

August 25, 2013
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

No one is to be excluded from the kingdom for all peoples are called to proclaim the praises of the Lord and confess his holy name. No ethnic or religious group possesses exclusive rights to the kingdom (1, Ps, 3). Suffering and pain are part of the human condition.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

August 26	10:30 AM	
Lou McDaniel		SI
August 31	5:00 PM	
Fr. Emmett Carroll		RIP
August 25	8:30 AM	
Michelle Nguyen		RIP
	10:30 AM	
Pro Populo		
	12:30 PM	
Dario Sotelo		RIP

BAPTISMAL CLASSES

The next baptismal classes will be on Saturday September 21 & Saturday September 28 at 9:30 to 11:30 AM in the Stafford room.



Daily Worship
Week of August 25, 2013

Monday, August 26	1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10 Psalm 149:1-6, 9 Matthew 23:13-22
Tuesday, August 27	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Psalm 139:1-3, 4-6 Matthew 23:23-26
Wednesday, August 28	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Psalm 139:7-12 Matthew 23:27-32
Thursday, August 29	1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 Psalm 90:3-4, 12-14, 17 634: Mark 6:17-29
Friday, August 30	1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 10-12 Matthew 25:1-13
Saturday, August 31	1 Thessalonians 4:9-11 Psalm 98:1, 7-9 Matthew 25:14-30
Sunday, September 1 Twenty-second Sunday In Ordinary Time	Sirah 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Psalm 68:4-7, 10-11 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a Luke 14:1, 7-14

NEW PARISHIONERS

Are you new to Assumption Parish? If so, you are most welcome to get registered officially. We are planning a Newcomers' Reception on September 14th after the 5 pm Mass. If you are new to the parish since January, 2012 we will be having a gathering in the gym and would love for you to attend. Please call Claudia at 733-1380 and let her know that you plan to attend. If there is anything else we can assist you with, please feel free to let us know. Welcome aboard!

NUEVOS FELIGRESES

¿Eres nuevo en Parroquia de la Asunción? Si es así, son bienvenidos para registrarse oficialmente. Estamos planeando una recepción para los recién llegados el 14 de septiembre después de la Misa de las 5:00 PM. Si usted es nuevo en la parroquia desde enero del 2012 vamos a tener una reunión en el gimnasio y me encantaría que usted asista. Por favor llame a Claudia al 733-1380 y hágale saber que usted va a asistir. Si hay cualquier cosa en cual podemos ayudarle, no dude en hacérselo saber. ¡Bienvenido!

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 and temporarily at 2:30 PM. If you can help, please call Karen at 671-1544.**

HEALING PRAYER
MINISTRY
Wednesday after Mass
6:45-8:30 PM

is cancelled for the month of August and will return Wednesday, Sept. 4th.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
 Fridays, 1:30-3:30 PM, Stafford Room will be cancelled for the month of August and will return Sept.6th.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING
 will not meet this month due to Labor Day on Sept. 2nd and will return October 7th.

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



Catechism of the Catholic

Church 2656 One enters into prayer as one enters into liturgy: by the narrow gate of *faith*.

Are you a baptized Christian who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith? Or are you a Catholic adult who has never been Confirmed? Or maybe you've never been baptized and would like to understand more about the Catholic faith?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, then please join us on Thursday, Sept. 5, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the School Library for our opening session of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). This process is available to all adults seeking a deepening knowledge of the faith and a strengthening conversion of heart to follow Jesus Christ as The Way, The Truth, and The Life. Please contact Gina DePalma at ginad@assumption.org or 733-1380 x22 with any questions. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR RALLY!

Mark your calendars for our Capital Campaign Rally on Sunday, September 15th at 5:00 pm in the Gym. Come and learn about the future of our parish!

ANNOUNCING A PARISH CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Starting in the fall the parish will be having a children's choir for grades 2-8. The students will be under the direction of Mrs. Roland and Miss Carrier. The students will be providing the Music for the September 21st 4 PM Mass, Christmas 4 PM Eve Mass, Easter 8:30 AM Sunday Mass, and Memorial Day Weekend 10:30 AM Mass. If you are interested, the practice will be on 8/28, 9/4, 9/18 to sing for the Mass of September 21; 11/27, 12/4, 12/18 to sing for Christmas Eve Mass; 3/26, 4/9, 4/16 to sing for Easter Mass; 4/30, 5/7, 5/21 to sing for Memorial Weekend Mass. All practices are from 6:45-7:45 PM.

