

**November 24, 2013
CHRIST THE KING**

**THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

In Hebron, David is hailed as king by all the tribes of Israel. Jesus is anointed king on the wood of his cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat yet final victory. Through his cross we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of light.

**WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL
LIFE**

November 25	10:30 AM	
Anthony Bernard		RIP
November 27	2:00 PM	
Leopold Residents		SI
	6:00 PM	
Jacob Kheriaty		SI
November 30	5:00 PM	
Simo Deceased Family		RIP
December 1	8:30 AM	
George Sinju		SI
	10:30 AM	
Madeline Bartley		SI
	12:30 PM	
Pro Populo		SI
	5:00 PM	
Jessica Simo		SI

**Daily Worship
Week of November 24, 2013**

Monday, November 25 Saint Catherine of Alexandria	Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 Daniel 3:52-56 Luke 21:1-4
Tuesday, November 26	Daniel 2:31-45 Daniel 3:57-61 Luke 21:5-11
Wednesday, November 27	Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Daniel 3:62-67 Luke 21:12-19
Thursday, November 28	Daniel 6:12-28 Daniel 3:68-74 Luke 21:20-28
Friday, November 29	Daniel 7:2-4 Daniel 3:75-81 Luke 21:29-33
Saturday, November 30 Saint Andrew	Romans 10:9-18 Psalm 19:2-5 Matthew 4:18-22
Sunday, December 1 First Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122:1-9 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44



Catechism of the Catholic Church 1021
The parable of the poor man Lazarus and the words of Christ on the cross to the good thief, as well as other New Testament texts speak of a final destiny of the soul—a destiny which can be different for some and for others. (Luke 16:22; 23:43; Matthew 16:26; 2 Cor 5:8; Phil 1:23; Heb 9:27; 12:23).

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**

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved), raised up with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God, it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them."

Ephes.2:4-10.

All are welcome, it is quiet and confidential.

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

ASSUMPTION MUSIC MINISTRY

1. "Assumption Music Ministry has been teaching new Mass responses at the weekend Masses for three consecutive weeks. Five minutes prior to the start of Mass we will briefly rehearse the Heritage Mass responses which can be found in the Breaking Bread Hymnal beginning with the Gloria #904."
2. "Sound Technicians needed! Assumption Music Ministry needs your help to improve our sound! No prior experience necessary—complete professional training provided if needed. This position can be counted as volunteer hours for grade school and even be a part of a senior project for high school."
3. "Christmas Choir! All singers are invited to join our Christmas Choir to sing for Midnight Mass and/or Christmas Day 10:30am. We will rehearse the first four Monday evenings in December from 6:30-8:30pm in the Church. This is a wonderful way to prepare for Christmas during the Advent season! Be a part of our big and beautiful sound with voices, brass, strings and organ! We will provide everything that you need. Please contact Angus McDonell our Pastoral Assistant for Music Ministry if you are interested."



CHRISTMAS CLEANING

Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space to help us clean the church in preparation for Christmas. We are spreading the cleaning chores out over several days so we can do it more thoroughly. Cleaning time is from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm on December 5, 13, 20 and 23. Cleaning supplies are provided. Come join the fun!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Our Parish Stewardship Renewal has come 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.

WARMTH FOR THE SOUL



Join EDGE in collecting new/gently used blankets and sleeping bags for HOPE HOUSE to distribute to those in need in our community!

Donations can be collected in the gathering space Nov 23 - Dec 9th

CALOR PARA EL ALMA



Únete a EDGE y done mantas nuevas o con poco uso y sacos de dormir para la Casa de Esperanza. Ponga donaciones en la entrada de iglesia.

El 23 de noviembre al 8 de diciembre



¡Gracias!

GOD'S PLAN FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Thank you, Father God, for loving us so much that you sent your only son to us. Thank you, Father, that through the blood of Jesus and his sacrifice on the cross our relationship with you has been restored and we are your beloved children. Our heavenly Father loves us so much and has such amazing gifts and plans for each one of our lives and marriages! Discover the amazing plan God has for you and your marriage relationship - sign up today to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in Bellevue – Feb 14-16, 2014 (www.SeattleWWME.org or contact 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

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

RETRouvaille

A Lifeline for Marriages – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vī) can help couples in trouble rediscover each other and take new, positive steps to save their marriages. No matter the source of conflict in your marriage, Retrouvaille can help you. For confidential information about, or to register for, our upcoming program beginning January 24-26, 2014 call 206-706-2608 or visit our website at www.helpourmarriage.com

SEVERE WEATHER SHELTER TRAINING

In anticipation of the colder days and nights ahead, Interfaith Coalition is gearing up to open its two severe weather shelters. The Severe Weather Shelters provide safety, food and a warm welcome to homeless people. The shelters are staffed by volunteers from 5 PM to 8 AM.

