

November 17, 2013
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Jesus teaches that his disciples will be persecuted as necessary prelude to the parousia. Through their perseverance, they will emerge victorious when the Lord comes again. As we await the Day, let us conscientiously fulfill our Christian obligations.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

November 18	10:30 AM	
Fr. Charles Cross		RIP
November 20	6:00 PM	
Margaret E Thein Soma		RIP
November 21	10:30 AM	
Bobby Graddy		SI
November 22	10:30 AM	
Lucille McDaniel		SI
November 23	5:00 PM	
Fr. Charles Cross		RIP
November 24	8:30 AM	
Fr. Bill Lane		RIP
	10:30 AM	
Pro Populo		
	12:30 PM	
Gabriel Mbengue		SI
	5:00 PM	
Joe Razore		RIP



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in honor of :
Michael Williams

Daily Worship
Week of November 17, 2013

Monday, November 18	1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Psalm 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 Luke 18:35-43
Tuesday, November 19	2 Maccabees 6:18-31 Psalm 3:2-7 Luke 19:1-10
Wednesday, November 20	2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31 Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8b, 15 Luke 19:11-28
Thursday, November 21 <small>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</small>	1 Maccabees 2:15-29 Psalm 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15 Luke 19:41-44
Friday, November 22 <small>Saint Cecilia</small>	1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59 1 Chronicles 29:10-12 Luke 19:45-48
Saturday, November 23 <small>Saint Clement</small>	1 Maccabees 6:1-13 Psalm 9:2-4, 6, 16b, 19 Luke 20:27-40
Sunday, November 24 <small>Our Lord Jesus Christ 134th, last Sunday of Ordinary Time</small>	2 Samuel 5:1-3 Psalm 122:1-5 Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43



Catechism of the Catholic Church 593 Jesus venerated the Temple..... When he announces its destruction, it is as a manifestation of his own execution and of the entry into a new age in the history of salvation, when his Body would be the definitive Temple.

NOVEMBER SPECIAL MASSES

Thanksgiving Eve Mass Nov. 27th
 6:00PM at Assumption Church
Please bring a nonperishable food item for the poor and a food item that you would like to be blessed for your Thanksgiving meal

Thanksgiving Day Mass Nov. 28th
 10:00AM

SACRED HEART CHURCH



EVENING PRAYER and EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Tuesday eves. 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.
 For any changes please call Karen at 671-1544.

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

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord. He is like a tree planted beside the waters. Its leaves stay green; In the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit."
 Jer. 17:7-8.

Holy Scripture can strengthen us during the hard times in our lives, a reminder that God loves us and is with us in every circumstance that occurs in our life and invites us to go to our Lord for help."

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Fridays, 1:30-3:30 PM in the Stafford Room.
 "When the just cry out, the Lord hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; and those crushed in spirit he saves. Many are the troubles of the just man, but out of them all the Lord delivers them. Ps. 34:18-20
 When a loved one dies, we find ourselves in a place of pain and Loneliness. We are a Catholic based group where we learn to walk in faith, not to forget, but to help us go on with our lives. All are welcome.

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.



SAVE THE DATE

For the 14th annual

Growing Great Kids Auction

benefiting Assumption Catholic School

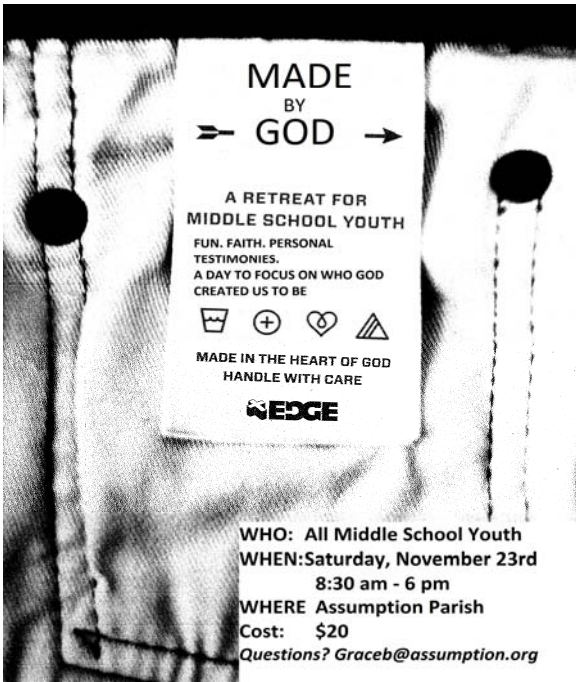
Saturday, March 1, 2014

at Bellingham Golf and Country Club

For information please visit:

