

September 22, 2013
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Amos cries out against those who exploit the poor for the sake of extortion and greed. They seek to serve only themselves rather than the Lord. By giving ourselves to God rather than money, we can truly pray with blameless hands for all those in need, especially the poor whom the Lord will rise up.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

September 23	10:30 AM	
Micheal Wilfred		SI
September 25	6:00 PM	
Margaret Soma		RIP
September 26	10:30 AM	
Dan Fordhan		RIP
September 27	10:30 AM	
Barbara Herard Sather		RIP
September 28	5:00 PM	
Jose Diaz		RIP
September 29	8:30 AM	
Nestor Pineda		RIP
	10:30 AM	
Pro Populo		SI
	12:30 PM	
Santiago Burgos		RIP
	5:00 PM	
Lisa Langdon		RIP

Daily Worship
Week of September 22, 2013

Monday, September 23	Ezra 1:1-6 Psalm 126:1-6 Luke 8:16-18
Tuesday, September 24	Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 Psalm 122:1-5 Luke 8:19-21
Wednesday, September 25	Ezra 9:5-9 Tobit 13:2-4, 7-8 Luke 9:1-6
Thursday, September 26	Haggai 1:1-8 Psalm 149:1-6a, 9b Luke 9:7-9
Friday, September 27 St. Vincent de Paul	Haggai 2:1-9 Psalm 43:1-4 Luke 9:18-22
Saturday, September 28	Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a Jeremiah 31:10-13 Luke 9:43b-45
Sunday, September 29 Twenty-sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time	Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146:7-10 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31

LIFE CHAIN - OCT. 6

The annual Life Chain will be held Sunday, October 6, 2 - 3:00pm, on Meridian in Bellingham, between Telegraph Road and Bakerview. Join hundreds of others, and more than 2,500 cities, in this rally for the preservation of life in all its stages. Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception. Signs proclaim "Abortion Kills Children," "Adoption - the Loving Option," "Abortion Hurts Women," "Life - the First Inalienable Right," "El Aborto Mata Niños," and "Pray to End Abortion." Check-in stations at Quiznos, Washington Federal Bank, Les Schwab, Café Café, and CTK. For information contact Lynden Human Life, 354-3862, www.lyndenhumanlife.org.

EVENING PRAYER
and
EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT



Tuesday eves.
6:30 -7:30 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until Wednesday evening and ends with Benediction at 5:45 PM, and Mass at 6 PM. **We are in need of Adorers at 9:30 AM. If you can help, please call Karen at 671-1544.**

HEALING PRAYER
MINISTRY

Wednesday after Mass
6:45-8:30 PM

"I turned everyway, but there was no one to help me. I looked for one to sustain me, but could find no one. But, then I remembered the mercies of the Lord, his kindness through ages past. For he saves those who take refuge in him and rescues them from every evil." Sirach 51:7-8.

People come for prayer to ask God to help them in many ways. It may be a job they need, sickness or family problems or even discernment in your life. Nothing is impossible with God. Come in trust, believing that God will hear you.

It is quiet and confidential.

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



Catechism of the Catholic

Church 618 The cross is the unique sacrifice of Christ, the “one mediator between God and men.” (1 Tim 2:5)

DISTORTED IMAGES OF GOD

This is a 9-week adult Bible study, which begins Tuesday, September 24. Sessions will be held in the Stafford Room at 1 p.m., repeated at 7 p.m. Choose the time best for you. Cost is \$10. To pre-register, and for further information, call Christine at 671-9712.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

In order to be eligible for any sacraments one must participate in a two-year process which means that the year before the sacramental year your child is / was enrolled in and attending either Assumption Catholic School or in one of the K - 12 Faith Formation Programs of the parish. Year two also requires participation in either Assumption Catholic School or in one of the K - 12 Faith Formation Programs PLUS registration and attendance at special classes to prepare specifically for the sacrament. The deadline for registration for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist is Saturday, October 12 at 10am (the first class for children and parents for the year).

K-5 Faith Formation class begins Sept.29, 11:30 am to 12:20 pm in the school.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION & REGISTRATION MEETING

Sunday, September 29 during LifeTeen Kick-off. All Year One & Year Two Candidates and Parents must attend.

