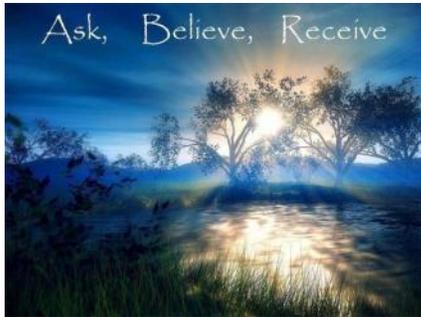


July 24, 2016
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In bargaining with God, Abraham demonstrates a real persistence in prayer. Jesus invites us to persist in prayer as well, to “ask...seek...knock”. May our prayer open us to God’s will, and so build up his strength within us. In baptism, we have died with Christ, and have been raised to life with him.



WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

July 25	10:30 AM	
Rita McGarrity		RIP
July 27	6:00 PM	
Peter Schmeelk		RIP
July 28	10:30 AM	
Terrence Reilly		RIP
July 29	10:30 AM	
Grace Shih		SI
July 30	5:00 PM	
Laurian Andrews		RIP
July 31	8:30 AM	
Pro Populo		
	10:30 AM	
Terence Bernard		RIP
	12:30 PM	
Camerina Anaya		RIP

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

Daily Worship
Week of July 24, 2016

Monday, July 25 Saint James, Apostle	2 Corinthians 4:7-15 Psalm 126:1b-6 Matthew 20:20-28
Tuesday, July 26 Saint Joachim and Anne, Parents of the BVM	Jeremiah 14:17-22 Psalm 79:8-9, 11, 13 Matthew 13:36-43
Wednesday, July 27	Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21 Psalm 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18 Matthew 13:44-46
Thursday, July 28	Jeremiah 18:1-6 Psalm 146:1b-6b Matthew 13:47-53
Friday, July 29 Saint Martha	Jeremiah 26:1-9 Jeremiah 69:5, 8-10, 14 John 11:19-27
Saturday, July 30 Saint Peter, Bishop	Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24 Psalm 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 Matthew 14:1-12
Sunday, July 31 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 Psalm 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Luke 12:13-21



Year of Mercy
Weekly Reflection

Theme: Ask for God’s Mercy (7/24/16)

Out of the depths I call to you, LORD; Lord, hear my cry! May your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy. (Psalm 130:1-2)

Reflection: Think of the last time that you needed to ask the Lord for mercy. What relief did it bring you? What made you feel that God heard and answered your plea?

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.

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.

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
 Due to vacations, meetings will resume Monday, August 15.

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
 "If we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep." 1 Thess. 4:14.
 All are welcome.

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

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

Assumption Parish Novena of Mercy

August 5 - August 13, 2016

As a way to participate in the Year of Mercy, 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. Works can be done as an individual, as a couple, as a family or in a group.

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

How do I participate in the Assumption Parish Novena of Mercy? Select any one or more from the above list of Corporal or Spiritual Works of Mercy. Use the suggestions below to get an idea of what you wish to do. You can work alone or as a family. Chose your own time to perform the work(s) within the 9 days from August 5 - 13 inclusive.

Ideas: Look at the list of Works of Mercy and review this list of suggestions. Then be creative!

Daily Prayer: Pope's prayer of mercy, or Rosary or visit the Blessed Sacrament each of the nine days, or pray the Mercy Rosary found at <http://media.stlukeproductions.com/rosary/yom/joyful.mp3>

Pray at the graveside of one or more people in a cemetery.

Visit someone house-bound or in assisted living or convalescent home. There are many!

Call the home for names then visit, listen to their story, offer to play cards or a game, read to them.

Contact someone whom I need to forgive (or someone from whom I need to ask forgiveness.)

Contact someone who is struggling with the faith or being unfaithful in their marriage and talk to them.

Contact someone who has lost a loved one during the last year or two 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 I know to be lonesome and visit by phone or in person.

Write a letter to a prisoner (Please, only someone you already know.)

Donate to CCS or other charity, Hope House, Lighthouse Mission, Lydia Place, Womenscare Shelter,

Food bank

Perform yard work or paint or do home repairs for someone who is unable to care for their own yard.

