

March 15, 2015

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

God pardons and raises up those who have been unfaithful, those who have loved the darkness rather than the light. For God so loved the world that he sent his only Son to deliver the world from exile.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

March 16	10:30 AM	
Maureen Mann		SI
March 18	6:00 PM	
Dee Fogarty		RIP
March 19	10:30 AM	
Julian Joseph Simo		SI
March 20	10:30 PM	
Alsa Sigler		SI
March 21	5:00 PM	
Roger Green		RIP
March 22	8:30 AM	
Mary Brandstatter		RIP
	10:30 AM	
Dee Fogarty		RIP
	12:30 PM	
Pedro Angel Reyes		RIP
	5:00 PM	
Pro Populo		

SI = Special Intention

RIP = Rest in Peace

Pro Populo = For the people of the parish



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in honor of:
Jonathon Thompson

Daily Worship
Week of March 15, 2015

Monday, March 16	Isaiah 65:17-21 Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b John 4:43-54
Tuesday, March 17 St. Patrick	Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 John 5:1-16
Wednesday, March 18	Isaiah 49:8-15 Psalm 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18 John 5:17-20
Thursday, March 19 St. Joseph, spouse of the BVM	2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Psalm 89:2-5, 27, 29 Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22 Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Friday, March 20	Wisdom of Solomon 2:1a, 12-22 Psalm 34:17-21, 23 John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday, March 21	Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalm 7:2-3, 9b-12 John 7:40-53
Sunday, March 22 Fifth Sunday of Lent	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 51:3-4, 12-15 Hebrews 5:7-9 John 12:20-33



SERVANTS OF THE LORD
PRAYER GROUP
Mondays, 6:30-8:30 PM, St. Cecilia room

"The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all his works." Is.145:8-9
All are welcome.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

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

"I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you. When you look for me, you will find me." Jer. 29:11-13a.

It's hard and lonely to to keep going when a loved one dies. We invite you to come for a visit to our grief group. We are walking the same path but we draw strength from our faith and each other.

Questions: Nancy Fudge,
734-9563



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.

If questions, please call Karen at 671-1544

"Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved in whom I delight; I shall place my spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the gentiles." Mt.12:18.
Why not give an hour of your time to sit with our Lord Jesus?

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY

Wednesdays after Mass 6:45-8:30 PM

Jesus, Compassionate High Priest "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been similarly tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help." Heb. 4:14-16.

All are welcome

A SEVEN-WEEK JOURNEY WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Monday eves. 6:30-9:00 PM. in the School Library

Dr. Tom Currans's DVD program is being offered throughout the Archdiocese and we are blessed to be able to offer it for free at Assumption. Watch for next update!

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

VIA CRUCIS

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



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 non-meat 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.



BLESSING OF THE UNBORN

On Sunday, March 22 at the 5:00 evening mass, we will have a special blessing of all children in the womb. We wanted to offer this special blessing close to the Feast of the Annunciation. If you are expecting, please come to this special Mass and we'll have a blessing at the end of the Liturgy.

EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR

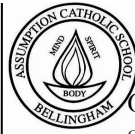
Join us in celebration to congratulate Assumption's two newest Eagle Scouts Alexander Kocsis and Jack Wendling! A Court of Honor will be held for them on Saturday March 28th at 1 PM in the Gym.

FIELD COACH NEEDED FOR ACS MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD PROGRAM

Assumption School Track and Field is in need of a field coach for the 2015 Season. Practice is from 5:00 to 6:15, five days a week at Sehome High School. The season begins on Monday, March 23rd. Meets to be determined.

A background in Track and Field is preferred, especially in javelin, discus, and/or shot-put. Background check and Called to Protect is also required.

Please contact Mr. Costanza (mcostnza@school.assumption.org) or Lisa Twinning (vonskirch@gmail.com) with any questions.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The 7th grade students of Assumption Catholic School will be hosting Live Stations of the Cross on March 31 at 2.p.m. Please join us for this special live and moving stations.



