


December 1, 2013
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
*Let us rejoice in the Lord's peace;
 let us live honorably as we await
 his return.*



**WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL
 LIFE**

December 2	10:30 AM	
Geraldine Walsh		RIP
December 4	2:00 PM	
Patients at St. Joseph's		SI
	6:00 PM	
Aaron Connolly		RIP
December 5	10:30 PM	
Fr. Bill Lane		RIP
December 6	10:30 AM	
School Children		SI
December 7	5:00 PM	
Joe Razore		RIP
December 8	8:30 AM	
Walter Coughlin		RIP
	10:30 AM	
Betsy Lundy		SI
	12:30 PM	
Pro Populo		
	5:00 PM	
Confirmation Candidates		SI

 This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in honor of :
Gayle Williams

**Daily Worship
 Week of December 1, 2013**

Monday, December 2	Isaiah 4:2-6 Psalm 122:1-9 Matthew 8:5-11
Tuesday, December 3 Saint Francis Xavier	Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Luke 10:21-24
Wednesday, December 4	Isaiah 25:6-10a Psalm 23:1-6 Matthew 15:29-37
Thursday, December 5	Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Matthew 7:21, 24-27
Friday, December 6 Saint Nicholas	Isaiah 29:17-24 Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 Matthew 9:27-31
Saturday, December 7	Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 Psalm 147:1-6 Matthew 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday, December 8 Second Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

December 8th falls on a Sunday this year. Therefore, the church has chosen to move the Feast of the Immaculate Conception to Monday December 9th. We will have mass at 10:30 AM, but it is not a holy day of Obligation. You are welcome but not require to attend.



**EVENING PRAYER
 and
 EXPOSITION OF THE
 BLESSED SACRAMENT**



Tuesday eves.
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. For any changes please call Karen at 671-1544.

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

"Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise from the end of the earth. I will lead the blind on their journey; by paths unknown I will guide them. I will turn darkness into light before them, and make crooked ways straight. These things I will do for them and I will not forsake them." Isaiah 42:10,16

All are welcome, no appt. is necessary, it is private and quiet.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER
 GROUP**

Monday, Dec. 2. 6.30-8.30 PM, St. Cecilia Rm.
 "I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord; the lowly will hear and be glad. Glorify the Lord with me, let us together extol his name. Ps.34: 2-4



Dear Parishioners:

The archbishop received a **request from the Holy Father** to give input to the Holy See regarding the upcoming **Synod**. If you would like to read the document or respond to the questions in the questionnaire, you are welcome to do so. Please go to the Archdiocesan website (www.seattlearchdiocese.org) and follow the instructions. There is now a button on the homepage labeled "**Synod Questionnaire**" that when clicked will take the participant directly to the pages. We encourage you to read the document first before responding to the questions, and please realize that the questions are actually addressed to the Bishops and therefore are not always applicable. The responses we submit will be read by Mary Beth Celio (Statistician for the Archdiocese) and a summary will be produced by the Archdiocese. Archbishop Sartain has also stated that he plans to forward all material and responses that come to him directly to Rome. This is an unprecedented moment and opportunity and one which we should all attempt to address. However, we are asked to submit our responses no later than December 15, 2013 as the Diocesan deadline is December 31.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. K. Scott Connolly
Pastor

Queridos feligreses :

El arzobispo recibió un requerimiento del Santo Padre para dar un aporte a la Santa Sede sobre el próximo Sínodo . Si desea leer el documento o responder a las preguntas del cuestionario , eres bienvenido a hacerlo. Por favor, vaya a la página en el Web de la Arquidiócesis (www.seattlearchdiocese.org) y siga las instrucciones . Ahora hay un botón en la página de inicio apodado "Synod Questionnaire" que al hacer clic se llevará al participante directamente a las páginas . Le animamos a leer el documento antes de responder a las preguntas, y por favor, de darse cuenta de que las preguntas son en realidad dirigidas a los Obispos y por lo tanto no siempre son aplicables . Las respuestas que sometemos serán leídas por Mary Beth Celio (Estadístico de la Arquidiócesis) y un resumen será producido por la Arquidiócesis . Arzobispo Sartain también ha declarado que planea enviar todo el material y las respuestas que vienen a él directamente a Roma. Este es un momento y oportunidad sin precedentes y una que todos debemos tratar de abordar . Sin embargo, se nos pide a presentar nuestras respuestas a nomás tardar del 15 de diciembre 2013 como fecha límite Diocesano es 31 de diciembre.