**FAITH
FORMATION,
SCHOOL,
PARISH
EVENTS**

**PRAY FOR OUR
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MILITARY**

Floyd Carpenter
Chris Formicbella
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 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 Trottnr
Lt. Col. Richard Weyker

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

In an emergency, little things can make a big difference, like knowing where to go if one or more of the church exits should become blocked. That is why there are floor plans of the church posted by each entrance.

Gathering Space ~ On the left wall after entering from outside

Kentucky Street ~ On the wall, around the corner inside the church

Cornwall Street ~ On the left and right wall inside the church

These plans show all of the available exits from the church. Take a few minutes to look at one of the floor plans and become familiar with them.

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS

On Saturday, Sep. 3 at the 5:00 PM Mass, we will have a special blessing of all children in the womb. If you are expecting, please come to this special Mass and we'll have a blessing at the end of the Liturgy.



JOIN THE ASSUMPTION CHOIR

Do you love sacred music and want to sing in a choir? Our Church of the Assumption Choir is now accepting new members. All are welcome!

If you are interested, please send an e-mail to schedule a voice placement audition:

frederickm@assumption.org



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 BEST.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & LIFE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

**Parroquia de la Asunción Novena de la Misericordia
Del 5 agosto al 13 agosto, 2016**

Como una manera de participar en el Año de la Misericordia, la Iglesia de la Asunción Novena de la Misericordia es un tiempo para toda la parroquia de 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 pueden ser como individuo, como una pareja, en familia o en grupo.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Chris Craven
- Blancy Granados de 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
Dan Parsons
- 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

Las obras de misericordia corporales

- Alimentar al hambriento
- Dar de beber al sediento
- Refugio a los que no tienen techo
- Visitar a los enfermos
- Visitar a los presos
- Enterrar los muertos
- Dar limosna a los pobres

las obras de misericordia espirituales

- Dar consejo al dudoso
- Instruir a los ignorantes
- Amonestar al pecador
- Consolar a los tristes
- Perdonar las injurias
- Soportar los males pacientemente
- Orar por los vivos y los muertos

¿Cómo puedo participar en la Parroquia de la Asunción Novena de la Misericordia? Selecciona una o más de la lista de las obras de misericordia corporales o espirituales. Use las siguientes sugerencias para tener una idea de lo que desea hacer. Puede trabajar solo o en familia. Elija su propio tiempo para realizar el trabajo (s) dentro de los 9 días del 5 de agosto - 13 inclusive.

Ideas: Mira la lista de las obras de misericordia y revisa esta lista de sugerencias. ¡Sea creativo!

La oración diaria: la oración del Papa de la misericordia, o Rosario o visitar el Santísimo Sacramento cada uno de los nueve días, o rezar el rosario Misericordia.

Rezar ante la tumba de una o más personas en un cementerio.

Visitar a alguien casa-dependiente o en la vida asistida u hogar de convalecencia. ¡Hay muchos!

Llamar a la casa de asistencia por nombres de personas para visitar, escuchar su historia, jugar a las cartas o un juego, o leerle un libro.

Póngase en contacto con alguien a quien necesita perdonar (o alguien de quien tienes que pedir perdón.)

Póngase en contacto con alguien que está luchando con la fe o que es infiel en su matrimonio y hablar con ellos.

Póngase en contacto con alguien que ha perdido un ser querido durante el último año o dos, y ofrecer a visitar / orar con ellos.

Llegar en amistad con alguien que está divorciada o viuda o es un solo padre.

Llamar a alguien a quien conozco ser solitaria y visita por teléfono o en persona.

Escribir una carta a un preso (Por favor, sólo alguien que ya conoce.)

Donar a la caridad o de otros CCS, Hope House, Light Mission, Lidia Place, Womencare Shelter, Banco de alimentos.

Realizar trabajo en el jardín o pintar o hacer reparaciones en el hogar para alguien que no es capaz de cuidar de su propio patio.

