

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

15th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jesus tells the parable of the sower, the seed and the different grounds. At the end, he adds, “*Whoever has ears ought to hear.*” Do we hear what Jesus is saying?

In college seminary, when we were not busy studying or praying, we would sometimes play prank jokes on each other. One day, one of the guys on my floor thought it would be funny to put an air horn right next to my ear and blow it! I couldn't hear for half the day. I kept bumping and tripping over things on the way to class. When I talked with people, I could hear sounds, but could barely make out what they were trying to get across. I ended up not going to classes that day and took a long nap.

Jesus said, “*Whoever has ears ought to hear.*” Yet, there are many people who have ears, but act as if they had an air horn blown in them. They hear sounds, but don't make out what exactly Jesus is saying to them. The words of Jesus never sink into the ground. Words must go into the mind and understanding before they have any effect. Thus, Jesus said, “*the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and **understands** it...*” who indeed will bear fruit. Let us be fruitful for the Lord. Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen

Coffee Hour News

There will be **No Coffee Hour** July 13th.

Coffee Hour on July 20th and 27th will be hosted by WISH (Women in Sacred Heart).

Religious Vocations

Single women age 18 and older are invited to a Vocation Discernment Live-In Weekend hosted by the Sisters of Providence, August 22nd, 7:00 p.m. through August 24th, 2:00 p.m. at Mt. St. Joseph, 9 East Ninth Ave., Spokane, WA. There is no charge for the weekend, which includes free meals and lodging. For information and registration, contact Sr. Judy George at 509-474-2323. or Sr. Clare Lentz, 206-923-4028, or e-mail vocations@providence.org

JustFaith

Scripture repeatedly calls us to care for the widows, the orphans and the strangers. Who are these people in our world today? What do I know about them? What does my faith say about my relationship with them? The JustFaith program is an intensive thirty-week program that helps to answer these questions through reflection, study, prayer and community. The program begins the week of September 14-18. For more information, call Caroline Correa at 647-1232. **Please note JustFaith parable insert.**

Have an Unwanted Appliance?

Donate it to Appliance Depot, a job training nonprofit that saves appliances for reuse (washers, dryers, ranges, fridges, freezers). All donations are tax deductible. The address is: 802 Marine Drive. Telephone: 527-2646.

The Stewardship of St. Theresa of Avila

“Christ has no body on earth but yours; no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He is to go about doing good; yours are the hands with which He is to bless people now.”



Pro-life Prayer Vigil

Come and pray with us once a month on the 3rd Sunday for one hour from 2-3 p.m. at Whatcom County's abortion clinic: Mt. Baker Planned Parenthood (1530 Ellis St.). Our monthly vigil will be Sunday, July 20th, 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 at 671-4836.

“Conversations with Fr. Bob”

Tune in Tuesday, July 15th to “*Conversations with Father Bob*”. This week, Fr. Bob Camuso will interview author and speaker **Jan Alkire** about Christian driving. For the second half hour he will discuss the protestant reformation with **John Clapp**, who teaches Church History at Archbishop Murphy High School in Everett. “*Conversations with Father Bob*” is broadcast on Sacred Heart Radio KBLE AM 1050 every Tuesday, 5:00-6:00 p.m. and Thursday 9:00-10:00 p.m. It also airs every Saturday morning, 8:00-9:00 a.m. on KKNW AM 1150. “*Conversations with Fr. Bob*” is a listener-supported program hosted by Fr. Bob Camuso, pastor at St. Luke Catholic Church, Shoreline, WA. Subscribe to our free podcast and listen to all of our past programs on the internet at www.conversationswithfatherbob.com

Parish Nurse News

The Parish Nurse Office will not be having any office hours during the summer. We will resume office hours in September.

July 12 & July 13

Isaiah 55:10-11, Rom 8:18-23, Gospel: (Matt 13:1-23)

July 13 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
Sun. 9:45 a.m. No Coffee Hour Shaughnessy Hall
 11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church

AGAPE Group in Hall, Kitchen, St. Augustine, St. Monica & St. Nicholas Rooms July 13-18.