Become a Severe Weather Shelter volunteer and experience the grace of giving and also the grace of receiving the gratitude of the guests.

Join us Monday, December 16 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM for a volunteer training. Interested individuals and couples may volunteer for one of three shifts. Only female volunteers staff the women's shelter, but women also may work at the men's shelter during the evening and morning shifts. The trainings will be offered at the two shelter sites. Please go to the site where you are interested in volunteering. The men's shelter is a Faith Lutheran Church, 2750 McLeod Road, and the women's and children's shelter is at Garden St. United Methodist Church, 1326 N. Garden St. in Bellingham. For additional information, please call Interfaith at 734-3983.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The Knights of Columbus in Whatcom County will be assisting Habitat for Humanity with construction of a house two Saturdays, 7 and 14 December, 2013. The construction site is at 2780 W Indiana Street in Bellingham, which is near Bellingham Technical College. Please call Scott Hulse at 360 243 0745 or send an email to scottehulse@att.net if you are interested in assisting with this project on either day so that safety and logistical information that must be reviewed by all volunteers can be sent to you before 4 December, 2013. Thank you for your consideration and assistance.

HANDY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

Interfaith Coalition has broken ground on the construction of the "Our House" project for homeless families. Our House is located in Ferndale and the home will provide emergency and transitional housing to three families at any one time. When Our House is completed, Interfaith Coalition will have a total of 11 residences for homeless families. After three months or longer in Interfaith homes, 90% of families find stable housing.

There will be many opportunities for individuals as well as groups to provide construction support to the building process and renovation of the current home. Opportunities include carpentry work, site clean-up, painting, installing insulation, and providing cookies and other hospitality to volunteers. Please contact Interfaith Coalition at kara@interfaith-coalition.org if you are interested in volunteering.

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.

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 for free.

WEEK	<u>Monday, November 25th</u>		
	10:30 AM	Mass	Church
	12:15 PM	Human Food Chain Prayer Service	Church
	3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
	6:30 PM	Parents of Troubled Adults	Stafford
	6:30 PM	One King Light Weigh	PCLR
	7:00 PM	Confirmation Classes	LMC
7:00 PM	CC Spec Proj. Team Meeting	PC	

ATK	<u>Tuesday, November 26th</u>		
	3:00 PM	Basketball Practice	Gym
	3:00 PM	Cub Scout Pack Meeting	Stafford
	6:30 PM	Adoration	Church
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop 16 Meeting	Gym	
7:00 PM	Coalition Against Human Trafficking	LMC	

ATK	<u>Wednesday, November 27th</u>		
	12:00 AM	Adoration	Church
	4:45 PM	Benediction	Church
	2:00 PM	Mass	Leopold Nursing Home
6:00 PM	Thanksgiving Mass	Church	
7:00 PM	Prayer Ministry	Church	

GLA	<u>Thursday, November 28th</u>		
	<u>Thanks Giving Day</u>		
	<u>Office Closed</u>		
	10:30 AM	No Mass or Word & Communion	Church
11:30 AM	Pro Life Rosary	Church	
1:00 PM	Purple Readers Group	Stafford	

ANCE	<u>Friday, November 29th</u>		
	<u>Office Closed</u>		
	10:30 AM	No Mass or Word & Communion	Church
	11:30 AM	Rosary Prayer Group	Church
12:00 PM	Lighthouse Thanksgiving Dinner	Gym	
7:00 PM	Grupo de Compartir el Evangelio	LMC	

ANCE	<u>Saturday, November 30th</u>		
	1:00 PM	Rosary Makers	Stafford
	3:30 PM	Reconciliation	Church
	4:00 PM	Cantor Rehearsal	St. Cecilia
	5:00 PM	Mass	Church

<u>Sunday, December 1st</u>		
<u>1st Sunday of Advent</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	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 Mariachis	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



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



WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11 MASS
We will not be having a 6 PM Mass on Wednesday December 11th. The mass for the Virgin of Guadalupe will be at 11 Wednesday evening. You are all invited to attend.

SUNDAY EVENING MASS CHANGES
There will be no 5 PM Mass on Sunday December 15, 22, 29.

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.

We had our first practice last Wednesday. You can still join us on the next two practices. The dates and times will be Wednesdays, 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.



POSADAS CELEBRATION

The Knights of Columbus in Whatcom County will be assisting with Posada celebrations in all of the Catholic Parishes in Whatcom County as part of our "Keep Christ in Christmas" program. Everyone is invited to attend any or all of these celebrations. The celebrations will begin **Monday, 16 December at Church of the Assumption at 7:00 PM**. The celebrations will continue sequentially at all of the Catholic Churches in Whatcom County beginning at 7:00 PM with one exception as follows:

Tuesday, December 17 St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Ferndale,

Wednesday, December 18 St. Anne Roman Catholic Church in Blaine,

Thursday, December 19 Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Fairhaven,

Friday, December 20 St. Joachim Roman Catholic Church on the Lummi Reservation,

Saturday, December 21 at St Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Lynden at **8:00 PM** following the Spanish Mass,

Sunday, December 22 at St Peter Roman Catholic Church in Deming.