Please email sroland@school.assumptionorg if you are interested in joining this choir. All students will be required to wear white button down shirts and dark navy blue or black pants or skirts. You may choose to participate in any or all of the masses.

Thank you, Monica Des Jarlais, Principal



Session 26: Martyrs

7:00 pm, Wednesday, August 28, 2013
Library Media Center, Assumption School

Since the dawn of the Church, millions of Christians have given up their lives rather than give up their faith. To be a religious martyr is to be so secure in your belief that even the threat of death isn't a deterrent. And although it's often associated with Roman persecution of early Christians, martyrdom is still happening to this day. In this episode, we look into the history of Christian martyrdom and the lives of those who made the ultimate sacrifice for what they believed.

DISTORTED IMAGES OF GOD

This is a 9-week adult Bible study, 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.

HOUSEWARMING FOR NEW ASSUMPTION HOUSE FAMILY



A new family will be moving into Assumption House next month. Assumption House is an ongoing ministry of our parish to provide safe, affordable housing to a parish family so that they can develop a credit history and become financially stable. The new family has very little, so we are asking for housewarming gifts to help them get started.

Can you spare some dishes, silverware, glasses, towels, blankets, chairs, etc? The family especially needs 2 twin beds with sheets and pillows for their young boys, queen size sheets, a kitchen/dining table & chairs, a desk, and an iron & ironing board. Please bring your housewarming gifts to the parish office.

THANK YOU!

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.

Durante el verano **NO** habrá Scrip 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

K – 12 FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES:

Saturday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. – Noon in the Gym: Registration and Information Session for all K-12 Faith Formation programs, First Reconciliation, First Communion & Confirmation. Parents will be given time during this session to complete their general registration and First Reconciliation and First Communion forms.

NOTE: There will be a separate information session for Confirmation during the LifeTeen Kickoff on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 6 p.m. All Year One and Year Two Candidates and their parents need to attend this evening to learn the specifics of Confirmation and receive the necessary forms.

The first day of classes for K-5 students will be on Sunday, Sept. 29, from 11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m. in the School.

LifeTeen, our high school youth program, also begins Sunday, Sept. 29, following the resumption of the 5:00 p.m. Mass with a barbecue in the Gym.

EDGE, our middle school youth program, kicks off on Monday, Sept. 30, at 7:00 p.m. in the Gym for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun!

The first Confirmation class will be on Monday, Oct. 7, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the School Library.

The first First Reconciliation class for all Year Two students receiving the sacrament and their parents will be on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. in the Church.

In addition to these programs, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults—the process for those seeking to become a fully-initiated Catholic, formally begins on Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library and will meet every Thursday evening at 7:00 in that location.

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.

If you have a child 7 or older who has not been baptized our Rite of Christian Initiation for Children process begins on Sunday, Sept. 29. Please contact the Parish Office for details.

You can learn more about our programs through our website. Please contact either Gina DePalma or Adriana Estrada in the Parish office with any questions. Thank you!

FECHAS IMPORTANTES PARA EL PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN DE FE DEL K – 12:

Sábado, 7 de septiembre a las 10 de la mañana hasta el mediodía en el gimnasio: Registro y Sesión de información para todos los programas del K-12 de Formación de Fe, Primera Reconciliación, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. Los padres recibirán un momento durante este período de sesiones para completar su registro general y las formas de Primera Reconciliación y Primera Comunión.

NOTA: Habrá una sesión de información en otra fecha para la Confirmación durante el arranque de LifeTeen el domingo 29 de septiembre a las 6:00. Todos los candidatos del Año Uno y Año Dos y sus padres deben asistir a esta noche para conocer los detalles específicos de la confirmación y recibir los formularios necesarios.

El primer día de clases para los estudiantes de K-5 será el domingo, 29 de septiembre, de 11:30 de la mañana - 12:20 del mediodía en la escuela.

LifeTeen, nuestro programa de jóvenes de escuelas preparatorias, también comienza el domingo, 29 de septiembre después de la reanudación de la Misa de 5:00 de la tarde con una barbacoa en el gimnasio.

EDGE, nuestro programa de jóvenes de secundaria, se inicia el lunes 30 de septiembre, a las 7:00 tarde en el gimnasio de una noche de comida, compañerismo y diversión!