Middle School Youth Group		Grupo juvenil preparatoria
[Mondays / 7:00-8:30 PM] [los lunes / 7:00-8:30 PM]		

Grupo juvenil secundaria		High school youth group
[Los domingos/ 6:00-8:00 PM] [Sundays 6:00-8:00 PM]		

**FIRST YOUTH MASS KICKS OFF THE YEAR!
-September 29th at 5:00 pm-**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)—the process for those seeking to become a fully-initiated Catholic, meets on Thursdays from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m in the School Library.

If you are a baptized Christian adult interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or a baptized Catholic adult seeking Confirmation then our RCIA process is also the right place for you.

Please contact Gina DePalma at 733-1380 x22 or ginad@assumption.org with any questions.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN (RCIC)

All children 7-17 years old who have not been baptized are welcome to join the process for our Rite of Christian Initiation of Children . Faith instruction sessions begin on Sunday, Sept. 29, from 9:30—10:20 a.m. in the Stafford Room.

Please contact Adriana Estrada at 733-1380 x24 or Adriana@assumption.org with any questions or to register your child/children.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Our parish will be running the Evenings for the Engaged starting October 6th. If you are a couple planning to be married in the Catholic Church please contact us to help you prepare for this sacrament. For information about marriage preparation classes, please contact Judy Ziels at 360-752-0970. For information about the sacrament of marriage, please contact Kathy Ernst at 360-733-1380.



MOTHERS AND CHILDREN GROUP

Please join us on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month in the Stafford Room as we come together with our children to share the joys of parenthood and our vocation. We meet at 11:00 and welcome mothers with children of all ages. Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 26th. Please note that mothers and children are welcome to join this group at any time throughout the year. For more information contact Bev Williams at 920-7592 or bevjohnson_13@hotmail.com.

FAITH FORMATION, SCHOOL, PARISH EVENTS

ATTENTION SCRIP SUPPORTERS

Please note: Scrip will be sold on the **first & third** Sunday of the month after the 8:30 AM Mass and before the 10:30 AM mass.

El Scrip ya esta en venta después de la misa en Español. Gracias por su apoyo.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

*Floyd Carpenter
Chris Formichella
Don Veltum
Capt. Mark Bieda
Capt. Trevor Corrigan
Adam Honda
Jason Woolsey
Steve Ploog
Corey McDaniel
Patrick Kelley
Patrick L. Blake
Paul Cleary
Michael Condit
Gabriel Feely
John Hutson
Gabriel Rodriguez
Steven Faecke
Maj. Gregory DeMarco
Keanu Franco
Michael Dahl
Matt Edge
Kyle Frisbie
Kurt DeVries
Garrett A. Burnham*

INFORMACIÓN PARA LOS SACRAMENTOS

PROGRAMAS DE FORMACIÓN DE FE

Para poder ser elegible en cualquiera de los sacramentos hay que participar en un proceso de dos años que significa que el año anterior del año sacramental su hijo/a está / estaba matriculado/a y asistiendo a la Escuela Católica de la Asunción o en uno de los Programas de Formación en la Fe del K-12 de la parroquia. El segundo año también requiere la participación en cualquiera de la Escuela Católica de la Asunción o en uno de los Programas de Formación en la Fe del K-12 mas la inscripción y la asistencia a las clases especiales para preparar específicamente para el sacramento. El plazo de inscripción para la Primera Reconciliación y Primera Eucaristía es Sábado, 12 de octubre a las 10 de la mañana (que es la primera clase para los niños y padres de familia para el año).

Las clases de Formación de la Fe comienzan el 29 sept., a las 11:30 de la mañana y terminan a las 12:20 del medio día en la escuela.


RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE NIÑOS (RCIC)

Los niños de 7-17 años de edad que no han sido bautizados están invitados a unirse al proceso de nuestro Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Niños. Las sesiones de instrucción de la Fe comienzan el domingo 29 de septiembre, de 9:30-10:20 de la mañana en el Salón del Stafford.

Por favor, póngase en contacto con Adriana Estrada al 733-1380 x24 o Adriana@assumption.org con cualquier pregunta o para registrar a su hijo / hijos.

INFORMACIÓN DE CONFIRMACIÓN Y JUNTA DE INSCRIPCIÓN

El domingo, 29 de septiembre durante el arranque de LifeTeen. Todos los candidatos y los padres del Año Uno y Año Dos candidatos deben asistir.

