

February 15, 2015
SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Jesus manifests the powerful, healing love of God by curing the leper who was forced to live under severe restrictions by Jewish legislation. He turned to Jesus in his need and was filled with joy. We are called to imitate the healing and compassionate Jesus.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

February 18	10:30 AM	
Kay Stommes		SI
	12:15 PM	
Pro Populo		
	2:00 PM	
St. Joseph's Patients		SI
	7:00 PM	
Charles Dannenhold		RIP
February 20	10:30 AM	
Theresa Shih		SI
February 21	5:00 PM	
Stephanie Walilko		RIP
February 22	8:30 AM	
David Grumney		RIP
	10:30 AM	
Anne Marie Tenerelli		RIP
	12:30 PM	
J.M. Wong		RIP
	5:00 PM	
Pro Populo		

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

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

Daily Worship
Week of February 15, 2015

Monday, February 16	Genesis 4:1-15, 25 Psalm 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday, February 17	Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Psalm 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10 Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday, February 18 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Joel 2:12-18 Psalm 51:3-6b, 12-14, 17 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, February 19	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1:1-4, 6 Luke 9:22-25
Friday, February 20	Isaiah 58:1-9a Psalm 51:3-6b, 18-19 Mathew 9:14-15
Saturday, February 21	Isaiah 58:9b-14 Psalm 86:1-6 Mark 5:27-32
Sunday, February 22 First Sunday of Lent	Genesis 9:8-15 Psalm 25:4-9 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:12-15

SERVANTS OF THE LORD PRAYER GROUP

Mondays, 6:30-8:30 PM, St. Cecilia room
 "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in our heart to God." Colossians 3:16
 We have joy in our little group as we grow in our spiritual journey with song, scripture, prayer and learning to listen to the Lord.
 All are welcome.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY 18, 2015

- 10:30 AM Mass
 - 12:15 PM Mass
 - 7:00 PM Bilingual Mass
 - 2:00 PM Mass
- St. Joseph Hospital**



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Beginning Feb. 20 every Friday at 5:30 PM during Lent we will be having the Stations of the Cross.
VIA CRUCIS
 Empezando el 20 de febrero cada viernes durante la cuaresma tendremos la Via Crucis a las 7:00 PM.

EVENING PRAYER and EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:30 PM.
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until Wednesday **8:30 AM due to ASH WEDNESDAY.**
We are looking for someone at the 11:30 pm time on Tuesday night. Any questions, please call Karen at 671-1544.

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

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord. Whose hope is in the Lord. He is like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out it's roots to the stream: It fears not the heat when it comes, for it's leaves stay green. In the year of drought it shows no distress but still bears fruit." Jeremiah 17:7-8.
 In prayer ministry we have experienced God helping people with their problems. God loves you, why not give him a chance to help you? It is confidential and quiet, no appointment necessary.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
Fridays, 1:30-3:30 PM, Stafford Room

"God opposes the proud but bestows favors on the humble. So humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your worries upon him because he cares for you." 2 Peter 5:5b-6.
 All are welcome. Questions? call Nancy Fudge, 734-9563.

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

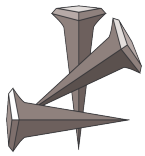


Lenten Soup Supper

Every Friday during lent we will be having a soup dinner in the Gym after Stations of the cross.

Please bring a soup to share and some bread.

Drop them off in the Gym prior to the Stations and provide a label with each soup with the type as well as ingredients to prevent an allergic reaction to some types of food. It would also be a good idea to put your name on the container and lid so it does not get lost.



We will be providing nails to carry in your pocket during Lent. Please take one at each entrance of the church and carry one in your pocket or purse until you return it at the Good Friday service. Each time you reach in your pocket or purse you will be reminded of the suffering our Lord went thru on the cross for our sins.



MATERIALS FOR LIVING THE EUCHARIST

Materials for Living the Eucharist small groups are available in the gathering space this weekend. You will be contacted by your group leader with the final meeting location and times. Missed the registration deadline? Have your plans changed? Please contact Kathy Delbecq (734-3411) or Adriana Estrada (733-1380). The groups will begin the week of Feb. 15.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Are you planning to get married in 2015? We will be running our 5-week program, Evenings for the Engaged, beginning March 22 for those planning to get married in the Church during 2015. For more information, please go to the parish website or contact Judy Ziels at jjziels@live.com.

ST. PLACID PRIORY BENEDICTINE VOCATION DISCERNMENT

February 28-March 1

Saturday 9:00AM-Sunday 12:30PM

Come join the Sisters to listen to your call from Scripture, and hear about Benedictine community from the Prologue of the Rule of Benedict. Experience being with the Sisters for reflection time, prayer, dialogue, work and leisure. If you are a Catholic single woman discerning whether you have a vocation to the Benedictine way of life, this is a wonderful opportunity to share in community life with the Sisters of St. Placid Priory. Register by prior Friday; No fee.