On April 10, at the 10:30 mass we invite all of our parishioners who would like to receive the anointing of the sick to come to mass that day. We will have the anointing during mass and afterwards everyone is invited to a luncheon in your honor in the gym. Please come and enjoy each other's company.

BIBLE STUDY

A 5-week Bible study, GROWING IN DISCIPLESHIP, begins Tuesday, April 7, in the Stafford Room at 1 p.m. or 7 p.m., your choice. Cost is \$10. Please PRE-REGISTER by calling Christine at 671-9712.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Mt 25:40). Today, we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Service Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, in those who suffer from unjust laws, and in those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. Through supporting today's collection, you help Jesus in disguise. Please be generous.

COLECTA DE CRS

"Yo les aseguro que, cuando lo hicieron con el más insignificante de mis hermanos, conmigo lo hicieron" (Mt 25:40). Hoy se nos recuerda que Jesús se identificó con los más pobres de nuestros hermanos y hermanas. La colecta de Catholic Relief Services sirve a Jesús en las víctimas del tráfico humano, en aquellos que sufren por leyes injustas y en aquellos que necesitan cuidado pastoral y asistencia humanitaria en todas partes del mundo. Al dar su apoyo a la colecta de hoy, estarán ayudando a Jesús con otro rostro, ¿le ayudarías?

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 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 DeMan
- Keanu Franco
- Michael Dahl
- Matt Edge
- Kurt DeVries
- 2nd Lt. Garrett Burnha
- Bob Iverson
- Lt. Michael Bertsching
- Capt. Eric Stein

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

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PEACE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bill Attebery
 John Gibson
 Hilou Jones
 Carlos Muñoz
 Né Ordóñez
 Denise Plaisier
 Tom Raines
 Helen Saturay
 Dan Wilford
 Shie Zang

COMMISSION & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Formation Commission
 John Getchell
 Life & Social
 Mary & Bill Chambers
 Mutual Life & Worship
 Ronald Delbecq
 School Commission
 Kathy Buford
 Justice & Peace
 Michael DiSpigno
 Spiritual Care
 Carol Frazey
 Building & Grounds
 Eric Schueler
 Stewardship/Engaged
 Outreach
 Patti & James Wright
 Finance Council
 Bill Zang
 Pastoral Council
 Jim Gibson
 Bill Attebery
 Belen Saturay

HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING FACT SHEET

Whatcom Hospice is looking for caring individuals interested in providing companionship, respite care, light chores, transportation, or errands for those with a life-limiting illnesses and their families. They may also prefer not to provide direct patient care and instead make deliveries, provide landscape support, work in the office, knit, sew or sing.

WHAT: Whatcom Hospice Volunteer Training Informational Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, March 18th 4:30-6:30 PM

WHERE: Hospice Administration Building, Lower Level
 2800 Douglas Ave., Bellingham

CONTACT: Dianne Gillespie, Volunteer Coordinator Whatcom Hospice
 2800 Douglas Ave., Bellingham, WA 98225
 Phone: (360) 788-6892

E-Mail: dgillespie@peacehealth.org

RACHEL'S CORNER

Hope and Healing After Abortion

Whether we face discouragement, loss, pain or despair, we can take great comfort in knowing that no sorrow is too deep that God cannot feel it with us. And God wants to help deliver us from it. -Reflections from *Footprints*
 Give us a call and join us on the next **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.™**

May 29-31, 2015

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



So we are partway through the Lenten Season and hopefully, your family has been faithfully putting change in the Rice Bowl each night. I thought I would take this opportunity to let you know that at Hope House we receive two grants from Rice Bowl funds every year—one for our Food Pantry and one for our Street Outreach. So your efforts often go to local agencies and the resources stay in your community! Thank you so much. One of our clients has “adopted” our front flower bed with her two little boys and is doing an amazing job. If you have any spare flowers to share with us, just leave them at our back door and we will make sure she gets them. Then watch our front look even more beautiful. Western Washington University students recently did a beautiful presentation for us—check out their video on our Facebook page or our web blog:

www.bellinghamhopehouse.com

Blessings to you all, Cheri cheriwoolsey@comcast.net

“GLORIFYING GOD: MIND, BODY, AND SOUL” MEN’S RETREAT April 17-19, 2015

Led by: Fr. John Antony at Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center at the Palisades, Federal Way \$199 per person, \$165 for a shared room, \$99.50 per young adult (aged 18-30) Register now!

