September 1, 2019

Church of the Assumption/Iglesia de la Asunción

Founded in 1889/Fundada en 1889

Welcome! ¡Bienvenidos!

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Hope House

Hours of Operation:
Monday 9-11:30 am
Tuesday 9-11:30 am
Wednesday: closed
Thursday 9-11:30 am
Friday 12-3:30 pm

Financial assistance will be Monday, Thursday, and Friday.

Masses/Misas

(Unless otherwise noted in Calendar)
(A menos que se indique lo contrario en el calendario)

Weekend
Saturday/Sábado 5:00 PM.
Sunday/Domingo 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 12:30 PM Spanish/Español

Weekdays
Wednesday/Miércoles 6:00 PM
Thursday/Jueves 10:30 AM
Friday/Viernes 10:30 AM

Reconciliation/Confesiones
Saturday/Sábado 3:30 PM

Prayer Line #4240 (prayerline@assumption.org)

Mission

Mary's Assumption into Heaven is our hope. We, the Church of the Assumption, are called to follow Jesus according to Mary's example as a beacon of hope and light for all.

Vision

By engaging in formation, sacraments, outreach and stewardship, we will glorify the Lord with our lives.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 ~ TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Humility and self-knowledge go hand in hand. Those who conduct their affairs with humility shall be exalted, while those who exalt themselves shall be humbled. The humble shall rejoice and exalt before God in the assembly of the heavenly Jerusalem.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, September 2nd
Labor Day (Office Closed)

10:30 AM	**No Word & Communion Service**	**Church**
11:30 AM	Centering Prayer	Stafford

Tuesday, September 3rd

6:00 PM	Cub Scout Bear Den	Room 1
6:30 PM	Adoration	Church
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Leader Meeting	Stafford
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 16 Mtg.	Gym

Wednesday, September 4th

12:01 AM	Adoration continues	Church
2:00 PM	**St Joseph Hospital Mass**	St. Joseph Hospital
5:45 PM	Benediction	Church
6:00 PM	**Mass**	**Church**
6:00 PM	Girl Scouts Parent Mtg.	LMC
6:00 PM	Cub Scout Tiger Den	Room 1
6:30 PM	Family Ministry Council	PCLR
6:45 PM	Healing Prayer Ministry	Church
7:00 PM	Faith Formation Comm.	Stafford

Thursday, September 5th

8:00 AM	School Foundation Board	LMC
10:30 AM	**Mass**	**Church**
6:00 PM	Cub Scout Webelos 2	Room 1
6:30 PM	Boy Scouts with Troop 6 Mtg.	Gym
7:00 PM	RCIA Session	LMC

Friday, September 6th

10:30 AM	**School Mass**	**Church**
1:30 PM	Grief Support Group	Stafford
7:00 PM	Grupo de Oración	LMC

Saturday, September 7th

10:00 AM	MFCC 3era Etapa Temas	LMC
11:00 AM	First Reconciliation Reg.	Gym
11:00 AM	Liturgy Planning Team	PC 2nd floor
12:00 PM	MFCC 2nda Etapa Temas	Teacher's Lounge
12:00 PM	MFCC 4ta Etapa Temas	LMC
1:00 PM	Singh/Sanchez Wedding	Church
1:00 PM	Art & Environment Comm.	PCIR
1:00 PM	Rosary Makers	Stafford
3:00 PM	Clase de Bautismo	Stafford
3:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
4:00 PM	Rosary Prayer Group	St. Cecilia
5:00 PM	**Mass**	**Church**

Sunday, September 8th

8:00 AM	**Mass**	**Church**
9:00 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
9:30 AM	**Mass**	**Church**
10:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
11:00 AM	RCIA/C Info/Registration	Stafford
11:00 AM	Ensayo de Coro	Iglesia
12:30 PM	Liturgia de la Palabra para niños	Stafford
12:30 PM	**Misa**	**Iglesia**
2:00 PM	MFCC Ambientación	Gym
2:30 PM	Faith & Light	Teacher's Lounge

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sept. 4, 2:00 PM	**St. Joseph Hospital patients**	**SI**
Sept. 4, 6:00 PM	**Deacon Bill Haines**	**RIP**
Sept. 5, 10:30 AM	**Paul Winter & family**	**SI**
Sept. 6, 10:30 AM	**Joyce & Angelo Marinaro**	**RIP**
Sept. 7, 5:00 PM	**Efrain & Efrain Juan Padilla**	**SI**
Sept. 8, 8:00 AM	**Elias Kuncar**	**RIP**
Sept. 8, 9:30 AM	**Pro Populo**	
Sept. 8, 12:30 PM	**Irineo Robles**	**RIP**

