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## SAINT JOHN VIANNEY PARISH

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SEPTEMBER 2023

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Memorial - Labor Day: 8:30 am - 3:30pm

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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

#### Reconciliation

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

#### Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday - Friday: 9:00am

#### Weekday Masses

Wednesday - Friday: 9:15am

#### Word & Communion Services

Monday - Tuesday: 9:00am

#### Holy Days of Obligation

9:00am and 7:00pm

## SACRAMENTS

### INFANT BAPTISM

Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at 11:00am Mass, 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](mailto:Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org), to reserve your spot. Check out the parish website for more information.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION 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. RCIA classes will begin in November.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST

Our 2023-24 school year sessions are scheduled for next spring. We prepare kids for Reconciliation through the Lenten Season, and Eucharist through the Easter Season. Your child must be at or about 7 years old and have been baptized Catholic. Contact Laura, [Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org).

### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes begin September 16 for 7th through 12th graders. More information can be found on our website. Please email questions to [mterashima@sjvkirkland.org](mailto: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](mailto: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 have a world that is beautiful but broken, amazing but fallen, but in this world there is God's love. He offered Himself for you. We hope you find your place here as we strive to be a "Light on Finn Hill" on our journey to our heavenly home.

There is a church staff member available after every Mass at the Welcome Table or at Coffee & Donuts in the Social Hall on Sundays. We are here to walk with you wherever you are in your journey.

We experience the presence of Christ in community. Consider joining one of our many ministries.

We love children and the sound 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. If you've signed up and don't see it in your email on Tuesdays, be sure to check your junk mail.



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



### COFFEE & DONUTS



Please join us for coffee & donuts in the Social Hall after the Sunday Masses. Chat with friends, and meet someone new! Supplies are located throughout the Social Hall to help clean up after your family is done.



### VOLUNTEERS



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!

### PREVENT CAR BREAK-INS

A friendly reminder to keep valuables out of sight in your car and to lock your vehicle.

## DID YOU KNOW???

**D**id you know that during Mass, after the Our Father prayer, and doxology, and before the sign of peace, the priest prays a short but meaningful prayer:

**Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will..."**

It's a humble prayer on behalf of the church, to ask the Lord to look away, and instead to focus on the collective faith of the church. It would be like St. Peter saying to the Lord: "Depart from me, O Lord, for I am a sinner."

The faith of the Church mentioned in this prayer refers to all the faithful of the church; members of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, whose reality includes and transcends the local assembly. The Universal Church cuts across space and time. Thus, we at Mass in our local church also depend upon the faith of the entire Church Militant (every parishioner at Mass everywhere on earth) and the faith of the entire Church Triumphant (the angels and saints at Mass in heaven). That is why we worship as a community of faith and every person's prayer and loving service are accounted for.

When this prayer is said: "Look not on our sins but on the faith of the church," we humbly admit that as individuals, we are not strong enough on our own, but we need the grace of faith and prayers from the entire church.

The faith of the church collectively, can help deflect the Lord's judgment on our sins and the sins of the souls in Purgatory awaiting the completion of their purification; all of us together need God to look not on our sins but on the faith of the church combined. We humbly ask the Lord to look favorably upon the faith of the Saints, Holy Men and Women, and martyrs, those who are living or have gone before us; those who have been faithful and are wonderful examples. We ask the Lord to look to Mother Mary, St. Joseph, St. John Vianney, All Saints, and our ancestors.

Why is it important to ask the Lord to look not at our sins but on the faith of the church? So that we too may not focus on our sins and the sins of one another with a spirit of condemnation. We also need to look at the faith of the Church. Because we can't be asking the Lord to look away from individual sins while we are not doing the same. And secondly, every prayer and loving service are accounted for, and aids the Church in Her Mission to make disciples for Christ. Let us pray, Dear Lord, look not on our sins but on the faith of the church. As we ask you to do so, may you give us the grace to do the same. Through the intercession of Mother Mary, St Joseph, St John Vianney, and all the Angels and Saints. Amen.

## PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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### FUNERAL RECEPTION MINISTRY

Chair Needed  
Please call the office to volunteer

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Fred Janssen  
Autumn Salazar

The Parish Finance Council is an advisory and consultative body that assists the Pastor with the responsibility for parish financial management and accountability.