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RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA)

El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RICA), es el proceso para aquellos que buscan convertirse en un católico completamente iniciado, se reúne los jueves de 7:00-9:00 de la tarde en la Biblioteca Escolar.

Si usted es un adulto bautizado y esta interesado en aprender más sobre la fe católica o un adulto católico bautizado y esta buscando confirmación entonces nuestro proceso de RICA es también el lugar adecuado para usted.

Por favor, póngase en contacto con Gina DePalma

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

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & LIFE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bill Attebery
Jim Gibson
Jerilou Jones
Carlos Muñoz
Jose Ordoñez
Denise Plaisier
Sam Raines
Belen Saturay
Jean Wilford
Richard Wilson
Tashie Zang

COMMISSION & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Faith Formation Commission
John Getchell
Parish Life & Social
Mary & Bill Chambers
Spiritual Life & Worship
Ronald Delbecq
School Commission
Dan Kamkoff
Life, Justice & Peace
Michael DiSpigno
Pastoral Care
Carol Frazey
Building & Grounds
Eric Schueler
Stewardship/Engaged Church
Patti & James Wright
Finance Council
Bill Zang
Pastoral Council
Jim Gibson
Bill Attebery
Belen Saturay

MYSTERIES OF THE CHURCH

Session 28: The 7 Sacraments
7:00 pm, Wednesday, September 25,
2013 Stafford Room

As the name implies, sacraments are considered sacred traditions within the Church and an integral part of the Catholic faith. You may be familiar with some of them such as baptism or holy matrimony. But what exactly are sacraments – are they merely symbolic ceremonies or something more? Join us as we explore the mystery of sacraments.

HOPE HOUSE

One of my volunteer staff brought me two insightful reflections—opposite sides of the same coin. We will start with one this week in which we discuss how we live in this abundant world: “The opposite of a scarcity mentality is an abundance mentality. With an abundance mentality we say, “There is enough for everyone, more than enough: food, knowledge, love... everything.” With this mindset we give away whatever we have, to whomever we meet. When we see hungry people we give them food. When we meet ignorant people we share our knowledge; when we encounter people in need of love, we offer them friendship and affection and hospitality and introduce them to our family and friends. When we live with this mind-set, we will see the miracle that what we give away multiplies: food, knowledge, love...everything. There will even be many leftovers.”

Please remember to share your abundance with the less fortunate through Hope House—we are in need of baby formula, canned food and men’s clothing. Bless you all, Cheri

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

This month our CDA meeting will be held at Sacred Heart Thursday, Sept. 26th at 12:30. Our guest will be the State Regent. Please bring something "made in Whatcom County" for a basket that will be raffled off at the ACCW Convention in Tacoma. Thank you. Mary Ann Coughlin 360-920-1740

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

We are called to be devoted to God. We are “children of light” and are called to stand out apart from the “children of this world.” Do we reflect Jesus in our words and actions in our lives and in our marriages? Let the light of Jesus shine forth in your marriage relationship - sign up today to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend: in Bellevue – Oct 4-6 (www.SeattleWWME.org or call Joe & Kathy St.Hilaire, 671-4836, or Dawn & Rory Myers at 206-772-2344).

INTERFAITH COALITION'S WINTER COAT DRIVE

Join us for Interfaith Coalition’s annual winter coat drive. This successful program brings warm coats to people in need throughout the county.

Please bring clean, gently-used winter coats, hats, gloves and mittens to the worship services this month. Children’s and men’s large coats are especially needed. Sunday, October 20 is the last Sunday to bring in items. Many people appreciate this program because they don’t have to spend their limited income on a coat or go without one through the winter.

Thanks for sharing the warmth!

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND OCTOBER 4-6

Suffering from the pain of separation, divorce or widowhood? Join us for *Beginning Experience*, a faith-based weekend October 4-6 in Lacey. You will be able to process your feelings in a safe environment and be given the tools to move forward with your life. Contact Chris Coylar at (253)-223-2645 or email her at nestandtwig@gmail.com. Cost for the retreat is \$200 which includes lodging, food, and materials. Financial assistance is available.