Suyo en Cristo

Padre K. Scott Connolly
Pastor

ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEED AN IDEA FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT?

Be Part of a Child's Catholic Education—Give to Assumption Catholic School's Adopt a Student Program.

ADVENT PRAYER SERVICES

You are invited to participate in three advent prayer services with Assumption Catholic School on December 2, 9, and 16 at 8:15 in the morning.

TREASURE FROM THE TRUNK

Fellow Assumption Parishioners, Whatcom Museum is hosting a display entitled "Treasures from the Trunk" ... which is all about historic Bellinghamster J.J. Donovan, who was a central figure in the establishment of both Assumption Parish and St. Joseph hospital. Considering this year and next are important parish milestones, a visit to this marvelous display will give parishioners new appreciation for this fine Catholic man's courage and wisdom.

ARCHDIOCESAN SIMBANG GABI COMMISSIONING.

Saturday, December 14, 11:00 AM. Catholics from throughout the Archdiocese will gather in St. James Cathedral to begin the Advent novena of Masses in honor of Mary to prepare, in her company, for the celebration of Christmas. Archbishop Peter Sartain will preside at this Mass which includes the blessing and commissioning of Simbang Gabi coordinators from some 80 participating parishes in the archdiocese. This celebration points to Christ, Light of the World, symbolized by the *parols* (Christmas lanterns). All are invited and warmly welcome.

ATTENTION MOTHERS!

Our next Mother and Children's group will be Thursday, December 12th. Please join us with your child(ren) at 11 in the Stafford Room. This week we will have an amazing guest speaker whom you will not want to miss.

For more information please contact Bev Williams at bevjohnson_13@hotmail.com.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS are sponsoring the 2014 Education Contest with the themes of "Jesus Loves Us, How Do We Spread that Love?" and "How Do I Promote Peace In The World?" This contest is open to all youth from the 4th grade through the 12th grade. Details are posted on the Assumption Church website and on the Assumption School website.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

1:30-3:30 pm, Stafford Room.

"When the just cry out, the Lord hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves." All are welcome.



THE COATS CONCERT

The vocal band, The Coats, is coming to Bellingham High School on Saturday, Dec 7th at 7:30 pm. The show will feature special performances by local high school choirs, which include many former Assumption Catholic School students. Proceeds from this concert benefit the high school choirs. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students/seniors. Purchase tickets at the door, Village Books or the Bellingham, Sehome, or Squalicum High School ASB offices. Come see these amazing groups in action!

PAX CHRISTI - Tuesday Dec. 3 at 7 PM at Assumption Parish Center Living Room
Duane Jager will be our speaker. He has used **Catholic Campaign for Human Development grants** for many years to get non-profit organizations started and will share the practical steps in creating a non-profit and how the CCHD grants are designed to empower low income residents. Learn more about Re Use Works (provides jobs, job training, and affordable appliances) and his latest project a textile recovery program. Last September, the Build Hope collection provided funding for these grants. For more information on the CCHD grants, see the Archdiocese Mission Office website <http://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/Missions/collections.aspx>. Duane was also instrumental in the beginning stages of establishing the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center.

SUNDAY EVENING MASS CHANGES

There will be no 5 PM Mass on Sunday December 15, 22, 29.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11 MASS

We will not be having a 6 PM Mass on Wednesday December 11th. The mass for the Virgin of Guadalupe will be at 11:00 PM on Wednesday. You are all invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Calling all children in grades K-8 of Assumption Parish.

Come be a part of the Christmas Eve Children's Choir at the 4:00 P.M. Mass on December 24th.

We had our first practice last Wednesday. You can still join us for the next two practices. The dates and times will be Wednesdays, December 4 & December 18, in the church, from 6:45 to 7:45 P.M.

If you are interested email Susan Roland sroland@school.assumption.org.