**PARTNERS  
IN THE GOSPEL**

**UPDATE**

Please scan the QR codes to review the Partners in the Gospel materials available, to become more familiar with the overall mission of the Church, the goals of this effort, and the process we are undertaking. Keep an eye out for future sign ups for listening sessions. For now, please pray for this renewal effort.



**UPDATED Q&A**



**JULY NEWSLETTER**



**PRAYER**





## ST. JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL

*Dear Jesus, please help me as I start my new school to feel at home, to make new friends, to play games, learn new things and enjoy each day. Amen.*

Welcome to a new school year at SJV Preschool! We are excited to welcome 55 registered preschool families to a new and exciting school year filled with fun and learning.

Our opening schedule is as follows:

**Parent orientation:** Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30pm inside the church. Mom and/or dad only please.

**Student orientation:**

- **3+ and 4's class:** Thursday, 9/7 Group "A" 9:15 - 10:45  
Group "B" 11:00 - 12:30  
First day of class for 3+ & 4's: Tuesday, 9/12 from 9:15 - 1:00
- **3's and Pre-K class:** Friday, 9/8 Group "A" 9:15 - 10:45  
Group "B" 11:00 - 12:30  
First day of class for 3's: Monday, 9/11 from 9:15 - 12:15  
First day of class for Pre-K: Monday, 9/11 from 9:15 - 1:00
- **First day of Storybook Adventure** for those enrolled: Wednesday, 9/20 from 9:15 - 12:15 in Room # 6

The Preschool staff is looking forward to greeting everyone soon.

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](mailto: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](http://www.sjvkirkland.org) under the Preschool tab as well as the welcome table and the preschool bulletin board.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILY LIFE

**Parish Nursery:** On Sundays our nursery is available for children 18 months through 4 years old, and staffed at both the Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am Masses. The nursery is located right down the stairs, parents are welcome to stay with their children if it makes them more comfortable. Audio from Mass can be heard in the nursery.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Children are invited to join us for dismissal during the regular Sunday 11:00am Mass for Liturgy of the Word. The children hear the gospel reading and have an opportunity to break it open with discussion, activities, and other stories that relate to the Gospel. No registration required and parents are welcome to accompany their children if they'd like.

**Mom's Morning Out:** Wednesday mornings from 9:30am - 12:00pm, primary caregivers of children ages 1-5 can drop their children off in the parish nursery for childcare while the caregiver gets a couple of hours of free time to run errands, relax, clean house, whatever, without a little one under foot. There is a fee of \$15.00 per child per day, and a registration form. Parents with more than two children pay a maximum of \$30.00 per day. There is currently a waiting list for this ministry. Sign up to get on the list today.

**Family Self-Help Resources:** We have resources for you and your family to use in times of grief and loss, as well as Safe Touching classes for children and Sexual Abuse Prevention classes for parents and adult volunteers.

**Catholic Kids' Catechism Club (CKCC):** We begin our faith formation program in October.

Our 3 year old's through kindergarten kids meet downstairs in Room 6 during the 9:00am Mass. Their session begins with learning about the Mass, then they move to Room 2, where they are picked up at the end of Mass. Kids will hear the Gospel for the day, adapted for their little ears, and do activities based on the Gospel.

Our older kids in 1st - 5th grades attend sessions on Sundays between 10:00-11:00am. We open our sessions with the proclamation of the Gospel and then do an opening challenge related to it. Kids then break off with their clubhouses to complete their challenges! They accumulate points throughout the year and the group that gets the highest number of points wins a party at Pump-It-Up at the end of the year!

For active kids, it is a wonderful way to have fun and learn about their faith at the same time. Contact Laura Stanger with questions!