ASSUMPTION WOMEN'S SCRIPTURE STUDY AND SHARING

We are looking forward to beginning another year of study and sharing. Our start date is on September 25th at our usual spot, the Stafford Room, at 10:00 a.m. We will be opening with a Holy Spirit Brunch so bring what you wish. Anyone interested in joining us can call Jean Wilford at 360-303-9567, for information and questions. All are welcome. We will continue our study on The Acts of the Apostles.

For those who don't know us, we are a group of Women of all ages that enjoy Studying and Sharing the Word of God. This year will be our 25th year of fellowshiping. We enjoy welcoming newcomers to our group and enjoy the support and knowledge we receive from one another. If you are interested in fellowship, study and support come join us!!

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Monday, September 23rd

10:30 AM Mass Church
6:30 PM One King Light Weigh PCLR
6:30 PM Parents of Troubled Adults Stafford

Tuesday, September 24th

1:00 PM Bible Study Stafford
3:00 PM Cub Scouts Stafford
6:30 PM Adoration Church
6:45 PM Girl Scout 5222 Room 1
7:00 PM Bible Study Stafford
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 16 Meeting Gym

Wednesday, September 25th

12:00 AM Adoration Church
10:00 AM Women's Scripture Study Stafford
5:45 PM Benediction Church
6:00 PM Mass Church
7:00 PM Life, Justice & Peace Commission PCLR
7:00 PM Mysteries of the Church Stafford
7:00 PM Prayer Ministry Church

Thursday, September 26th

10:30 AM Mass Church
11:00 AM Mothers & Children Stafford
11:15 AM Prolife Rosary Church
12:30 PM Catholic Daughters of America Stafford
1:00 PM Purple Readers Group Stafford
6:00 PM Pastoral Care Committee Stafford
6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal Church
6:30 PM Events Planning Committee Stafford
7:00 PM RCIA Catechumenate LMC

Friday, September 27th

10:30 AM Mass Church
11:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group Church
1:30 PM Grief Support Stafford
5:00 PM Wilkins/Venezuela rehearsal Church
6:00 PM Rosary Makers Stafford
7:00 PM Grupo de 'Compartir el Evangelio' LMC

Saturday, September 28th

St. Lorenzo Ruiz- Baptism Weekend

9:30 AM Baptismal Classes Stafford
11:00 AM Spanish Choir Rehearsal PC 2nd floor
1:00 PM Wilkins/Venezuela Wedding Church
2:30 PM Faith & Light LMC
3:30 PM Reconciliation Church
4:00 PM Cantor Rehearsal St. Cecilia
5:00 PM Mass Church

Sunday, September 29th
Baptism Weekend

7:45 AM English Choir Rehearsal Church
8:30 AM Mass Church
9:00 AM Community Meal Prep Gym
9:30 AM English Choir Rehearsal Church
10:00 AM Grupo de Oración Room 1
10:30 AM Mass Church
11:00 AM Ensayo de Coro St. Cecilia
11:30 AM K-5th Faith Formation LMC
12:30 PM Misa Iglesia
1:00 PM Community Meal Gym
3:45 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal Church
5:00 PM Youth Mass Church
6:00 PM Lifeteen Gym


SAVE THE DATE: OCT. 12 AND 13, 2013

The Dominican Sisters, teachers at Assumption school from 1913 to the 1970s, are celebrating their 125th anniversary since their founding in Pomeroy, Washington. From their motherhouse in Tacoma, they staffed 29 schools in Washington and California from 1890 through the early seventies. During this, their quasiquicentennial, they will visit all the schools where they taught.

We will be greeted by the sisters at all the masses on October 12 and 13. After mass on Saturday, a short presentation will be followed by a spaghetti dinner. Again on Sunday, October 13, a reception will be held in the gym between the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. masses. The sisters look forward to their reunion with us.

ROSARY SALE

Rosary Makers will be selling rosaries on Sundays in October. On October 6th and October 20th, we will be selling at coffee hour. On October 13th and October 27th we will be in the gathering space from 8 am until 1 pm. We also do repairs and special orders. Please come and take a look at what we have. We hope to see you there. You can always call me if you have something special that you would like me to do. Maryann Knight 360-448-9271.



ST. FRANCIS FEAST DAY
Please join us on Friday Oct. 4th 8:00 AM for the blessing of the animals.



