

First Sunday of Advent

Dear parishioners,

Now that we have celebrated Thanksgiving Day, we now look towards the coming holidays. I've noticed some people decorating their houses in preparation for Christmas. As we prepare our physical dwellings for the holidays, let us not forget to prepare our spiritual homes as well. This coming December 6, is our advent penance service and there will be 4 priests assisting in hearing confessions. So let us take this wonderful opportunity to prepare our hearts and souls for the coming of Christ.

This month of December will be packed with so many activities aside from the parish reconciliation on the 6th. We will be having our Simbang Gabi Novena masses beginning on the 16th of December at 6 P.M. during weekdays through the 24th. On the 17th after the vigil Mass, our parish is celebrating our annual Simbang gabi dinner with the Filipino community hosting the event. On the 18th of December, at 3 P.M. is our parish Christmas concert. I hope you can come and listen to our talented artist as they serenade you with hymns and carols. Then finally on the 24th, our Mass schedule is as follows: 4 P.M. children's Mass, 9 P.M. Christmas Eve mass and 10 A.M. for Christmas Day.

Fr. Ramon

Stewardship of Treasure

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
November 2015 Income	\$11,966*	\$ 9,723	\$14,925*	\$11,613*	\$8,650	\$56,877
November 2016 income	\$15,338*	\$15,368*	\$13,079*		N/A	\$43,785
	Monthly Expense					\$65,000
	November 2016 Income over Expenses					(\$21,215)

* includes EFT

Prayers are Requested

- **for healing.** . . . Jane Leptich, Dorothy Berard, Jerry Marbett, Jeanette Eggerman, Michael Garaghty, Pi Miller, Glenda Suarez, Rosa Singer, Jeff Boyce, Eileen Redmond, Rhonele Laurente, Pete Helstrom, Bob Bell, Marty McDermott, Sue Cholewczynski, Joan French, Al Knapik, Laurene Yarnell, Tom Kemp, Mina Victoria Barriga, Susie Gandee, Tom Falsetto, Esther Sellers, Warren Robson, Rosario Garcia, Arron Cleveland, Franco Calvo, Maryann Lhotka, Don Sweazy, Josefa Garcia, Debbie Schmidt, Drew Stefan, Pete Hellstrom, Benny Gonzales, Bruce McCornack, Lin Leung, Julie Montgomery Slaton, Jade Wiswell, Michael McGee, Maureen Halpin, Heidi Blake, Scott Kendall, Karen Webster, Nicholas Lindeback, Mike Heinis, Helen Larson, Greg Enslow, Jonathan Laird, Edward Deane, Robert Welch, Hank Mott, Theresa Hansen, George Cromo, Janie Campbell, Dean Ostlund, Anthony Brusati, Sophie Roman, Rene Haag, Carroll Stenson, Tom Barker, Mike Perreault, Sue Fisher, Barbara Aquino, Judy Smith, Angela DiSmuke & **and all those listed in the Book of Prayer.**
- **for those who have recently died...**, Marion Gibson, Reginald Carter, Miriam Cando, Lino Gacasan, Pacifico Seno Cayanong, Fr. Gary Morelli, William Cholewczynski, Nick Vitulli, Constance Stewart, Mary Smith, John Shreve, John Polivka, Betty Matthews.
- **for those who are serving in harm's way...** Tom Pierce, Whitney Sellers Sutherland, Paul Clayborn and Nels Knutson, LtC David Cortese

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? If so, call Kay Smith and the prayer chain at 425-486-2528.

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This Week at St. John Vianney

Sunday, Nov 27

8:30 am Mass
No CKCC
10:30 am Mass
No HS Youth Group

Monday, Nov 28

8:30 am Adoration
9:00 am Mass
9:15 am Preschool
9:45 am Bible Study
7:00 pm Bible Study
No MS Youth Group
No CKCC

Tuesday, Nov 29

8:30 am Adoration
9:00 am Mass
9:15 am Preschool
7:00 pm Bible Study
7:00 pm Baptismal Preparation

Wednesday, Nov 30

8:30 am Adoration
9:00 am Mass
9:15 am Preschool
9:30 am Mom's Morning Out
9:45 am Faith Sharing Group
10:00 am Quilters Group
7:30 pm Boy Scouts

Thursday, Dec. 1

8:30 am Adoration
9:00 am Mass
9:15 am Preschool
5:30 pm Centering Prayer

Friday, Dec. 2

8:30 am Adoration
9:00 am Mass
9:15 am Preschool
9:45 am Bible Study

Saturday, Dec. 3

12:30 pm Bridge Ministry dinner
3:30 pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, Dec. 4