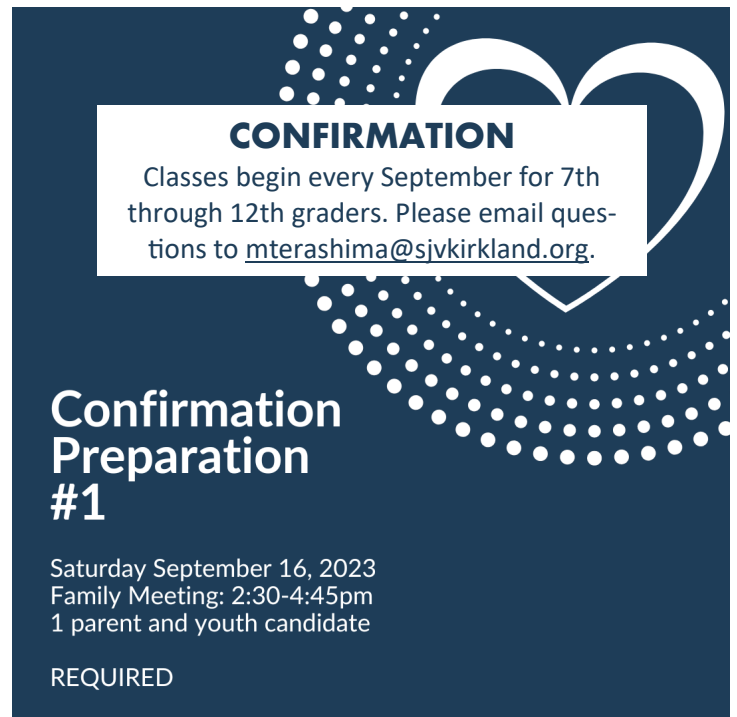


## YOUTH GROUP

Starting in September 2023, 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 22-24, 2023. We break up into age-appropriate groups. Please see our calendar on the website in the Youth Group portion for more details, or email Maybeth, [mterashima@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:mterashima@sjvkirkland.org) to sign up for our weekly What's Up to stay informed.



## YOUNG ADULTS



## HIGH SCHOOL ESPERANZA MISSION TREK Sign Ups Happening Now

We are gearing up for our 2023-24 Trek, June 23 - 29, 2024! High school sophomores to seniors are welcome to join us. Meetings, fundraisers, and service opportunities take place throughout the school year to build team unity as our trekkers earn their way together. Our first meeting will be Sunday, October 1, following Youth Group. Please contact Susan, [sweaver@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:sweaver@sjvkirkland.org), for an application or more information.





## OUTREACH & SOCIAL CONCERNS



**St. Vincent de Paul Ministry** - Everyday people from our neighborhood who need help with rent, utilities, food and other necessities, call our church seeking aid. As housing, utility, gas and food costs continue to rise, our neighbors are facing increasing need, particularly with rent payments. Unfortunately incoming donations are not currently meeting this need and we have been obliged to reduce the amount of support we are able to provide. Thank you to everyone who regularly supports this ministry. Please consider increasing your donation in this time of greater need, or making a first-time donation if you have not previously contributed. You can help us serve the vulnerable among us through:

- Monetary donations including via the donation page on our website, [sjvkirkland.org/donate](http://sjvkirkland.org/donate); monthly contributions through EFT; or using the yellow St. Vincent de Paul envelopes in the pews and at the Welcome Table to place a donation in the collection basket.
- Contributing non-perishable, unexpired food items to the food donation box in the Narthex. Among the items we need most are: canned fruit, jelly, 5lb flour, 4lb sugar, 1-5 lb rice, cooking oil, mayonnaise, ketchup, spaghetti sauce, assorted Chef Boyardee, pancake mix, pancake syrup. No pet food or clothes, please.

Your support is sincerely appreciated.

**Goodwin Group Trek (October 28 - November 4)** - Were you unable to join our adult trek last May? All are welcome to join Ken & Mary Goodwin for their Esperanza, Int. trek to Tijuana this fall. Contact Kenny and Mary at 425-466-4460 or [goodwin.hp@gmail.com](mailto:goodwin.hp@gmail.com).

**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.

**The Letter: A Message for Our Earth Follow Up Discussion** - Join us Wednesday, Sept 13 at 7pm in the Social Hall to reflect on and discuss Pope Francis' call to care for our creation. If you are unable to join us in person, please contact [sweaver@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:sweaver@sjvkirkland.org) for a Zoom link. *"Protect Life. Preserve that which sustains life. Care for our common home."* - Pope Francis, Laudato Si'.

