

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY PARISH

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JULY

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of
St. John Mary Vianney
Catholic Church,
are committed
to building a caring,
prayerful, and loving
community of believers
and to witnessing
God's saving love by
ministering to the
needs of others.

We gather as a family to make Jesus visible and present to one another and the larger community by worship, service, education, and involvement.



OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am and 11:00am Nursery available during the Sunday Masses

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday - Friday: 9:00am

Weekday Masses Wednesday - Friday: 9:15am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30pm or by appointment

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM

Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon, except during Lent. To register your child, please get a baptism packet from the parish office. A baptism class is required the day before the baptism at 10:00am. Contact Laura, Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org, to reserve your spot. Check out the parish website for more information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITITATION FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN OVER 7

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and are considering becoming Catholic and were either not Baptized or were Baptized in another faith tradition, please talk with Fr. Vu or a member of the parish staff to learn more about the process. If you know of someone who is interested, or has a spark within them, an inkling of becoming Catholic and joining the Catholic Faith Community, please contact the parish office as well.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST

Preparation for kids 7 years old and older will began in March 2023. Parents and kids attend classes together. It is a wonderful journey. Please let Laura Stanger know if you have questions.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes begin every September for 7th through 12th graders. Please email questions to mterashima@sjvkirkland.org.

MARRIAGE

Engaged? Congratulations! Now what? Please contact the parish at least six months before the wedding, even if you are not getting married here at our parish. We will refer you to the available Marriage Preparation classes that are required to get married in the church. We are here to help you complete additional paperwork and support you as you begin this life long journey. Contact Laura Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org with questions.

HOLY ORDERS

If you are interested in becoming a Priest or Deacon please contact Father Vu in the parish office and he will lead you in the right direction.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing of the sick is available after weekday Mass on the first Friday of the month or by appointment. Please call the parish office if someone is seriously ill.

If you have an emergency (sick or dying) and require a priest after hours there is one on call at Eastside Pastoral Care: 425-655-3200.

We welcome you to Mass at SJV!

Thank you for celebrating Mass with us at St. John Mary Vianney Catholic Church! We hope you find us to be the "Light on Finn Hill" that we strive to be.

However you've come today—hopeful, broken-hearted, cheerful, or tired, you are not alone. May we all be open to the message God brings, and our hearts inspired and transformed.

Please join us for Coffee & Donuts in the Social Hall after the Sunday Masses. Chat with friends, and meet someone new!

There is a church staff member available after every Mass at the Welcome Table or at Coffee & Donuts. We are here to walk with you.

PS – We love children and the noise of children. Please know we fully welcome your entire family to be present. If you prefer some quiet time, a nursery is available downstairs during the Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am Masses.

To receive our weekly email newsletters, please scan the QR code.

Catholic Churches have successfully developed effective safety protocols. Scan the QR code to see a comprehensive summary of them.





Annual Catholic Appeal TOGETHER WE CAN be Christ to Others

Give today!

Thank you to all our parishioners who supported the ACA this year. We have reached the goal set by the archdiocese of \$96,000 and will have some monies coming back to the parish to help with the parking lot restriping and our Outreach efforts. We did not, however, reach our goal of 100% participation from our active families and only reached about 33% so far. We will continue to accept pledges through the first week of July. Scan the QR code to give today. If you have any concerns that your pledge did not come through or was recorded to the wrong parish, please reach out to Ann Vandewark at avandew-ark@sjvkirkland.org. A listing of all donors (no amounts) will be included in a July handout and newsletter. If you do not want your family's name in the listing, please also contact Ann V. so she can remove it. Thank you for your generosity and support of the Catholic Church in Western Washington.

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AUTHOR ANONYMOUS, SHARED BY FR. VU TRAN, PASTOR

The Summer months are a time to rest, a time for vacationing, for traveling; to take a break, but it doesn't mean that we should take a break from God. With more time on our hands, summer can be a wonderful time to grow in faith.