Bellingham Knights of Columbus invite you to the annual

SAINTS AND SINNERS GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Bellingham Knight of Columbus is sponsoring a golf tournament that will be held at the Bellingham Golf and Country Club. The proceeds of the tournament will go toward the support various charities in the community.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2013

10:00AM Shotgun Tee Time (Check in at 9:00am)

Bellingham Golf and Country Club

Format: Four-man teams competing in a scramble match

Included:

- 18 holes of golf on Bellingham's best course for over 100 years
- Free practice facility including free golf balls
- Prizes for top three low team scores, longest drive and KP (closest to the pin)
- Carts available, walking is encouraged
- Food, water, and soda provided (beer available) at completion of match

This is an excellent opportunity to play the Bellingham Golf & Country Club course and enjoy the country club experience. Put together your four-man team or come on out and we will place you with other players to make up a team. The scramble format is fun for all players of different experience levels so come on out and know that you are contributing to local organizations and individuals in need of your help.

\$100 per player (\$400 per team)

Contact Dick Winchip at 360-933-4147 and sign up today

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic family fraternal organization founded in 1882 for the support of church, family, youth, community, seminarians, and to provide aid to widows and orphans.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(09/15/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$17,404	\$52,212	\$191,444
Contributions received:	\$16,205	\$51,235	\$181,151
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 1,199	-\$ 976	-\$ 10,293

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(09/15/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$1,058	\$3,174	\$11,638
Contributions received:	\$1,065	\$2,496	\$ 8,686
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 7	-\$ 678	-\$ 2,952

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$ 72
Build Hope	\$ 599

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

CALLED TO PROTECT CLASSES

Called to Protect for Ministries class is a 3 hour training designed to teach participants how to recognize the signs of abuse, how to respond to suspected abuse and how to keep our ministries, programs and schools safe. Required for clergy, employees and volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors and vulnerable adults. To be in compliance with the Archdiocese **all new volunteers should take this training.** Two classes are being offered here at Assumption in October:

Saturday, October 5th, 9:00 am—12:00 pm in the Library Media Center
 Tuesday, October 8th, 6:00 pm—9:00 pm in the Library Media Center

You may register online for any of these classes by visiting www.seattlearch.org; click on the box for the Safe Environment Program (found on the right side of the page) and click the link that says "Register for Classes".

HOUSEWARMING FOR NEW ASSUMPTION HOUSE FAMILY

We have received many, many items for the new family that will be moving into Assumption House. Our parishioners have responded so generously and given so much. At this point we just need towels, pots & pans, and one queen size bed. Please call the parish office if you are able to provide these items. Thank you!

ORGANIST POSITION

Sacred Heart is seeking an experienced Organist primarily for the 8:30 a.m. Mass who can play the organ repertoire, is a highly capable service player, and choral accompanist. If you are interested, please submit letter of interest, resume, and reference list to Dr. Twila McDonell. Questions? Call 360-734-2850 x 304.

PARISH DIRECTORY LISTING: If you **do not** want your name, address and phone number listed in the back of the parish directory, please call the Parish Office to opt out. Leave your name and address so that we can make sure we remove the correct entry.

A Stewardship Moment

The dishonest manager in today's parable knew how to manipulate money to his own advantage. But the Gospel warns that no one can serve both God and money. Which do I serve? Is my stewardship such that anyone can tell?

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

El administrador deshonesto en la parábola de hoy sabía como manipular el dinero para su propio provecho. Pero el Evangelio advierte que nadie puede servir a Dios y al dinero. ¿A cuál sirvo yo? ¿Es mi administración de los bienes de Dios tal que cualquiera se puede dar cuenta?



Lord God,

You alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of each human life.

We praise and thank You for Your great power and tender, faithful love. Everything we are and everything we have are Your gifts, and after having created us You have given us into the keeping of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Fill our minds with His truth and our hearts with His love, and in His Spirit may we be bonded together into a community of faith, a parish family, and a caring people.

In the name and spirit of Jesus, we the people of Assumption church, commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent, and our material and spiritual gifts as an outward sign of the treasure we hold in Jesus.

Amen.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Fridays 1:30-3:30 PM in the Stafford Room. "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; and those crushed in spirit he saves. Many are the troubles of the just, but out of them all the lord delivers him."

Ps. 34:19-20.

After the death of a loved one, survivors face a new journey. Everyone grieves differently and at their own pace. We offer support and hope.