: churchoffice@stphilipwoodland.com
We will be taking a break in the month of August. Class returns on Thursday, September 10th.

OUTREACH

◆ St. Mary of Guadalupe

Outpost Volunteer schedule:

Outpost Dinner August 23rd

Outpost Lunches August 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th

◆ St. Mary Feed My Lambs Collection

Feed My Lamb will be picking up donations on Sunday **Aug 16th**. This month's donation will be going to **Ridgefield Family Resource Center**; they are 100 percent reliant on donations from our community to help support students and families in need. They can use non-perishable food items and basic toiletries; any donation is greatly appreciated.

● Sacred Heart Meal Train Ministry

Are you celebrating a new baby, recovering from surgery, grieving the loss of a loved one, providing long term care? There are many reasons having meals delivered can help you through a time of exhaustion or recovery. If you or someone you know can use the help of having meals delivered one a week or more for a time, please contact Shirley Howard through howardkska@gmail.com or call 360-314-8729. Please, also, contact Shirley if you are interested in being on the list to provide meals

● Sacred Heart Grief Ministry

Saturday, Aug 22, 3:30 pm

The Grief Support Group meets on the 4th Saturday of each month. The agenda is open-ended questions prepared by our guide in a very informal setting with ample opportunity for your thoughts and memories. All are welcome.

■ St. John the Evangelist

Prepares Service Dates and Hours

- 2nd Sunday of the month – Diaper distribution from 12:30 pm
- 4th weekend of the month—Baby & Infant store open after all weekend Masses

We are currently in need of diapers sizes 5, 6, 7, and baby wipes. Donations can be dropped in the Narthex. We appreciate your support!

For more information on ways you can support this ministry, or to schedule an appointment to obtain diapers and other items at no cost, please contact Marina Diaz at 360-521-4981. Please remember, we only accept baby and infant clothing donations, NO adult clothing

Rachel's Corner: Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing Retreats

English Retreat - Friday, Sept. 25 - Sunday, Sept. 27 2026

Men's Healing Retreat – Saturday, Oct. 10-Sunday, Oct. 11, 2026

To leave a confidential message please call

English: (206) 920-6413

Spanish: (206)-450-7814

Email projectrachel@ccsww.org. Visit us at www.ccsww.org/projectrachel or www.facebook.com/projectrachelww.

Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services. *You are loved with an everlasting Love!*

◆ St. Mary Guadalupe

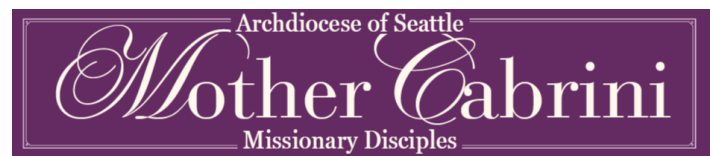
Outreach Committee Update

Our parish continues to support several local charitable organizations, including Birthright and the three food banks served through Feed My Lamb:

- Lewis River Food Bank
- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- Ridgefield Resource Center

These organizations often send thank-you cards and notes of appreciation to acknowledge the parish's generosity and ongoing support.

The cards will be posted on the bulletin board between the church and the hall. Please take a moment to stop by and read these expressions of gratitude when you have the opportunity.



Archdiocese of Seattle Court Accompaniment Ministry:

Immigrant and Refugee Ministries of the Archdiocese assists parishes in forming accompaniment teams at parish families. These teams connect with local immigrant communities, accept direct referrals from those communities, prepare for appointments with the immigrant being accompanied, accompany them to court appointments (or immigration check-ins), and follow up with them afterwards. We are called to be in community with each other and to strive for unity in diversity. This accompaniment ministry supports that calling by nurturing relationship between immigrants and non-immigrant communities, recognizing we all have much to learn from each other, and sharing the gifts offered by both immigrants and non-immigrants.

For more information or to volunteer for this ministry please contact:

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Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Associate

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PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

August – For the Elderly

For the elderly, especially those in our parish family who carry the history of our communities, that we may treasure their wisdom and experience in the Partners in the Gospel process

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

● Sacred Heart ~ Join the Usher Ministry!



Our dedicated usher team plays an important role each weekend, greeting parishioners at the door, helping people find seating, taking up the collection, assisting the infirm at Communion, and distributing bulletins at the close of Mass. We are currently looking for a few new volunteers to help with our Saturday and Sunday Mass schedule. The commitment is light, typically just one or two Masses per month. If you have a welcoming spirit and a few minutes to spare, we'd love to have you! Please contact Ryan Coldwell at rmcoldwell@gmail.com or call 308.249.1133 to learn more.

◆▲ St. Mary of Guadalupe & St. Philip

We are currently looking ushers, lectors, altar servers and St. Philip is looking for musicians and choir members. We are in great need.

We are also looking for Catechist for the Elementary Faith Formation. Volunteers are required to go through Safe Environment training first.

EVENTS NEWS

■ St. John Library

Donations of materials for the St. John parish library are no longer being accepted. The library is still available but shelves don't stretch! Thanks for your support. -- Kay McMurry, volunteer librarian

◆▲ St. Philip and St. Mary Parish Council

The St Philip and St. Mary combined Parish Council will be on hiatus for the months of July and August. There are no scheduled Parish Council meetings for these months. The Parish Council will reconvene on the fourth Thursday of September, September 24, 2026.

◆ St. Mary of Guadalupe Kitchen

If you wish to make a donation of any item to the kitchen please contact Mary Byrne, 360-606-9452, first to determine if we need/can use the donation. Thank you.

If you use a table cloth from the kitchen please wash it before putting back. It may appear clean but many are being put back with stains. Thank you for your cooperation.

WITH GRATITUDE

◆▲ St. Mary of Guadalupe and St. Philip

On behalf of the Parish Family, with gratitude to Mr. Bryan Martin, for his help and donation towards the new wireless microphones for both St. Mary of Guadalupe and St. Philip, and for helping us with the installation. Thank you and God Bless.

BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER GROUPS

■ St. John Bible Study

The English Bible study group meeting Thursdays at 1:00 will be stopping for summer, they will start again on September 10.

■ St. John Faith Sharing Group

Will not be meeting during summer, they will resume September 8, 2026 in the Fireside Room.

● Sacred Heart Casual Friday Scripture Group:

Meets on Friday's after Mass to discuss various topics.

▲ St. Philip Women's Group

Second Friday's (Aug 14..) 6-8 PM in St. Philip Hall. All the women of our parish family are invited to our monthly women's group. Please join for a potluck meal, fellowship, and praying with the Mass readings for the upcoming Sunday. Come prepare for Mass and gain a deeper relationship with your sisters in Christ!

▲ St. Philip Men's Prayer Group

The Men's Prayer Group is taking a break until some time in September 2026. Have a great summer!

● Sacred Heart Book Club:

Our next book that we'll be reading is "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi. We'll meet on the first Tuesday in August, at 10:30, at the usual place, in the church hall.

Here is a short synopsis of the book:

His name is Theo. And he asks a lot more questions than he answers.

Theo visits the local coffeehouse, where ninety-two pencil portraits hang on the walls, portraits of the people of Golden done by a local artist. He begins purchasing them one at a time and putting them back in the hands of their "rightful owners." With each exchange, a story is told, a friendship born and a life altered.

A story of giving and receiving, of seeing and being seen, *Theo of Golden* is a beautifully crafted novel about the power of creative generosity, the importance of wonder to a purposeful life and the invisible threads of kindness that bind us to one another.

▲ St. Philip Altar Society

The Altar Society of St Philip church is taking a break during the month of August 2026. There will be no Altar Society meeting and no Bake Sale this month.

We wish you all parishioners a great summer. If you have any questions, please email Maria at maispeco47@outlook.com

Next bake sale is Sept. 13 and the Sept. meeting is Sept. 9

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