

April 3, 2016
Second Sunday of
Easter

As Thomas believed because he saw the risen Jesus, so too were many brought to faith through the various signs and wonders wrought by the apostles. They proclaim as Lord "the stone rejected by the builders," "the First and the Last of the One who lives".



WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

April 4	10:30 AM
Dennis Hadeen	RIP
April 6	2:00 PM
St. Joseph Hospital patients	SI
	6:00 PM
Peter Leo Satkowiak	RIP
April 7	10:30 AM
Ronan Arthurs	RIP
April 8	10:30 AM
Laurian Andrews	RIP
April 9	5:00 PM
Trudy Spitari	RIP
April 10	8:30 AM
Michel Palmieri	RIP
	10:30 AM
Ray Dellecker	RIP
	12:30 PM
Bieber Family	SI
	5:00 PM
Pro Populo	

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

Daily Worship
Week of April 3, 2016

Monday, April 4 The Annunciation of the Lord	Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 Psalm 40:7:11 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38
Tuesday, April 5	Acts 4:32-37 Psalm 93:1-2, 5 John 3:7b-15
Wednesday, April 6	Acts 5:17-26 Psalm 34:2-9 John 3:16-21
Thursday, April 7 Saint John the Baptist	Acts 5:27-33 Psalm 34:2, 9, 17-20 John 3:31-36
Friday, April 8	Acts 5:34-42 Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 John 6:1-15
Saturday, April 9	Acts 6:1-7 Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 John 6:16-21
Sunday, April 10 Third Sunday of Easter	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19



Year of Mercy
Weekly Reflection

Theme: Spiritual Works of Mercy – Counsel the Doubtful (4/3/16)

Then, too, heed your own heart's counsel; for what have you that you can depend on more? (Sirach 37:13)

Reflection: When you have doubts where do you turn for counsel? How can you tell good advice from bad advice?

If you would like to share a reflection or make a comment, please visit our Year of Mercy blog at <http://ams1516blog.blogspot.com>. This is a moderated blog site, so it may take upwards of 24 hours for comments to appear.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES

The next baptismal classes will be on Saturday, May 7 & 14 at 9:30 AM in the Stafford room. You must attend both classes.

EVENING PRAYER
and
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Tuesday evenings
beginning at 6:30 PM.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until Wednesday evening and ends with Benediction at 5:45 PM, and Mass at 6 PM.

Are you being called to spend an hour with the Lord? We especially need someone on

Tuesday at 11:30 PM
Wednesdays at 2:30 & 9:30 AM,
and
12:30 & 3:30 PM.

If you are able to help, call Linda at 595-4366.

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY

Wednesdays after Mass,
6:45-8:30 PM

All are welcome.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Fridays, 1:30-3:30 PM in the Stafford Room

"But I pray to you, O Lord, for the time of your favor, O God! In your great kindness answer me with your constant help. But I am afflicted and in pain; let your saving help, O God, protect me: I will praise the name of God in song, and I will glorify him with thanksgiving;"
 Ps.69:14, 30-31.

In our parish we have a loving little group that comes together because our lives have each been touched with the loss of a loved one. We will always have room for one more to join us, please come. We learn to be reconciled to our loss with the help of Dr. Alan Wollfelt's program, "Understanding Your Grief." Info. Nancy Fudge, 734-9563.

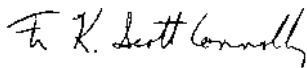
Dear Parishioners:

Like many of you, I was distressed and saddened by the front page article in the Bellingham Herald on Holy Thursday. In that article it talked about the settlement with victims of abuse by Michael Cody when he was Pastor here at Assumption and prior to that in the Skagit Valley and other locations. The news of the current settlement opens old wounds for Assumption Parishioners and victims of abuse. It angers fellow Catholics and hurts those who look to our faith as a source of consolation and peace rather than abuse and neglect.

As Pastor of the Church of the Assumption, I apologize to those who were victimized and abused. I, for one, want to assure you that our local Church (both here at Assumption and the Archdiocese of Seattle) are doing everything in our power to eliminate this scourge from our presbyterate and from the adults entrusted with the care of children and vulnerable adults. We are saddened by the events of the past, but we are encouraged by what is happening now to ensure the safety of those entrusted to our care. We can be proud of our program to "Protect God's Children." Our Catholic schools are considered some of the safest in the nation today because of our desire to instruct adults and children about the wonderful gifts they are and how we are called to protect them and secure their safety. We will continue to do everything in our power to make sure this type of thing never happens again.