**Styrofoam Recycling (at SJV September 17 at morning Mass and during our Parish Picnic)** - Styrofoam may also be brought to Holy Family Church, Kirkland, Saturday, Sept 16, 9am-12noon. All material must be clean, dry, and free from any tape or labels. Look for the #6 or EPS inside the recycle symbol. *More details on next page.*



**Lunch Making for the Homeless** - Join us on the first Thursday of each month following the 9:15am weekday Mass in the social hall to help prepare 50 lunches for the homeless. The lunches will be delivered to a homeless shelter in Snohomish County and will be distributed as people leave the overnight shelter. Contact Laura with questions, [Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org). See you October 5!



**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.



**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.

## AFGHAN REFUGEE FAMILY - SEPTEMBER UPDATE

Osman, Beheshta, and Omar are excited to go back to school after Labor Day. A special shout-out to Clothes for Kids in Lynnwood, a non-profit organization which annually provides quality new clothing to thousands of students in a retail store environment, where kids and teens can pick out their own clothes with their families free of charge to be able to start the school year on an equal playing field as their more financially secure peers. All three children were supplied with brand new back-to-school outfits, coats and shoes. Please go to [clothesforkids.org](http://clothesforkids.org) to support this wonderful organization.

Shamila and Nabila have completed their first quarter of ESL at Edmonds community college. As high school and college students return to school, the sisters are hopeful employment opportunities will open up and they will be able to find jobs again soon.

Nabila continues to work towards getting her husband and daughter out of Afghanistan. Visas have been secured for them to travel to another country for processing to the United States. Prayers that reunification for both families will happen soon.

St John Vianney & Holy Family Catholic  
Churches, Kirkland: CARE FOR CREATION



# STYROFOAM RECYCLING EVENT

SATURDAY, SEPT 16, 9AM-12NOON AT HOLY FAMILY  
SUNDAY, SEPT 17, 10AM-3PM AT ST JOHN VIANNEY

## ACCEPTING POLYSTYRENE:

Clean Styrofoam

Clean Takeout

Clean Polyethylene

Clean Styrofoam Sheets

Packing Peanuts inside plastic bags only



## ALL MATERIAL MUST BE:

- Clean • Dry
- Free of all tape and any labels so it does not contaminate the recycle process.
- Please bag your peanuts separately.
- No contaminated material accepted.

For more information:  
[sweaver@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:sweaver@sjvkirkland.org)  
[andrea@hfkparish.org](mailto:andrea@hfkparish.org)



**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.

**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** All are welcome to join us for our next hike, Saturday, September 9, 9:00am at Cherry Creek Falls Trail in Duvall. This is a 4.8 mile trail, moderately challenging, with 646 ft total elevation. Parking is limited to the shoulder of Mountain View Road only. Please contact Susan, [sweaver@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:sweaver@sjvkirkland.org), if you would like to meet at 8:30am at SJV to carpool or if you will be joining us at the trailhead so we know who to wait for.

**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.



**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 simple and quick to learn and old timers will be happy to help you. Open to everyone! Hope to see you September 26!

**Senior Dinner (55+)** Calling all seniors, couples included - Senior Dinner is back! The next one is September 16. We meet on the third Saturday of each month after the 5:00pm Mass for dinner and the Left, Right, Center dice game. For \$10, come and join us for food and fun. Please prepay with cash and sign up in the parish office by Tuesday, September 12. We look forward to seeing you!



**Wednesday Morning Faith Sharing** New people are always welcome! We meet after weekday Mass every Wednesday for about an hour. We reflect on the readings for the following Sunday using the *Sunday-By-Sunday* leaflet to help us understand how God's word relates to our everyday lives. Come and give us a try!

**Women's Book Group** We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. We gather 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 September book is *Still Life* by Louise Penny. The October book is *I'm Judging You* by Luvvie Ajayi. See you September 5!



**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. For more information contact the Grand Knight: Brad Lund, [bradelund@comcast.net](mailto:bradelund@comcast.net). See you September 21!