Benedictine Sisters

Contact Sister Lucy Wynkoop at

lucywynkoop@gmail.com or call [360-438-2595](tel:360-438-2595)



“Home Grown Art ~ The Work of Human Hands”

Every year Assumption Parish supports the good work of Interfaith Coalition

by donating a PARISH GIFT to the annual auction. This year our Life, Justice and Peace Commission is asking our parish crafters, artists and writers to consider a donation of one of their works for the Auction. Do you...

Knit? Sew? Crochet?

Paint, sculpt, do pottery?

Write novels, short stories, poems?

Create garden art, bonsai plants, etc?

Interfaith and its member congregations join together to help the most vulnerable in our community. Together we make a difference! Let's share the beauty we create to raise needed funds to continue this awesome work!

Please contact Kathy Ernst at

kathye@assumption.org or 733-1380 extension 4223 to let me know what you will be donating.

The deadline to collect items will be mid-March.

Thank you in advance for sharing your God-given talent for those who need our special care and concern.

CLOTHING/SHOE DRIVE

Girl Scouts is sponsoring a clothing/shoe drive on February 21st from 8:00 am—2:00 pm in the gym. We are collecting all clothes/shoes in any condition. We are also accepting towels, gloves, hats, sheets, blankets, bedspreads, drapes, purses and belts. No pillows or pet beds. Can't wait until 2/21... you can drop off during a scout meeting on Tuesday from 7:30-8:30 pm in the gym. Have a large amount.. contact Debbie (threfan@aol.com) and we can pick up.

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. Thank you for your support!

PRAY FOR OUR ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ MILITARY

Floyd Carpenter

Chris Formicabella

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 Feehy

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

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

**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
Kathy Buford
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

**YOU'RE INVITED TO THE
INTERFAITH COALITION CHOIR
FESTIVAL**

On February 22, enjoy a Sunday afternoon concert of spiritual music at this year's Interfaith Coalition Choir Festival. This event features eight different church choirs in individual performances of their choosing, followed by the performance of two beautiful compositions by a combined choir of more than 175 voices from Whatcom County. The Choir Festival will be on Sunday, February 22 at 3:30 pm at First Congregational Church, 2401 Cornwall Avenue, Bellingham. Each year, the Interfaith Coalition Choir Festival offers an opportunity for singers and audience alike to rejoice in the voices of our many congregations. A freewill offering will help support the programs of Interfaith, which include housing, warmth and shelter for all. Each year, the Interfaith Coalition choir festival offers an opportunity for singers and audience alike to rejoice in the voices of our many congregations.

SAVE THE DATE....

**For the 15th annual *Growing Great Kids
Auction & Gala Event***

Benefiting Assumption Catholic School:
Excellence in Body, Mind and Spirit

Saturday, March 7, 2015, at Bellingham Golf and Country Club

For information please visit:

www.school.assumption.org

email: growinggreatkidsauction@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook – Growing Great Kids Auction and Gala



He's young and homeless, quiet—won't look up and meet your eye for anything. Who knows what made him this way—at 19 his life is still unformed. At Hope House he has found a refuge, a place people will patiently wait for a look at his eyes and more than a monosyllabic answer. It took a few visits, but when he finally looked up at me one day, I was struck by the brilliant blue of his eyes. Now he comes to Hope House, makes sure to find me and say hi, to smile and tell me how his life is going. Last month, he was sick with a very bad cold, and as I was feeling his forehead in the waiting area, one of my staff commented that he had found a mother at Hope House!

The point is that he has found a home at Hope House—a place to belong and be welcomed. It took patience and persistence, but we cracked the hard shell he had built up around himself. Does he expect us to solve all his problems? No, he just appreciates the smiles, the gentle nagging, the dry socks and bags of food he receives from us to make his day easier. He is not the only one—many of our relationships with our clients are works in progress—it takes time and love to create the trust they need. Thanks to this wonderful parish, our Catholic Faith is lived out every day at Hope House.

We are in need of maternity clothing and size 5 diapers.

Blessings,
Cheri

INTERFAITH COALITION'S MARCH 28 HOPE AUCTION

Lifting Up Our Neighbors With Homes, Warmth and Hope

It's an evening of fun and community spirit, all to support our neighbors in need of homes, warmth and hope. Our Interfaith Coalition Hope Auction is a lively and inspiring event you won't want to miss --- and we need your help!