The final night of the Posada celebration will be **Monday, December 23 at Church of the Assumption** where there will be a traditional potluck dinner to which everyone in all of the Parishes are invited. Come and enjoy the festivities as our children get in to the swing with a piñata. Please contact Scott Hulse at 360 243 0745 (scottehulse@att.net) or Adriana Estrada at the Parish Office should you have questions or require additional information.



LAS CELEBRACIONES DE LAS POSADAS

Los Knights de Columbus del condado de Whatcom ayudarán con las celebraciones de las Posadas en todas las parroquias católicas del condado como parte del programa "Keep Christ in Christmas". Está invitada toda la gente a las festividades. Comenzamos **el lunes, día 16 de diciembre a las 7:00 de la tarde**

en la Iglesia de la Asunción. Seguirán las festividades con una nueva celebración cada noche a las 7:00 de la tarde en el siguiente orden:

Martes, 17 de diciembre en la iglesia de San José (St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church) de Ferndale;

Miércoles, 18 de diciembre en la iglesia Santa Anna (St. Anne Roman Catholic Church) en Blaine;

Jueves, 19 de diciembre en la iglesia del Sagrado Corazón (Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church) en Fairhaven;

Viernes, 20 de diciembre en la iglesia San Joaquin (St. Joachim Roman Catholic Church) en la Reserva del tribu Lummi;

Sábado, 21 de diciembre, en la iglesia San José (St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church) en Lynden a las 8:00 de la tarde después de la misa en español;

Domingo, 22 de diciembre, en la iglesia San Pedro (St Peter Roman Catholic Church) en Deming.

Invitamos a la gente de todas las parroquias a celebrar la última noche de Posada el **lunes, día 23, en nuestra Iglesia de la Asunción** donde celebraremos además con una cena comunitaria tradicional. Vengan todos y disfrutar de las festividades mientras que los niños toman su turno con la piñata. Por favor, de contactar a Scott Hulse en (360) 243-0745 (scottehulse@att.net) o Adriana Estrada en la oficina de la parroquia si tiene dudas o necesita más información.

VISITAS DE VIP











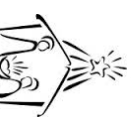
Nuestra Campaña de Financiación Espiritual se está moviendo hacia adelante! Esta semana empezamos nuestras visitas de VIP y estamos muy contentos de unirnos a nuestra parroquia a través de la visión, la información y la Oración. Estará usted contactado por un voluntario que está ayudando a nuestra comunidad de Asunción, a compartir nuestra visión, obtener información valiosa de usted, y asegurarse de que sus oraciones e intenciones se llevan a la vigilia de oración el 6 y 7 de diciembre. Nosotros deseamos conocer sus necesidades del ministerio en estas tres próximas semanas, y vemos esto como una gran oportunidad para nosotros para conocer a nuevos feligreses de la Iglesia Asunción y compartir nuestra visión común. Para obtener mas información sobre las visitas VIP, póngase en contacto con Kathy Ernst al 733-1380, ext. 23.

VIP VISITATIONS

Our Spiritual Funding Campaign is moving forward! This week we began our VIP visits and are excited to unite our parish through Vision, Information and Prayer. You will all be contacted by a volunteer who is helping our Assumption community by sharing our vision, getting valuable input from you, and making sure that your prayers and intentions are brought to the Prayer Vigil on December 6th and 7th. We very much want to learn your ministry needs in these three upcoming weeks, and see this as a wonderful opportunity for us to meet new Assumption parishioners and share our common vision. For information on the VIP visits, contact Kathy Ernst at 733-1380, ext. 23.