**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. Please join the "SJV Moms Meetup" Facebook group for updates about our monthly meetups.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES STARTING THIS MONTH

### RACIAL JUSTICE AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

As we as a people of faith continue to struggle with the issue of racism in society and in the church, it appears that, while there is a unanimous recognition that racism is sinful or evil, there is little shared agreement about what racism is. Also surprisingly, there is almost never an attempt to provide a Biblical or theological underpinning for the rejection of racism. In addition, in both Christianity and Catholicism in America, there is rarely a consistent emphasis or recommended course of action for combatting racism. As a result, for many of the unchurched, the Catholic Church appears to be largely indifferent to the issue of racism and social justice. However, both individually and as the people of God as a whole, we can deepen our understanding of racism, repent of racism, begin to actively promote racial justice, and so fulfill our mission of imitating Christ in the world. One of the ways to do this is to directly confront racism through study.

**Each Thursday evening at 7:00 P.M. starting on September 21, 2023**, we will examine the relationship of the Catholic Church to racism. **The class is online using Zoom**; all sessions are recorded and will be available on the SJV Kirkland Adult Faith Formation Channel on YouTube. The class will focus on Fr. Bryan Massingale's book *Racial Justice and the Catholic Church*, (available as a Kindle edition from Amazon or as a free one-hour loan from Internet Archive) along with Conor Kelly's book, *Racism & Structural Sin* (available as a Kindle edition from Amazon). To register, please call the parish office or sign up at the welcome table in the narthex.

### STUDY OF THE PATRISTIC TRADITION

As Catholics, our faith has been preserved and handed down to us over the course of almost 2,000 years. A critical role in preserving and further articulating the faith of Jesus and the Apostles was played by the Patristic Fathers and Mothers during the first eight centuries after Christ's death and resurrection. Yet today, despite Vatican II's call to return to the Patristic tradition, we've virtually lost sight of the Patristic Fathers and their contributions to our faith. Often, the best we can say is, "I've heard of her (or him)." Join us as we study the Patristic tradition and, in the process, learn more about our faith and who we are as Catholics. **The class will be held remotely via Zoom on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 PM starting on September 18, 2023.** The course text is Mike Aquilina's *The Fathers of the Church*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, available in a Kindle edition from Amazon. To register, please call the parish office or sign up at the welcome table in the narthex.



## FACILITIES WORKSHOP

What a beautiful Summer we are having! The Facilities Committee, Fr. Vu and the Staff are so appreciative of our volunteers here at SJV! You guys are AWESOME! We always have people that come up on their own time, whenever they can, and work on their areas, or just in general. Every little bit helps and we always have things to do around this 8-acre parcel of beautiful grounds. Don't forget about our Adopt-a-bed program headed up by Tony Zimmerman. Please let Greg Leptich know if you are willing to help (cell 206.940.4072 or [gleptich@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:gleptich@sjvkirkland.org)).

- Father Vu's initiative to brighten up the church continue. The double doors are done and what a difference it makes. They bring in so much more light and they are much more attractive, both inside and outside. Next are the remaining three single doors.
- We now have a Rose Committee headed up by parishioner **Michelle Pomada**. We have a lot of beautiful roses on this campus, and they take a lot of time and dedication to keep them in top shape. We are taking a team approach so that more people can be involved, and it isn't such a burden on just a couple of volunteers. If you would like to get involved with the Rose Committee, please contact the front office and leave your contact information - (425)823-0787.
- As promoted at this year's Gala Auction, Phase II, the walkway and meeting area is next. The Auction raised \$50,000 for this next phase and I am getting design proposals for the landscaping and future gathering area. If anyone would like to help in this and/or has experience with landscape architecture, we invite you to come join us. Again, please let Greg Leptich (cell 206.940.4072 or [gleptich@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:gleptich@sjvkirkland.org)) know.
- I hope you are taking advantage of the many lovely reflection areas on our campus. The refurbished Madrona Stump Madonna, the new Mother Mary statue, the wooden Stations of the Cross, the Rose Garden area, or just taking a stroll around these beautiful grounds. Thank you again to all of you that have made this all happen!
- Be sure to follow Tony's "Bed of the Month" recognition and check out what volunteers are doing to make our home a beautiful Light on Finn Hill.
- The Master Gardeners continue to work the plot of grass by the north gravel parking area. They have produced well over 100lbs of produce and donated to a local food bank. They expect to surpass last years production. Unfortunately, this will be their last growing season with us. Be sure to thank them for their dedication and service to the community if you see them out their working.