If you or someone you know has been abused in the past, please let us know how we can help. We want to create restitution, counseling and hope for those who have been abused in the past. The Archbishop has written an article explaining what took place on the other side of this letter. Please let us know what we can do to help people move forward in these difficult times.

Yours in Christ,



Fr. K. Scott Connolly
Pastor



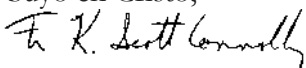
Queridos feligreses:

Como muchos de ustedes, yo estaba angustiado y triste por el artículo de la primera página del periódico de Bellingham Herald el Jueves Santo. En ese artículo se habló sobre el acuerdo con víctimas de abusos por parte de Michael Cody cuando era pastor aquí en Asunción y antes de eso, en el valle de Skagit y otros lugares. La noticia de la solución actual abre viejas heridas para los Feligreses de Asunción y víctimas de abuso. Hace irritar a otros católicos y perjudica a los que buscan de nuestra fe como fuente de consuelo y paz en lugar de abuso y abandono.

Como Pastor de la Iglesia de la Asunción, pido perdón a aquellos que fueron víctimas y abusado. Yo, por ejemplo, quiero asegurar que nuestra Iglesia local (tanto aquí en Asunción y la Arquidiócesis de Seattle) están haciendo todo lo posible para eliminar este flagelo de nuestro presbiterio y de los adultos encargados del cuidado de los niños y adultos vulnerables. Estamos entristecidos por los acontecimientos del pasado, pero nos sentimos alentados por lo que está sucediendo ahora para garantizar la seguridad de los que están a nuestro cuidado. Podemos estar orgullosos de nuestro programa para "proteger a los niños de Dios." Nuestras escuelas católicas se consideran algunas de las más seguras de la nación hoy en día debido a nuestro deseo de instruir a los adultos y los niños acerca de los dones maravillosos que son y cómo estamos llamados a protegerlos y asegurar su seguridad. Vamos a seguir haciendo todo lo posible para asegurar de que este tipo de cosas no vuelva a suceder.

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce ha sido víctima de abuso en el pasado, por favor háganoslo saber de cómo podemos ayudarle. Queremos crear la restitución, el asesoramiento y esperanza para aquellos que han sido objeto de abusos en el pasado. El arzobispo ha escrito un artículo que explica lo que ocurrió en el otro lado de esta carta. Por favor, háganos saber lo que podemos hacer para ayudar a la gente a que se mueve hacia adelante en estos tiempos difíciles.

Suyo en Cristo,



Padre K. Scott Connolly
Pastor



ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Archdiocese settles eight clergy abuse cases for \$9.1 million

The Archdiocese of Seattle announced today that it has reached settlement with eight women who were sexually abused as children by Michael Cody. The victims were abused by Cody, a former archdiocesan priest, while he was serving in Whatcom and Skagit County parishes between 1968 and 1974.

“I deeply regret the abuse by Michael Cody against these victims and I hope this monetary settlement, and the counseling we have provided them, will bring healing and give them a measure of closure so they can move forward,” said Archbishop J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle. “It also is my hope that these individuals will accept my offer to meet with me so I can offer them my personal apology.”

Cody, who is deceased, has not served as a priest in the Archdiocese of Seattle since 1979. He was ordained in 1958 and was laicized by the Vatican in 2005.

Cody was a parish priest in a number of parishes in Western Washington. The women who participated in the settlement with the archdiocese were abused while he served at St. Charles Parish, Burlington; Sacred Heart Parish, La Conner; St. Paul Mission, Swinomish; and the Church of the Assumption, Bellingham.

“Our first priority is the protection of children and healing for past victims,” Archbishop Sartain said. “It is my firm commitment to build on the good efforts of the past and continue to take steps that will truly help victims of clergy sexual abuse to heal. This \$9 million settlement demonstrates our ongoing commitment to acknowledge and address the devastating impact of clergy sexual abuse, and to encourage victims to come forward.”

Anyone who has knowledge of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Seattle is urged to call the archdiocesan hotline at 1-800-446-7762.

For more information, contact:

Greg Magnoni (206) 382-4862 or (425) 829-5520

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

ENROLLING NOW

Assumption Catholic School is now accepting registrations for the 2016-2017 school year. The Preschool through Grade 8 program provides a rigorous, comprehensive Catholic education which prepares students for success in life. Registration forms are available by calling the school at 733-6133 or stopping by during the school day at 2116 Cornwall Ave. in Bellingham. Let us know if you have questions.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Assumption Catholic School is seeking four new members for its School Commission. It is an opportunity to learn more about the school, provide important advice and support to the principal and pastor, as well as support Catholic education in the county. Terms are for three years and the Commission meets once a month during the school year. If you are interested, please contact the school for an application by calling 733-6133. Or stop by the school any time during the school day.

