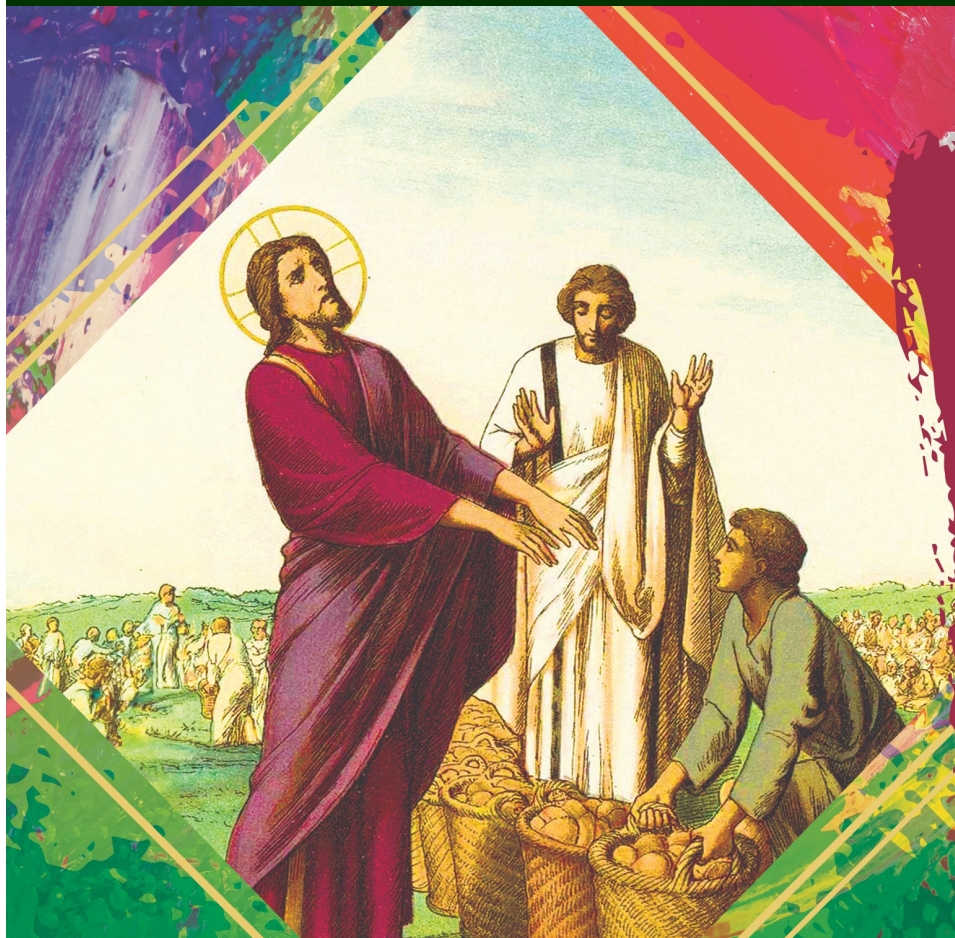


Christi simus, non nostri

We belong to Christ, not ourselves

ST COLUMBAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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- Jn 6:11

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July 28, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Columban Church

506 First St. S | Yelm, WA 98597

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Saturday 5:00 PM

Daily Mass 9:00 AM

(Tuesday-Friday, Except First Fridays)

Eucharistic Adoration First Fridays 6:30 PM

Confessions Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

Anointing of the Sick By request

Baptism & Wedding Preparation Contact the office

Parish Office Hours at St. Columban Mon.-Thurs. 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM Friday by appointment

[NEW PHONE NUMBER] Sacramental Emergencies: 360-704-7051

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360-458-3031

parishoffice@saintcolumbanyelm.org

St. Peter Mission

149 Keithahn St S | Tenino, WA 98589

Sunday Mass 8:00 AM

First Friday Mass 9:00 AM

Confessions Sunday 7:30-7:45 AM

Anointing of the Sick By request

Prayer Groups at St. Columban

Rosary Group Mondays 7 p.m. in the Church

Spanish Group Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

The church may be open for prayer during office hours upon request.