We can always use help around here, both inside and outside. If you have a particular skill, or just like puttering in particular areas, please let Greg know, [gleptich@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:gleptich@sjvkirkland.org), 206.940.4072, or leave your contact information at the front desk.

## SJV Hike & Fellowship

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 9:00AM

Cherry Creek Falls Trail\*, Mountain View Road, Duvall

Parking is limited to shoulder of Mountain View Road only.

Contact Susan to carpool from SJV.

Sign up: [sweaver@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:sweaver@sjvkirkland.org)



## ADOPT-A-GARDEN BED AUGUST BED OF THE MONTH

The Grounds at SJV  
Greg Leptich

The landscape at SJV is looking wonderful and there are an abundance of comments from many about how beautiful the grounds look. Much of the thanks can go to Greg for the diligent care coming from him over the past five years since he started his job. Thank you Greg, from SJV.



# **“YOU ARE THE VINE, WE ARE THE BRANCHES” GALA DINNER & AUCTION Sunday, November 4 after the 4:00pm Mass**

We are looking forward to a fun night of good food and good friends – all while supporting the works of SJV.

Thank you to everyone who has donated the corks for decorations, we have plenty now.

Our auction helps to fund everything we do at SJV from spiritual nourishment of Mass and bible studies to bodily nourishment through Sunday donuts, Lazarus House sandwich making, and St. Vincent de Paul. We need your help – not just to come to the auction and bid on items, but also to help procure items for everyone to bid on. A successful auction requires about 300 items. We currently have less than 100 items that have been procured. PLEASE try to procure at least one item from a business you frequent or own or have a friend who owns. We need to get these in as the **procurement deadline is OCTOBER 9!** Thank you to those of you who have procured items and turned them in. It is invaluable to have them early and see what we can look forward to bidding on.

Procurement letters, forms, and a “tip” sheet are available in the Narthex at the Welcome Table.

We will be sharing some of these items as displays in the Narthex in October. Looking forward to a lovely evening on November 4!

Not sure you want to buy a ticket to the Gala? We are looking for volunteers at every level, so those interested in joining an auction committee can contact Ann V. at [avandewark@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:avandewark@sjvkirkland.org) or sign up at the Parish Picnic or after Masses in late September. If you need some guidance on where you would best fit, Ann can help you decide where you would most enjoy volunteering, and make sure you're comfortable!

We will be having a **planning meeting on Wednesday, September 6 at 5:30pm in the parish office** and **Wednesday, September 20 at 5:30pm in the Social Hall**. ALL ARE INVITED AND WELCOME!

## **SCHEDULE CHANGES**

**Monday, September 4** is Labor Day. The church will be closed. There will be no Word & Communion Service that day.

**September 4-13** Fr. Vu will be on a pilgrimage. On those weekdays there will be Word & Communion Services at 9:00am in the chapel instead of Adoration & Mass.

## **FUNERAL HOSPITALITY**

Thank you to all who helped host the funeral receptions for Jane Regala and Virgilio Balancio this past week - **Emmett & Laurie Sullivan, Tara and Haylie Grosso, Mary Torbenson, Connie Lambert and Melinda Lund**. You bring light to families going through a very difficult time. God bless you!

If you are interested in helping with the mission of “burying the dead,” we would love to have more hospitality people to help with funeral receptions. Please contact the parish office for more information.

## **CHOIR SIGN UP**

*“Sing to the Lord for He has done glorious things.”*  
- Isaiah 12:5



If you are interested in joining the choir or would like to continue to serve in the music ministry, please scan the QR code to sign up! Rehearsals will be on Mondays at 7:00pm. We will have our first gathering and choir rehearsal on Monday, September 18 at 7:00pm. Thank you!

## **PEW CLEANING**

If you, or you and a friend would like to join our team of awesome pew cleaners, please contact Ana, [aklepper@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:aklepper@sjvkirkland.org). The commitment is very flexible - come to church once a month or every other month on a predetermined schedule to straighten out the items in the pews and remove any papers or debris left from the weekend. Thanks for considering!