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

ASSUMPTION MUSIC MINISTRY

1. "Sound Technicians needed! Assumption Music Ministry needs your help to improve our sound! No prior experience necessary—complete professional training provided if needed. This position can be counted as volunteer hours for grade school and even be a part of a senior project for high school."
2. "Christmas Choir! All singers are invited to join our Christmas Choir to sing for Midnight Mass and/or Christmas Day 10:30am. We will rehearse the first four Monday evenings in December from 6:30-8:30pm in the Church. This is a wonderful way to prepare for Christmas during the Advent season! Be a part of our big and beautiful sound with voices, brass, strings and organ! We will provide everything that you need. Please contact Angus McDonell our Pastoral Assistant for Music Ministry if you are interested."



CHRISTMAS CLEANING

Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space to help us clean the church in preparation for Christmas. We are spreading the cleaning chores out over several days so we can do it more thoroughly. Cleaning time is from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm on December 5, 13, 20 and 23. Cleaning supplies are provided. Come join the fun!

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

For information and instruction, contact Kathy St.Hilaire, certified teacher of Natural Family Planning, 671-4836.



MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AND FAMILY ADORATION HOUR

Friday, December 6th, help us pray during the "youth hour" of the prayer vigil for the intentions of our parishioners in the presence of our Lord through the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

From 3-5pm, we will have opportunities to pray through song, scripture, and silence. Sign up for a half hour time slot under the Youth Ministry tab on our parish website.

WARMTH FOR THE SOUL



Join EDGE in collecting new/gently used blankets and sleeping bags for HOPE HOUSE to distribute to those in need in our community!

Donations can be collected in the gathering space Nov 23 - Dec 9th

CALOR PARA EL ALMA



Únete a EDGE y done mantas nuevas o con poco uso y sacos de dormir para la Casa de Esperanza. Ponga donaciones en la entrada de iglesia.

El 23 de noviembre al 8 de diciembre



¡Gracias!

BE PREPARED!

SANCTIFY YOUR MARRIAGE

Today's gospel exhorts us to be prepared; we know not the day nor the hour when the Lord will come. If you knew that tomorrow you may meet the Lord, would that influence you to make amends with those you've shunned? Would it make you re-think the harsh feelings you have toward your spouse? At a Marriage Encounter you can renew and rekindle your marriage relationship. Be prepared! Sign up today to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in Bellevue – Feb 14-16, 2014

(www.SeattleWWME.org or contact Joe & Kathy St.Hilaire, 671-4836, or Dawn & Rory Myers at SeattleWWME@Yahoo.com or 206-772-2344) or for Weekends in Gig Harbor, www.MRWWME.org or contact John and Martha Ryland, 253-859-9174 , jmryland@comcast.net .



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
- Cadet Garrett Burnham

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

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

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & LIFE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bill Attebery
Jim Gibson
Jerilou Jones
Carlos Muñoz
José Ordóñez
Denise Plaisier
Sam Raines
Belen Saturay
Jean Wilford
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

SEVERE WEATHER SHELTER TRAINING

The Severe Weather Shelters provide safety, food and a warm welcome to homeless people. The shelters are staffed by volunteers from 5PM to 8 AM. Become a Severe Weather Shelter volunteer and experience the grace of giving and also the grace of receiving the gratitude of the guests.

Join us Monday, December 16 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM for a volunteer training. Interested individuals and couples may volunteer for one of three shifts. Only female volunteers staff the women's shelter, but women also may work at the men's shelter during the evening and morning shifts. The trainings will be offered at the two shelter sites. Please go to the site where you are interested in volunteering. The men's shelter is at Faith Lutheran Church, 2750 McLeod Road, and the women's and children's shelter is at Garden St. United Methodist Church, 1326 N. Garden St. in Bellingham. For additional information, please call Interfaith at 734-3983.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The Knights of Columbus in Whatcom County will be assisting Habitat for Humanity with construction of a house two Saturdays, 7 and 14 December, 2013. The construction site is at 2780 W Indiana Street in Bellingham, which is near Bellingham Technical College. Please call Scott Hulse at 360 243 0745 or send an email to scotte-hulse@att.net if you are interested in assisting with this project on either day so that safety and logistical information that must be reviewed by all volunteers can be sent to you before 4 December, 2013. Thank you for your consideration and assistance.