FAITHFUL STEWARDS

For the sharing of her time and talent with Assumption Parish, we acknowledge and thank

Chris Attebery

A heartfelt thank you to **Chris Attebery** for leading our music program for most of a year. Chris made sure everyone had the right music, the right schedule and the right support every week. She managed all the choirs, cantors, pianists and other musicians so that the people of Assumption could continue to sing praise to God. Her efforts included planning for special celebrations such as Christmas, Holy Week, weddings and funerals. In addition, she continued to delight us with her flute-playing. Thank you for sharing your considerable musical and managerial talents!

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Monday, July 25th

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

Tuesday, July 26th

1:00 PM Sacred Heart Knitters
6:00 PM Knights of Columbus 1st Degree
6:30 PM Adoration
6:45 PM Scout Master Conferences

Wednesday, July 27th

12:01 AM Adoration
5:30 PM Prepares Fatherhood Group
5:45 PM Benediction
6:00 PM Mass
6:00 PM Eagle Scout Board of Review
6:45 PM Healing Prayer Ministry

Thursday, July 28th

10:30 AM Mass
5:30 PM Faith Formation Sub-Committee
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 29th

10:30 AM Mass
1:30 PM Grief Support
6:00 PM Rosary Makers

Saturday, July 30th

1:00 PM Community Meal
1:30 PM Mojica/Gonzalez Wedding
3:30 PM Reconciliation
5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, July 31st

7:45 AM Choir Rehearsal
8:30 AM Mass
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:30 AM Mass
11:00 AM Ensayo de Coro
12:30 PM Misa

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.

Please RSVP to Gina DePalma by Aug. 14.

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Iglesia



Dear Parishioners:

During our Novena of Mercy (Aug 5-14) I have decided to offer the merciful sacrament of Reconciliation for the nine days leading up to our feast day on August 14th. The schedule is listed below and I invite you to avail yourself of this special sacrament during these nine days of preparation. I will begin celebrating the sacrament at the time posted and will be in the Reconciliation Chapel until the last confession has been heard.

Queridos feligreses,

Durante nuestra Novena de la Misericordia (Agosto 5-14). He decidido ofrecer el sacramento de la Reconciliación misericordioso durante los nueve días previos al día de nuestra fiesta que será el 14 de agosto. La programación se encuentra hacia abajo de esta carta y los invito a este sacramento especial durante estos nueve días de preparación. Voy a comenzar la celebración del sacramento en el horario que está publicado y no me iré de la capilla de la Reconciliación hasta que la última confesión haya sido escuchado.

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

Yours in Christ,

Fr. K. Scott Connolly
Pastor



SAVE THE DATE

Ministry Fair ~ Sep. 10 & 11, 2016

CATHOLIC MOMS!

Summer is here 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 28 -Fairhaven Park
August 25 -Cornwall Park

August 11 -Elizabeth Park

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.

THANK YOU FROM INTERFAITH COALITION

Children from homeless families have a different attitude about summer break from school: their predictable, supportive routine of going to school, being with friends, being “normal”, is now gone. “Camping” is not a family vacation – it is an everyday situation for many children who would give anything to have a home and routine.

Thank you for your generous donation of \$2,500 to Interfaith Coalition. Through your partnership and generous support, we are reaching out to children and families in Whatcom County and giving them a chance at being “normal” again. One of the newest families in Interfaith Family Housing is a grandmother raising her six grandchildren. They had been living in her van or on the floor for *two years!* We cannot adequately describe the intense joy on the grandmother's face when we recently dropped by to see how things were going. It felt like if it were translated into electricity it could power all of Whatcom County. **YOU MEAN THAT MUCH TO THEM** - and to many other children and adults.

Thank You for your congregation's on-going support! Because somewhere out there is a child who is praying for someone, somewhere, who will help his or her family. We are grateful that you are here to help us be there for them.

CATHOLIC HOUSING TOUR MONDAY, JULY 25, 5 P.M.