For your Prayer and Meditation —Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

814 From the beginning, this one Church has been marked by a great diversity which comes from both the variety of God's gifts and the diversity of those who receive them. Within the unity of the People of God, a multiplicity of peoples and cultures is gathered together. Among the Church's members, there are different gifts, offices, conditions, and ways of life. "Holding a rightful place in the communion of the Church there are also particular Churches that retain their own traditions." The great richness of such diversity is not opposed to the Church's unity. Yet sin and the burden of its consequences constantly threaten the gift of unity. And so the Apostle has to exhort Christians to "maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

Sunday Liturgy

Entrance Antiphon

God in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Readings

2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 (see 16)/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-1

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

Or: Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.

Reflect on the Sunday Readings

First Reading

"For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" (2 Kgs 4:43)

Trusting in the Lord, Elisha was able to feed a hundred people with just twenty barley loaves and fresh grain. Can you think of a time when you had to trust in the Lord?

Psalm

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs. (Ps 145)

Second Reading

One body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)

St. Paul urges the church in Ephesus to live in unity and holiness.

What are some signs that a community is holy and united?



Gospel

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. (Jn 6:11)

After Jesus fed the crowds with the multiplication of loaves and fish, he withdrew to the mountain alone. When do you find the need to be alone?

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Mass Intentions

Parishioners may schedule a Mass intention on our website or by calling the office. Sunday Masses are offered Pro Populo



July 30—

July 31—

August 1—Maria Teresa Siegemund RIP

August 2—

The Code of Canon Law confirms the practice of offering Masses for particular intentions is ancient: "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2).

Prayer Intentions

Loving God, we join with others of your people here asking you to hold in Your hands all of our homebound brothers and sisters and those who have asked for our prayers

For The Sick and Homebound*

Robert Fisher, Marcella Thornton, Bob Bacon, Theresa Gonzales, Betty Tretheway, Bill Bachmann, Gloria Lopez, Joe Judge & Frank Zawislak.

For The Deceased

All the souls in purgatory, especially all those who have no one to pray for them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For peace in the world

For God's protection on those in danger, the defeat and true repentance of unjust aggressors, and mercy for those who have died by violence.

For our young people attending the

Ignite NW Catholic Conference, for their protection and safety, and that they may eagerly seek and generously respond to their vocations from God as they receive the witness of many religious, seminarians, and pro-life mentors.

Monthly Intentions of the Pope

(July) For the pastoral care of the sick—We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

(August) For political leaders—We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Monthly Prayer Intention of the Archdiocese

For the elders in our parishes, that as we strive to become one family, we will draw on their wisdom and treasure the history of our communities.

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WELCOME TO SAINT COLUMBAN

We proclaim the Roman Catholic faith to the communities of McKenna, Nisqually, Rainier, Roy, Tenino, and Yelm in southeast Thurston and southwest Pierce counties. Our community has grown since its origins at the former St. Margaret Mary Church in McKenna, and our current church in Yelm is named for the Irish-born 6th century missionary to Europe St. Columbanus of Bobbio. We have also been present in Tenino since 1891 through St. Peter Mission, named for the apostle and first pope.

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A Word from our Priests

The following column is from Fr. Bryan Ochs, our Pastor.



Dear Parishioners

It's time for a little column on the exciting topic of Canon Law, the rules and regulations that govern the Church. And I was just joking. It's not exciting at all. But it is important that we understand a few key terms that are defined in Canon law as we move forward with Partners in the Gospel.

The first word is "Parish." Some people use the word "Church" and "Parish" interchangeably, and while there is some overlap, the two are not completely identical. A parish, properly understood, is a territory. It is a region of land. The territory for Sacred Heart Parish, for example, is basically the entire city of Lacey.

If a baptized Catholic lives within those boundaries, then they are automatically members of Sacred Heart Parish (unless of course, they choose to go elsewhere, which is a whole other issue). If a person living in that parish boundary is in need of pastoral care then Sacred Heart must provide it for them. The same is true of someone who lives within the parish boundaries of St. Columban.

Sacred Heart in Lacey is a parish. St. Columban in Yelm is a parish. St. Peter mission in Tenino is not a parish in the same sense. It is a community that exists within the parish boundaries of St. Columban in Yelm. It might be considered a Quasi-Parish under the law, but it has not

been erected as a parish in the same way as Sacred Heart and St. Columban have. To make this as simple as possible, St. Columban is basically one parish with two worship sites.

The process of Partners in the Gospel will result in Sacred Heart and St. Columban (and St. Peter's, of course) merging into one parish, that is, one territory. How this will look has not been determined yet, but the important concept to know is that one parish can have multiple Church buildings and can offer Mass in multiple locations.

Another term from Canon law that is important to know is the role of Pastor. Canon law says an awful lot about the role of pastor, and for those of you who like boredom, you can find the code of canon law on the Vatican website to read in greater detail (it starts at canon #515).

Simply stated, the pastor is responsible for teaching, sanctifying, and governing the parish. That is a fancy way of saying that the pastor is in charge of pretty much the entire life of the parish, although Canon law also says he works in close collaboration with staff, finance councils, and pastoral councils when applicable.

Oftentimes, as you can imagine, the pastor alone is not able to do all of the pastoral care a parish might need. When this is the case, the bishop can appoint another priest to serve a community, called a "Parochial Vicar." The Archbishop has appointed Fr. William Dodoma from Malawi to be our parochial vicar, and we hope that he will arrive soon to help us (Pray that he arrives soon, please).

We are also blessed to have Fr. Martin Bourke, who most of you have met, however he is not quite a parochial vicar

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WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

Sacred Heart | St. Columban | Mission Church of St. Peter

SCHEDULE AT SACRED HEART LACEY

812 Bowker St SE, Lacey, WA 98503

Sunday Mass

Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., Noon
Spanish 2 p.m.
Korean 10 a.m. (Fabian Hall)

Daily Mass

Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri. 9 a.m.
Mass for Christ

Confession

Saturday 3-4:30 p.m.

Office

Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-Noon, 1-4 p.m.

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in the fullest sense. Fr. Bourke is a retired priest who is assisting us. Fr. Bourke is not full time and will not be as present to staff meetings and other things, but he is available to our parishioners (especially those in Yelm and Tenino) for pastoral care. We are very blessed to have him.

At times, it can be confusing to figure out which priest to talk to if you have any needs that arise or if you have questions about the parish. You don't have to be an expert on knowing which priest is responsible for what. There are some questions that a Parochial Vicar can help with, and there are other questions that only the Pastor can answer. Don't be afraid to ask any of us. If you ask Fr. Bourke or Fr. Dodoma a question they can't answer, they will steer you to me and we will do our best make sure your needs are met and your questions are answered.

That's enough for today I think. Have a blessed week!

Fr. Bryan Ochs

Elementary Religious Education

Links to related articles & websites will be posted in the emailed bulletin and on our social media channels.

Contact: Mrs. Makinster Elementary & Adult Faith Formation, gaby@saintcolumbanyelm.org 360-458-3031 x2 habla Español

Registration for next school year is now open! Go directly to the online registration form: saintcolumbanyelm.org/FFReg

At St. Columban, we provide an opportunity for children and youth to learn about their Catholic faith and grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ through study, prayer, and community service.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

The origins of this feast reach all the way back to the Old Testament. In the book of Kings, we read the story of the prophet Elijah. Much of his prayer, fasting, and public ministry occurred from Carmel, a mountain in Israel. Christian hermits -- seeking solitude -- made their homes on the mountain during the first millennium. Over time, the hermits assembled into a community and were given a Rule of Life. They named their church after Mary -- Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Political upheaval forced the Carmelite order out of the Holy Land and into Europe, where they established monasteries for both men and women across the continent. Many great saints and doctors of the Church have come from the Carmelite order, including St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, St. Therese of Lisieux, and St. Edith Stein. Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Pray for us!

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Do you have a gift for teaching the faith or for serving our youth?

We're looking for additional catechists, classroom assistants, and youth ministry volunteers to help with Sunday Faith Formation classes for all grades and Youth Ministry activities throughout the year. **Faith Formation fees are waived** for children of volunteers. Safe environment training and background check required. Contact gaby@saintcolumbanyelm.org.

Youth Ministry

Saint of the Week— St. Katherine Drexel

Born in Philadelphia, St. Katharine Drexel (November 26, 1858 – March 3, 1955), grew up to become one of the first American-born saints. Her mother passed away when she was only five weeks old. Her father, a renowned banker, remarried a wonderful woman, and together they raised St. Katherine Drexel and her two sisters in a life of privilege. Both financially and spiritually well-endowed, the Drexels were devout Catholics and set an excellent example of true Christian servitude with prayer and care for the poor.

After her father's death, St. Katharine considered joining a contemplative order. However, during an audience with the Pope while on a trip to Rome with her sister, when she



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asked for more missionaries to be sent to the American West, the Pope asked her to become a missionary herself! Now known as the Apostle for Social Justice, St. Katharine gave up her inheritance and instead devoted her life to the material and spiritual well-being of Black and Native Americans. She established the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored, and together they opened a boarding school in Santa Fe, the first of 50 missions for Native Americans in 16 states. At the time of her death, she had also established a system of 63 schools, including Xavier University in New Orleans, the first Catholic university in the United States for African Americans. Believing that education was the key to opportunity, her love of the Blessed Sacrament sustained her mission.



At 77, she suffered a heart attack and was forced to retire from active ministry. She spent the next 20 years of her life in quiet yet intense prayer. She died at the age of 96 and was canonized in 2000 by Pope John Paul II. Her feast day is celebrated every year on March 3. St. Katharine Drexel, pray for us!

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Adult Faith Formation

Bible Study

Adult Scripture Study meet weekly on Thursday evenings to discuss the upcoming Sunday Mass readings, using Lectio Divina and through Catholic exegesis. Contact the parish office to learn more.

Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Classes will resume in the Fall. Scan the QR Code to register or contact the parish office for more information.

Q&A

My coworkers and I have been debating the death penalty and whether or not it should be part of our justice system. Why are so many people who claim to be pro-life believers in favor of it?

Answer:

The issues of crime and punishment are never easy because so many factors influence people and how they view problems and solutions. Increased violence, loss of life, cost to taxpayers and the community at large, and the maneuverings of lawyers and courts only add fuel to the fire. When bad things happen in your neighborhood or to your home or to you, you want relief. Any normal person would feel that way. A pro-life view does not insulate anyone from the bad effects of criminal behavior. Innocent people are hurt every day and it may seem as though those who cause the pain get away with it, or get off easy.

The death penalty is not excluded by Church teaching. The state has the right to impose penalties that are commensurate with the crime as well as to defend itself from further harm (Catechism of the Catholic Church, §2266). When possible, punishment should help correct the offender, offering a chance of redemption, which is why the pope and bishops have called for an end to the death penalty. For more information, visit the Human Life and Dignity section of the USCCB's website (www.usccb.org).

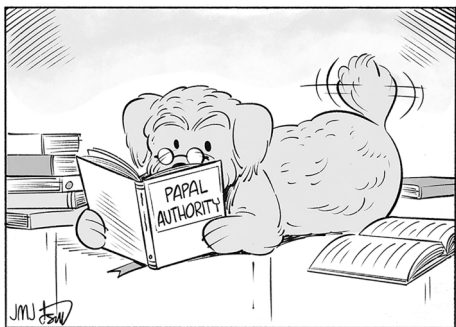
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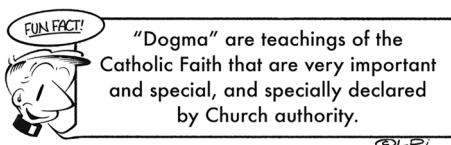


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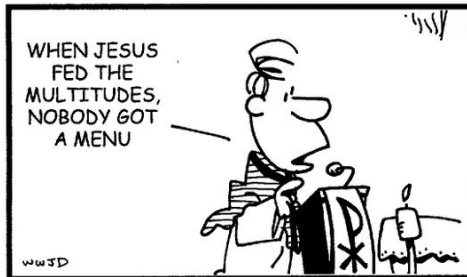
"Which Church topic is a favorite of labradoodles?"



"Church DOGma."



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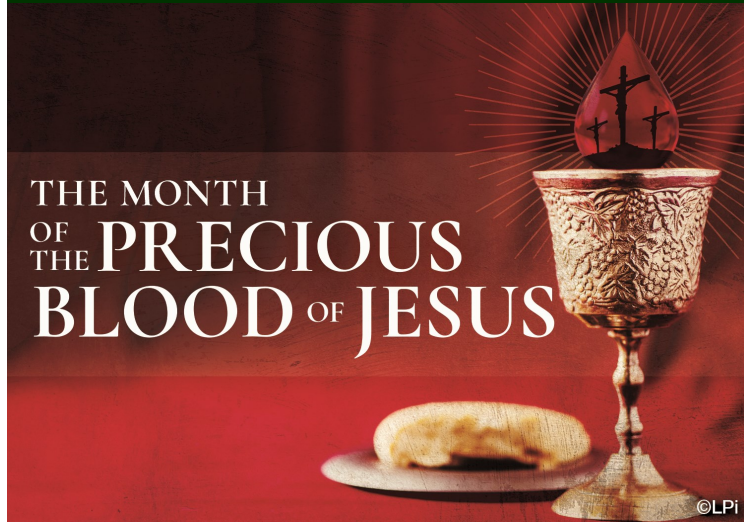
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Ministries Announcements

Altar Society

A team of talented parishioners beautifully maintain and clean the Church every Thursday after Daily Mass.

Daughters of Mary

Meets monthly, Next meeting is **May 28th** at 6PM in the Parish Hall. Bring your favorite snack to share!
daughtersofmary@saintcolumbanvelm.org

Liturgical Ministries

parishoffice@saintcolumbanvelm.org

Altar Servers, Choir, Greeters/Ushers, Readers
 Please check your schedules and arrive in time for Mass.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a global fraternal service order founded by Bl. Michael J. McGivney in 1882 for practicing Catholic men. Council 17152 meets monthly third Wednesdays of every month at 5:30 p.m. in the hall. Assembly meetings monthly every second Wednesdays of the month at 6 p.m.

St. Peter Circle

Meets second Tuesdays every other month at St. Peter Tenino.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Treasurer wanted

Saint Vincent de Paul is looking for a treasurer to serve on the Board of Directors for the Saint Columban Conference. The duties of the treasurer include maintaining two checking accounts, tracking transactions, attending monthly meetings, preparing monthly treasurer's report, and assisting in preparing annual reports to parish and district council. The Treasurer also participates in responding to requests for help and keeping a record of help provided. This volunteer position takes 3-5 hours a week. Attention to detail or accounting background would be helpful.

Weekly Calendar

All events are at St. Columban unless otherwise noted.

MONDAY July 29	SS. Martha, Mary, & Lazarus
Rosary Prayer Group 7:00p.m.	Church
TUESDAY July 30	St. Peter Chrysologus, B. & Doc.
Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	Church
Spanish Prayer Group 6:30p.m.	Church
WEDNESDAY July 31	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	Church
Bible Study 10:00a.m.	St. Peter
THURSDAY August 1	St. Alphonsus Liguori, B. & Doc.
Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	Church
Altar Society Weekly Cleaning 9:30a.m.	Church
Choir Practice 6:00p.m.	Church
Bible Study 6:30p.m.	RE Bldg
FRIDAY August 2	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop
Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	Church
SATURDAY August 3	
Confession 3:30p.m.	Church
Anticipatory Sunday Mass 5:00p.m.	Church
SUNDAY August 4	Eighteenth Sun. in Ordinary Time
Confession 7:30-7:45a.m.	St. Peter
Sunday Mass 8:00a.m. <i>Int.: Pro Populo</i>	St. Peter
Sunday Mass 10:30a.m. <i>Int.: Pro Populo</i>	Church

Financial Stewardship

Week of July 14	St Columban	St Peter
Weekly Goal	\$5,800.00	\$1,000.00
Collection (Cash & Envelopes)	\$2,873.50	\$1,503.00
Online Giving	\$2,681.50	\$210.00
Net	(\$245.00)	\$713.00
Special Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
St Vincent DePaul	\$180.00	\$0.00
Sacramentals <small>(Candles, Beeswax tapers, Salt)</small>	\$0.00	\$0.00
Flowers	\$57.00	\$0.00
Building Fund	\$520.00	\$0.00
Mass Intentions	\$0.00	\$0.00

*Thank you for your continued support of both
St. Columban and St. Peter!*



Reminders

Gathering After Mass

In consideration for those who wish to pray after Mass, please refrain from talking in the church. Move to the parish hall or outdoors. Thank you!

Please be aware of email scams!

Official emails will only originate from our staff emails with our domain saintcolumbanvelm.org or ccbchurch.com. We will never directly solicit for non-official donations or items to purchase by email or text. Donations and fundraisers will always be announced during Mass.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive Augst 15th!

There is still time to sign up for the Blood Drive on Thursday August 15th from 12:00PM-5:00PM in the Parish Hall.

Red Cross Blood Drive



Sign up for an Appt. 12-5 PM

St. Columban and St. Peter's Finance Council Nominations



Please fill out the form to nominate someone to serve on the parish finance council. Meetings will be held once a month on Mondays or Fridays at noon toward the end of the month. You may nominate yourself if you believe you have the skills to serve on this council.

You can also find this link on our parish website or printed forms are available in the narthex.

ALL NOMINATIONS DUE BY SUNDAY AUGUST 4TH!

Happening in our Parish Family

Sacred Heart

Look here for upcoming Catholic events happening at Sacred Heart, Lacey.

Holy Family School

(Grades PK-8) 2606 Carpenter Road SE Lacey, WA Holyfamilylacey.org | 360-491-7060

Pope John Paul II High School

Lacey, WA popejp2hs.org | 360-438-7600

Outside Events & Notices

For a complete list of events happening around the Archdiocese of Seattle visit archseattle.org/eventslist

Young Adult events:

archseattle.org/living-catholic/young-adults/

Encounter School of Ministry—Summer Intensive

Friday, Aug. 2 - Saturday, Aug. 3, Visit encounterschool.org/seattle for full schedule, St. Stephen the Martyr, Renton

Drawing from the richness of our Catholic heritage, we seek to teach, equip and activate disciples to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in their sphere of influence. Topics include *Identity & Transformation, Hearing God's Voice & the Prophetic Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Power & Healing, and Inner Healing & Freedom*. The Summer Intensive is a weekend school that provides a survey of the content offered in the first four quarters of the Encounter School of Ministry over a fast 2 day period.

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If you are suffering from the experience of an abortion, you do not need to walk alone. We offer a compassionate and confidential environment for those who suffer the effects of an abortion. Find hope and healing after abortion at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

Marriage Help

Retrouvaille is for couples with marital problems that want marriage help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille Program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship. www.marriagehelpnw.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Visit wwme.org or contact 360-930-2321

Washington State Catholic Conference

The WSCC represents the Catholic bishops of Washington in their efforts to support public policies that promote the common good. Visit wacatholics.org.