NEW FACILITIES SUPERVISOR

Welcome to Ted Cronk who has become our new Facilities Supervisor. He comes to us with many years of experience in maintenance, most recently at Semiahmoo. Ted is also a musician and plays many instruments. We are grateful that he is sharing his many talents with our parish now. Please say "Hello" when you see him around the campus.

SERVANTS OF THE LORD PRAYER GROUP Mondays, 6:00-8:00 PM in the St. Cecilia Rm.

The Ascension. "Then he led them(out) as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God." Luke 24:50-53.

We, too, are called to be praising God for his great mercy, and Our Lord Jesus for his sacrifice and gift of eternal life. Will you join us?

PREPARES FATHERHOOD GROUP

Prepares is starting a Fatherhood Group. This Dad's Group will meet in the St. Cecilia Room the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. Starting on April 13th from 5:30 - 7p.m. All Dads are welcome.

TEST PILOT

NEW SMALL GROUP PROGRAM

Jon Leonetti, who led our Parish Mission in October, has invited Assumption parishioners to test pilot a new, small group program he has developed called *Thrive: A Life-Changing Experience with the Saints*. *Thrive* is designed as a five-consecutive-weeks, one-hour-per-week program that includes prayer, a 15-minute video accessible via a YouTube link, and discussion/faith reflection. If you and some friends are interested in using the materials please let Gina DePalma in the Pastoral Center know by April 4. Jon requests that group members complete weekly evaluations and a final evaluation by July 1, 2016. Thank you!

BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus and Church of the Assumption will be sponsoring a blood drive on **Friday, July 8**, as a service to the community. Sign-ups for the drive will be taken after Masses on May 7-8 and May 15-16.

As a friendly reminder to parishioners who are regular blood donors: **The last date to donate blood elsewhere and still be eligible to donate at the Assumption Church Blood Drive is May 8.**

Each unit of blood collected at our blood drive can benefit up to 3 patients. Our blood donations will benefit patients who have suffered serious injuries and burns, need transfusions during surgeries and have life-threatening chronic diseases like leukemia and cancer that require frequent transfusions. Your blood donation is literally life-saving.

Giving blood is a safe and easy process. Sterile, disposable equipment is used to collect each donor's blood. The actual donation takes only 7-10 minutes. The entire process is about an hour.

The need for a blood transfusion can happen to anyone at any time. In fact, 70% of the population will require a blood transfusion at some point in their lives. And when that need occurs, the blood will be available thanks to donors in our community who rolled up their sleeves to donate blood.

For more information about the blood drive, please contact Rik Dalvit, 306-0419, or Joe St.Hilaire, 671-4836.

FAITH FORMATION, SCHOOL, PARISH EVENTS

ATTENTION SCRIP SUPPORTERS

Please support our school by purchasing Scrip. It is available on the first and third Sunday of each month between the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses. Thank you for your support!

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
Capt. Paul Cleary
Michael Condit
Gabriel Feely
John Hutson
Gabriel Rodriguez
Steven Faেকে
Lt Col Gregory DeMarco
Keanu Franco
Michael Dahl
Matt Edge
Kurt DeVries
2nd Lt. Garrett Burnham
Bob Iverson
Lt. Michael Bertschinger
Capt. Eric Stein
Caleb Trottnner
Lt. Col. Richard Weyker

**W
E
E
K
A
T
A
G
L
A
N
C
E**

Monday, April 4th

10:30 AM Mass Church
 11:30 AM Centering Prayer Stafford
 6:30 PM God's Food Group PCLR
 6:30 PM Servants of the Lord Group St. Cecilia

Tuesday, April 5th

1:00 PM Bible Study Stafford
 3:00 PM Cub Scouts Webelos 2 Stafford
 3:00 PM Cub Scouts Webelos 1 Room 1
 6:00 PM Frassati Young Adult Group PCLR
 6:30 PM Adoration Church
 7:00 PM Bible Study Stafford
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 16 Mtg. Gym
 7:00 PM Pax Christi LMC

Wednesday, April 6th

12:01 AM Adoration Church
 10:00 AM Women's Scripture Study Stafford
 2:00 PM Mass St. Joseph Hospital
 5:45 PM Benediction Church
 6:00 PM Mass Church

