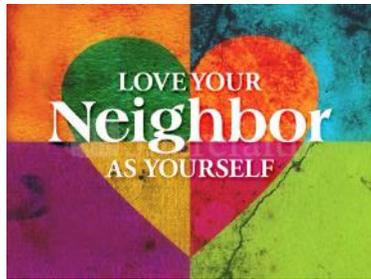


**July 10, 2016
Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

The law of the Lord, the great commandment of love is not something "mysterious" or "remote." Indeed, it is "very near" to us. Yet how difficult it is to fulfill, being neighbor to whoever is in need. But if we seek God, we must "go ahead and do the same" for we have been created in, for, and through Christ.



**WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL
LIFE**

July 11	10:30 AM	
Tony Slavik		RIP
July 13	6:00 PM	
Annellee Martin		RIP
July 14	10:30 AM	
Helena O-Young		SI
July 15	10:30 AM	
Jacquelyne Bello		RIP
July 16	5:00 PM	
Sarah Maeda		SI
July 17	8:30 AM	
Pro Populo		
	10:30 AM	
Annelle Martin		RIP
	12:30 PM	
Lizbeth Govea		SI

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

**Daily Worship
Week of July 10, 2016**

Monday, July 11 Saint Benedict	Isaiah 1:10-17 Psalm 50:8-9, 16b-17, 21, 23 Matthew 10:34-11:1
Tuesday, July 12	Isaiah 7:1-9 Psalm 48:2-8 Matthew 11:20-24
Wednesday, July 13 Saint Henry	Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16 Psalm 94:5-10, 14-15 Matthew 11:25-27
Thursday, July 14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha	Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 Psalm 102:13-14ab Matthew 11:28-30
Friday, July 15	Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 Isaiah 38:10-12, 16 Mathew 23:8-12
Saturday, July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Micah 2:1-5 Psalm 10:1-4, 7-8, 14 Matthew 12:14-21
Sunday, July 17 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 15:2-5 Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42



**Year of Mercy
Weekly Reflection**

Theme: Corporal Works of Mercy - Charitable Works (7/10/16)
Since the works of charity and mercy express the most striking testimony of the Christian life, apostolic formation should lead also to the performance of these works so that the faithful may learn from childhood on to have compassion for their brethren and to be generous in helping those in need. (Vatican Council II, Apostolicam Actuositatem 31c)
Reflection: How are you forming your children to have compassion for those in need and to find ways to provide material support for them? What example have you set for children as well as adults in performing charitable works?
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 2:30 AM and 12:30 PM.**
If you are able to help, call Linda at 595-4366.

**MONDAY NIGHT
PRAYER GROUP**
Mondays, 6:00-8:00 PM, St. Cecilia
Is closed for July. We will be back on Monday, August 1st at 6-8 PM.

**HEALING PRAYER
MINISTRY**
Wednesdays in the church after Mass from 6:45pm to 8:00pm.
All are welcome.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
**Fridays, 1:30-3:30 PM in the
Stafford Room**
"Be a rock of refuge for me,
a mighty stronghold to save me,
for you are my rock, my stronghold.
For your name's sake, lead me and
guide me." Ps. 31:1-5.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES
The next baptismal classes will be on Saturday, August 6 & 13 at 9:30 AM in the Stafford room. You must attend both classes.

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.

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



Church of the Assumption

PARROQUIA DE LA ASUNCIÓN NOVENA DE LA MISERICORDIA ~ 5 agosto a 13 agosto, 2016

La Iglesia de la Asunción **Novena de la Misericordia** es un momento para toda la parroquia de estar en la oración y las obras de misericordia. Asunción está invitando a todos los católicos para llevar a cabo obras corporales y espirituales de misericordia durante los nueve días previos del Día de Fiesta de nuestra parroquia (La Asunción) 14 de agosto.

Las obras de misericordia corporales

- Alimenta al hambriento
- Dar de beber al sediento
- Dar techo a las personas sin hogar
- Visitar a los enfermos
- Visitar a los presos
- Enterrar a los muertos
- Dar limosna a los pobres

Las obras de misericordia espirituales

- Consejo al que dudoso
- Instruir a los ignorantes
- Amonestar al pecador
- Consolar los tristes
- Perdonar las injurias
- Soportar los males pacientemente
- Rezar por los vivos y los muertos

Por ejemplo:

- La oración diaria, el rosario, la adoración
- Rezar en casa, en la iglesia, en un cementerio
- Dar a los alimentos, el agua o el dinero para la Casa Esperanza, Banco de Alimentos, Lighthouse Misión, etc.
- Visitar el solitario, los enfermos, los ancianos
- Visitar un hogar de ancianos o de vida asistida
- Contactar a alguien que necesitas perdonar
- Contactar a alguien que necesitas pedir perdón
- Contacta una persona que está luchando con la fe o ser infiel en su matrimonio
- Contacta una persona que ha perdido a un ser querido y ofrece a visitar / orar con ellos
- Ofrece amistad a alguien que está divorciada o viuda o es un solo padre
- Llame a alguien a quien usted conoce que se siente solo y visite por teléfono o en persona.



