

February 14, 2016

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Moses recounts great events of salvation history which find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ. We confess him to be Lord, for God raised him from the dead. He is ever faithful, resisting temptation to forsake his Father's mission, trusting in God's love.



WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

February 19	10:30 AM	
Bill Boyle		RIP
February 20	5:00 PM	
Molly Gardiner		RIP
February 21	8:30 AM	
Full Communion Candidates		SI
	10:30 AM	
Patricia Mendoza		SI
	12:30 PM	
Pro Populo		
	5:00 PM	
Confirmation Candidates		SI

SI = Special Intention

RIP = Rest in Peace

Pro Populo = For the people of the parish

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

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

Our group is small but we come to share our stories to pray and help each other on our healing journey. All are welcome.

Daily Worship
Week of February 14, 2016

Monday, February 15	Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18 Psalm 19:8-10, 15 Matthew 25:31-46
Tuesday, February 16	Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm 34:4-7, 16-19 Matthew 6:7-15
Wednesday, February 17 <small>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</small>	Jonah 3:1-10 Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Luke 11:29-32
Thursday, February 18	Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Psalm 138:1-3, 7c-8 Matthew 7:7-12
Friday, February 19	Ezekiel 18:21-28 Psalm 130:1-8 Matthew 5:20-26
Saturday, February 20	Deuteronomy 26:16-19 Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Matthew 5:43-48
Sunday, February 21 <small>Second Sunday of Lent</small>	Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 Psalm 27:1, 7-9, 13-14 Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 Luke 9:28b-36



Year of Mercy
Weekly Reflection

Theme: Grace (2/14/16)
Human beings make their own contribution to their interior growth; they make their whole sentient and spiritual lives into means of this growth. With the help of grace they grow in virtue, avoid sin, and if they sin they entrust themselves as did the prodigal son to the mercy of our Father in heaven. (CCC 1700)

Reflection: How well with the help of God's grace have you been able to resist the temptations of sin. When you have sinned, how have you entrusted yourself to the Father's mercy?

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.

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 Wednesdays at 9:30 AM, and 12:30, 2:30, & 3:30 PM. If you are able to help, call Linda at 595-4366.

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY

Wednesday eves. after Mass from 6:45-8:30 PM

Healing prayer ministry is back with the same schedule. All are welcome.



Archbishop J. Peter Sartain Welcomes us all to a Mass & Celebration with our Community with Special Needs

MARCH 12, 2016
Mass – 11:00 AM,
St. James Cathedral, Seattle
Reception & St. Patrick's Day Celebration/Dance

will immediately follow the Mass,
O'Dea High School, Seattle
Archdiocese of Seattle – Special Needs Ministry

For More Information, contact Erica Cohen Moore
[206-382-4852 | ericac@seattlearch.org](mailto:ericac@seattlearch.org)

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

OUR SCHOOL

Assumption Catholic School – “Our School” – is the only Catholic school in the county and has a long history of providing a high quality Catholic education to students. It is, in many ways, a light for all to see. You are invited to attend the “State of the School” meeting at Assumption on Feb. 17 at 7:00 PM to learn more about our school and what it is doing to help students be the best they can be.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Many dioceses right here in the United States do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as *home missions*. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal, which will take place this weekend in the second collection, supports these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training. Please be generous in this appeal and share your resources to **strengthen the Church at home.**

LLAMADO PARA LAS MISIONES CATÓLICAS

Muchas diócesis, aquí mismo, en los Estados Unidos no cuentan con suficientes sacerdotes y ministros laicos capacitados para servir en sus parroquias. A estas diócesis se les conoce como *diócesis misioneras*. El Llamado para las Misiones Católicas que se realizará durante la segunda colecta este fin de semana, apoya a estas diócesis otorgándoles fondos para los ministerios básicos, incluyendo la educación de seminaristas y la capacitación para el ministerio laico. Por favor, sean generosos en este llamado y compartan sus recursos para **fortalecer la Iglesia en casa.**

SOUP SUPPER

Come join us in Lenten fellowship Fridays at 6 P.M. in the gym for our Parish's Soup Supper. Bring a pot of meatless soup and/or a loaf of bread and enjoy a lovely meal together. Each supper is sponsored by a different parish ministry with the following schedule:

- 2/19/16 Hispanic Community
- 2/26/16 Catholic Daughters
- 3/4/16 Knights of Columbus
- 3/11/16 Youth Ministry
- 3/18/16 Boy Scouts.