# **Celebration of Cultures Parish Picnic**

## **Sunday September 17, 2023**

### **Fun! Free! Family Event!**

**Please bring friends and neighbors!**  
**Picnic runs from 12 noon - 3 pm!**

#### **ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULED**

- We will open with the **HAWAIIAN TUNES** of parishioners - **Greg Lum, Colin Radford, John Maccaro, and Chris Klepper**
- **1:00pm: SPECIAL GUESTS** - **Kalahi Dance Group** from the Filipino Community of Seattle, will perform some wonderful folk dances for us!
- Not to miss **CULTURAL SONGS** from parishioners - **Angelina Lum**, the **Filipino Community**, and the **Vietnamese Community**
- **2:00pm: SPECIAL GUESTS** - **GANSANGO MUSIC & DANCE** from South Seattle will provide an energetic program combining traditional and contemporary African dance and drumming!
- **2:45pm: Raffle Basket Drawings!**



**Picnic will be on the south lawn by the playground.**

**BRING YOUR STYROFOAM to fill the truck to be recycled!**



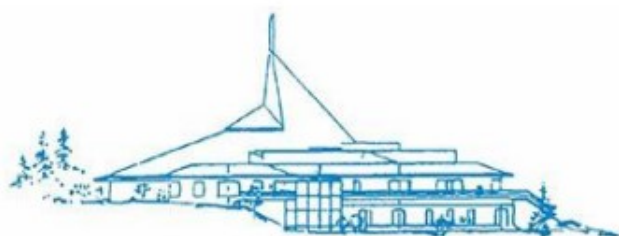
Pick up your **PASSPORTS** at the Welcome Booth and travel around the many booths representing different cultures of people in our Parish community! Taste sample treats and learn about the culture and life of your brothers and sisters! Be sure to get your passports stamped! A full passport will give you a raffle ticket to win a raffle basket! Raffle basket drawing at 2:45pm.

#### **Ways you can help make this happen!**

1. **Big strong folks:** come help us set up the big top and canopies on Saturday morning, September 16 at 10:00am!
2. **Donate cultural food** to one of the groups! You can make it and drop it off anytime on Saturday September 16, Sunday morning, September 17, or deliver it right to the booth when you come! (Please let Laura know so she can contact the chairperson for the appropriate group, so they know what is coming.)
3. **Donate a cultural raffle basket** or an item to be placed in a basket. Just drop it off in the office! We will have adult and kids raffle baskets as prizes for the end of the picnic!
4. **Volunteer to help with one of the booths!**
5. **Help with clean up and support during the picnic...** make lemonade, empty over-filled trash.
6. **Wear clothing from your cultural heritage!**
7. **Drop off your Styrofoam for recycling!**
8. **JUST COME and HAVE FUN!**

**Contact Laura Stanger or Ana Klepper in the parish office if you have questions! [Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:Lstanger@sjvkirkland.org), [aklepper@sjvkirkland.org](mailto:aklepper@sjvkirkland.org), or 425-823-0787.**





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## Collaboration in clean water in Ghana

Water from Wine non profit award winning cabernet sauvignon,  
\$30 a bottle, WAN receives \$35.00

Join us for free tasting after Masses Sept 30, Oct 1, 2023

Can't make it? [Wateraccessnow.org](http://Wateraccessnow.org) top blue banner to order

*2024 goal with your  
support, well # 300 will  
be drilled in a village  
that has no access to  
clean water.*