www.growinggreatkids.org

email: growinggreatkidsauction@gmail.com



PLEDGE PAYMENT REMINDER

As we near the end of the calendar year, now is the time to catch up any missed pledge payments. We will be reporting your 2013 contributions to you in January. Also, in January the parish must make the annual pension plan payment, so any additional cash flow at this time would be very much appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Our Parish Stewardship Renewal is coming to a close and we give grateful thanks to all who have returned their Parish Stewardship Yearly Commitment Renewal Card. Your gift to our parish supports the many costs of running a parish, including our many ministries, and helps all of us here at Assumption build up the Body of Christ. **Our parish has not yet reached its goal** of commitment cards returned. If you cannot commit money this year, please write 'prayer' on your commitment card and return it. Returning your card will save us from further follow up costs.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Calling all children in grades K-8 of Assumption Parish.

Come be a part of the Christmas Eve Children's Choir at the 4:00 P.M. Mass on December 24th.

Practice dates and times will be Wednesdays, November 20, (in the St. Cecilia Room), December 4, December 18, in the church, from 6:45 to 7:45 P.M.

If you are interested email Susan Roland sroland@school.assumption.org or sign up in the Gathering place of the church, the week-end of November 16/17.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

St. Cecilia Room, 6:30-8:30 pm

Monday, November 18th.

"Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; break into song, sing praise.

Sing praise to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and melodious song."

Ps.98:4-5.

We are starting a new group which will meet twice a month where there will be song and praise, scripture, fellowship and learning about the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

All are welcome.

REKINDLE YOUR MARRIAGE

Readings like the gospel about the end times may seem frightening, but we must remember that God will not leave us or forsake us. He is our strength, our deliverance and our strong tower; we need only put our trust in him and persevere. Sometimes things can happen in our lives and marriages that can seem like the end of the world. Just remember that nothing is impossible with God and he can and will deliver us and bring amazing blessings. Let the Lord strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament; sign up today to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in Bellevue – Feb 14-16, 2014

(www.SeattleWWME.org or contact Joe & Kathy St.Hilaire, 671-4836, or Dawn & Rory Myers at SeattleWWME@Yahoo.com or 206-772-2344) or for Weekends in Gig Harbor, www.MRWWME.org or contact John and Martha Ryland, 253-859-9174, jmryland@comcast.net.

FAITH FORMATION, SCHOOL, PARISH EVENTS

ATTENTION SCRIP SUPPORTERS

Please note: Scrip will be sold on the **first & third** Sunday of the month after the 8:30 AM Mass and before the 10:30 AM mass.

El Scrip ya esta en venta después de la misa en Español. Gracias por su apoyo.

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
Paul Cleary
Michael Condit
Gabriel Feely
John Hutson
Gabriel Rodriguez
Steven Faecke
Maj. Gregory DeMarco
Keanu Franco
Michael Dahl
Matt Edge
Kyle Frisbie
Kurt DeVries
Cadet Garrett Burnham

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

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
Dan Kamkoff
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

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS are sponsoring the 2014 Education Contest with the themes of "Jesus Loves Us, How Do We Spread that Love?" and "How Do I Promote Peace In The World?" This contest is open to all youth from the 4th grade through the 12th grade. Details are posted on the Assumption Church website and on the Assumption School website.