Thursday, April 7th

10:30 AM Mass Church
 11:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group Blessed Sacrament Chapel
 1:00 PM Purple Readers Group Stafford
 5:30 PM Lifeteen Core Team PC 3rd Floor
 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal Church

Friday, April 8th

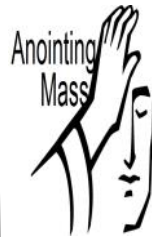
10:30 AM Anointing Mass Church
 11:30 AM Anointing Mass Luncheon Gym
 1:30 PM Grief Support Stafford
 5:30 PM Just Faith PCLR
 6:00 PM Rosary Makers Stafford
 7:00 PM Grupo de Oración LMC

Saturday, April 9th

9:00 AM Certificación Catequista Año 3 LMC
 3:30 PM Reconciliation Church
 4:00 PM Cantor Rehearsal Church
 5:00 PM Mass Church
 6:00 PM Dinner Club Off-site

Sunday, April 10th

7:45 AM Choir Rehearsal Church
 8:30 AM Mass Church
 9:00 AM Clases pre Matrimoniales Teacher's lounge
 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal Church
 10:00 AM MFCC Stafford
 10:30 AM Mass Church
 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word LMC
 11:00 AM Ensayo de Coro St. Cecilia
 12:00 PM Cub Scout Tiger Den Room 1
 12:30 PM Misa Iglesia
 12:30 PM Liturgia de la Palabra para niños LMC
 2:00 PM Legión de Maria Room 1
 3:45 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal Church
 5:00 PM Mass Church
 6:00 PM Lifeteen Gym



Anointing Mass
 On April 8, at the 10:30 Mass we invite all of our parishioners who would like to receive the anointing of the sick to come to Mass that day. We will have the anointing during Mass and afterward everyone is invited to a luncheon in your honor in the gym. Please come and enjoy each other's company.



WESTERN WASHINGTON CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Open my lips and my mouth will proclaim your praise.
JESUS INTERNATIONAL PRAISE RALLY

Saturday, April 16, 7:00 PM
 St. Stephen the Martyr Church
 13055 SE 192nd St, Renton 98058

Sponsored by WWCCR
 For more information:
wwccr.org/event/jesus-international-praise-rally

RACHEL'S CORNER

Hope and Healing After Abortion

"This retreat is a powerful way for each of us to walk with Christ's teachings through the Living Scripture exercises and feel the deep healing that He gives to us—just as He gave healing to the sick, the blind and raised the dead." - Testimony after a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™

Healing is possible; there is hope! We can help. Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ and experience mercy, forgiveness and hope.

**April 15-17, 2016 Stanwood WA
 (Abril 15-17, 2016 Tacoma WA en español)**

**Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)
 You are loved with an everlasting Love!**

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(03/27/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$18,077	\$ 72,308	\$ 705,003
Contributions received:	\$20,716	\$ 73,364	\$ 704,776
Over/ under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 2,639	\$ 1,056	-\$ 227

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(03/27/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 4,232	\$ 41,262
Contributions received:	\$ 255	\$ 3,406	\$ 28,408
Over/ Under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 803	-\$ 826	-\$12,854

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$	125
Easter Flowers	\$	129
Rice Bowl	\$	3,762

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



Gracious and loving Father,

We rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the heart of Jesus Your Son.

Teach us to see Christ in the lives we touch, to offer him living worship by love-filled service to our brothers and sisters.

Help us to always use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously.

Send Your Holy Spirit to work through us, bringing Your message to those we serve.

May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in our lives.

We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Wine Gala
and Microbrew Tasting

FEATURING SILENT AUCTION AND WINE STORE

April 16, 2016 @ 6:30 PM

Assumption Gym, 2116 Cornwall Ave.

- Over 25 wines and microbrews
- Light hors d'oeuvres
- Live music
- Free certified child care
- Unique auction items
- Expert sommeliers to guide your tastes



Sponsored by



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Proceeds benefit

Western Washington University's



NEWMAN CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

and the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus

A Stewardship Moment

“Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our time too, “men and women in great numbers” will be “added to the Lord.”

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

“¡Felices los que no han visto, pero creen!”, dice Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy. Sin embargo, para que crean los que no han visto, tenemos que ser buenos administradores de nuestra fe, viviéndola alegremente y compartiéndola generosamente. Entonces, en nuestro tiempo también, “cantidad de hombres y mujeres llegaban a creer en el Señor, aumentando así su número.”

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