The 2013 Hope House Angel Tree is up in the Gathering Space---please take a tag (or 2 or 3 or...) and purchase, wrap and return to the church or Hope House **no later** than Sunday, Dec. 15th. Please help us bring Christmas cheer to those of your neighbors in need. You cannot imagine how much it means to parents who are struggling to pay bills to have someone help make Christmas possible for their children. God bless you.

Due to the need for space for our Christmas gifts, and the general busyness of this coming month, Hope House will **ONLY** be accepting **new** clothing, toys, food, diapers and hygiene items during the month of December. We are overwhelmed at this time with an abundance of used clothing, shoes and toys; therefore we will not be accepting these items again until January. Please do not leave any of these in the Gathering Space or in our donation bin. The only exception to the *used* rule for December is blankets and sleeping bags!

Have a wonderful Advent!

Cheri Woolsey
cheriwoolsey@comcast.net

HANDY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

Interfaith Coalition has broken ground on the construction of the "Our House" project for homeless families. Our House is located in Ferndale and the home will provide emergency and transitional housing to three families at any one time. When Our House is completed, Interfaith Coalition will have a total of 11 residences for homeless families. After three months or longer in Interfaith homes, 90% of families find stable housing.

There will be many opportunities for individuals as well as groups to provide construction support to the building process and renovation of the current home. Opportunities include carpentry work, site clean-up, painting, installing insulation, and providing cookies and other hospitality to volunteers. Please contact Interfaith Coalition at kara@interfaith-coalition.org if you are interested in volunteering.

POSADAS CELEBRATION

The Knights of Columbus in Whatcom County will be assisting with Posada celebrations in all of the Catholic Parishes in Whatcom County as part of our "Keep Christ in Christmas" program. Everyone is invited to attend any or all of these celebrations. The celebrations will begin **Monday, 16 December at Church of the Assumption at 7:00 PM**. The celebrations will continue sequentially at all of the Catholic Churches in Whatcom County beginning at 7:00 PM with one exception as follows:

Tuesday, December 17 St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Ferndale,

Wednesday, December 18 St. Anne Roman Catholic Church in Blaine,

Thursday, December 19 Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Fairhaven,

Friday, December 20 St. Joachim Roman Catholic Church on the Lummi Reservation,

Saturday, December 21 at St Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Lynden at **8:00 PM** following the Spanish Mass,

Sunday, December 22 at St Peter Roman Catholic Church in Deming.

The final night of the Posada celebration will be **Monday, December 23 at Church of the Assumption** where there will be a traditional potluck dinner to which everyone in all of the Parishes are invited. Come and enjoy the festivities as our children get in to the swing with a piñata. Please contact Scott Hulse at 360 243 0745 (scottehulse@att.net) or Adriana Estrada at the Parish Office should you have questions or require additional information.



LAS CELEBRACIONES DE LAS POSADAS

Los Knights de Columbus del condado de Whatcom ayudarán con las celebraciones de las Posadas en todas las parroquias católicas del condado como parte del programa "Keep Christ in Christmas". Está invitada toda la gente a las festividades. Comenzamos **el lunes, día 16 de diciembre a las 7:00 de la tarde**

en la Iglesia de la Asunción. Seguirán las festividades con una nueva celebración cada noche a las 7:00 de la tarde en el siguiente orden:

Martes, 17 de diciembre en la iglesia de San José (St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church) de Ferndale;

Miércoles, 18 de diciembre en la iglesia Santa Anna (St. Anne Roman Catholic Church) en Blaine;

Jueves, 19 de diciembre en la iglesia del Sagrado Corazón (Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church) en Fairhaven;

Viernes, 20 de diciembre en la iglesia San Joaquin (St. Joachim Roman Catholic Church) en la Reserva del tribu Lummi;

Sábado, 21 de diciembre, en la iglesia San José (St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church) en Lynden a las 8:00 de la tarde después de la misa en español;

Domingo, 22 de diciembre, en la iglesia San Pedro (St Peter Roman Catholic Church) en Deming.