Looking forward to seeing you there!



*“Wake up the world!
Be witnesses of a
different way of doing
things, of acting,
of living!”*
Pope Francis



Single Catholic Young Adult Women & Men are invited to a REFLECTION DAY on CONSECRATED LIFE

to explore a Call to Religious Life as Sisters, Brothers or Priests

Sat., March 19, 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

University of Washington Newman Center
4502 20th Ave. NE, Seattle 98105
corner of 20th NE & NE 45th

HOSTED BY:

Religious Communities of Women and Men serving in the Archdiocese of Seattle
COFFEE & DONUTS when you arrive.
LUNCH PROVIDED

Includes prayer, quiet time, multi-media info on religious life, time to meet with religious Sisters, Brothers and Priests.

Please SIGN UP by March 14
E-mail Sister Jo-Anne Miller, CSJP:
jmiller@csjp-olp.org
or call/text 206-920-8560



JOIN A PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

June 20 - 24: it will be a bi-lingual tour with round trip air from Seattle. Price is \$2020.00 pp including air, hotel and tours. Tour will be led by Fr. Bob Kantor (he has been a visiting priest from Florida on a few occasions).

Visit the “Tilma” where Our Lady's image was miraculously imprinted, visit the tomb of Fr. Miguel Pro, the Jesuit martyr, plus many more Holy sites. For more detailed information please phone Dan Parsons at 360-599-0752 or email at danstravelco@yahoo.com.

THE ART OF TRANSFORMATION THROUGH GRIEF AND LOSS

Date: Saturday, Feb. 20, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM
Stillpoint Spirituality Center, 1625 Huntley Rd., Bellingham. Cost: Sliding scale \$45.00 - \$55.00 (Scholarships available) Further details contact: Linda Conroy lnd.conroy@gmail.com

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 Trotter

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

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Monday, February 15th

President's Day ~ Office Closed

9:00 AM Newman Center Stafford/Gym
No Mass & No Word & Communion
 11:30 AM Centering Prayer Stafford
 6:00 PM Choir rehearsal Church
 6:30 PM Bible-based Weight Loss PCLR

Tuesday, February 16th

1:00 PM Bible Study Stafford
 3:00 PM Cub Scouts Webelos Stafford
 3:00 PM Cub Scout Webelos 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 Adult Confirmation Class LMC

Wednesday, February 17th

12:01 AM Adoration Church
 10:00 AM Women's Scripture Study Stafford
 3:00 PM Little Flowers Stafford
 5:45 PM Benediction Church
 6:00 PM Word & Communion Church
 7:00 PM Stewardship/Engaged Church Commission Stafford
 7:00 PM State of the School Meeting Gym
 7:00 PM Theology on Tap Off-site

Thursday, February 18th

10:30 AM Word & Communion Church
 11:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group Church
 1:00 PM Purple Readers Group Stafford
 3:00 PM Cub Scout Tiger Den Room 1
 6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal Church
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 16 Meeting Stafford
 7:00 PM Edge Core Team PC 3rd floor
 7:00 PM Rite of Election Immaculate Conception

Friday, February 19th

10:30 AM Mass Church
 1:30 PM Grief Support Stafford
 3:00 PM Auction Committee Room 1
 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross Church
 6:00 PM Reconciliation Church
 6:00 PM Soup Supper Gym
 7:00 PM Via Crucis Iglesia
 7:00 PM Grupo de Oración LMC
 7:45 PM Ensayo de Coro Iglesia

Saturday, February 20th

10:30 AM Funeral Mass ~ Spanel Church
 1:00 PM Rosary Makers Stafford
 3:30 PM Reconciliation Church
 4:00 PM Cantor Rehearsal St. Cecilia
 5:00 PM Mass Church
 6:30 PM Confirmation Rehearsal Church
 7:30 PM Confirmation Rehearsal for Altar Servers Church