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.). Our monthly vigil will be Sunday, November 17, 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

Monday, November 18th from 5:30pm - 6pm

First Presbyterian Church

1031 N. Garden Street, Bellingham
(360) 734-5510

We are pleased to inform you that the **December Prayer Vigil** will be hosted by St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Wednesday, December 18th, from 5:30pm - 6pm.

PART TIME JOB OPENING for a WWU student (approximately 40 hours a month) as coordinator of the "Progressive Christian Voices" student club at WWU. Please contact United Ministries in Higher Education (UMHE/WWU) at *n.mele@comcast.net* with short background information and for more details.

INTERFAITH HOUSE PROJECT

The Interfaith Coalition coat drive provided coats, hats and scarves to about 300 families two weekends ago at Assumption gym with the help of many volunteers. Interfaith also broke ground on the Our House project in Ferndale and we are looking for assistance with occasional volunteer work, hospitality for workers, and prayers and prayer flags. Contact Richard Pope of the Life Justice and Peace Commission at 223-0276 to volunteer or learn more.

ADVENT VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT DAY

For Single Young Adult Women & Men
Exploring a Call to Religious Life as a Sister, Brother or Priest.

•The retreat includes prayer, multi-media info on religious life, time to meet with Sisters, Brothers and Priests.

•Saturday, December 7, 2013
9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

University of Washington Newman Center
4502 20th Ave. NE, Seattle 98105

Lunch provided • no fee

•Please SIGN UP by Dec. 2nd; E-mail Sister Jo-Anne Miller, CSJP

e-mail: jmiller@csjp-olp.org

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

"Discerning God's Will and Your Gifts"

December 13-15, 2014

Led by: Fr. Bryan Dolejsi

God calls each one of us to a particular way of loving through our primary vocation and through our jobs/careers. Come spend the weekend with other young adults discerning God's will by utilizing Catholic principles of spiritual direction and discernment. Also, spend time reflecting on the particular gifts (charisms) God has given you and how you can best utilize them for the building up of the kingdom of God. Our time will be spent in common prayer (mass, adoration, liturgy of the hours, lectio divina, etc.) and in talks, discussions, and silent personal time. All young adults 18-35 of the Archdiocese are Welcome! Special price for YA budgets! Just \$99.50 for six meals, two nights in a private room, and all presentations/talks. For more information, contact the Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center at the Palisades: (206) 748-7991, palisades@seattlearch.org or visit www.seattlearchdiocese.org/palisades

WEEK	<u>Monday, November 18th</u>		
	8:00 AM	Scholastic Book Fair	LMC
	10:30 AM	Mass	Church
	3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
	6:30 PM	Prayer Group	St. Cecilia
	6:30 PM	One King Light Weigh	PCLR
	7:00 PM	Confirmation Classes	Stafford
7:00 PM	EDGE	Gym	

WEEK	<u>Tuesday, November 19th</u>		
	8:00 AM	Scholastic Book Fair	LMC
	10:00 AM	Alzheimer Screening	Stafford
	1:00 PM	Bible Study	Stafford
	3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
	3:00 PM	Cub Scout Pack Meeting	Stafford
	6:30 PM	Adoration	Church
7:00 PM	Bible Study	St. Cecilia	
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 16 Meeting	Gym	

WEEK	<u>Wednesday, November 20th</u>		
	12:00 AM	Adoration	Church
	10:00 AM	Women's Scripture Study	Stafford
	3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
	5:45 PM	Benediction	Church
	6:00 PM	Mass	Church
	6:45 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	St. Cecilia
	7:00 PM	Stewardship/Engaged Church Commission	PCLR
	7:00 PM	School Commission	LMC
7:00 PM	Whatcom Chorale practice	Church	
7:00 PM	Prayer Ministry	Church	

WEEK	<u>Thursday, November 21st</u>		
	10:30 AM	Mass	Church
	11:30 AM	Pro Life Rosary	Church
	12:30 PM	Catholic Daughters of America	Stafford
	3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
	6:00 PM	Pastoral Care Committee	Stafford
	6:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Church
	6:30 PM	Edge Core Team	PC 3rd floor
	7:00 PM	RCIA Catechumenate	LMC