Invitamos a la gente de todas las parroquias a celebrar la última noche de Posada el **lunes, día 23, en nuestra Iglesia de la Asunción** donde celebraremos además con una cena comunitaria tradicional. Vengan todos y disfrutar de las festividades mientras que los niños toman su turno con la piñata. Por favor, de contactar a Scott Hulse en (360) 243-0745 (scottehulse@att.net) o Adriana Estrada en la oficina de la parroquia si tiene dudas o necesita más información.

VISITAS DE VIP

Nuestra Campaña de Financiación Espiritual se está moviendo hacia adelante! La semana pasada empezamos nuestras visitas de VIP y hemos estado muy contentos de unirnos a nuestra parroquia a través de la visión, la información y la Oración. Si todavía no ha sido contactado, estará usted contactado por un voluntario que está ayudando a nuestra comunidad de Asunción, a compartir nuestra visión, obtener información valiosa de usted, y asegurarse de que sus oraciones e intenciones se llevan a la vigilia de oración el 6 y 7 de diciembre. Nosotros deseamos conocer sus necesidades del ministerio en estas próximas semanas, y vemos esto como una gran oportunidad para nosotros para conocer a nuevos feligreses de la Iglesia Asunción y compartir nuestra visión común. Para obtener mas información sobre las visitas VIP, póngase en contacto con Kathy Ernst al 733-1380, ext. 23.

VIP VISITATIONS

Our Spiritual Funding Campaign is moving forward! Last week we began our VIP visits and are excited to unite our parish through Vision, Information and Prayer. You will all be contacted by a volunteer who is helping our Assumption community by sharing our vision, getting valuable input from you, and making sure that your prayers and intentions are brought to the Prayer Vigil on December 6th and 7th. We very much want to learn your ministry needs in these upcoming weeks, and see this as a wonderful opportunity for us to meet new Assumption parishioners and share our common vision. For information on the VIP visits, contact Kathy Ernst at 733-1380, ext. 23.

WEEK

Monday, December 2nd

8:15 AM	School Advent Prayer Service	Church
10:30 AM	Mass	Church
3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
6:00 PM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
6:00 PM	Just Faith	Stafford
6:30 PM	Prayer Group	St. Cecilia
6:30 PM	One King Light Weigh	PCLR
7:00 PM	Edge	Gym
7:00 PM	Confirmation Classes	LMC
7:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds Committee PC 2nd floor	

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Tuesday, December 3rd

9:00 AM	Capital Campaign Meeting	Stafford
3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
3:00 PM	Cub Scout Pack Meeting	Stafford
6:30 PM	Adoration	Church
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 16 Meeting	Gym
7:00 PM	Pax Christi	PCLR

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Wednesday, December 4th

12:00 AM	Adoration	Church
10:00 AM	Women's Scripture Study	Stafford
2:00 PM	Mass	St. Joseph Hospital
3:00 PM	Little Flowers	Stafford
3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
5:45 PM	Benediction	Church
6:00 PM	Mass	Church
6:45 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:00 PM	Novena	Room 1
7:00 PM	Prayer Ministry	Church
7:00 PM	PTC Executive Meeting	LMC
7:00 PM	Parish Life and Social	PC2nd floor

GLANCE

Thursday, December 5th

10:30 AM	Mass	Church
11:30 AM	Pro Life Rosary	Church
4:00 PM	Basketball Game	Gym
5:00 PM	Edge Core Team	PC 3rd floor
7:00 PM	Novena	Room 1
7:00 PM	Reconciliation Service	Church
7:00 PM	RCIA Catechumenate	LMC

Friday, December 6th

10:30 AM	Mass	Church
11:30 AM	Rosary Prayer Group	Church
11:30 AM	Capital Campaign Prayer Vigil	Church
1:30 PM	Grief Support	Stafford
3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
7:00 PM	Novena	Room 1
7:00 PM	Grupo de Compartir el Evangelio	LMC

Saturday, December 7th

Capital Campaign Services

12:00 AM	Capital Campaign Prayer Vigil	Church
1:00 PM	Rosary Makers	Stafford
2:30 PM	Faith & Light	LMC
3:00 PM	Tagalog Choir	Church
3:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
4:00 PM	Cantor Rehearsal	St. Cecilia
5:00 PM	Mass	Church
7:00 PM	Novena	Room 1
7:00 PM	Capital Campaign Cabinet Meeting	Gym
7:00 PM	Capital Campaign Childcare	St. Cecilia

Sunday, December 8th

2nd Sunday of Advent

Capital Campaign Services

7:45 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
8:30 AM	Mass	Church
8:30 AM	Rite of Full Communion	Church
8:30 AM	RCIA Dismissal	PCLR
8:30 AM	RCIC Dismissal	Stafford
9:30 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
9:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
10:00 AM	Grupo de Oración	Room 1
10:30 AM	Mass	Church
11:30 AM	K-5 Faith Formation	LMC
11:30 AM	Ensayo de Coro	St. Cecilia
11:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
12:30 PM	Misa	Iglesia
3:45 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
5:00 PM	Youth Mass	Church
5:00 PM	Confirmation Rite #2	Church
6:00 PM	Lifeteen	Gym
7:00 PM	Novena	Room 1



RECONCILIATION SERVICE
Thursday December 5 at 7:00 PM in the Church

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(11/24/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$17,404	\$69,615	\$365,484
Contributions received:	\$15,831	\$74,027	\$355,971
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 1,573	\$ 4,411	-\$ 9,513

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(11/24/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$1,058	\$4,232	\$22,218
Contributions received:	\$ 296	\$8,402	\$21,341
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 834	\$4,170	-\$ 877

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$ 171
Catholic Relief Services (Philippines)	\$ 1,545

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

FAITHFUL STEWARDS

For the sharing of their time and talent with Assumption Parish, we acknowledge:

**Elisa Jones (K), Colleen Elliot (1st), Carol Stromberg (2nd), Deanna Kenney (3rd),
Mary Mele (4th), Veronica Best and Bev Williams (5th)**

Assumption is blessed this year to have a group of women who said, "Yes!" to the call to be catechists for our Kindergarteners through 5th graders. Colleen, Carol, Mary, and Veronica have been instrumental over the past several years in providing our younger parishioners with a solid and fun approach to catechesis. Elisa, Deanna, and Bev stepped up this year to share the faith on Sunday mornings and have created wonderful classroom environments for these children to learn about the Trinity, Scripture, Prayer, and other aspects of our Catholic faith. Our parish is fortunate to have this dedicated group of catechists who so generously give of their time on Sundays. Please say, "Thank you!" to them the next time you see them!

PLEDGE PAYMENT REMINDER

As we near the end of the calendar year, now is the time to catch up any missed pledge payments. We will be reporting your 2013 contributions to you in January. Also, in January the parish must make the annual pension plan payment, so any additional cash flow at this time would be very much appreciated.

THE YEAR OF FAITH HAS ENDED, BUT OUR STUDY OF THE FAITH CONTINUES!

Join flocknote to Read the Catechism in a Year and Study the Gospels in a Year

This Advent, flocknote.com is renewing its service of providing a free, daily email containing a piece of the Catechism to the inbox of registered users. It will start from the beginning and use the Q & A format found in the YouCat (Youth Catechism). New this Advent is their complementary program of providing daily snippets of the Gospels along with Ignatius Study Bible commentary!

To sign up go to: flocknote.com/catechism and flocknote.com/gospels.

A Stewardship Moment

"Be on guard," Jesus warns in today's Gospel, "lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence." Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

"Cuiden de ustedes mismos", Jesús advierte en el Evangelio de hoy, "no sea que sus espíritus se hinchen de complacencias." Hagamos caso de su advertencia y sigamos el consejo de San Pablo, conduciéndonos de un modo que complazca a Dios, rebozando de amor los unos por los otros.



Lord God, we stand in need of your blessing and grace, and so we pray:

For our parish, that we will be a beacon of Your love in this community.

For all the people of our parish, that our work may touch them and help them to live out more fully Your call to discipleship.

For our pastor and leaders of our parish, that they will have the strength and wisdom to shepherd Your people.

For all those who work at our parish, that we may work effectively in concert with them.

For all those who serve on councils, commissions, and committees here in our parish, that working together with them we may faithfully bring your message to all in our parish.

For all those who are touched by the ministry that our efforts support, that they will recognize you as the ultimate source of that help.

For all of us as we take part in this Scriptural Funding Campaign, that we may together and in harmony fulfill our mission to help people be better stewards of the gifts You give them.

Amen.