La primera clase de Confirmación será el lunes 7 de octubre, de 7:00-8:30 en la Biblioteca Escolar.

La primera clase de la Primera Reconciliación para todos los estudiantes que están en el Año Dos que van a recibir el sacramento y sus padres será el sábado, 12 de octubre de 10:00 - 11:30 de la mañana en la Iglesia.

Además de estos programas, tendremos el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos, el proceso para aquellos que buscan convertirse en un católico completamente iniciado, empieza formalmente el jueves 5 de septiembre a las 7:00 de la tarde en la biblioteca de la escuela y se reunirá todos los jueves a las 7:00 de la tarde en esa ubicación.

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

Si usted tiene un niño de 7 años o más que no ha sido bautizado el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Niños comienza el Domingo, 29 de septiembre. Por favor, póngase en contacto con la Oficina Parroquial para más detalles.

Usted puede aprender más acerca de nuestros programas a través de nuestra página web. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Gina DePalma o Adriana Estrada en la oficina parroquial con cualquier pregunta. ¡Gracias!

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
Christopher DePalma
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

FR. SCOTT'S BOOKS ARE IN!

We have set a book signing for September 8th at 3:00 PM at the Cancer Center. If you need a book before, call the office. Otherwise, plan on coming to the book signing on Sept. 8th. If you are unable to come to the book signing, we will distribute the books the following weekend.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. He is the "narrow gate" that we must enter through in order to be saved. Jesus stands at your heart's door and knocks; open the door and invite him in. Let Jesus be the Lord and Savior of your life and marriage. Invite the Lord into your marriage and let him strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament: sign up today to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend: in Gig Harbor, Sept 13-15 (www.mrwwme.org or call John & Martha Ryland at 253-859-9174); Bellevue – Oct 4-6 (www.SeattleWWME.org or call Dawn & Rory Myers at 206-772-2344).

FEELING ALONE IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

– Feeling frustrated or angry? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages. You are not alone. For confidential information about, or to register for the September program beginning **September 6th – 8th, 2013** call 206-706-2608 or visit our website at www.helpourmarriage.com

CHURCH CREW NEEDED

Do you have an extra hour a month? If so Assumption Church needs your help! We are looking for people who can commit to one hour a month, every month, helping to tidy and organize our church. If you would like to help, please call the office and ask for Taryn Heisler, or e-mail her at assumption.taryn@gmail.com.

HOPE HOUSE

She's homeless, carrying everything she owns in her backpack. She doesn't look like a "typical" homeless person. A lost job, lost apartment, lost relationship—who knows why she is where she is. The point is that she could be your daughter, sister, neighbor or cousin. The point is she is a child of God and she IS your sister and neighbor---and our faith calls us to take care of her. So there she stood, quietly requesting feminine hygiene of a certain kind, which she desperately needed. We didn't have it, and she silently started weeping. Such a small thing for us to take care of; such a huge thing if you have no money.

Fortunately, at Hope House, the staff has what we call the "St. Anne" fund—money we find in pockets, money handed to us by grateful clients and money the staff quietly slips into the open-backed statue of the Blessed Mother we have on the counter in the kitchen. I collect it, turn the change into bills and lock it in a file cabinet in an envelope for when the need arises for something extra for someone. This was definitely one of those times! As I handed her the money, she threw her arms around me and held on for dear life, sobbing.

I love my job; it is very fulfilling most of the time, but today was one of the pinnacles of the last 13 years. Seldom do I feel the presence of Jesus so directly, so closely. I'm pretty sure He was smiling.

We are in need of feminine hygiene products of both kinds, canned fruit and size 5 diapers.

Blessings,
Cheri Woolsey

<https://www.facebook.com/bellinghamhopehouse>

ASSUMPTION CHURCH'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY 7-DAY ALASKA ROUNDTRIP SEATTLE

Join Fr. Scott for a celebration of Assumption Church's 125th Anniversary and fund raiser cruise. Come enjoy a week onboard the ms Westerdam exploring the beauty of Alaska while helping support your school and church! Leaving on June 28, 2014 from Seattle at 4:00 PM and returning July 5, 2014 to Seattle at 7:00 PM. Please contact Dan at Daniels Travel Company to secure your reservation. 360-933-4608 or cell phone # 941-737-9143.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL'S GARDEN

Assumption Catholic School's garden is in its fifth season of producing fresh, organically grown produce which will be for sale by donation each Sunday after the 10:30 Mass. As always, the proceeds are all used to support our sister school in Phnom Dek, Cambodia. Assumption students are making a lasting difference in the world with this school-wide service project. Please pick up a brochure from the kiosk in the gathering space for more information.