8:30 am Mass
8:30 & 9:15 CKCC
10:30 am Mass
5:00 pm HS Youth Group



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Mark your Calendar

Parish office hours from
8:30am to 4:30 pm

- Nov. 25– Dec 21 Esperanza Trek Trees Sale
- November 27– First Sunday of Advent
- December 3 12:30—2:30 pm Bridge Ministry Dinner
- Dec. 3-4 Esperanza Trek Bake Sales after Masses
- Dec. 6- Advent Reconciliation Service 7:00 pm
- December 7-Community Soup Night Soup Night (CKCC hosting) 6:00 pm
- December 8– Holy Day of Obligation Feast of the Immaculate Conception. 9am and 7 pm mass
- December 16-24 Simbang Gabi Novena
6pm masses
- Christmas Eve Masses: 4 pm and 9 pm
- Christmas Day Mass: 10 am

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- What features of “journey” do you find in today's readings, in your life at the moment?
- What connections do you see between a ritual procession and life's journey?
- What works of light do you need to embrace during Advent?

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- Isaiah 11:1-10
- Romans 15:4-9
- Matthew 3:1-12

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ST. JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL NEWS



Many Blessings for a very Happy Thanksgiving from SJV Preschool. Our little students are having a wonderful time, parents are happy and we are so blessed with a very enthusiastic group of amazing teachers. We are meeting Mon. thru Fri. 9:15 until 1:00.

Our doors are always open so if you are close by, come on in and say "Hi". We love visitors.

We still have a few openings in our 4's and Pre-K class.

We have added a wonderful early literacy program, "Storybook Adventure" which will supplement our 4's class

with an optional additional morning of learning fun. Come check out our cheerful learning environment, fun and safe playground and our welcoming and family oriented atmosphere.

Registration for the 2017/18 school year begins January 9th 2017

If you are interested in scheduling a tour of the classrooms, please email Annette Schwientek, Dir. at aschwientek@sjvkirkland.org or call the preschool cell at: 425-305-9662. An updated Preschool brochure will be available on the parish website at www.sjvkirkland.org under the Preschool tab and the preschool bulletin board. The end of December.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LIFE NEWS

Catholic Kids' Catechism Club is our faith formation program for kids ages 3 years -5th Grade. Our 3-5 year olds join us at 8:30 am in room #6 downstairs and our 1st through 5th Graders can choose between Sunday at 9:15 am or Mondays at 7:00 pm. Registration forms are available at the welcome table. CKCC has begun jump right in! Check schedule online for dates! NO CKCC this weekend due to the parish Auction. NO CKCC Sunday November 27th and November 28 due to Thanksgiving Holiday. See you December 4th and 5th. CKCC will be hosting the Community Soup night on Wednesday December 7th at 6 pm.

Children's dismissal at 10:30 Mass Children are encouraged to join us for dismissal during the 10:30 Mass. Kids up through about 5th grade are encouraged to attend. No registration form or fee. Just join us, Parents are welcome to join their kids as well. We read the same gospel reading as is read in the church, but simply give the kids a chance to talk about it and we may have an activity or storybook that fits with the Gospel reading. The kids will join their parent/guardian after the homily.

Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion has begun! We celebrate the wonderful Sacrament of First Reconciliation with about 40 young people on Tuesday December 6, 2016 at 7 pm in the church. Please keep the children and their parents in your prayers as they prepare for this special day!!

Infant Baptism Our next Infant Baptism Preparation session will be Tuesday, November 29th at 7:00 pm with rehearsal immediately following the session. The class and rehearsal usually run until about 8:20 pm. We will celebrate the Baptisms on Sunday, December 4th at the Sunday 10:30 am Mass. Registration forms and information are at the parish website. If you have questions, please contact Laura Stanger.

The nursery is available and staffed at both the Sunday 8:30 and Sunday 10:30 Masses it is right down the stairs, parents are welcome to stay with their children if it makes them more comfortable, the nursery is free!

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Happy Thanksgiving!

- **NO** High School Youth Group (9th-12th) on Sunday, November 27, 2016
- **NO** Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th) on Monday, November 28, 2016



-SJV the place to BE lieve, BE loving, BE a witness-



*** All adult volunteers must complete a background check. Please go to www.virtus.org to submit your information and be cleared to volunteer with our youth! Thanks so much!

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Visiting the Sick We are in need of more Eucharistic Ministers to visit the sick. If you are interested in this ministry, please talk to Fr Ramon about receiving training.