- 1. More free time doesn't have to mean more "me" time. Although we take vacations, but God doesn't take vacations. With more free time, how about considering going to Mass during the week, or stopping by the church and visiting the Blessed Sacrament throughout the week. The Eucharist is the source and summit and center. It is the heart of our faith. The two disciples on the road to Emmaus, walked with Jesus for seven miles, but did not know it was him. Their eyes were opened, at the Eucharist, and they recognized him in the breaking of the bread.
 - "And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning [within us] while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" Luke 24
- 2. More time during the summer can also be given to God. Be sure to offer time for God in prayer. Have you ever considered beginning the day with prayer to God? It doesn't have to be long, a prayer giving thanks to God for the rest last evening, and asking the Lord's blessings throughout the day. An Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.
 - "In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning, I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly." Psalm 5:3
- 3. There's a saying, Birds of a feather flock together. Who we choose to surround ourselves with has an impact upon us, whether we admit or not. Look for people that will help you on the faith journey. Avoid people that are spiritually lazy and unmotivated. Iron sharpens iron...Proverbs 27:17
 - "A faithful friend is a sturdy shelter: he that has found one has found a treasure. There is nothing so precious as a faithful friend, and no scales can measure his excellence. A faithful friend is an elixir of life; and those who fear the Lord will find him." Sirach 6:14-16
- 4. Love God and love neighbor. We can be a small light for Christ, in the way we love our neighbor. Try to find time this summer to volunteer, to give back and pay it forward, to help someone in need, a small act of charity. Make it a personal mission to find a way to serve the poor and oppressed this summer. It could be your time, it may be offering food, or making a donation to St Vincent.
 - "Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for God, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God." Proverbs 14:31
- 5. Go on a pilgrimage. It doesn't mean going to a far off place, like Italy or Jerusalem, but places that are local. How about visiting the Cathedral or a shrine, or a monastery and saying a few prayers at the holy site, or praying the Stations of the cross, or the rosary there in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 - "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That He may teach us concerning His ways And that we may walk in His paths." Isaiah 2:3
- 6. How about doing some spiritual readings, read one or two books of the Bible, or find a good spiritual book, or the life of an inspiring Saint, that you may want to read for the summer, and get together with a few people to read the book. Reading helps to be good stewards of the mind.
 - "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." Romans 10:7
- 7. Take some time to power down, to disconnect from electronic devices and social media. So that they are not our master, but God is. It is like a period of fast from them, so that you can be free to connect with the people in front of you. It doesn't have to be a long time, but maybe a day or two or even just a few hours, consciously powering them down, or not checking them as often.
 - "Hear my voice, LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. 'Come,' says my heart, 'seek his face;' your face, LORD, do I seek!" Psalm 27:7-8
- 8. Find a scripture verse that you want to memorize for the summer, and practice it every day, repeat it often. Or find a prayer that you want to memorize, and repeat it often.
 - "Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart." Hebrews 4:12
- 9. When you're out and about or even at home, look at your choice of music. How about a song of worship, some religious music to feed and strengthen the soul, and once again centered in God. Let the music be the prayer of the soul, lifted up to our Awesome God.
 - "Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth." Psalm 96:1

ST. JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL

Preschool is over and we had lots of fun. Now it's time to say "Good-Bye" so good-bye everyone. Happy summer, see you in September! This past school year has had its challenges but together we finished strong. Please find some words of appreciation and thanks from one of our families.

"SJV Preschool has the kindest & the most understanding teachers with so much heart and are so creative. They have been instrumental in teaching our son how to read, write, color, play well with others and most importantly

bring him closer to God. They have a wonderful director who cares very deeply and is committed to providing a safe, fun and loving environment. We enjoyed all the extra activities with so many wonderful families especially trunk or treat & Mother's Day tea. It's been an unforgettable experience and will cherish the great memories!" - Aimee & Tristan (4's class)

"They say kids learn best through play. Each time we ask our SJV preschooler what she worked on at school, she insists "We don't work at school. We ONLY play!" It is such a delight to hear. Somehow in the last year, she has learned how to write her name, she knows all of her letters, and she can count higher than any of her siblings could at her age... all through the power of play and the inspiring sweetness of her fabulous, creative teachers. She also hears about God's love for her at school, reinforcing the message she hears at home. We are so pleased with our school experience this year and wish we could go back in time to send all of her big siblings to SJV too. Thank you for a blessed year." - Bethany & Valerie (3+ class)

Tours to see our joyful learning environment are ongoing. If you are interested in scheduling a visit, please email Annette Schwientek, Dir. at aschwientek@sjvkirkland.org or call the preschool cell at: 425-305-9662. A Preschool brochure is available on the parish website at www.sjvkirkland.org under the Preschool tab as well as the welcome table and the preschool bulletin board.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LIFE