www.seattlearchdiocese.org/palisades or (206)274-31

Saint John Paul II made an astounding claim: *“The body and it alone, is capable of making visible what is invisible, the spiritual and divine. It was created to transfer into the visible reality of the world, the invisible mystery hidden in God from time immemorial, and thus to be a sign of it.”* By those words, the saint-pope ushered in a new era of Catholic theology with his ground-breaking “theology of the body.” Applying John Paul II’s reflections on the human body like a kind of “leaven,” we will explore various themes relevant to daily life, as a single or married man.

You Can Help the Homeless: Interfaith Coalition’s Hope Auction is March 28

Do you ever wonder how to reach out to those in need in our community? As a member of the Interfaith Coalition, your congregation has the opportunity to lift up our most vulnerable neighbors with homes, warmth and hope. Interfaith’s annual Hope Auction raises money to support its 11 homes for homeless families here in Whatcom County, and it supports two Severe Weather Shelters. You can help us do this essential work.

How? Donate items for Hope Auction. A homemade craft or artwork, a service your business offers, weekend or vacation home getaways, gift cards, live performance tickets, a themed party or specially-prepared dinner...endless unique options help Interfaith reach out to those in need.

The second way you can help is by attending the auction. It’s an evening of fun, community spirit and pure inspiration for people of faith. Put together a table of your fellow congregation members. Tickets (\$45 each) include a plated dinner.

Two simple ways: donate and attend. Make a difference in the lives of our neighbors and affirm your commitment that everyone deserves a home, warmth and hope. To donate or purchase tickets, contact Mike DiSpigno, your Interfaith board representative, or call Interfaith at 734-3983. But don’t wait: this is an annual sold-out event!

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.

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Monday, March 16th

10:30 PM Mass Church
 11:30 PM Rosary Prayer Group Blessed
 5:30 PM Just Faith Stafford
 6:30 PM One King Light Weigh PCLR
 6:30 PM Servant of the Lord Prayer Group St. Cecilia
 7:00 PM Edge Gym

Tuesday, March 17th

1:30 PM Fun Run Prayer Service Church
 2:00 PM Fun Run Off-site
 3:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 16 Stafford
 6:00 PM Frassati Young Adult Group PCLR
 6:30 PM Adoration Church
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 16 Mtg. Gym

Wednesday, March 18th

12:00 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 Mass Church
 6:45 PM Prayer Ministry Church
 7:00 PM School Commission LMC

Thursday, March 19th

10:30 AM St. Joseph Mass Church
 1:00 PM Purple Readers Group Stafford
 6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (8:30) Church
 7:00 PM CCS Housing mtg. Gym
 7:00 PM Edge Core Team PC 3rd floor
 7:00 PM RCIA LMC
 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (10:30) Church

Friday, March 20th

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

Saturday, March 21st

9:00 AM Called to Protect Teacher's Lounge
 10:00 AM First Communion Classes Church/LMC/Gym
 1:00 PM Rosary Makers Stafford
 3:00 PM Cantor Rehearsal St. Cecilia
 3:30 PM Reconciliation Church
 5:00 PM Mass Church

Sunday, March 22nd

7:45 AM English Choir Rehearsal Church
 8:30 AM Mass Church
 9:30 AM English Choir Rehearsal Church
 9:30 AM Coffee Hour G
 10:30 AM RCIA/C Dismissal Staff
 10:30 AM RCIA Dismissal PC
 10:30 AM Mass—3rd Scrutiny Church
 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word LM
 10:30 AM Clases de Confirmación Teacher's Lou
 11:30 AM K-5 Faith Formation School/LM
 11:30 AM Ensayo de Coro St. Cec
 12:30 PM Misa Igle
 12:30 PM Liturgia de la Palabra para niños LM
 1:30 PM Life in the Spirit Seminar PC
 3:45 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal Church
 4:00 PM Evenings for Engaged Staff
 5:00 PM Mass Church
 6:00 PM Lifeteen G

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, March 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.