If you can donate a homemade craft or art item, a service your business offers, weekend or vacation home getaways, gift cards, tickets to concerts, a themed party or specially-prepared dinner, then you have something valuable to offer!

Interfaith provides homes for families with nowhere to go, offers warm shelter for homeless men and women on the coldest nights, and delivers hope in the face of despair. Your donations to our auction help assist these vulnerable people.

Be sure to get your tickets (\$45 each, including a plated dinner) before we sell out...put together a table of your fellow congregation members...get creative with a special donation...know you are helping change lives. Interfaith Coalition's March 28 auction begins at 5:30 p.m. at Best Western Lakeway Inn.

To donate an auction item, purchase auction tickets or for more information, please call us at 734-3983, or contact Mike DiSpigno, your representative on the Interfaith Coalition board.

Please consider supporting the vendors listed on the back of the bulletin.
Their advertising allows us to have the cover page of the bulletin printed free.

W	<u>Monday, February 16th</u>		
	<u>President's Day ~ Office Closed</u>		
		No Mass & No Word and Communion	
	5:30 PM	Just Faith	Stafford
E	6:30 PM	One King Light Weigh	PCLR
	6:30 PM	Servant of the Lord Prayer Group	St. Cecilia
	<u>Tuesday, February 17th</u>		
E	1:00 PM	Bible Study for those who signed up	Stafford
	3:00 PM	Cub Scout Pack 16	Stafford
	3:00 PM	Cub Scout	Room 1
	6:00 PM	Frassati Young Adult	PCLR
	6:30 PM	Adoration	Church
	7:00 PM	Bible Study for those who signed up	St. Cecilia
	7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 16 Mtg.	Gym
	7:00 PM	Adult Confirmation	LMC
A	<u>Wednesday, February 18th</u>		
	12:00 AM	Adoration	Church
	10:30 AM	Ash Wednesday Mass	Church
	12:15 PM	Ash Wednesday Mass	Church
	2:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Mass	St. Joseph Hospital
	3:00 PM	Little Flowers	Stafford
	7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Bilingual Mass	Church
A	<u>Thursday, February 19th</u>		
	10:30 AM	Word & Communion	Church
	1:00 PM	Purple Readers Group	Stafford
	6:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (8:30)	Church
	7:00 PM	Edge Core Team	PC 3rd floor
	7:00 PM	RCIA	LMC
G	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (10:30)	Church
	The Parish Staff will be attending a workshop called <i>The Gospel of the Family</i> in Seattle on Thursday, Feb. 19. The Parish Office will be staffed by a volunteer. Please try to save your calls and questions for another day. Thank you.		
	<u>Friday, February 20th</u>		
	10:30 AM	Mass	Church
	1:30 PM	Grief Support	Stafford
	5:30 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church
	6:00 PM	Reconciliation	Church
6:00 PM	Soup Supper	Gym	
7:00 PM	Via Crucis	Church	
7:00 PM	Hispanic Choir Rehearsal	St. Cecilia	
A	<u>Saturday, February 21st</u>		
	8:30 AM	Knights of Columbus 2nd Degree	Stafford/St. Cecilia
	11:00 AM	Girl Scout Clothing Drive	Gym
	12:00 PM	MFCC Temas	LMC
	1:00 PM	Rosary Makers	Stafford
	3:00 PM	Cantor Rehearsal	St. Cecilia
	3:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
5:00 PM	Mass	Church	

Sunday, February 22nd

7:45 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
8:30 AM	RCIA/C Dismissal	Stafford
8:30 AM	RCIA Dismissal	PCLR
8:30 AM	Mass	Church
9:30 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
9:30 AM	RCIA/C Sessions	Stafford
9:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
10:30 AM	Mass	Church
10:30 AM	Clases de Confirmación para Adultos	Teacher's Lounge
10:30 AM	Children's Liturgy of the Word	LMC
11:30 AM	K-5 Faith Formation	School/LMC
11:30 AM	Agape Service Project Meeting	Stafford
11:30 AM	Ensayo de Coro	St. Cecilia
12:30 PM	Misa	Iglesia
12:30 PM	Liturgia de la Palabra para niños	LMC
1:00 PM	Community Meal	Gym
3:45 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
5:00 PM	Mass	Church
6:00 PM	Lifeteen	Gym

PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

Come and pray with us once a month on the 3rd Sunday for one hour from 2 - 3pm at Whatcom County's abortion clinic: Mt. Baker Planned Parenthood (1530 Ellis St. in Bellingham). Our monthly vigil will be Sunday, February 15, 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, 671-4836.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

