

**ST. JOHN BOSCO - LAKEWOOD, WA**  
**WELCOME TO ST. JOHN BOSCO CHURCH THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

December 11 - 15



Mon Dec. 11 8:30am Eucharistic Service  
 Tues Dec. 12 8:30am **No Eucharistic Service**  
 Wed Dec. 13 8:30am **Ernest Remy †**  
 Thurs Dec. 14 8:30am **Alex Ghillany †**  
 Fri Dec. 15 8:30am **Florence Leon Guerrero †**



Christmas Flowers

We are now accepting donations towards Christmas flowers. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 253-582-1028. All that we ask is that these donations all have separate checks. Our beautiful flowers are provided by Cranes Creations. Two bouquets is \$100.00. One bouquet is \$50.00. Any amount you can contribute towards the Christmas flowers would be appreciated.



**Holiday Hours**

**Office Closures**

December 22nd - 29th  
 No Mass On ....  
 December 27, 28 & 29

**Weekly Collection Including Weekly Online Giving**  
**December 2 & 3, 2017**

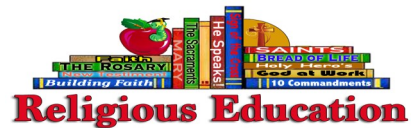
Weekend Collection	\$13,299.16
Weekly Online Giving	\$ 2,412.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$15,711.16
Budgeted Weekly Goal	\$13,856.50
Weekly goal Under/Over Budget	\$1,854.66
<b>Actual Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving</b> (July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018)	\$297,453.82
Budgeted Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal (July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018)	\$318,699.50
<b>Under/Over Budgeted Goal</b>	(\$21,245.68)

**\*\*Notice\*\***

All contributions for the year 2017 must be postmarked or received in the parish office by Dec. 31, 2017.

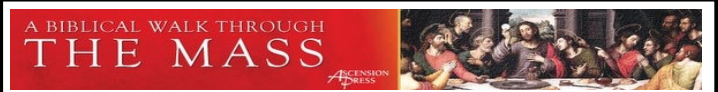
CCS Week 2017

Last weekend was CCS 2017 Appeal For The Poor. Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services provide care for our poorest and most vulnerable neighbors. Thank you to those of you who have already so generously made donations to CCS. Your gifts are used locally to provide essential services and programs for people desperately in need. Please visit their website at [www.ccsww.org](http://www.ccsww.org) for more information or if you have not yet made a gift of support.



**\*Faith Formation, Adult Bible Study and Youth Group will resume on December 3rd.**

- **Faith Formation:** Sundays after Breakfast!! (11:15 AM -12:30 PM).
- **Youth Ministry:** Sundays, Junior High 11:00 am to 12:30 pm and Senior High 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
- **Youth Ministry Bible Location and time:** Wednesdays, Topside Banquet Room 6:30 am to 7:30 am.



Sundays during Faith Formation! (Also offered Tuesdays at 7pm, and Wednesday mornings after Mass at approx. 9:10am). Classes are free.

In this study, you will come to know and understand the Mass like never before.



Bible Study

We would love to see more youth at bible study! We have morning bible study available for our youth every Tuesday from 6:30am to 7:15am at Topside Bar & Grill's coffee Shop (215 Wilkes St. Steilacoom, WA 98388).

For more information, contact Sonia Martinez.

Special Mass Schedule

**December 15:** Simbang Gabi, 7:00PM (SJB)

**December 16:** Blessing of the Creche after 5:00PM Mass

Please note the unique situation this year where the 9:30AM Mass on Dec. 24th is still the 4th Sunday of Advent! Christmas Eve will be celebrated at the 5:00Pm Mass on December 24.

**4th Sunday of Advent:**

Dec. 23rd Saturday Vigil, 5:00PM (SJB)  
 Dec. 24th Sunday morning, 9:30AM (SJB)

**December 24:** Christmas Eve Mass, 5:00PM (SJB)

**December 25:** Christmas Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception 7:30AM



**December 25:** Christmas Morning Mass at St. John Bosco 9:30AM

There will not be a Mass on Jan. 1st, as the Solemnity of Mary has been abrogated and is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

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**\*\*No Mass On December 27, 28, & 29\*\***



**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

In today's Gospel John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord", and this is what Advent is all about. We are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our hearts, in our family to reach out to those in need.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that we can help the suffering and poor to know the real meaning of Christmas.

During the month of November we were able to help 11 families, a total of 42 people and spent \$1,514.40. **Our next meeting is December 11th at 7PM.**

**Now Collecting**

We are collecting new and gently used hats, coats, gloves, boots, socks, and blankets effective immediately through Feb. 28, 2018. Contact Sharleen Dorland at 971-240-9253 to the pick-up of these items.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION CALLS**

We are most anxious to help our parish families because of illness, handicap, or age. If you or a family member is ill or hospitalized and you wish to receive the Sacraments, please call the parish office so that we may support you during these difficult times.

- \* Our parish office number is **253-582-1028**.
- \* Emergency **ONLY** number for an **emergency Anointing of the Sick** request **206-225-8058**

When's the Deadline?

**December 17th** at noon is the deadline for all Giving Tree Items.



**CRS (Catholic Relief Services)**

**Give the Gift of Hope This Christmas**

When you shop from the CRS Gift Catalog, you comfort, educate, feed, heal, and shelter suffering people overseas. To give a gift today, visit [gifts.crs.org](http://gifts.crs.org)

*Thank You*

Thank you to Rob Nuccio for his assistance with the lights in the Parish Hall and to Nick Kaszewicz for his help with the kneelers in the church. These acts of service are wonderful examples of Time, Talent, and Treasure. Thank you for your Stewardship!

Lector Workbooks

Lector Workbooks are still available to pickup in the vestibule of the parish office.

**Pilgrimage To The Holy Land : April 23 - May 6, 2018**

JMJ Pilgrimages

Spiritual Leader: Fr. Tom Suss

Cost: \$3,835.00

The Bible will come alive for you as we travel places where Jesus lived and preached: The Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, The Transfiguration, renew your wedding vows at Cana, Nazareth, the Annunciation, Jericho, Mt. of Temptation, The Dead Sea, Jerusalem, Bethany and so much more. For details call Evelyn Czapiewski @ [253-229-5554](tel:253-229-5554) or Fr. Tom [206-460-6229](tel:206-460-6229).



**Blue Christmas**

A Service of Hope for the Holidays

**Monday, December 11, 2017 @ 7PM**

St. Charles Borromeo Church  
7112 S. 12th Street, Tacoma

A service offering prayers, scripture, song and remembrance. The service is free and open to all. Refreshments provided following the service in the Parish Center. For more information contact [Renee](mailto:Renee@stcharlesb.org) at [564-5185](tel:564-5185) ext. 3037 or [rbogue@stcharlesb.org](mailto:rbogue@stcharlesb.org)

**Stewardship of Treasure 2017-2018**

A sincere "Thank You" to the many parishioners who have returned a Stewardship of Treasure Commitment Card to the parish. Your generosity supports your church and its many ministries, your fellow parishioners and their ministries and your community. We are very grateful.



- \*775 Registered Parishioners
- \*260 Stewardship Commitment Cards Returned
- \*Our Goal is 100% of cards returned
- \*We are at 34% of cards returned

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