Water Access Now board: Bob Maher, Jan Kline, Chris Norwood,  
Steve Zeller, Stephanie Larson, Dan Soukup, Ercenk Keresteci  
*We are a 501C3 not profit with no office, all volunteer board, no paid staff.*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Month of Our Lady of Sorrows</b> <i>If you would like to find out more about, or get involved with any events in the calendar please contact the parish office for more info.</i>						<b>2</b> Reconciliation 3:30pm Vigil Mass (Anniversary & Birthday Blessings) 5:00pm
<b>3</b> Rosary 8:30am Mass (Anniversary & Birthday Blessings) 9:00am Parish Picnic Planning 10:00am Mass (Anniversary & Birthday Blessings) 11:00am Baptisms 12:00pm	<b>4 Labor Day</b> Church Closed	<b>5</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Spanish Class 10:00am Letter to the Hebrews (Zoom) 6:30pm Women's Book Group 7:00pm	<b>6</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Mom's Morning Out 9:15am Faith Sharing Group 10:00am Quilters Group 10:00am Auction Meeting 5:30pm Preschool Parent Orientation 6:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm	<b>7</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Lunch Making for the Homeless 10:00am Preschool Student Orientation 6:00pm	<b>8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Preschool Student Orientation 6:00pm	<b>9 St. Peter Claver</b> Hiking Club @ Cherry Creek Falls Trail 9:00am Reconciliation 3:30pm Vigil Mass (Guest Priest) 5:00pm
<b>10</b> Rosary 8:30am Mass (Guest Priest) 9:00am Mass (Guest Priest) 11:00am Harry Potter Retreat Leader Meeting 12:30pm Girl Scouts 2:00pm	<b>11</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am First Day of Preschool 9:15am	<b>12</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Spanish Class 10:00am Letter to the Hebrews (Zoom) 6:30pm Facilities Committee 7:00pm	<b>13 St. John Chrysostom</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Mom's Morning Out 9:15am Faith Sharing Group 10:00am Quilters Group 10:00am Boy Scouts 7:00pm <i>The Letter</i> Film Follow Up Discussion 7:00pm	<b>14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Finance Council (Zoom) 4:00pm	<b>15 Our Lady of Sorrows</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am	<b>16 Sts. Cornelius &amp; Cyprian</b> Parish Picnic Tent & Canopy Set Up 10:00am Confirmation Prep Family Meeting 2:30pm Reconciliation 3:30pm Vigil Mass 5:00pm Senior Dinner 6:00pm
<b>17</b> Rosary 8:30am Mass 9:00am Styrofoam Recycling 10:00am Mass 11:00am Parish Picnic 12:00pm	<b>18</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Spanish Class 10:00am Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Study of the Patristic Tradition (Zoom) 7:00pm	<b>19</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Letter to the Hebrews (Zoom) 6:30pm St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm	<b>20 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang &amp; Companions</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Mom's Morning Out 9:15am Faith Sharing Group 10:00am Quilters Group 10:00am Auction Meeting 5:30pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm	<b>21 St. Matthew</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Knights of Columbus 7:00pm Racial Justice & the Catholic Church (Zoom) 7:00pm	<b>22</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Harry Potter Retreat Movie Night 6:00pm	<b>23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina</b> Harry Potter Retreat 9:00am Reconciliation 3:30pm Vigil Mass 5:00pm
<b>24</b> Harry Potter Retreat 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am	<b>25</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Spanish Class 10:00am Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Study of the Patristic Tradition (Zoom) 7:00pm	<b>26</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Letter to the Hebrews (Zoom) 6:30pm Rummikub 7:00pm	<b>27 St. Vincent de Paul</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Mom's Morning Out 9:15am Faith Sharing Group 10:00am Quilters Group 10:00am Boy Scouts 7:00pm	<b>28</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Racial Justice & the Catholic Church (Zoom) 7:00pm	<b>29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am	<b>30 St. Jerome</b> Baptism Prep 10:00am Reconciliation 3:30pm Vigil Mass 5:00pm WAN Wine Tasting 6:00pm
<b>OCTOBER 1</b> Rosary 8:30am CKCC (3yrs - K) 9:00am Mass 9:00am CKCC (1st - 5th) 9:55am WAN Wine Tasting 10:00am Mass (Baptisms) 11:00am WAN Wine Tasting 12:00pm RECongress Family Meeting 12:00pm Girls Scouts 2:00pm Youth Group 5:00pm Mission Trek Meeting 6:30pm	<b>2 Guardian Angels</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Spanish Class 10:00am Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm CKCC 7:00pm Study of the Patristic Tradition (Zoom) 7:00pm	<b>3</b> Word & Communion Service 9:00am Letter to the Hebrews (Zoom) 6:30pm Women's Book Group 7:00pm	<b>4 St. Francis of Assisi</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Mom's Morning Out 9:15am Faith Sharing Group 10:00am Quilters Group 10:00am Boy Scouts 7:00pm	<b>5</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Lunch Making for the Homeless 10:00am Racial Justice & the Catholic Church (Zoom) 7:00pm	<b>6</b> Adoration & Mass 9:00am Anointing of the Sick 10:00am	<b>7</b> Wedding 11:00am Reconciliation 3:30pm Vigil Mass (Anniversary & Birthday Blessings) 5:00pm