ASSUMPTION PARISH NOVENA OF MERCY ~ AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 13, 2016

The Church of the Assumption **Novena of Mercy** is a parish-wide time of prayer and works of mercy. Assumption is inviting every Catholic to perform corporal and spiritual works of mercy during the nine days leading up to our Parish Feast Day (The Assumption) August 14.

The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the prisoners
- Bury the dead
- Give alms to the poor

The Spiritual Works Of Mercy

- Counsel the doubtful
- Instruct the ignorant
- Admonish the sinner
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Forgive injuries
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Pray for the living and the dead

For example:

- daily prayer, rosary, adoration
- pray at home, at church, at a cemetery
- give food, water or money to the Hope House, Food Bank, Lighthouse Mission, etc.
- visit the lonesome, the sick, the elderly
- visit a nursing home or assisted living
- contact someone you need to forgive
- contact someone from whom you need to ask forgiveness
- contact someone who is struggling with the faith or being unfaithful in their marriage
- contact someone who has lost a loved one and offer to visit/pray with them
- reach out in friendship to someone who is divorced or widowed or is a single parent
- call someone whom you know to be lonesome and visit by phone or in person.

**FAITH
FORMATION,
SCHOOL,
PARISH
EVENTS**

**PRAY FOR OUR
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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 Faecke
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 Trottnner
Lt. Col. Richard Weyker

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & LIFE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chris Craven
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Colleen Jeffrey
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Doris Torres
Bonnie Trenouth
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Nancy Wopperer

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Chris Attebery
School Commission
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Life, Justice & Peace
Nick Mele
Pastoral Care
Tashie Zang & Belen Saturay
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Andrew Krzysiek
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Finance Council
Bill Zang
Pastoral Council Exec. Comm.
Chris Craven
Dick Etter
John Getchell

COME AND MEET OLIVIER NDIKUMANA:

July 16 at 6:15 pm in the library

On Saturday July 16 following the 5pm mass, you are invited to a Gathering in the Library Media Center to meet and hear a little bit of the inspiring story of Olivier Ndikumana. Olivier experienced the tragedy of war and genocide in his native Rwanda, and in the aftermath of that experience led different programs that reconciled and reunited young people, regardless of whether their families participated in the genocide or were victims of it. Because of his strong belief that truth must accompany reconciliation, Olivier worked with the United Nations and was hired as a UN volunteer to help disarm and reconcile former rebels in the Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast) so that peace could be sustained in that country.

At this time in his life, Olivier is living in Bellingham, Washington and has been admitted to the Masters' program in Applied International Studies at the Jackson School of the University of Washington. While he has been awarded a partial scholarship for fall 2016 he still has to secure housing and the remaining tuition and fees.

At this time, Olivier is asking for sponsorship to secure the funds and scholarships he needs to enroll in this intensive, one-year program. Please come over to the LMC after mass on Saturday to hear more of his story, and how, out of his own experience and journey toward peace and reconciliation, he has made it his life-work to help heal the deep wounds of our world that encourage hatred and violence. In his own words, "I believe international peace and reconciliation efforts can work and that the church has an important role in such efforts. One of Yours in Christ."
Olivier Ndikumana

PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

The monthly prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Bellingham will be held on Sunday, July 17, 2-3:00pm. Come and pray with us for an end to abortion. For information, call Kathy St.Hilaire, 671-4836.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The August 18 Prayer Vigil for Peace in the Middle East will be on Thursday, Aug. 18 at 5:30 p.m., hosted by Assumption Catholic Church.

¡ATENCIÓN MIEMBROS DE MINISTERIOS Y MIEMBROS DE LA PARROQUIA EN GENERAL!