SI = Special Intention
RIP = Rest in Peace
Pro Populo = For the people of the parish

PARISH MARRIAGE RETREAT

There is still time to register for the retreat. Make time for you and your spouse to spend together on Saturday Sept. 21st, at the beautiful Semiahmoo Resort and Spa in Blaine. Our speaker will be Deacon Eric Paige from the Archdiocese. There is childcare and scholarships available if needed. For more info call Michele @ 360-820-3815 or see the registration form on our parish website.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

A 24-week study of the book of Acts begins Tuesday, Sept 10, at 1:00 PM in the Stafford Room, repeated at 7 PM in the Pastoral Center Living Room, for your convenience. Materials fee is $8.00. For further information and/or to register, please call Christine at 360-671-9712. Those who have registered should prepare for the first meeting, Sept. 10, by reading chapters 1 and 2 of Acts. Materials will be given at the first meeting.

Please consider supporting the vendors listed on the back of the bulletin.
Their advertising allows us to have the cover page of the bulletin printed free.

ENGAGED CHURCH—IN MY PARISH MY SPIRITUAL NEEDS ARE MET.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY What does the word "Catechetical" mean? This word is familiar to us through the related word, Catechism, which we know offers a compendium of the Church's teachings. The United States Council of Catholic Bishops says it this way: "The root word, "catechesis," is from the Greek word meaning "to echo, or resound." Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church." As we prepare to celebrate Catechetical Sunday with our own School and Parish Catechists, we ask that you keep them all in your hearts and prayers. Catechetical Sunday Commissioning will take place at the Sunday, 9:30 am Mass on Sept. 15.

WELCOME TO "QUESTION CORNER"!

Because I am new, and because I sometimes do things differently than Fr. Scott did, I get a lot of questions from curious people. My hope is to answer lots of these questions, as I find time to write them up and place them in the bulletin. Please continue to ask!

Q: "Why do you keep your fingers together during Mass?"

A: The humility of Jesus is so great that he not only gave us his presence, but he gave us his presence in the form of *bread*. Because bread almost always has crumbs, there are a lot of the things that we do at the altar that are focused on *crumb management*, i.e. how to keep small pieces of the Body of Christ from finding their way to the floor or from being left on the altar. For example, anything that will become the Eucharist or is the Eucharist is always placed over a cloth called a "corporal" (from the Latin word for "body"), and the entire point of the corporal is to catch any crumbs that might escape the paten or ciborium (the two vessels on which hosts are placed). For another example, Eucharistic vessels are always purified with water, to make sure any remaining crumbs are consumed rather than thrown away.

The pre-Vatican II Mass had a lot more crumb management rubrics than our current Mass, and a lot of these had to do with the priest's fingers. Once the priest had touched the Body of Christ at the consecration, he had to keep his two host fingers pressed together (in case there were any crumbs on his fingers) unless they were over a paten or ciborium, until he washed them into the chalice following the distribution of communion. Even his closed fingers were supposed to remain above a corporal, just in case. Even though these practices are no longer required, I have tried to retain many of them as a personal devotion, to remind me that what I do at the altar is special and requires special care.

ADDITIONAL PHOTO SESSIONS AVAILABLE

If you missed the opportunity to have your photos taken for the parish directory, you can still do so! Lifetouch will be taking photos at Sacred Heart **Sept. 4-7 and 9-12.** Pick up a Visitor Card from the Assumption Parish Office and then sign up at the Sacred Heart website – www.shbham.org. Be sure to tell the photographers that you are taking pictures for the Assumption directory.

New Church Tours and Parish Festival

On Sunday Sept. 8 from 2:30 to 5 PM there will be tours of the new Immaculate Conception Church at 400 N. 15th Street in Mount Vernon across from the festival. The festival which features American, Hispanic and Filipino food, entertainment and children's games occurs between 11 AM and 5 PM. We are looking forward to seeing you and your parishioners!

Tom Ozretich Chairman of the New Church Building Committee

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Archdiocese of Seattle provides a live training for new volunteers and employees called *Protecting God's Children.* This class is a 3-hour training designed to teach participants how to keep our ministries, programs, and schools safe. Any volunteers who have previously taken the *Called To Protect for Ministries* training DO NOT need to take this new class. Anyone with an interest in the safety of children and vulnerable adults is encouraged to attend *Protecting God's Children*, however, it is required for new employees and volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors or vulnerable adults. To be in compliance with the Archdiocese, **all new volunteers must take this training.** The classes are:

Saturday, Sept. 14, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm School Library

Thursday, Oct. 3, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm School Teachers' Lounge

You must register online to enroll in one of these classes by visiting www.virtusonline.org.