Sunday, February 21st

Catholic Home Missions Collection

7:45 AM Choir Rehearsal Church
 8:30 AM Mass (Rite of Full Communion) Church
 8:30 AM RCIA/C Dismissal Stafford
 8:30 AM RCIA Dismissal PCLR
 9:30 AM RCIA/C Sessions Stafford
 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal Church
 9:30 AM Coffee Hour Gym
 10:00 AM MFCC Room 1
 10:30 AM Mass Church
 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word LMC
 11:00 AM Ensayo de Coro St. Cecilia
 11:30 AM K-5 Faith Formation School
 11:30 AM Coffee Hour Gym
 12:30 PM Misa Iglesia
 2:00 PM Legión de Maria Room 1
 2:00 PM Interfaith Choir Rehearsal St. Cecilia
 3:45 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal Church
 5:00 PM Confirmation Mass Church
 6:00 PM Evenings for Engaged Stafford
 6:30 PM Confirmation Reception Gym

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday at 5:30 PM during Lent we will be having the Stations of the Cross.

VIA CRUCIS

Cada viernes durante la cuaresma tendremos la Via Crucis a las 7:00 PM.



**RECONCILIATION/
SOUP SUPPER**

We will also be having Reconciliation and Soup Supper at 6:00 PM every Friday during Lent.



**RECONCILIACIÓN /
SOPA DE CENA**

También tendremos Reconciliación y Sopa de Cena cada Viernes a las 6:00 PM durante la cuaresma.



PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Feb. 18, from 5:30 - 6:00 PM

Hosted by: **Our Saviour's Lutheran Church**
 1720 Harris Ave, Bellingham / (360) 733-6749

PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

Come and pray with us on the 3rd Sunday each month from 2 - 3 PM at Whatcom County's abortion clinic: Mt. Baker Planned Parenthood, 1530 Ellis St. in Bellingham. This month's vigil will be Sunday, Feb. 21, rain or shine. Let us pray for an end to all abortions and healing for all women suffering from post-abortion syndrome. For more information call Kathy St.Hilaire at 671-4836.



"I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its mission of being a witness to mercy. It is a journey that begins with a spiritual conversion."

—Pope Francis

Dear Families,

This Lent our community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-in-action program that will help you experience Lenten spirituality by living in solidarity with people in need around the world.

As we, the global Church, continue our prayerful walk through this Holy Year of Mercy, it is especially appropriate to come together in prayer as a family this Lent, reflecting on how we can live this call to mercy more abundantly.

Use your cardboard CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar to guide your Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

As a family, read the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey—and motivate your Lenten giving.

Prepare simple, meatless meals on Fridays throughout Lent to eat in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world.

Be sure to visit crsricebowl.org to watch videos of the people and communities whose lives your Lenten gifts are changing through CRS Rice Bowl.

We will be collecting your CRS Rice Bowls at the end of Lent, so stay tuned to learn more.

Thank you for using CRS Rice Bowl with your family this Lent.

Sincerely,

P.S. Did you know that CRS Rice Bowl has a free Lenten app? Download it for iPhone or Android devices and get daily Lenten reflections right on your phone.

CRS Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services, the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. CRS is motivated by the example of Jesus Christ to assist poor and suffering people in more than 100 countries on the basis of need, without regard to race, religion or nationality.

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"He pensado a menudo en cómo la Iglesia puede poner más en evidencia su misión de ser testimonio de la misericordia. Es un camino que comienza con una conversión espiritual".

—Papa Francisco

Estimadas familias,

Esta Cuaresma nuestra comunidad participará en Plato de Arroz de CRS, un programa de fe en acción que le ayudará a experimentar la espiritualidad de la Cuaresma al vivir en solidaridad con las personas necesitadas en todo el mundo.

A medida que nosotros, la Iglesia universal, continuamos nuestro recorrido en oración a través de este Año Santo de la Misericordia, es especialmente apropiado reunirse en oración como una familia en esta Cuaresma, reflexionando sobre cómo podemos vivir este llamado a la misericordia de manera más abundante.

Utilicen su Plato de Arroz de CRS de cartón y el calendario de Cuaresma para guiar su oración, ayuno y donativos de Cuaresma.