MAKE YOUR MARRIAGE A PRIORITY THIS LENTEN SEASON

It's not too late to focus on something positive this Lent -- making your marriage everything God intended it to be. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) can help you rediscover your spouse and move forward in a more positive and loving way. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning April 24-26, 2015 call **206-706-2** or visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP INVITATION

Rushing off to the office? Carpooling to Little League? Running to the store? When did you last make time to with your Catholic Sisters? This opportunity is for you. Come "*Refresh with Laughter, Return with Knowledge.*" You are invited to a workshop to develop leadership skills for use in your parish organizations. Come network with us at St. Joseph (400 S. Andresen Rd, Vancouver, WA) on Friday, April 24, 2015. Learn from the National Council of Catholic Women's Leadership Team about the Cycle of an Organization, Generational Relationships, Recruiting Members, and more. For more information, visit www.Seattleaccw.org Sponsored by the Seattle and Portland Archdiocesan Councils of Catholic Women.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(03/08/2015)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$18,173	\$ 36,346	\$ 654,288
Contributions received:	\$16,798	\$ 34,140	\$ 650,075
Over/ under for wk/mo/yr	-\$1,375	-\$ 2,206	-\$ 4,153

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

	Wk(03/08/2015)	Month	YTD
Debt Reduction			
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$ 2,116	\$ 38,088
Contributions received:	\$ 528	\$ 1,435	\$ 27,025
Over/ Under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 530	-\$ 681	-\$11,064

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$ 169
Easter Flowers	\$ 123

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

PARISH MUSIC POSITION

Assumption is seeking a full-time Pastoral Assistant for Music and Liturgy. Applicants should have a BA in music or liturgy and at least two years experience. A working knowledge of piano 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 4/27/15. Start date 7/1/15 or earlier. Visit our website www.assumption.org for job description and application packet.

CALLED TO PROTECT RENEWAL

Have you renewed your Called To Protect for Ministries training? Each year we are required to take an online refresher course. If you haven't yet taken this online training, please go to www.seattlearchsep.org. Select "Register for Classes" (on the left side) and click on "My Obligations". **Please complete this renewal by April 1st.** If you have questions, contact Karen in the Parish Office.

CALLED TO PROTECT CLASSES

The *Called to Protect for Ministries* class is a 3 hour training designed to teach participants how to keep our ministries, programs and schools safe. Required for clergy, employees and volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors and vulnerable adults. To be in compliance with the Archdiocese, **all new volunteers should take this training.**

Choose one of the following upcoming classes:

March 21, Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

March 24, Tuesday 6:00 – 9:00 pm

All classes are in the Assumption School Teachers' Lounge

You may register online for these classes by visiting www.seattlearchdiocese.org; click on the box for the Safe Environment Program (found on the left side of the page) and click the link that says "Register for Classes".

A Stewardship Moment

All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

Todo lo que tenemos y todo lo que somos proviene del Señor. "Lo que somos es obra de Dios," dice San Pablo en la segunda lectura, "hemos sido creados en Cristo Jesús con miras a las buenas obras que Dios dispuso de antemano para que nos ocupáramos en ellas."



Almighty and ever-faithful Lord,
Gratefully acknowledging Your mercy and humbly admitting our need, we pledge our trust in You and each other.

Filled with desire, we respond to Your call for discipleship by shaping our lives in imitation of Christ. We profess that the call requires us to be stewards of Your gifts.

As stewards, we receive Your gifts gratefully, cherish and tend them in a responsible manner, share them in practice and love with others, and return them with increase to You.

We pledge to our ongoing formation as stewards and our responsibility to call others to that same endeavor.

Almighty and ever-faithful God, it is our fervent hope and prayer that You who have begun this good work in us will bring it to fulfillment in Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen