

February 21, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Abram's faith is sealed with a covenant initiated by God, our light and our salvation. The transfiguration of Jesus prefigures the transformation in glory to which we are called by our sharing in the paschal mystery — the dying and rising of Jesus.

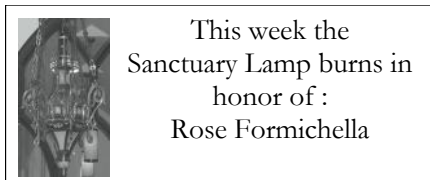


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WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

- February 25 10:30 AM Wolfgang Hesseln RIP
February 27 5:00 PM Molly Gardiner RIP
February 28 8:30 AM Pro Populo
10:30 AM Lucretia & Allen Larsen RIP
12:30 PM Brenda & Octavio Quiroga RIP
5:00 PM George Salcido RIP

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



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in honor of: Rose Formichella

GRIEF SUPPORTGROUP
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 21, 2016

Table with 2 columns: Day/Date and Scripture readings. Rows include Monday (Feb 22), Tuesday (Feb 23), Wednesday (Feb 24), Thursday (Feb 25), Friday (Feb 26), Saturday (Feb 27), and Sunday (Feb 28).



Year of Mercy
Weekly Reflection

Theme: Power and Mercy (2/21/16)

God reveals his fatherly omnipotence by the way he takes care of our needs; by the filial adoption that he gives us; ... finally by his infinite mercy, for he displays his power at its height by freely forgiving sins. (CCC 270)

Reflection: When have you used your position of power or authority over others to show mercy? When has someone with power over you shown you mercy? How did you feel in either situation?

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 & 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
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

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

OUR SCHOOL

Our school had a very successful open house last Saturday in which we were able to show the community just what makes us so special. Thank you to the parents, students and staff who spent their Saturday afternoon working for the good of Catholic education in our county.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help **strengthen the Church at home** and will help ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. To learn more about home missions funding and who the appeal helps, please visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

LLAMADO PARA LAS MISIONES CATÓLICAS

Muchas gracias por su generoso apoyo al llamado para las Misiones Católicas de la semana pasada. Sus donativos ayudarán a **fortalecer la Iglesia en casa** y asegurarán que el Evangelio se propague en todo Estados Unidos. Para informarse más acerca de los fondos otorgados por las misiones católicas y al quienes ayuda este llamado, por favor, visite www.usccb.org/home-missions.

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:

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

Looking forward to seeing you there!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

will be meeting Thursday, Feb. 25 at 1:15 pm in the Stafford Room at Assumption. We will be judging the Catholic Daughter Education Contest entries. Also, we will be discussing our hosting of the Soup Supper, February 26. Dessert and beverage will be served. All ladies of the parish are invited.



*"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.

PREPARES

Prepares Traveling Crib will be in Assumption Parish until the end of February. Donations will go to Hope House for Prepares families and other families in need. Hope House especially needs the following items: diapers, formula, baby food & baby shampoo. Your help with these items is greatly appreciated and needed. Thank you!

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 Trottnr*

**COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT
&
LIFE, JUSTICE &
PEACE
MINISTRY**

**PASTORAL
COUNCIL
MEMBERS**

Chris Craven
Blanca Cruz
Dick Etter
John Getchell
Colleen Jeffrey
Edwin Ordóñez
Dan Parsons
Doris Torres
Bonnie Trenouth
Jean Wilford
Nancy Wopperer

**COMMISSION &
COMMITTEE
CHAIRS**

Faith Formation Commission
John Getchell
Parish Life & Social
Mary & Bill Chambers
Spiritual Life & Worship
Chris Attebery
School Commission
Ross Driscoll
Life, Justice & Peace
Nick Mele
Pastoral Care
Tashie Zang &
Belen Saturay
Building & Grounds
Andrew Krzysiek
Stewardship/Engaged
Church
Anne & Bill Turnbull
Finance Council
Bill Zang
Pastoral Council Exec.
Comm.
Chris Craven
Dick Etter
John Getchell

**Hope is on the Way! Tickets for Interfaith
Coalition Hope Auction on Sale Now**

This year's Interfaith Hope Auction promises to be another sell-out, so be sure to get your tickets now! This friendly evening of fellowship, lively auction fun and inspiration starts at 5:30 p.m. at Four Points by Sheraton (formerly Best Western Lakeway Inn, 715 Lakeway Drive, Bellingham). Your \$50 ticket includes dinner and hundreds of interesting, unique and intriguing auction items to bid on --- all to help us provide homes for families in need, shelter for those who live outside, meals for hungry people and hope that fuels transforming lives.

We are also seeking wonderful, creative and enticing auction donations. These can be experiences that include travel, spas, gourmet meals, sports tickets and pet pampering, homemade quilts and jewelry, garden inspiration, and more. If you have a service to offer, an item you'd like to donate, an experience you can share, all to help Interfaith programs, please contact Interfaith Coalition at 734-3983 or through the website: www.interfaith-coalition.org

Partner with us by attending Interfaith Hope Auction and lifting up our brothers and sisters!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS

The *Protecting God's Children* class is a 3-hour training designed to teach participants how to keep our ministries, programs, and schools safe. It is required for all clergy and employees, and volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors and vulnerable adults. To be in compliance with the Archdiocese, **all new volunteers must take this training.**

The class is **March 12, Saturday 9:00am – 12:00pm** in the Assumption School Teacher's Lounge. You must register online with Virtus to enroll in one of these classes by visiting www.virtusonline.org. Click on the "Registration" link and follow the instructions.

RETROUVALILLE

Tens of Thousands of Marriages Helped

Is your marriage in trouble? Are you considering separation or divorce? Are you losing hope? There is hope – it's called Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vī). Retrouvaille can bring reconciliation and healing to seemingly hopeless marriages. You are not alone. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning **April 8-10, 2016** call **360-671-6479** or visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



I'd like to introduce our "shed angels" to you—these are a few dedicated volunteers who spend hours and hours in our shed, sorting donations, packing food bags, and hauling sorted donations into Hope House. Gene Hewiston, Richard Pope and John Flynn have been doing this for a while, and our newest angels are Jim Bergner and Emmanuel Camarillo. Emmanuel works a full time job during the week, so his time in the shed is often on weekends and evenings—please say hello and thank you to any of them you see in action! These guys put in a lot of energy draining time.....
Easter is coming (in case you didn't know it, it is Lent), and we would be happy to take all things Easter off your hands: dresses, shoes, baskets, candy, etc. We are also in need of new underwear and socks for children.
Peace,
Cheri Woolsey



**YOU ARE ASKED
TO SUPPORT
INTERFAITH
COALITION'S HOPE
AUCTION** by donating

an item to our **ASSUMPTION PARISH "The Promise of Spring" Silent Auction item: Making all things new, INSIDE AND OUT!**

"Hammers, and plants, and seeds...oh my!"

Your wonderful donations for our INTERFAITH COALITION AUCTION ITEM just keep coming in!

On display this week in the Gathering Space is the handcrafted PEACE POLE donated by Susan Roland.

Thank you to everyone who has already donated. Please bring donations to the Gathering Space of the Church by Sunday, Feb. 28. The Auction will be take place on Saturday, March 19, 2016. Please see the Bulletin for details! Please contact Richard Pope with questions at 223-0276.

**THERE ARE AS MANY SOLUTIONS TO POVERTY AS
THERE ARE PEOPLE WORKING TO OVERCOME IT.**

LOOK CLOSER

On the weekend of February 27 and 28 we will have Fr. Cyrus Gallagher as our presider. He will speak about the work being done by Unbound (previously known as CFCA), and how this provides a trustworthy way to actively participate in the social outreach of the Catholic Church and answer the Gospel call to serve the poor.

Founded by lay Catholics, Unbound is an organization that has served more than 600,000 children, youth, and elderly in 20 developing countries since 1981.

Unbound's unique sponsorship program is highly personalized. It matches a child, youth, or aging person at a project overseas with a sponsor in the United States. With a monthly contribution, a sponsor helps to provide much-needed nourishing food, medical, and dental care etc. All of these efforts are directed toward affirming the dignity of every person in their local community.

Please warmly welcome Fr. Gallagher to our parish next weekend.

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Monday, February 22nd

10:30 AM Word & Communion
11:30 AM Centering Prayer
6:30 PM Bible-based Weight Loss
7:00 PM Edge

Tuesday, February 23rd

1:00 PM Bible Study
3:00 PM Cub Scout Wolf Den
6:00 PM Frassati Young Adult Group
6:30 PM Knights of Columbus First Degree
6:30 PM Adoration
6:45 PM Girl Scout Troop #50222
7:00 PM Bible Study
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 16 Mtg.

Wednesday, February 24th

12:01 AM Adoration
10:00 AM Women's Scripture Study
12:00 PM Life, Justice & Peace Commission
5:45 PM Benediction
6:00 PM Word & Communion
7:00 PM Parish Life and Socials

Thursday, February 25th

10:30 AM Mass
11:00 AM Mothers & Children
11:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group
1:15 PM Catholic Daughters of America
3:00 PM Lifeteen Core Team
6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
6:00 PM Cub Scout Pack Meeting
6:00 PM Eagle Scout Board of Review
7:00 PM Finance Council
7:00 PM RCIA

Friday, February 26th

10:30 AM Word & Communion
1:30 PM Grief Support
3:00 PM Auction Committee
5:30 PM Stations of the Cross
5:30 PM Just Faith
6:00 PM Reconciliation
6:00 PM Soup Supper
7:00 PM Vía Crucis
7:00 PM Grupo de Oración
7:00 PM Ensayo de Coro

Saturday, February 27th

10:00 AM First Eucharist Class
1:00 PM Rosary Makers
1:00 PM Community Meal
3:30 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM Cantor Rehearsal
5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, February 28th

7:45 AM Choir Rehearsal
8:30 AM Mass ~ First Scrutiny
8:30 AM RCIA/C Dismissal
8:30 AM RCIA Dismissal
9:30 AM RCIA/C Sessions
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM MFCC
10:30 AM Mass
10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word
10:30 AM Clase de Confirmación
11:00 AM Ensayo de Coro
11:30 AM K-5 Faith Formation
12:30 PM Misa
2:00 PM Legión de Maria
2:30 PM Faith & Light
3:45 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal
5:00 PM Mass
6:00 PM Evenings for Engaged
6:00 PM Lifeteen

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.



MEAL TRAIN FOR FR. SCOTT

Fr. Scott is very grateful with all the meals that he has been receiving. We are continuing with the Meal Train Program for the month of March. If you would like to sign up, please visit our website. If you are unable to go to the website, please call the office. Thank you for supporting Fr. Scott on his journey to recovery.

WHATCOM HOSPICE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Informational Meeting Saturday, March 19 from 10am-12pm
Hospice Administration Building, Lower Level
2800 Douglas Ave., Bellingham
Contact Dianne Gillespie, Volunteer Coordinator
360-788-6892 or dgillespie@peacehealth.org

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(02/14/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$18,077	\$ 36,154	\$ 596,541
Contributions received:	\$16,258	\$ 35,924	\$ 599,039
Over/ under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 1,819	-\$ 230	\$ 2,498

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

	Wk(02/14/2016)	Month	YTD
Debt Reduction			
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 2,116	\$ 34,914
Contributions received:	\$ 460	\$ 1,076	\$ 23,052
Over/ Under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 598	-\$ 1,040	-\$11,862

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$	100
Catholic Home Missions	\$	1,029

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.

CALENDARING TIME

Do you or your group meet on the parish campus?? If you plan to do so next year (July 2016-June 2017), please submit your request for room usage to the Parish Office before March 31. All groups who wish to have room space for meetings on the campus are encouraged to send your calendaring needs immediately. Please include the name of the group or event, dates, starting time, end time and how much time you need for set-up. We will try to meet your needs and will let you know in May if there are any conflicts. Send your request to parishoffice@assumption.org. Thank you!

A Stewardship Moment

Peter, James, and John wanted to build a "booth" for Jesus and just stay on the mountain where His transfiguration took place. But the Son of God, the Chosen One, knew that He must instead keep moving toward His crucifixion. We, too, rise from worship and do what we can to hasten the coming of the kingdom.

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

Pedro, Santiago, y Juan querían construir una "caseta" para Jesús y quedarse no más en la montaña, donde tomó lugar su transfiguración. Pero el Hijo de Dios, el Escogido, sabía que tenía que seguir moviéndose hacia su Crucifixión. Nosotros, también, debemos levantarnos de la adoración y hacer cuanto podamos para apresurar la venida del Reino.



Bless us Lord as we, Your humble servants, come before You on our Stewardship journey to grow in Your likeness. May we be ever mindful of the blessings that You have bestowed upon us on a daily basis.

Help us to understand that as we grow in Stewardship together as individuals, faith communities and as a nation, we grow only because of Your benevolence.

May we use this time on earth that You have given us to make a difference, to open our eyes to the little things of life, to not be overwhelmed to the point that we delay our journey.

When we accept the challenge of Stewardship and see Your face in the downtrodden, in the sick, in the dying, in the unborn, may we know it is only because of Your grace that we are able to accept that challenge.