<u>Friday, November 22nd</u>		
<u>Our Lady of LaVang</u>		
10:30 AM	Mass	Church
11:30 AM	Rosary Prayer Group	Church
1:30 PM	Grief Support	Stafford
3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
6:00 PM	School Conferences	LMC

<u>Saturday, November 23rd</u>		
<u>Feast of Christ the King</u>		
<u>Baptism Weekend</u>		
<u>Stewardship Thank you Weekend</u>		
9:00 AM	Edge Retreat	Gym
11:00 AM	Spanish Choir	Church
1:00 PM	Rosary Makers	Stafford
2:30 PM	Candidate Reconciliation	Church
2:30 PM	Faith & Light	LMC
3:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
4:00 PM	Cantor Rehearsal	St. Cecilia
5:00 PM	Mass	Church

<u>Sunday, November 24th</u>		
<u>Feast of Christ the King</u>		
<u>Baptism Weekend</u>		
<u>Stewardship Thank you Weekend</u>		
7:45 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
8:30 AM	Mass	Church
8:30 AM	RCIA Dismissal	PCLR
8:30 AM	RCIC Dismissal	Stafford
9:30 AM	English Choir Rehearsal	Church
9:30 AM	Catholic Daughters Bake Sale	Gym
9:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
10:00 AM	Grupo de Oración	Room 1
10:30 AM	Mass	Church
11:30 AM	K-5 Faith Formation	LMC
11:30 AM	Ensayo de Coro	St. Cecilia
11:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Gym
12:30 PM	Misa	Iglesia
3:45 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
5:00 PM	Youth Mass	Church
6:00 PM	Lifeteen	Gym



RECONCILIATION SERVICE
Thursday December 5 at 7:00 PM in the Church

THE PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE

Our mission is to envision the possibilities, evaluate the processes, and support the ministries that pray for, care for, and lift up those in physical, emotional, and spiritual need by being an example of Christ's Love with our heart and hands.

We accomplish this mission through our ministries

Anointing of the Sick: Offered once or twice a year at a special mass for those who feel they need this healing sacrament. Call the Parish Office for individual anointing.

Faith and Light: A caring ministry for people with developmental disabilities and their families that meets monthly. Fran Perry (360)734-0141

Funeral Reception Committee: Volunteers provide food and help serve a meal for families and friends following a funeral. Tashie Zang ima_busy_bee@hotmail.com

Homebound Ministry: Eucharistic ministers bring communion to those who are unable to attend Mass. Margaret Duffy 671-4061 duffy1533@comcast.net

Lightweigh/One King: This 12-week, scripture-based program meets weekly (Monday evening) to offer support for individuals seeking moderation in relationship to food. Robyn Keller 527-2193 robynsnewwa@comcast.net

Mothers and Children Group: This is a gathering for parents and young children who meet from September through June (with summer park picnics) from 11am to 1pm to focus on support in raising Catholic families. Bev Williams bevjohnson_13@hotmail.com

Parents of Troubled Adults: This monthly group offers confidential support for parents of adult children who struggle with difficult issues such as addiction, mental illness, etc. It is not about "fixing" the troubled adult child. It's about supporting the parents. Deacon Larry deaconlarry@comcast.net

Health Ministries: Offering support and encouragement to fellow parishioners regarding issues of health and well-being. Judy Ziels jg2ziels@yahoo.com

Shoulder to Shoulder: A fund established to help our fellow parishioners shoulder the emergency financial burdens they sometimes face. Please call the Parish Office

Grief Support after Funerals is currently looking for interested parishioners. Please call Nancy Fudge at 733-1380 Ext. 29.



THANK YOU FROM THE DOMINICAN SISTERS

Dear Father Scott and Assumption Parish Members: The Tacoma Dominican Sisters and Associates would like to express our sincere gratitude for the warm welcome and superb hospitality of Assumption Parish as we celebrated our 125th years of founding in the Northwest with you the weekend of October 12-13. Our roots run deep in Assumption Parish, with the many young women who chose to enter the Tacoma Dominican Community from the parish and the many Sister educators who taught from 1913-1978 and again from 1989 to 1995. Many Sisters delighted in meeting former students and parents and again we congratulate Assumption School and current principal and faculty on their Centennial year for a strong educational commitment

of Excellence in Body, Mind and Spirit since 1913.