Funeral Reception Ministry: Thank you to the faithful funeral reception ministers. These include all who donate food and to those who are present to set-up, host & clean-up and especially to Laurene Yarnell & Judy Arnold.

Divorced? Considering getting an Annulment? Schedule a meeting with Fr. Ramon 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. If you have questions, please contact the parish office.

Women's Book Group All are welcomed and there is always wine and chocolate. December's book will be *The Shepherd's Prayer: A Christmas Novel* by Richard M. Barry. The book will be available soon in the Narthax for \$5. We are an informal book group so don't stress out too much, read it or not. Just know that we will talk about the book. We meet Tuesday, December 13th at 7 pm.

Are you a senior over 55 and single? For those of you new to our parish who are single and over 55, this is a great way to meet new people and enjoy a meal together. I hope you will join us when we meet on the third Saturday of the month after 5:00 pm mass in the social hall. We will not meet in December, the next dinner will be January 21.

Sonshine Ministry News: If you know someone in our parish who could use a little extra love (a card or meal), please call the SJV office at 823-0787. If you feel called to help in this ministry, we are always looking for volunteers to help support those in need by cooking a meal. It is such a wonderful & flexible way to support one another. Please call Mimi Eyster, 425-823-2991, for more information.

Quilt 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 our great group of quilters, but are inexperienced with quilting, we would love to get you started. We meet each Wednesday in the social hall from 10-12:30pm. (contact person Kathy 425-823-1720)

Liturgical Ministers If you are a liturgical minister, is your email address updated and "can't serve" dates current? Be sure to click on 'request sub' when you aren't able to serve on an assigned day. Please put in your "can't serve" dates for next month. Contact Judy Zaccaria at 425-823-1688 or the parish office. If you are interested in serving as a liturgical minister, please contact the parish office.

Centering Prayer Group Thursday Evening Centering Prayer Group meets at 5:30 pm every week in room #12. For more information call Jerry Baldwin at 425-821-1008.

Adult Faith Formation Study "Doors of Mercy" faith formation study celebrating the Year of Mercy is held 3 times a week: Monday 9:45am, Monday 7:00pm, and Friday 9:45am. While not exactly a Bible study, we will be using a scripture base. Contact: Cynthia Kemp.

Becoming a Catholic? Learn more about the Catholic faith. Adults and children, 7 years-old and over, who are interested, we invite you to contact the parish office and speak with Father.

Singers needed: If you can carry a tune and want to raise your voice in thanks and praise to God, then talk with Mar-

garet Graham following one of our masses. You don't have to read music. You don't have to have a solo-type voice. You will learn how to sing your part at rehearsals on Wednesday nights. Choir members sing at either 8:30 am (traditional setting) or 10:30 am (contemporary setting) mass or at both! For more information contact Margaret Graham at mgraham@sjvkirkland.org or ask a choir member!

Knights Korner: We are always looking for new Knights of Columbus in our parish...if you're a Catholic male at least 18 years of age, then consider joining our fraternal order. Please call Darryl Zaccaria at 425-823-1688 for more information.

SVDP Christmas Food Drive: Needs for the next two weeks: **Nov 20:** TP, paper towels, tissue, breakfast cereals, canned soup, stew, baked beans, mayonnaise, Spam, rice & rice products, 5 lb sugar, cake mix, frosting, & cooking oil. **Nov 26:** peanut butter, jam/jelly, breakfast cereals, canned tuna, salmon, chili, soup, baked beans, fruit, mayonnaise, Bisquick, cake, & brownie mix, frosting, 5 lb flour, pasta, TP, paper towels, Kleenex & cooking oil

Study of the Patristic Fathers: As Catholics, our faith has been preserved and handed down to us over the course of almost two thousand years. A critical role in preserving and further articulating the faith of Jesus and the apostles was played by the Patristic Fathers during the first few centuries after Christ's death and resurrection. Yet today, we've virtually lost sight of the Fathers and their contributions to our faith. Join us as we study the Patristic Fathers and, in the process, learn more about our faith and about who we are as Catholics. The study will be held on Thursday evenings from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM starting on November 3, 2016. The cost of the course book is \$18.00. If you have any questions, please call Ron Petruska at 707-548-1198.

Are you newly engaged? Come to the parish welcome table and fill out a Marriage information Sheet so we can get you set up for Evenings for the Engaged. You are invited to come as a couple to the home of one of our marriage prep team members for a series of sessions with other engaged couples. Even if you are not getting married at St. John Vianney, consider attending these sessions together. They will help prepare you and your fiancé to make decisions together as a strong, spiritually based team. The Catholic Church is here to support both of you and your marriage. Contact the parish office for a registration form.