Nuestra parroquia de la **Asunción** estará iniciando próximamente un **Programa de Corresponsabilidad**; el cual es esencial para un mejor entendimiento de cómo podemos ser mejores discípulos y administradores de los dones que Dios nos confía. Es por eso que la participación activa de **TODOS** los miembros de **TODOS** los ministerios es requerida; miembros de la comunidad en general son bienvenidos.

Nuestra primer sesión oficial se llevará a cabo en **la biblioteca**, localizada en **la escuela de la Asunción**, el **julio 15** a las **6:30pm**.

Esta sesión inicial será una oportunidad para convivir en comunidad con los líderes y miembros más activos de nuestra parroquia, así como para compartir con ustedes en más detalle de que se trata esta iniciativa, y como esta misma es parte fundamental del futuro de nuestra parroquia. Contaremos con la presencia del señor Koren Ruiz, miembro de la Arquidiócesis de Portland y fundador de la organización Corresponsables de Dios; quien será nuestro guía durante este importante programa.

¡Los esperamos!

**RACHEL'S CORNER
Hope and Healing After Abortion**

I am grateful for your patience, tolerance and respect in every moment. Your ears, eyes, lips and hands opened to me every time I needed them. Thank you.

-Testimonial after Retreat

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and allow God to press you near His heart and make you whole again.

August 12-14, 2016

Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)
You are loved with an everlasting Love!
Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

August 12 -14, 2016 Marriage Encounter Weekend in Bellevue. For more information contact Karl & Marcia Hoffmann ~ 206-772-2344

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Monday, July 11th

10:30 AM Mass Church
11:30 AM Centering Prayer Stafford
6:30 PM God's Food Group PCLR

Tuesday, July 12th

1:00 PM Sacred Heart Knitters Stafford
6:30 PM Adoration Church
7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg. St. Cecilia

Wednesday, July 13th

12:01 AM Adoration Church
5:30 PM Prepares Fatherhood Group St. Cecilia
6:00 PM Mass Church
6:45 PM Healing Prayer Ministry Church
7:00 PM Spiritual Life & Worship Commission PCLR

Thursday, July 14th ~ St. Kateri

10:30 AM Mass Church
5:30 PM Harvest Festival Meeting Stafford
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal Church

Friday, July 15th

10:30 AM Mass Church
1:30 PM Grief Support Stafford
2:00 PM Ganze/Frye Wedding Church
6:00 PM Rosary Makers Stafford
6:30 PM Corresponsabilidad LMC

Saturday, July 16th

3:30 PM Reconciliation Church
5:00 PM Mass ~ Quinceañera Church
6:15 PM Olivier Ndikumana talk LMC
7:00 PM Vigilia con el Santísimo Church

Sunday, July 17th

7:45 AM Choir Rehearsal Church
8:30 AM Mass Church
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal Church
9:30 AM Welcome Music Director Stafford
10:30 AM Mass Church
11:00 AM Ensayo de Coro St. Cecilia
12:30 PM Misa ~ Quinceañera Iglesia

**PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE--JULY, 2017
July 3-17, 2017**

Join Fr. Scott on this Marian Shrine pilgrimage to multiple sites in France. For more information, please go to our website at assumption.org. Click on the [itinerary](#) for more details. The [registration form](#) can be downloaded as well.



As I sit here trying to decide what to write, two homeless men are outside my office door trying on some of the 420 pairs of shoes McKay Ross collected for us. I am smiling, almost giggling, as one says to the other, "I think these fit"—then the other one says "let me see your foot" and proceeds to check the fit with a thumb to the toes, just like a mom. So cute! McKay, if you could see how much your generous work/gift has been—thank you so much! If anyone has an urge to collect something for us, the following are always welcome and needed: socks, underwear (new or nearly new only, please!), diapers, canned goods, blankets, school supplies (school is coming in 2 months!). God bless you all.....

Cheri Woolsey
www.bellinghamhopehouse.com

RECONCILIATION FOR NOVENA

The schedule will start promptly at the time stated and go until the last Confession is heard.

Saturday, August 6	~	3:30 PM
Sunday, August 7	~	2:00 PM
Monday, August 8	~	9:30 AM
Wednesday, August 10	~	5:00 PM
Thursday, August 11	~	11:00 AM
Friday, August 12	~	11:00 AM
Saturday, August 13	~	3:30 PM

ALTAR SERVER THANK YOU PICNIC

August 17 from 2-5 pm.

If you are an altar server and did not receive information, please go to our website at assumption.org for details.



SAVE THE DATE

Ministry Fair ~ Sep. 10 & 11, 2016

CATHOLIC MOMS!