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Children's Liturgy runs throughout the year. Children can join the dismissal during the 11:00am Sunday Mass. There is no registration fee or form required. Parents are welcome to join their kids too. If you feel called to help break open the Word of God with children at Children's Liturgy of the Word, Laura would love to have your help! We can work together to help you lead them into the Good News of the Gospel, and you will grow in your own understanding of the God's Holy Word. Contact Laura Stanger if you would like to be a children's liturgy of the word leader. It will require a background check and safe environment training, but the rewards are life giving! Schedule the sessions you want to lead - it is a very flexible ministry with as much or as little commitment as you want to offer.

Parish Nursery: Available during the Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am Masses. It is free and right down the stairs, where you can see the mural on the wall for the outside play area of the nursery. The sound for Mass is pumped down there if you want to stay with your child. We have Ms. Maria Dempsey, Mrs. Lori Fitzpatrick, and Kiara Buska, our youth helper, watching our little ones.

<u>Catholic Kids' Catechism Club (CKCC):</u> We'll resume in October!

<u>Vacation Bible Camp 2022</u> A huge thank you to everyone who supported and volunteered with Jerusalem Market-place this past week! Your time and contributions are much appreciated and helped make this week a success.

YOUTH GROUP

Starting in September 2022, SJV Youth Group extends an invitation to our Middle School and High School youth any time:

Our Youth Group program is all about fun, friendships, and faith. We welcome all youth so bring a friend! If you're in 6th-12th grade, we meet on

Sunday nights from 5:00-6:30pm kicking off with our Harry Potter Retreat on September 23-25, 2022. We break up into ageappropriate groups. Please see our calendar on the website in the Youth Group portion for more details, or email Maybeth, mterashima@sjvkirkland.org to sign up for our weekly What's Up to stay informed.



YOUNG ADULTS

Faith & Brew with Father Vu invites you to join us in faith and fellowship. Bring a friend and come for fun, food, and good company. Our next gathering is Friday, July 8 - 7:00pm in the rectory. RSVP to mterashima@sjvkirkland.org.



FACILITIES WORKSHOP

We have a couple of major projects happening this summer:

- The entire asphalt parking lot is due for a major work-over and it has been scheduled for July 4 July 15, weather permitting. Half will be closed down for one week but open for the weekend, then the other half will be shut down the next week and then it will be all done for the weekend of the July 16. And yes, parking spaces will be wider! Extra proceeds from ACA giving are dedicated to this project!
- Father Vu's "Doors of Heaven" has Archdiocesan approval to proceed and the materials have been ordered. The project is scheduled to start around the first of September and will take at least of couple of weeks.
- The Mother Mary statue project is nearing completion. The little courtyard will be made by Bill Lamb, and the Judy Smith memorial bench should be in place by the middle of July.
- The Rectory has a new chimney now so we don't have to worry about it falling on Fr. Vu anymore.
- The Rectory will be getting a new fence the week of July 18. We will begin deconstructing the existing fence starting July 18, and then spending Saturday, July 23 building the new one. We will have a dumpster on site as of July 18 so we can put what's left of the old fence in it. If you can help during the week deconstructing, and on Saturday constructing, we need at least 15 or so volunteers for all aspects of this project so we knock it out in no time. Poor Fr. Vu has been doing everything he can to keep his fence from literally disintegrating.
- The grounds are looking great thanks in great part to all the volunteers we have! A
 great big thank you to our fabulous Facilities Committee and their dedication, and
 Tony's Adopt-a-Bed team!
- The Master Gardeners are doing so much with that little plot of grass in the north gravel parking area. Go by and check it out.

We can always use help around here, especially with gardening, spreading bark and other odd projects. If you have a particular skill, or just like puttering in particular areas, please let Greg know, gleptich@sjvkirkland.org, or leave your contact information at the front desk.



50TH ANNIVERSARY STORY-LINE

As we continue our 50th Anniversary Parish celebrations, we invite you to add to our "Story-Line."

In the Social Hall, you will find panels that have a few photos on them. Please add yours under the heading you think best fits your photo(s) with a label saying what is happening, who is in the photo, and approximate date. (See examples on the panels in the Social Hall).