Como familia, lean las Historias de esperanza y reflexiones diarias para inspirar su jornada de Cuaresma—y motivar sus donativos de Cuaresma.

Preparen comidas sencillas, sin carne los viernes durante la Cuaresma para comer en solidaridad con nuestros hermanos y hermanas de todo el mundo.

No dejen de visitar crsplatodearroz.org para ver videos de las personas y comunidades a las que sus donativos de Cuaresma están cambiando a través de Plato de Arroz de CRS.

Estarémos recolectando sus Platos de Arroz de CRS al final de la Cuaresma, así que deben estar atentos para más información.

Gracias por utilizar Plato de Arroz de CRS con su familia esta Cuaresma.

Atentamente,

P.D. ¿Sabía que Plato de Arroz de CRS tiene una aplicación de Cuaresma gratuita? Descárguela para dispositivos iPhone o Android y reciba reflexiones cuaresmales diarias directamente en su teléfono.

Plato de Arroz de CRS es patrocinado por Catholic Relief Services (CRS), la agencia oficial de la comunidad católica en los Estados Unidos para ayuda humanitaria internacional. CRS es motivada por el ejemplo de Jesucristo de asistir a personas que viven en la pobreza y que sufren en más de 100 países, basándose en la necesidad, sin importar raza, religión o nacionalidad.

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(02/07/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$18,077	\$ 18,077	\$ 578,464
Contributions received:	\$19,666	\$ 19,666	\$ 582,781
Over/ under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 1,589	\$ 1,589	\$ 4,317

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(02/07/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 1,058	\$ 33,856
Contributions received:	\$ 616	\$ 616	\$ 22,592
Over/ Under for wk/mo/yr	- \$ 442	- \$ 442	- \$11,264

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$	251
Catholic Home Missions	\$	56

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

FACILITIES SUPERVISOR POSITION

Assumption Church has an opening for a Facilities Supervisor. This is a full-time position with responsibility for the maintenance of the church, gym, parish office and grounds. For further information or to apply, please go to our website, www.assumption.org, for the application form and job description. Closing date is Feb 19th.

MUSIC & LITURGY POSITION

Assumption Parish, Bellingham, seeks a full-time Pastoral Assistant for Music and Liturgy. Applicants should have a degree in music or equivalent skill and experience. Keyboard proficiency and conducting experience is required. Must be an active member of a Catholic faith community and willing to work evenings and weekends. Knowledge of Spanish a plus. Salary based upon experience and qualifications in accordance with Archdiocesan guidelines. Closing date 3/31/16. Job description and application packet available at www.assumption.org.

ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF E-GIVING

Assumption Church offers electronic giving for your convenience. To sign up go to our web site at www.assumption.org and click on the small dove found on the home page. This will take you to Vanco, our EFT provider, where you can set up an account and manage your gifts to the parish through your checking account or credit card. Or you can set up "bill pay" through your bank, adding Assumption to your automatic monthly bill paying cycle.



SPECIAL MASS CELEBRATIONS ~ Sunday, Feb. 21

8:30 AM Rite of Full Communion: Come witness our fellow baptized Christian adults who have been preparing to become fully-initiated Catholics as they make their profession of faith and receive the sacraments of confirmation and first communion.

5:00 PM Rite of Confirmation: Come celebrate with Bishop Eusebio Elizondo and our high school youth and adults who have been preparing to receive the sacrament of confirmation.

A Stewardship Moment

Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

La primera lectura de hoy describe el ofrecimiento de los primeros frutos que el pueblo de Israel debía presentar al Señor en agradecimiento por su liberación de Egipto y el regalo de la tierra prometida. ¿Es mi ofrenda en la misa de hoy una respuesta apropiada a las muchas bendiciones que el Señor me ha dado?



Walk with us our God.

Help us on our spiritual journey so that we may constantly renew our relationship with you and all the good people in our parish.

Renew in us your Spirit. Give us the strength and courage to become better followers of Jesus, to be a disciple.

Help us hear the call to "Come Follow Me".

We give glory to you, our God, as we make stewardship a way of life.
Amen