Summer is quickly approaching and you are invited to bring your children of all ages to our summer picnic playdates! We meet at a local park every second and fourth Thursday during the months of June, July, and August. We gather around 11 am, with children, blankets, lunches, snacks, and each other! This is a great way to meet other moms and share in this adventure of Catholic Motherhood! Please contact Bev Williams if you have any questions at (360)920-7592 or bevjohnson_13@hotmail.com.

July 14 -Bloedel Donovan	July 28 -Fairhaven Park
August 11 -Elizabeth Park	August 25 -Cornwall Park

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(06/26/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$ 18,077	\$ 72,308	\$ 940,004
Contributions received:	\$ 14,921	\$ 61,956	\$ 910,546
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 3,156	-\$ 10,351	-\$ 29,458

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(06/26/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 4,232	\$ 55,016
Contributions received:	\$ 567	\$ 3,446	\$ 37,924
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	- \$ 491	-\$ 786	-\$17,092

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$	35
Peter's Pence	\$	2,611

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

**MAKE PLANS NOW TO ATTEND
THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION PICNIC STYLE!**

Make plans now to attend the great **Feast Day Celebration, Sunday, August 14**. It starts with a multilingual Mass at 11:00 am. After mass join us for celebration picnic. There will be delectable Barbeque chicken, plus salads, side dishes, and drinks, topped with the traditional ice cream sundaes. Enjoy our Mariachi Juvenil voces de Mexico and festive decorations. We will have games for all ages, not to mention great conversation with your parish friends. Don't miss it.

You can help in the following ways:

Choose from a potato salad, pasta salad, egg salad, or a green salad (those with last names (A-J), drinks, and chips or dinner rolls (K-O) and (P-Z) side dish; like bake beans, rice, Macaroni and cheese or vegetables.

Don't miss this great parish event! More information in future bulletins. Or call Adriana Estrada at the Parish Office.

**HAGA PLANES AHORA PARA ASISTIR
LA FIESTA DE LA ASUNCIÓN ESTILO PICNIC!**

Haga planes para asistir a la gran celebración del **día de fiesta de la Asunción el domingo, 14 de agosto**. Se inicia con una misa multilingüe a las 11:00 de la mañana. Después de la misa únense a nosotros para la celebración de picnic. Habrá pollo asado delicioso, ensaladas, platos que acompañan el principal, y bebidas. Aparte vamos a tener los helados tradicionales.

Disfrute de nuestro Mariachi Juvenil Voces de México y decoraciones festivas. Tendremos juegos para todas las edades, por no mencionar de una gran conversación con sus amigos de la parroquia. ¡No se lo pierda!

Usted puede ayudar de las siguientes maneras:

Elija entre una ensalada de papa, ensalada de pasta, ensalada de huevo, o una ensalada verde (los que tienen apellidos (A-J), bebidas y papas fritas o panecillos (K-O) y (P-Z) platos adicionales; como frijoles a la olla, arroz, macarrones con queso o verduras.

¡No se pierda este gran evento de la parroquia! Más información en los futuros boletines. O llamar Adriana Estrada en la Oficina Parroquial.



Lord Jesus, you have challenged us with your holy words in sacred scripture:

That the one who "seeks to save his life will lose it;"

That the one who "loses his life for your sake will save it for all eternity;"

That the "greatest among us is the one who serves the rest;"

That it is "harder for a rich man to enter heaven than for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle;"

That our "true treasure is in heaven."

Lord, you have given us your generous promises:

That you treasure greatly the sacrificial spirit of the widow's mite;

That you will reward with hundredfold harvest those who sow in the rich soil of faith;

That you will not be outdone in generosity;

That you will not give us burdens that we cannot bear.

We thank you, above all, for the joy-filled gift of faith and the inspirational witness of generous saints of ages past.

Lord, give us the strength and the faith to respond to your challenging words.

We ask you to help us to be responsible stewards of your gifts.

We ask you to bless us with the courage, generosity, and selflessness to help us multiply your gifts among us for the glory of your name.

Amen

A Stewardship Moment

The good Samaritan was also a good steward, giving his time and his treasure to meet his neighbor's need. At the end of this familiar story, Jesus urges His hearers — and us — to go and do the same!

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

El buen Samaritano también era buen administrador de los bienes de Dios, dando su tiempo y su tesoro para satisfacer las necesidades de su prójimo. ¡Al final de esta historia conocida, Jesús anima a Sus oyentes — y a nosotros — para que vayamos a hacer lo mismo!