W	<u>Monday, August 26th</u>		
	10:30 AM	Mass	Church
E	<u>Tuesday, August 27th</u>		
	6:30 PM	Adoration	Church
E		7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 16 Meeting
			Gym
K	<u>Wednesday, August 28th</u>		
	12:00 AM	Adoration	Church
A		5:45 PM	Benediction
		6:00 PM	Word & Communion
T		6:45 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 PM	Comité de Asuntos Hispanos
A		7:00 PM	Mysteries of the Church
		7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Mtg.
A	<u>Thursday, August 29th</u>		
	10:30 AM	Word & Communion	Church
G		6:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
			Church
L	<u>Friday, August 30th</u>		
	10:30 AM	Word & Communion	Church
A		5:00 PM	Martinez/Zamora Rehearsal
			Church
N	<u>Saturday, August 31st</u>		
	11:00 AM	Spanish Choir Rehearsal	Church
C		2:00 PM	Martinez/Zamora Wedding
			Church
E		3:30 PM	Reconciliation
		4:00 PM	Cantor Rehearsal
		5:00 PM	Mass
			St. Cecilia
			Church
E	<u>Sunday, September 1st</u>		
	7:45 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	9:30 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
	10:00 AM	Grupo de Oración	Room 1
	10:30 AM	Mass	Church
	11:30 AM	Ensayo de Coro	St. Cecilia
	12:30 PM	Misa	Iglesia

**MINISTERS NEEDED FOR THE SUNDAY
5:00 PM MASS**

Our Sunday 5:00 PM Mass will resume on September 29. We are in need of Eucharist Ministers, Lectors, and Hospitality Ministers. There is a sign up sheet over at the Gathering space for those who are interested in serving during this mass. There will be a training class provided on October 19 from 10:00-12:00 PM in the Church.

**ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL
INVITES YOU**

Please join us in the celebration of our First School Mass on Tuesday, September 3rd at 10:30 AM in the church.

ONE HOUR EARLIER—SEPT 21

On September 21, our 5:00 pm Mass and 3:30 pm Reconciliation will be moved back an hour. Archbishop Sartain will be celebrating the Mass at 4:00 pm. Reconciliation will be at 2:30 pm. This will make it more convenient for those who would like to attend the School's Gala dinner that evening.

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS ARE BACK

Our regular office hours are back. We are now open Monday—Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM but closed during our lunch hour from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. Thank you.

**NUESTRO HORARIO REGULAR DE LA
OFICINA YA EMPEZO**

Nuestro horario regular ya empezó de nuevo. Estamos abiertos de lunes a viernes desde las 8:30 de la mañana hasta las 4:00 de la tarde pero estamos cerrados en la hora de almuerzo que es desde las 12:00 del mediodía hasta la 1:00 de la tarde. Gracias.

ATTENTION ROSARY MAKERS

We will not meet on Friday August 30th. We will resume the following Friday. Thank you.






CONCERT – BELLA NOTTE!

Mark your calendars: **November 9th, Saturday evening.** The Women's Schola, Matthew Ma, Whitney Wynn's String Quartet, and a cast of many more will bring you an evening to remember. A pre-concert dinner will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus. All concert evening proceeds will benefit Assumption's capital campaign and the Knights of Columbus. Concert sponsorships for musicians and program advertising are available. Contact Wendy Donaghy for more information. **Email**