We want to thank everyone who contributed to the festive celebration: your Pastor, Fr. Scott Connolly, Angus McDonnell, Mary Chambers, Pat Mallahan, Eleanor Hogan, Pat Huntley, Shirley Dickerson, Monica Des Jarlais and Assumption School faculty, staff, students, the Parents Club who provided a delightful dinner, the Boy Scouts for the pancake breakfasts and the unnamed behind the scene parishioners who are always generous in their service.

Be assured of our ongoing prayers and deep gratitude. Our benefactors are especially included in our weekly Tuesday prayer at Tacoma Dominican Center. You can stay connected with us through our website:

Dominicans@tacomaop.org

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(11/10/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$17,404	\$34,808	\$330,676
Contributions received:	\$20,967	\$40,949	\$322,893
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 3,563	\$ 6,141	-\$ 7,783

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(11/10/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$ 1,058	\$2,116	\$20,102
Contributions received:	\$ 5,384	\$6,214	\$19,153
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 4,326	\$4,098	-\$ 949

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$ 66
Catholic Community Services	\$ 10
World Mission Sunday	\$ 5

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



A YEAR-END SECRET TOO GOOD TO KEEP

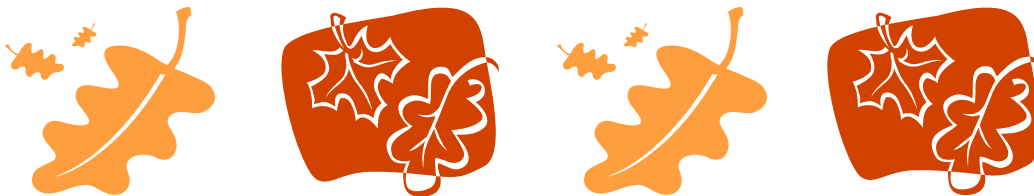
Successful people are often asked how they thrive. What did they do differently than others? One of the secrets they share is the importance of practicing good stewardship. As stewards of the many gifts God has given us, we can give wisely to support the mission of the Catholic Church in Western Washington. When many people think of charitable giving, especially at year's end, they think of making a cash gift. However, there is another way. It's called a planned gift. There are many ways a planned gift can bring benefits back to you while also benefitting your parish community:

- **A charitable gift annuity** that pays you fixed income for life at a rate based on your age;
- **A gift of real estate** that offers tax and income advantages; and
- **A gift of stock** that helps you avoid capital gains tax.

Many of these benefits can be achieved with a surprisingly modest gift. There are variations on each of these gift options. The Archdiocesan Planned Giving Office is pleased to provide information to you and your advisors as you consider making year-end gifts. You may reach them at 206-748-7984 or toll free at 800-752-5902 or via email at plannedgiving@seattlearch.org. You are also welcome to visit their webpage at www.seattlearchpg.org.

As the year comes to a close, reflect on the blessings in your life and consider expressing your gratitude with a planned gift.

"Let us not grow weary of doing good; if we do not relax our efforts, in due time we shall reap our harvest."
Galatians 6:9



A Stewardship Moment

Today's readings paint a somewhat frightening picture of the end of time. But the Gospel ends with the assurance to faithful stewards that those who preserve will be saved.

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

Las lecturas de hoy pintan un cuadro algo miedoso de final de los tiempos. Pero el Evangelio termina dando la seguridad a los administradores fieles de los bienes de Dios que los que perseveran se salvarán.



O Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded by the Psalmist that Yours is "the earth and its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it."

We know that it is from Your hand that we have received all we have, all we are, and all we will be.

Gracious and loving God, we understand that You call us to be the stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all You have entrusted to us.

Help us always to use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously.

May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives.

We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name.
Amen