Click on the "Registration" link and follow the instructions.

FAITH FORMATION, SCHOOL, PARISH EVENTS

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Floyd Carpenter
Chris Formichella
Don Veltum
Capt. Trevor Corrigan
Adam Honda
Jason Woolsey
Steve Ploog
Corey McDaniel
Patrick Kelley
Patrick L. Blake
Michael Condit
Gabriel Feely
John Hutson
Steven Faecke
Lt Col Gregory DeMarco
Keanu Franco
Matt Edge
Kurt DeVries
1st Lt. Garrett Burnham
Lt. Michael Bertschinger
Major Eric Stein
Caleb Trottner
Jim Heisler III
Garret Groth
Nicole Groth
Jeremy King
Jesse Estrada
PVT Ricky Ochoa

PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR SACRAMENTS ~ PROGRAMAS PARA PREPARACIÓN DE SACRAMENTOS

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Preparation for these two sacraments is a two-year process. All children in grades 2 and older need to have been in Whole Family Catechesis, Edge, or attended Assumption Catholic School the year before preparing for the sacraments. Please attend our information and registration session on **Saturday, Sept. 7, at 11:00 a.m. in the Gym**. Contact Kathy Ernst at kathye@assumption.org or Adriana Estrada at adriana@assumption.org with any questions.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS FOR CHILDREN (RCIA/C)

If your child is aged 7-17 and has not yet been baptized in the Catholic Church—or was baptized in another Christian tradition — but is desiring to learn more about the sacraments and the Catholic faith, please join us on **Sunday, Sept. 8, at 11:00 a.m. in the Stafford Room** for an info./regis. meeting about the RCIA/C process.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The RCIA process is designed for non-baptized adults who are seeking to learn more about the teachings and sacraments of the Catholic faith. Adults baptized in another Christian denomination are also welcome to meet with the group. Sessions are on **Thursdays, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., in the Assumption School Library.** The first session was on Aug. 29. Please contact Gina DePalma at ginad@assumption.org with any questions.

WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS

All families with children in Kindergarten - 5th grade are welcome to join us for our whole family catechesis program. This program provides opportunities for children to learn with their peers, parents to learn with other parents, and families to learn in community with one another. Please attend our information and registration session on **Sunday, Sept. 15, at 11:00 a.m. in the Gym** to learn more. Contact Gina DePalma at ginad@assumption.org with any questions.

CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH

Preparation for the sacrament of confirmation is open to incoming 8th – 12th graders at Assumption and Sacred Heart. Please attend the information and registration session on **Sunday, Sept. 15, at 4:00 p.m. in the Gym** to learn more. Contact Gina DePalma at ginad@assumption.org with any questions.

PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

La preparación para estos dos sacramentos es un proceso de dos años. Todos los niños en los grados 2 y mayores deben haber estado en Catequesis para toda la familia, Edge, o haber asistido a la Asunción de la Escuela Católica el año antes de prepararse para los sacramentos. Asista a nuestra sesión de información e inscripción el **sábado 7 de septiembre a las 11:00 a.m. en el gimnasio.** Póngase en contacto con Kathy Ernst en kathye@assumption.org o Adriana Estrada en adriana@assumption.org con cualquier pregunta.

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS PARA NIÑOS (RCIA/C)

Si su hijo tiene entre 7 y 17 años y aún no ha sido bautizado en la Iglesia Católica, o fue bautizado en otra tradición cristiana, pero desea aprender más sobre los sacramentos y la fe católica, únase a nosotros el domingo, **sept. 8, a las 11:00 am en la Sala del Stafford** para una reunión de información/registro sobre el proceso RICA/C.

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS (RICA)

El proceso RICA está diseñado para adultos no bautizados que buscan aprender más sobre las enseñanzas y los sacramentos de la fe católica. Los adultos bautizados en otra denominación cristiana también pueden reunirse con el grupo. Las sesiones son los **jueves, de 7:00 a 9:00 p.m., en la Biblioteca** de la Asunción. La primera sesión fue el 29 de agosto. Póngase en contacto con Gina DePalma en ginad@assumption.org con cualquier pregunta.

CATECESIS FAMILIAR

Todas las familias con niños de kindergarten a quinto grado pueden unirse a nuestro programa de catequesis para toda la familia. Este programa brinda oportunidades para que los niños aprendan con sus compañeros, los padres aprendan con otros padres y las familias aprendan en comunidad unos con otros. Asista a nuestra sesión de información y registro el **domingo 15 de septiembre a las 11:00 a.m. en el gimnasio** para obtener más información. Póngase en contacto con Gina DePalma en ginad@assumption.org con cualquier pregunta.

CONFIRMACIÓN PARA JÓVENES

La preparación para el sacramento de la confirmación está abierta a los alumnos entrantes de 8º a 12º grado en Asunción y Sagrado Corazón. Asista a la sesión de información y registro el **domingo 15 de septiembre a las 4:00 pm. en el gimnasio** para aprender más. Póngase en contacto con Gina DePalma en ginad@assumption.org con cualquier pregunta.

ENGAGED CHURCH—IN MY PARISH I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO WHAT I DO BEST.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & LIFE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Oscar Alcon
Melissa Alves
Bill Attebery
Emily Dalvit
Barbara Fuller
John Getchell
Teresa Hernandez
Eduardo Olguin
Norma (Patricia) Perez
Paul Ricci
John Shuhler
Bill Turnbull

COMMISSION & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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Brenda Dunford

Parish Life & Socials
Sue Rogers

Spiritual Life & Worship
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School Commission
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Bill Attebery
Eduardo Olguín
John Getchell

Liturgy Planning Committee
Kathy Ernst
Frederick Mabalot

3RD ANNUAL CROCODILE CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Bellingham Knights of Columbus- Council 829
Saturday, Sept. 28
Tee Times Beginning at 8:30 am
Raspberry Ridge Golf Course, 6827 Hannegan Road, Everson WA. 98247
All Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus Charities

FORMAT

2 PERSON Teams play a SCRAMBLE format.

Golfers and Cost

All Skill Levels encouraged so get a partner and come have some fun.
$30.00 per person, not including Lunch

MANY PRIZES AND SIDE GAME FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT

Schedule

Check in 20 Minutes before your tee time,
Putting Contest Open at 7:30 a.m.
Lunch and Prizes on Deck After your Round is Complete
Tee times will be emailed to you by Thursday 9/26.

Contact Kevin Schmid:319-9843, kjschmid@comcast.net or Preston Knutson: 224-4259,bpknutson@msn.com

Player #1 _____
Player #2_____
Phone Number_____
Phone Number_____
Email Address_____
Email Address_____

Division: OPEN CO-ED KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS- if both players are KNIGHTS

Please reserve a power cart for me: YES or NO -Pay for power cart at clubhouse on the 28th.

Would like to play in the same group as:_____

Entry Forms Due By Sept. 13th
Please Return Entry form with payment to:
Via Mail-Kevin Schmid 1121 Ross Road, Bellingham WA. 98226
Text your entry to 1-360-319-9843
Email form to kjschmid@comcast.net

JUSTREADS, a Catholic spiritual and social justice reading group, invites you to join us. **Where?** Corona Court Clubhouse, 4780 Corona Court, 98226 **When?** Thursday, Sept. 19, at 1:30 pm **What?** We are reading However Long the Night: making meaning in a time of crisis, a spiritual journey of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious **Contact** is Linda Santiago, rose4hope777@yahoo.com or 360-398-7594

Hope House
helping those in need

Where did the summer go?! So fast—we are in full on back to school and have plenty of supplies and backpacks thanks to all of you and your generosity. Many thanks! We do still need teenager clothing and backpacks for that age as well, please. We are OUT of toilet paper and any sizes of diapers! Please remember us when you are shopping…..
With much gratitude from the staff and clients of Hope House,
Cheri Woolsey

SEASON OF CREATION UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 1st, is the World Day of Prayer for Creation and the start of the Season of Creation which runs until St. Francis Day Oct. 4. Also in conjunction with the city of Bellingham's "All In For Climate Action" week Sept. 23-29 there will be a free showing of "Racing Extinction" at the Pickford at 5:45 pm Monday, Sept. 23rd, and on Tuesday, Sept. 24th, at Lairmont Manor there will be a multi-Faith service "Celebrating Earth Our Common Home" at 6:00 -7:30 pm.
Assumption Care for Creation Team

Mark your calendars for Sunday Sept 8th and be at the Civic Field Parking lot from 2-4 PM to watch the Bed Races to support Interfaith's Coalition's Family Promise Program, "Help children of Whatcom County experiencing homelessness". Cheer on the teams as they compete to win awards for "Most Funds Raised" , "Fastest Bed" and "Best Themed Bed". Please consider making a contribution to this worth while cause at https://www.mightycause.com/team/Bedrace-Assumption or simply write a check to the Interfaith Coalition -
Note Bed Race/Assumption in the memo
For more information or to register a Bed Race team visit www.familypromisebedrace.com or email Bed Race Coordinator Konrad Kocsis at familypromisebedrace@gmail.com and he'll even help you put a racing bed together!
Thank you for your support!

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	*2* LABOR DAY **Office Closed No Mass or Word & Communion**	*3*	*4* St. Joseph Hospital Mass 2PM Faith Formation Commission 7PM	*5*	*6* Mass with School 10:30AM	*7* 1st Reconciliation Registration 11AM Singh/Sanchez Wedding 1PM Clase de Bautismo 3PM
8 RCIA/C Registration 11AM	*9*	*10* Adult Bible Study begins 1PM or 7PM Pax Christi begins 7PM	*11* Curriculum Night 6:30PM Spiritual Life & Worship 7PM	*12* Pastoral Council 7PM	*13* Mass with School 10:30AM Holy Hour/Happy Hour 7PM	*14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross* Protecting God's Children 9AM Abundis/Casillas Wedding 2PM
15 Whole Family Catechesis Registration 11AM Confirmation Information Meeting 4PM	*16*	*17*	*18* Mass at Nursing Home 2PM CALLED TO SERVE AS CHRIST Archbishops' Dinner 7PM	*19*	*20* Mass with School 10:30AM	*21 St. Matthew* Parish Marriage Retreat 8:30AM Spaghetti Dinner 5PM
22 BBQ Youth Ministry Kickoff BBQ 4PM	*23*	*24*	*25* Women's Scripture Study begins 10AM Life, Justice & Peace 7PM School Commission 7PM	*26* Catholic Daughters Meetings begin 1PM Pastoral Care 7PM	*27* Mass with School 10:30AM Newcomers Gathering 7PM	*28* Sacristan/Ministers Training 10AM Entrenamiento de sacristánes y ministros 11AM Community Meal 12:30PM
29 Whole Family Catechesis 11AM Edge/Lifeteen begin 4PM	*30*				*Please remove this calendar from the bulletin and post. Check the weekly bulletin for location of September events and all the other activities taking place at Assumption.*	

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Stewardship	Wk (8/25/2019)	Fiscal YTD
Contributions **Received**:	$ 13,157	$ 136,403
Contributions Budget:	$ 18,593	$ 143,493
Over**/under**	**$ -5,434**	**$ -7,090**

Thank you for sharing God's blessings with our parish community.

Church/Debt Maintenance	Wk (8/25/2019)	Fiscal YTD
Contributions **Received**:	$ 377	$ 10,367
Contributions Budget:	$ 1,415	$ 11,320
Over**/Under**	**$ -1,038**	**$ -953**

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House $ 371

Thank you for sharing God's blessings with the larger community.

CALLED TO SERVE AS CHRIST

"I tithe because it ensures that money never becomes my God. By giving away my first 10%, no matter what, I try to return back to God some small part of the many gifts He has given me."-Fr. Moore

Jesus asks us to make our mark on this world and to serve the Lord by sharing His gifts with others.

A gift to *Called to Serve as Christ* is a way of doing so. Your gift to the campaign will take care of a retired priest, support a sister and provide assistance to your parish. Funding each of these goals with the financial resources we have been blessed with will, in turn, multiply those blessings back to us and to God.

The Archdiocese of Seattle is fortunate to have thousands of Catholic families who actively participate in their faith life. We have an obligation to make our Archdiocese, and our world, better for those who follow us. We want to make the formative experience we received from our priests, sisters and parishes available to future generations.

The Archdiocese of Seattle will soon invite all who believe in its mission to partner together to build a foundation for greatness.

YOUNG ADULT EVENT

Join us on Friday, September 13th for Holy Hour/Happy Hour! We will start at 7pm at Sacred Heart in the small side chapel for an hour of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by happy hour drinks and food at the Archer Alehouse in Fairhaven. For more information or to RSVP, please contact April Waldrop.

God,

We want to make You our number one priority, but there are so many things to draw us away from you:
Material things like bigger houses, bigger cars,
distractions like too much TV, computer games; and addictions to things that make us less healthy.

Help us to focus not on fulfilling our wants, but rather on how we can use the gifts you've given us to build up your kingdom.

Thank you for the gifts you have given us and bless them so that we may use them as good stewards to carry out Your will.

Amen

A Stewardship Moment

In the Gospel today, Jesus warns us not to give in to hopes of repayment, but to give openhandedly to the poor and needy. That sort of giving mirrors the bountiful giving of God, and Jesus assures us it is blessed indeed!

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús nos advierte que no pongamos nuestras esperanzas en ser retribuidos, pero en el dar generosamente al pobre y al necesitado. ¡Esta forma de dar imita la abundancia en que Dios da, y Jesús nos asegura que realmente, es bendecida!

Please remember Assumption Church and/or Assumption Catholic School in your Will.