Schola.viva@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER

2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Catechetical Sunday 10:30AM Fr. Scott Book Signing at Cancer Center 3PM	2  Office Closed <i>No Mass or Word & Communion</i>	3 Assumption School 8AM Holy Spirit Mass 10:30AM Pax Christi 7PM	4 Children's Choir rehearsal 6:45PM Faith Formation Commission 7PM St. Joseph Hosp Mass 2PM Prayer Ministry Begins 7PM	5 RCIA Begins 7PM	6 Grief Support Group Begins 1:30PM	7 Faith Formation Parent Mtg 10AM Faith & Light Begins 2:30PM Bautismo Class 3PM Young Adult Choir 5PM
8	9 Charismatic Prayer Group Begins 6PM	10 Knights of Columbus 7PM	11 Curriculum Night 6:30PM Spiritual Life & Worship 7PM Mysteries of the Church 7PM St. Teresa of Avila Begins 7PM	12 Mothers & Children Begins 11AM Pastoral Council 7PM	13	14 <i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i> Govea/Hamilton Wedding 1PM Newcomers Gathering 6PM
15 Cap Campaign Orientation Rally 5PM	16	17	18 Children's Choir rehearsal 6:45PM Stewardship/Engaged Church Comm 7PM School Commission 7PM	19	20 SCHOOL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION BEGINS! Alumni Reception	21 St. Matthew Baptism Class 9AM  Mass with the Archbishop 4PM Centennial Gala 6PM
22 	23 NO SCHOOL Parents of Troubled Adults Begins 6:30PM	24 Bible Study Begins 1PM or 7PM	25 Women's Scripture Study Begins 9AM Life Justice & Peace 7PM Mysteries of the Church 7PM	26 Catholic Daughters Begins 12:30PM Pastoral Care Comm 6PM Events Planning Comm 6:30PM	27	28 Baptism Class 9AM Wilkins/Valenzuela Wedding 1PM
29 K-5 Faith Formation Begins 11:30AM Community Meal 1PM Youth-Oriented Mass Begins 5PM Lifeteen Begins/Confirmation Info Mtg 6PM	30 Edge Begins 7PM				Please remove 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

	Wk(08/18/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$17,404	\$52,212	\$121,828
Contributions received:	\$18,591	\$53,609	\$116,592
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 1,187	\$ 1,397	-\$ 5,236

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(08/18/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$1,058	\$3,174	\$ 7,406
Contributions received:	\$1,358	\$3,139	\$ 6,190
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 300	-\$ 35	-\$1,216

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House \$ 75
Thank you for sharing God's blessings with the larger community.

ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING

Assumption Church offers electronic giving as a convenience. To sign-up, go to our web site www.assumption.org; click on the donate button found on the home page under "God Gives it All -Then Calls Us to Share." This will take you to Vanco, our EFT provider, where you can set-up an account to manage your gifts to the parish either through your checking account or credit card. Or you can set up "bill pay" directly through your bank. Just add Assumption to your automatic weekly or monthly bill paying cycle.

PARISH DIRECTORY PHOTOGRAPHY IS ALMOST DONE

Only 3 days of photography still available on August 27-29. You can still sign up online at our website: www.assumption.org. Just click on the blue button that says "Portrait Sign-Up". Or you can call the Parish Office or our volunteer, Lee, at 253-651-8023 to schedule your photo session.

Don't despair! If the remaining times available for photo sessions don't work for you, you can still get your photo into Assumption's directory by scheduling at Sacred Heart. Their photography starts on Sept 4th. Go to: www.sacredheartbellingham.org and click on the blue button for Portrait Sign-Ups. Please pick up a "Visitor" card from the Parish Office to take with you to Sacred Heart. This card will ensure that your picture ends up in the right directory!

HOPE HOUSE DONATIONS: Bring a donation of food, diapers, or personal hygiene items to your photography session and you will receive a \$5 coupon towards any pictures or cards you might purchase. AND Lifetouch will also donate to Hope House!

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 take out the correct entry.

A Stewardship Moment

Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself — my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God — is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

La lectura de hoy de Isaías describe a los Israelitas trayendo sus ofrendas al Señor "en vasos puros." El regalo de mi mismo — mi perseverancia paciente y mi fidelidad a la voluntad de Dios — es tan importante como la ofrenda monetaria que ofrezco.



God, life is Your gift to us.

Through Baptism, You invite us to share the gift of life in service to others.

Be with us as we chose each day to show Your presence in our world.

Give us the courage and generosity to respond to Your love and Your call.

We pray especially for those who serve You in all ministries here in our parish. May they bear the Good News to those in need and keep them close to You.

Open the minds and hearts of many that they may accept Your challenge to build the Kingdom in our parish.

Lord Jesus, You tell us that the meaning of life consists in giving.

Help us to realize It is not riches or fame or power that gives life meaning. Rather it is generosity and service to You and others that brings fulfillment and makes life worthwhile.

May all our activity help us to build Your Kingdom.

Amen.