**Ash Wednesday Service
February 18th, 2015**

**5:30pm-6pm in the Sanctuary
Followed by Labyrinth Walk for Peace
6pm-7pm in the Upstairs Chapel**

Garden St. United Methodist Church
a reconciling congregation where ALL are welcome
1326 N. Garden St., Bellingham, WA 98225
360.733.7440 phone/360.733.2646 fax/
office@gardenstreetumc.org
www.gardenstreetumc.org

CATHOLIC ADVOCACY DAY: Proclaim Justice and Life for All. March 26th/9:00am—3:00pm/Olympia

All parish members and staff and Catholic organizations are invited to join us to ensure that the Gospel message to care for our brothers and sisters is heard in Olympia. The purpose of Catholic Advocacy Day is to meet with our legislators to advocate for people who are poor and vulnerable, based on Catholic Teaching. Chartered bus for registered participants! (free will offering). Online registration www.ccsww.org (go to Get Involved, Advocacy) and www.ipjc.org

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(02/08/2015)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$18,173	\$ 36,346	\$ 581,536
Contributions received:	\$18,212	\$ 36,599	\$ 583,714
Over/ under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 39	\$ 253	\$ 2,178

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

	Wk(02/08/2015)	Month	YTD
Debt Reduction			
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 2,116	\$ 33,856
Contributions received:	\$ 673	\$ 1,023	\$ 23,909
Over/ Under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 385	-\$ 1,093	-\$ 9,948

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$ 164
Catholic Communications Campaign	\$ 46

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

TAX FRAUD UPDATES

The Archdiocese of Seattle has issued updated information about the Tax Refund Fraud many of us experienced last year. You can find this information by going to our website at www.assumption.org and clicking on the Tax Fraud link. This will take you to the Archdiocese of Seattle information. Please check frequently for updates from the Archdiocese.

THANK YOU FOR COFFEE MAKERS

The Funeral Reception Committee is so grateful to the two generous donors who provided 30 cup coffee makers. They are perfect for funeral receptions. The committee appreciates your support for their ministry during difficult times. If anyone has insulated coffee carafes that the committee could use on the individual tables during a reception, please contact the Parish Office.

HELP IS NEEDED

BCMP- The Bellingham Community Meal Program is in need of a couple of folks specifically for coffee/donut Hour on the very last Sunday of the month (January thru October) the time sequence is 8-11 AM. Able to help? Please call us: Kasey Potzler email : volunteerbcmp@gmail.com (h) 647-5114 or Joanne Kurtz (h) 734-0782.

FAITHFUL STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

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

LifeTeen Core Team: Lizzy Dragseth, Kyle Fuller, JP Pantigoso, Brandon Rappuhn, Caitlin Renn, Clint Richmond, Michelle Richmond, and Justin VonFeldt

You've heard it said that it takes a village to raise a child: the same goes for youth ministry. It takes a whole team to create quality youth nights. We are so blessed to have a dedicated core team of individuals who embody Christ's love and do everything they can to help our youth experience the love of God in a real way. Thank you to our core team, their spouses and their families for giving their time to share their gifts, humor, faith, fun, conversion stories and love with me and all of the high school youth at our parish. Thank you for being an extremely spiritually motivated group and for supporting me in my own faith journey as well. You are exemplary examples of what it means to be a disciple and we are truly blessed to have you all helping mold our youth community. Words cannot express our gratitude so I invite the whole parish to join me in praying in thanksgiving for our high school core volunteers who help with youth group and to hold all the youth in your prayers. Grace Bandolon

A Stewardship Moment

In today's second reading, St. Paul urges the Corinthians to "do all for the glory of God." If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards!

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

En la segunda lectura de hoy, San Pablo incita a los Corintios a que "hagan todo por la gloria de Dios." ¡Si nosotros seguimos ese consejo en todo lo que hacemos, no podemos ser otra cosa que buenos Administradores!



Generous God, you have blessed us immeasurably. We are eternally grateful for your many blessings.

-The beauty of the world we live in, the wonder of creation, and the miraculous gift of life itself.

-The loving support of family and friends, their caring sympathy during troubles and their sharing happiness during our joys.

-The challenge of the tasks we work at, the satisfaction of our accomplishments, the enjoyment of our hobbies and diversions and the meaningfulness of our volunteering.

-The gift of shelter, the nourishment of food and sustenance, and the warmth and comfort of our clothes.

-The trials and tribulations that each one of us faces, that cause us to acknowledge our dependence on God.

-The 'little things' – a good book or great movie, chocolate chip cookies, arriving home safely, and all those other things we take for granted but which are really blessings.

-The love of a God who cares for each one of us, the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the continuing presence of the Holy Spirit.

May we always remember to live as grateful stewards of your countless blessings. We share our gratitude to you now and forever. Amen.