December 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1  First Sunday of Advent</p>	<p>2 School Advent Prayer Service 8:15AM Bldg & Grounds 7PM</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Children's Choir rehearsal 6:45PM Parish Life & Socials 7PM</p>	<p>5 Church cleaning 11:30AM  7PM Parish Reconciliation Service</p>	<p>6 Prayer Vigil 11:30AM </p>	<p>7 Prayer Vigil Ends 4:30PM Campaign Cabinet 7PM</p>
<p>8  Second Sunday of Advent Rite of Full Communion 8:30AM Confirmation Rite 5PM</p>	<p>9 School Advent Prayer Service 8:15AM Immaculate Conception Mass 10:30AM</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 Our Lady of Guadalupe Fiesta 7PM Rosary 8PM Misa 11PM </p>	<p>12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Las Mañanitas 12AM Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass 10:30AM</p>	<p>13 Church cleaning 11:30AM</p>	<p>14 Movimiento Familiar 10AM Dinner Club 6PM</p>
<p>15  Third Sunday of Advent Whatcom Chorale Concert 3PM No 5PM Mass </p>	<p>16 School Advent Prayer Service 8:15AM Las Posadas 7PM</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 Nursing Home Mass 2PM Children's Choir rehearsal 6:45PM</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Church Cleaning 11:30AM School Christmas Program 7PM </p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22  Fourth Sunday of Advent Decorate the Church 2PM No 5PM Mass</p>	<p>23 Word & Communion 10:30AM Church Cleaning 11:30AM Las Posadas 7PM</p>	<p>24 Masses: Children's 4PM Youth/Int'l 7PM Midnight 12AM  Office Closed</p>	<p>25 CHRIST SAVIOR is BORN! Mass 10:30AM Lighthouse Christmas Dinner 12PM</p>	<p>26 St. Stephen No Mass or Word & Communion</p>	<p>27 St. John No Mass or Word & Communion</p>	<p>28 Holy Innocents Westday/DesJarlais Wedding 2PM</p>
<p>29 The Holy Family  No 5PM Mass</p>	<p>30 Office Closed No Mass or Word & Communion</p>	<p>31 Office Closed No Adoration</p>	<p><i>Jan 1 Mary Mother of God</i> Mass 6PM</p>			

Please remove from the bulletin and post. Check the weekly bulletin for location of December events and all the other activities taking place at Assumption.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Wk(11/17/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$17,404	\$52,212	\$348,080
Contributions received:	\$17,247	\$58,196	\$340,140
Over/under for wk/mo/yr	-\$ 157	\$ 5,984	-\$ 7,940

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

Debt Reduction	Wk(11/17/2013)	Month	YTD
Contributions needed:	\$1,058	\$3,174	\$21,160
Contributions received:	\$1,892	\$8,106	\$21,045
Over/Under for wk/mo/yr	\$ 834	\$4,932	-\$ 115

GIFTS FROM THE OTHER HALF OF OUR STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Hope House	\$ 90
Catholic Relief Services (Philippines)	\$ 3,685

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

FAITHFUL STEWARDS

A special word of thanks to **Tom & Wendy Donaghy** for all their hard work putting the Bella Notte event together. The people who attended the concert and the dinner beforehand were thrilled with the event. These two have put in numerous hours and shared from their hearts to make this wonderful event a reality. In addition, thanks go out to Wendy's fellow singers in the **Schola Viva** who helped put everything together. Also, to Tom's fellow **Knights of Columbus** who took a leadership role. Our hats are off to you. To all of the musicians who shared their time and talent with the community we say "thank you!" We want to thank **Rob Viens** in particular for all his hard work in making the event a success. And what would the event be without **Matthew Ma**? The names of all the others are too numerous to mention, but please know your hard work is deeply appreciated by all your fellow parishioners.

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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PAYMENTS

Any new gifts or payments you want credited to the **2013 calendar year for tax purposes** needs to be in the Annual Catholic Appeal office by December 31st. If mailing in the payment, the **postmark must be stamped by Dec 31, 2013 in order to be applied in the calendar year.**

For your convenience to make a payment, visit www.seattlearchdiocese.org/pp and use your debit or credit card for immediate processing. For a new gift, visit www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate. For stock, call 206-382-7316 or 800-422-5417.

Final payments for the campaign are due in April 2014.

Please do not put ACA payments in the parish collection basket. Mail directly to:

Annual Catholic Appeal, PO Box 14964, Seattle 98114

Your generous support is greatly appreciated – thank you!

A Stewardship Moment

Today we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of *my* Life?

Un Momento De Corresponsabilidad

Hoy celebramos la fiesta de Cristo Rey y se nos recuerda que todo fue creado a través de Él y para Él. ¿Da evidencia mi administración de las bendiciones confiadas a mí de que Cristo es Señor de *mi* vida?



There is no limit to the blessings which God can send us – God will make sure that we will always have something for ourselves in every possible circumstance and still have something to spare for all sorts of good works. As Scripture says: they were free in almsgiving, and gave to the poor, then justice endures forever.

The one who provides seed for the sower and bread for food will provide us with all the seeds we need and give us an abundant harvest. And enriched in every way, we will be able to do all the generous things which are the cause of thanksgiving to God in Christ.

For doing God's holy service is not only providing for the needs of members of the church and the poor, but also overflows in much gratitude to God.

By offering them this service, we show them what we are and that makes them give glory to God for the way we accept and profess the gospel of Christ.

And their prayer for us, too, shows how they are drawn to us on account of all the grace that God has given us.

Thanks be to God for the inexpressible gift in Christ Jesus.