We are looking for all years and activities – baptisms, weddings, St. Vincent de Paul, Parish picnics, Knights of Columbus, Sandwich Makers, preschool, Vacation Bible School, processions, May Crowning, gardening, quilters, and on and on.... You are welcome to share as many as you like – please make sure they are all labeled.

We are hoping for a fun, organic, and "Light-filled" display of who and what SJV has been for 50 years. If you are not able to bring yours in person, you can mail them to the parish office and we will post them. All photos will become property of SJV so make sure you don't give us an original or one that you might want back.

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SJV Bowling Tournament

Saturday, July 9th, 2022

10:00 am

at *Kenmore Lanes* in Kenmore

\$50/player

\$50 entrance fee includes:
2 games of bowling
1 pizza per team of 4
Soft drinks
Chance for prizes
Fun! Fun! And Fun!



To sign up:

Look for registration table in Narthex

Sign up online <u>here</u>

Email the office at: sec@sjvkirkland.org

Proceeds support programs and outreach at St. John Vianney Church.



Adopt-a-Garden Bed Join the program and pick out a spot on our property to beautify. This has become a very successful and rewarding program to

everyone, especially from the pride you feel from working in our beautiful gardens to make them even better! Contact Tony if interested, 425-823-9036 or tzimrman@yahoo.com.

AmazonSmile Support our church while you shop! Go to smile.amazon.com and select "St John Mary Vianney" before you begin shopping. Amazon remembers your selection, then every eligible purchase you make will result in a donation. So far AmazonSmile has donated \$919.18 to SJV!

Divorced? Considering getting an Annulment? Schedule a meeting with Father Vu and he will let you know the details. Roberta Hatfield is our amazing advocate and will meet with you and help you through the process.

, **Hiking Club** Join us for our next hike, Sunday, July 1 10. 2:00pm at Bridle Trails State Park (5300 116th Ave NE). We will meet near the trail entrance on the north end of the parking lot. A Discover Pass or \$10 is required to park, or contact Susan to carpool from St John Vianney. Please email Susan to sign up: sweaver@sjvkirkland.org.

Knights of Columbus Membership is open to males 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. Meetings are every third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm via Zoom. For more information contact the Grand Knight: Mike Myette, 206-510-6536.

Moms Meetup Calling all moms, especially moms with infants, toddlers, preschoolers and elementary school-aged children! We're a community built upon our shared Catholic values, our love for our children, and our knowledge and support of our shared experiences that meets once a month. Interested? Please join the "SJV Moms Meetup" Facebook group for updates about our monthly meetups.



Rummikub We meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Social Hall for 3 or 4 games. then finish with the Left Right Center dice game. You do not need to know how to play. Both games are sim-

ple and quick to learn and old timers will be happy to help you learn. Open to everyone! Hope to see you on Tuesday, July 26!

Wednesday Morning Faith Sharing New people are always welcome! We meet after weekday Mass every Wednesday for about an hour to discuss the readings for the following Sunday. We use the Sunday By Sunday leaflet to help us understand more about what the readings mean for our everyday lives. Come and give us a try!



Senior Singles Dinners are Back! Calling all parish singles that are 55 and older! We would like to thank everyone who attended our first dinner back

last month. We had 22 seniors and had an awesome, fun. enjoyable time. We meet every third Saturday of the month after the 5:00pm Mass, so keep Saturday, July 16 open for another fabulous dinner we have planned. We'll update you in the next couple weeks.

You can still join us virtually every Saturday from 12:00-1:00pm over Zoom. So you need not be alone, and you need not feel as if you've been forgotten! If you are interested, contact the parish office for details.

Quilters Group Wouldn't it be fun to spend one morning a week learning a new skill? Quilting is one of those rare activities that is fun, relaxing, and engages both sides of the brain. If you would like to join this group but are inexperienced with quilting, they would love to help you get started. They meet each Wednesday in the social hall from 10:00-11:00am to make quilts for those in nursing homes or recovering from illness. Contact Kathy Egan, 425-864-4325.

Volunteers Now that parish life is up and running, we need volunteers for various ministries. Scan the QR code to see how you can best use your gifts and let us know if you can help!

Volunteers are needed to build Fr. Vu's fence the week of July 18, and especially on Saturday, July 23, 8:30am - ? See Facilities Workshop on page 6 for more details.



Women's Book Group The first Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm our Women's Book Group gathers with wine and chocolate to discuss a book that has been chosen by the group. Join any time! You do not need to read the book to come to book group. The July book is The Girls in the Wild Fig Tree by Nice Leng'ete. The August book is *River of Fire* by Sister Helen Prejean.

Hope to see you on July 5!



Men's Retreat July 15-17

Women's Retreat July 22-24

SJV MEN'S AND WOMEN'S RETREATS

The retreats are in Union Washington at the St. Andrew's Retreat Center on the Hood Canal. Not only will you experience time away at a wonderful lodge, delicious food, and beautiful scenery, but you will also get to know people in our parish, and have time to reflect on your relationship with God. More information and registration forms are available at the Welcome Table. Space is limited. Please contact Fr. Vu or

SATURDAY NIGHT PARISH SOCIAL

Join us after the 5:00 Mass on July 30 for a social event, just because! It's summer and it'll be fun to hang out with your parish family.

Bring your picnic blankets or chairs, and be ready to have a good time. We'll have a food truck so you don't have to make dinner plans, and entertainment. Hope to see you then!

PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Get your friends and/or family and/or coworkers together and create a golf foursome – SJV will be holding its Annual Del Brown Commemorative Golf Tournament and Luncheon on September 2, 2022. You can't wait until summer is over to sign up – make sure you get your name in soon! There will be golf and prizes and fun!

Fr. Ramon and Fr. Vu will be there - are you up to golfing with them...?

We will be using a scramble format and winter rules so it is a game for everyone! Sign up by scanning the QR code, after Mass, or by emailing Ann V. at avandewark@sjvkirkland.org. Call the parish office with questions. We are looking for Tee Sponsors as well so if you are interested – use the same methods above.



In His Majesty's Service

A Night of Bidding and Bonding PARISH GALA DINNER AND AUCTION

The auction will be here before you know it – Save the date to be a guest or to work the event – November 5, 2022

While you are off on your summer vacation, please keep an eye out for interesting items for the auction. Remember, while the theme is "In His Majesty's Service" and delightfully James Bond (who as you know went to all sorts of exotic and fun locations), the key to getting a good auction item is to think "if I want this, someone else might too" and buy two of something or if you are working with an agent or cruise company or hotel for your vacation – ask them to donate! Lots of times, companies will donate one if you buy one – game of golf in Pebble Beach or a parasailing adventure while you are in Hawaii...? Whatever fun you are having this summer don't forget to livestream our Masses (or view on Facebook later) and think about our auction!

We are looking to fill our auction committees and are in particular need of the following:

- Volunteer coordinator keep track of sign ups, food for volunteers night of, as needed
- Kitchen and general clean up help
 - 1. Night of auction -- dishwashing during auction and clean up to get in shape for Sunday Masses
 - 2. Day after auction final clean up
- Data Entry
 - 1. prior to auction
 - 2. night of auction
- Silent auction coordinator and set up (you get first chance to check out the goodies)
- Live auction support runners and spotters, recorders and accounting ALL DURING AUCTION
- Decorations
 - 1.coordinator
 - 2.help with design prior to auction this would be great for those who have put their years on a ladder in, but have the institutional knowledge of what we have stored where and what works well, and more
 - 3. set up decorations including table settings
- Advertising taking place prior to the auction

FINALLY – we are looking for 27 people to **design and make a centerpiece** based on their choice of a Bond movie – for example, if you were to choose "From Russia With Love," your centerpiece could consist of 3 Betta in a fish bowl, a small, white, Siamese cat, a couple of chess pieces, a small model of the Haga Sophia in Istanbul, and a model of the Orient Express. Just pull items/places from one of the movies and make an attractive, but fun centerpiece! Half the fun will be shopping for the pieces at a bargain price – the other half will be putting the items together in a fun way! Email <u>avandew-ark@sjvkirkland.org</u> to sign up for a centerpiece or any of the volunteer positions. Questions – call the parish office or email Ann.



In "Diamonds are Forever", what does Bond use to convince Tiffany Case of his assumed identity?

Answer: Imitation fingerprint. Bond makes contact with Case while posing as a diamond smuggler. He leaves the false fingerprint on a glass he uses so that she can check his identity. When the real smuggler turns up and tries to make contact with Case, Bond kills him and uses his body to smuggle the diamonds in.

New Question: James Bond certainly needs to sleep with one eye, if not both eyes, open, as it seems that every time 007 tries to catch a few winks someone tries to kill him. No better example of this is from 1967's "You Only Live Twice". Can you recall the method used to try and put Bond to sleep for good utilized in this movie?

OUTREACH & SOCIAL CONCERNS

Afghan Refugee Family on Finn Hill Update - So many SJV volunteers have been incredibly helpful with support for the Afghan Refugee Families here on Finn Hill. We are all so grateful!

- A pro bono lawyer has been found to help with the younger sister's asylum case.
- The three infants are thriving, growing, and sleeping through the night.
- Their temporary housing lasts only through July and volunteers are working hard to get them into an apartment near family.
- Their job search is complicated by the fact that their English is poor and they can't drive themselves. As one of the sisters typed into her translator, "I want to learn to drive to ensure the future of my babies." Their desire is there and so is their will. See reflection.
- They understand that it is a slow, dangerous process to get their remaining family out of Afghanistan, but that is not stopping them from trying. They know it won't be soon, but the hope is there.

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Lazarus Center Lunch Making - We can start making lunches again! Please join us on Tuesday, July 12 and Tuesday, July 26 at 10:00am in the social hall. The sack lunches we make will be taken to Lazarus Center, a day shelter for the homeless. All ages are welcome! This is a fun, easy, and fulfilling service opportunity for families.

Pastoral Care of the Sick - A most rewarding ministry in our church is bringing the Eucharist to the homebound. The visits are once a week for about 15 minutes. You would receive a short training and supplies for your visits. There is no greater gift to give and it is so appreciated by those you visit. If you are interested in visiting the homebound or are homebound and would like to receive communion, please contact the parish office or Gayle Kasen: 206-595-2020.

Social Justice Initiative - Please consider joining our Social Justice Initiative to continue the work towards social justice in our community. Please contact Susan for information, sweaver@sjvkirkland.org.

High School Esperanza Mission Trek - Thank you everyone for your amazing support of our High School Esperanza Mission Trek Group!



We are so blessed to have made it to Tijuana this year.

If you are interested in joining our Trek, sign up for high school sophomores to seniors takes place September—October of each year. Meetings, fundraisers, and service opportunities take place throughout the school year to build team unity as our trekkers earn their way together.

St Vincent de Paul Society - Every day people from our neighborhood who need help with rent, utilities, food and other necessities, call our church seeking aid. You can help us serve the vulnerable among us through:

- Monetary donations including via the donation page on our website, sjvkirkland.org/donate or monthly contributions through EFT.
- Contributing non-perishable, unexpired food items to the food donation box in the Narthex. No pet food or clothes, please.

Sonshine Ministry - If you know of someone in our parish who could use a little extra love via a card or a meal, please contact the parish office. If you feel called to help in this ministry we are always looking for volunteers to help support those in need by making a meal. It is a wonderful way to support one another.

Prayer Chain - "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds to Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7) Do you or someone you know need a prayer? Call Kay Smith at 425-486-2528 and she will start the prayer chain going.

shelter for families experiencing homelessness shelter for families experiencing homelessness located on the north side of Lake Washington High School. We operate a day center, an enhanced shelter and a hotel shelter that provide two hot meals and snacks to ~65 families every day. Please support us today in providing meals for our families. Email us with questions: Volunteer Coordinator, Ashley Haley, ashleyha@ccsww.org, Fundraising Coordinator, Oliver Hirn, oliverh@ccsww.org. Use the QR code to sign up!

Do you have a **50TH ANNIVERSARY BOOK**? Please contact Susan to get your copy, sweaver@sjvkirkland.org.



MY EXPERIENCE WITH TWO AFGHAN SISTERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ON FINN HILL



- By Angela, SJV Volunteer, June 2022

Every couple of weeks or so, I step away from my quiet, privileged life to spend some time with a family of Afghan refugees. I enter their clean, sparsely furnished house. The greeting is always the same: a hug and three kisses, followed by "Hello, dear friend." (I'm still not sure they can pronounce my name.) "Husband good? Job good?" A very active 4-year old boy is in tow. He hugs me after seeing his mom and aunt hug me, then he quickly runs away. If the school-aged children are home, they need to see who is visiting. I get a hug from them along with a, "Hi." I speak briefly to them in English. "How's school?" "What did you learn?" "What was your favorite part of the day?" They respond back in broken but improving English. Eventually, I get to play with the 6 month old triplets while looking at videos on their phones of their lives in Afghanistan before the Taliban. "My home was very popular," one typed to me in Farsi.

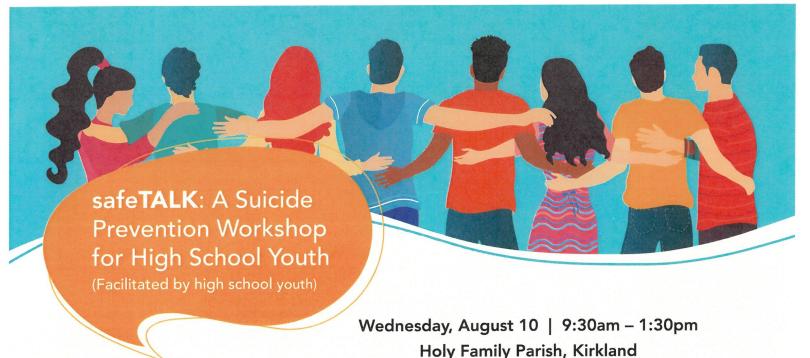
Sometimes, the visits turn into an unexpected road trip. "Can you take us to the park?" Or, "Can we go to the store for food?" Or, "Can you drive us to my sister's house?" Or, "Can you take us to my cousin's house?" As a result, I've been blessed to meet even more of their family. And even though we don't speak the same language, the experience is universal: there's noise, there's chaos, and there's a lot of love among (at times) 4 adults, 1 teenager, and 11 children (if I counted correctly) all under 1 roof. Food is always involved. Thankfully we all speak that language!

Some visits include a scheduled "road trip," like when I've taken the women to meet with their asylum attorneys. Prepping for an asylum hearing takes multiple visits, and each visit they spend a couple of hours reliving their life in Afghanistan as the Taliban was coming back into power. Among the paperwork they carry to this prep are pictures of a friend's body who was killed by the Taliban, a car with bullet holes, and more. That ride home after the prep is always emotional. I turn on the Afghan Spotify channel, hoping that it makes them think of better days.

My visits with them are just a short respite, and there is still so much more that they need. Their temporary housing lasts through July. Volunteers are working to get them into an apartment near family, but that's not guaranteed. And World Relief and donations cannot be relied on for housing and expenses forever. The women want jobs. (One was a working mom in Afghanistan.) But that is complicated by the fact that their English is poor. They're learning, but it's going to take time. They also can't drive themselves. "I want to learn to drive to ensure the future of my babies," one typed to me. Their desire is there, and by gosh, so is their will. (There's a reason these women made it onto a plane in Kabul last August.) I know that they can be successful, but it will take time. Meanwhile, the slow pace is stressful.

But being self-sufficient isn't their only goal. Their spouses, one additional child, and other family members are still in safe houses in Afghanistan, and they are still very much in danger of being killed. Getting them out of the country isn't easy: they all need passports, plane tickets, and safe passage. But in Afghanistan, getting a passport can be a death sentence. You submit your application to the passport office, and then you must go somewhere else for the passport photo. There, the Taliban are waiting. And I don't even know how anyone can board a plane in Afghanistan right now. But none of this is stopping volunteers from trying. They know it won't be easy, and they know it won't be soon, but the hope that someday they will get out is enough ... for now.

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Please join us for safeTALK, a suicide intervention workshop led by high school

How safeTALK works

Most people with thoughts of suicide don't want to die — instead, they are looking for a way to work through the pain in their lives. Through their words and actions, they usually invite others to help them in making a choice for life.

youth who are part of the Archdiocese of Seattle's Catholic Lifesaver Corps.

Who can attend?

For high school youth ages 14+

Goals and objectives

This four-hour suicide alertness training helps participants recognize a person with thoughts of suicide and connects them with resources to help them choose to live. Participants don't need any formal preparation to attend the training—anyone who wants to make a difference can learn the safeTALK steps. There will be scheduled breaks and opportunities to practice the skills built in the workshop, including practice on how to talk about this subject with others.



Scan QR code to register

Service hours available for students. Food provided.

For more information, please contact Joe Stevens at stevensfmly@msn.com or (206) 375-2028.