Come and join in a walking tour of the downtown housing units managed by Catholic Community Services/Catholic Housing Services. This is a great opportunity to see firsthand how our greater Catholic community is responding to the need for low income housing. The tour will be followed by a time for questions, discussion, and learning more about the farm worker housing in development on Bakerview Rd. **Meet outside the Washington Grocery Building, 1133 Railroad Ave at 5 p.m..**

OPEN YOUR HEART AND HOME

to a Catholic exchange student from Spain and Germany
for the coming 2016-2017 school year

Volunteer host families (with or without children) as well as single parents are needed to provide food, a bed and a loving home for the coming school year, one or two semesters, starting in August. EMF students have medical insurance, spending money for their personal expenses and expect to share their host family's daily life including household responsibilities. They speak English, are well-screened and eager to experience life in America. Their stay here is sponsored and supervised by EMF (Educational Merit Foundation), a non-profit, educational exchange program. It is not too late to apply. For more information on EMF students, please call Marie-Claude Dijoud now at 1-800-467-8363 or visit our web site at www.emfusa.org

Enjoy WORLD YOUTH DAY coverage on Sacred Heart Radio AM 1050! WYD is July 25-31.

Listen to Catholic news from a Catholic source, all year long. We keep you connected in Christ.

15TH ANNUAL “SPIRIT OF HOPE” TREASURE SALE ~ AUGUST 6TH

The “15th Annual Spirit of Hope Treasure Sale,” to benefit Hope House multi-service center, will take place Saturday, August 6th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Assumption Parish Gymnasium, 2116 Cornwall Ave., in Bellingham.

Donated art, antiques, collectibles, furniture and decorative items will be sold to help purchase baby food, formula, diapers, toiletries, food and other items to be given to those in need in the community.

To donate items, call 360-734-8087 or 360-223-2165.

APPRECIATING AND CELEBRATING CATHOLICS IN THE WEST

Everyone is invited to come to a special SUMMER FIESTA
Saturday, August 13, 2016 ~ Torero's at the Landing in Renton ~ 10 am – 12 Noon \$35.00 pp
For tickets: 206-274-7676 ~ president@SeattleACCW.org ~ Board Member or Our Sponsors
www.SeattleACCW.org

- Be engaged by Author/Speaker, Corinna Laughlin*
- Enjoy a Choice of Delicious Entrées & Drinks*
- Meet Our Special Guests & Experience Surprises*
- Receive a gift of the “Journeys of Faith” book*
- Witness the Annual President's Awards*
- Hear the 5/5 raffle winners chosen & announced*

(Annual Fundraiser to support Catholic Women & Projects)

KENT and KIRKLAND Locations
TACOMA, near the Mall

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

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(07/17/2016)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$ 17,788	\$ 53,365	\$ 53,365
Contributions received:	\$ 16,347	\$ 49,481	\$ 49,481
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 1,441	-\$ 3,884	-\$ 3,884

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

	Wk(07/17/2016)	Month	YTD
Debt Reduction			
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 3,174	\$ 3,174
Contributions received:	\$ 1,812	\$ 2,606	\$ 2,606
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 754	-\$ 568	-\$ 568

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House \$ 62

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 by bringing the following items:

- (Last name A-J) Choose from a potato salad, pasta salad, egg salad, or a green salad.
- (Last name K-O) Chose from drinks, chips or dinner rolls.
- (Last name P-Z) Chose from 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 trayendo los siguientes elementos:

- (Si tu apellido comienza con la letra A - J) Elija entre una ensalada de papas, ensalada de pasta, ensalada de huevo, o una ensalada verde.
- (Si tu apellido comienza con la letra K - O) Elija entre bebidas, papas fritas o panecillos.
- (Si tu apellido comienza con la letra P - Z) Elija entre 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 God,

You alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of each human life.

We praise and thank You for Your great power and tender, faithful love. Everything we are and everything we have are Your gifts, and after having created us You have given us into the keeping of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Fill our minds with His truth and our hearts with His love, and in His Spirit may we be bonded together into a community of faith, a parish family, and a caring people.

In the name and spirit of Jesus, we the people of Assumption church, commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent, and our material and spiritual gifts as an outward sign of the treasure we hold in Jesus.

Amen.

A Stewardship Moment

Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards — those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

Jesús nos incita a que seamos ricos en lo que es importante para Dios. El Salmista nos advierte contra el endurecimiento de nuestros corazones. ¿Están abiertos nuestro corazones a lo que es realmente importante?