Parenting teens is hard: Parent Support Group:

With the busy holiday season, we will not meet in December. Starting in January we will resume meeting on the third Tuesday of each month in room #12. Meet with other parents and counselor Liz Hunter for this confidential support group. Good will donation accepted. For more information contact the parish office.

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Social Concerns and Outreach for Adults and Youth

Bridge Ministry 15th annual Christmas Celebration is Saturday, Dec. 3. 12-2:30 Many hands make light work on this beautiful event. Bev Sweet is our chief chef with help from Caryl, Elisabeth, Mike & YOU??? Call Jan to learn more and volunteer! Thank you to our parish Scout troops for continuing devotion to this event.

ESPERANZA - 2017 dates!

Adults May 20-27—all are welcome! Email jkline@sjvkirkland.org

Young Adults Trek 2017. College June 17-24, Pen Toland and Conor Goodwin have stepped up to lead.

High school Esperanza 2 week trek is priceless. As you may know, our high school trek fund raises for the 2 week trek, All youth and adults who are going work as a team to bring in the money. This time of year is the most helpful to us~! Special thanks to Joan Capili for the donation that will help underwrite our new tree sales location!

Please pass the word!!

Christmas Trees and more 2016. We have added a second tree supplier! Burton Trees, southwest Washington, will supply some of our inventory. Poinsettias in 6 inch pots in red, white, burgundy, Glitter*. We will also feature wreaths in 3 sizes. AND there is DIVINE CHOCOLATE!

We are so grateful for our community's generosity. You 'GO BY GIVING!'



Pew Cleaners Needed: Here at St. John Vianney we are in need of some people who like to spend some quiet time in the church straightening the materials in the pews and replenishing the donation envelopes along with collecting any garbage left in the pews after the weekend Masses. You would only have to do this about once a month (less if we get more volunteers). It usually takes between 1 & 1 1/2 hours. If you feel called to this ministry, or if you want more information, please contact Margie in the parish office.

NEXT Community Soup Night: Wednesday December 7th at 6 pm in the social hall! CKCC will host! Bring soup or just show up and make a donation toward helping the homeless!

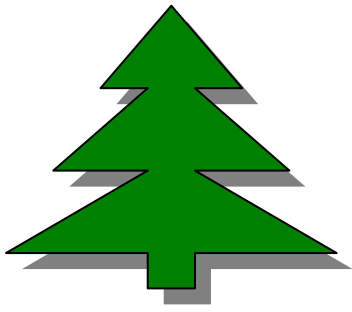
Gift Bag Stuffers for the Homeless: Gloves, Hot hands warmers. Cough drops, Toothpaste, Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrushes, Snacks, Granola bars— soft ones like nutra grain, New socks, Hot chocolate mix, Candy canes, Batteries, Flash lights. A box for donations is available by the parish welcome table.



Rachel's Corner Hope and Healing After Abortion: Our Jubilee Year of Mercy ends November 20, followed that week by Thanksgiving Day. As we enter the month of November, I thank you again for the part you play in sharing God's love and mercy after the unexpected and devastating effects of abortion for both women and men. As more people attend the various holiday liturgies of Advent and Christmas, the Rachel messages will invite them to healing! God's mercy never ends! Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673) *You are loved with an everlasting Love!* Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.



Christmas Wrapping Elves needed: Are you available to help wrap Christmas presents for our St. Vincent de Paul Society giving tree on **Saturday, December 17th**? We help Santa bring the Spirit of Christmas to about 60 families. There will be two hour slots starting at 10:00 am, 12, pm and 2 pm. Contact Maryann Matthew (ann.matthew14@gmail.com) for more information or to sign up.



Esperanza & SJV

26 years building hope and homes. Sales begin Nov 25

Christmas Trees,

– Noble, Frazer, Doug, (2 west WA suppliers)

Hours: Mon- Thur. 5-8 pm, Fri. 3 -8 pm, Sat. 9am-7pm, Sun. 9 am – 5pm

Prices vary by size and type



Poinsettia Florist quality 6 inch poinsettias

– red, white, glitter and a few burgundy (B.C. supplier) 12.00

Wreath, mixed green wreaths in 3 sizes (local supplier)

24”, 26”, 30” \$20, \$24, \$28

Divine chocolate – fair trade and fantastic \$5

Then the SWEET **BAKE SALE** Dec 3-4



All BY DONATION Sweet Deal for trekkers working the way to Tijuana to WORK hard.... blessings!

Call Jan with questions. 425 753 9594