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin, Gospel: (Matt 10:34-11:1)

July 14
Mon.

Bonaventure, bishop, doctor, Gospel: (Matt 11:20-24)

July 15 1:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry Winter Chapel
Tues. 5:15 p.m. Reconciliation Church
 6:00 p.m. **Mass (Catherine Ruth Basta) (+)** Church

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Gospel: (Matt 11:25-27)

July 16 11:15 a.m. Reconciliation Church
Wed. 12:10 p.m. **Mass (Rich Winkel) (+)** Church

Gospel: (Matt 11:28-30)

July 17 11:15 a.m. Reconciliation Church
Thurs. 12:10 p.m. **Mass (Genevieve L'Italien) (+)** Church

Camillus de Lellis, priest, Gospel: (Matt 12:1-8)

July 18 11:15 a.m. Reconciliation Church
Fri. 12:10 p.m. **Mass (Joseph Voyta) (+)** Church

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19, Rom 8:26-27, Gospel: (Matt 13:24-43)

July 19 3:30 p.m. Reconciliation Church
Sat. 5:00 p.m. **Mass** Church

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19, Rom 8:26-27, Gospel: (Matt 13:24-43)

July 20 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
Sun. 9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (WISH) Shaughnessy Hall
 11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church
 1:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass Church
 2:00 p.m. Vietnamese Potluck Shaughnessy Hall

AGAPE Group in Hall, Kitchen St. Augustine/ St. Monica, & St. Nicholas Rooms from 5:00 p.m. July 20 to 1:00 p.m. July 25.

Key to Meeting Rooms at Parish Center:
 St. Augustine/St. Monica Rooms—Library
 St. Nicholas Room—Youth Room/Nursery

Assumption School News

SCRIP sales between the Masses on August 3. Also August 12-13 at the Uniform Sale.

Summer Office Hours: 8:00-3:00 (open during the lunch hour). The office will be closed July 1-July 30.

Attention Alumni: Plans are in the works for an all-school reunion the weekend of August 16-17, 2008. Please provide names, addresses, phone numbers and graduation years of Assumption Catholic School alumni to Jennifer Rick at jrnick@school.Assumption.org. Are you interested in serving on the planning committee? Contact Jennifer.

Registration for 2008-2009: Call Assumption Catholic School (733-6133) for a tour and a meeting with the principal.

Religious Education News

CAR WASH TICKETS!!!

Cleanliness is next to ...well you know!

Youth heading off to Spokane, WA for the Stuebenville NW Conference are outside of Church TODAY offering Car Wash Tickets. Don't miss out on the awesome Car Wash Tickets being sold by our TEENS! Suggested donation is \$10 and they are good until OCTOBER 15TH! What's more, you can choose among 3 Separate Locations. One Car Wash per ticket, so please feel welcome to get 2, or 3, or 4, maybe some for friends!

The Youth of Sacred Heart and Assumption Life Teen Thanks You!

Cast

Ginnie Parine (647-5703) and Lee Langdon (738-4010) have stepped up to serve as coordinators for Sacred Heart CAST Program! Thank you Ginnie and Lee! Sacred Heart participates during Western Newman Center's Breaks. If you or your family are interested in making sandwiches and/or serving them to Bellingham's needy, please contact Ginnie or Lee.

Signups for summer are located on the clipboard in the back of the Church.

Summer Server Training!

Congratulations to our newly trained altar servers: Alex Kelsh, Gareth McGuinness, Alex Jabbora, and Jonah Salomon,

The training was run by Zachary Adams, who was confirmed this past May. Newly trained altar servers will be participating at daily Mass as part of their ongoing training and formation.

Congratulations and thank you one and all!

Sacred Heart's Stewardship Gift Corner Giving to Others! July 5 & July 6, 2008

Envelopes (182)	\$	11,376.07
Visitors	\$	826.78
Children (0)	\$	2:00
Total Sunday Income	\$	12,204.85
Holy Day	\$	12.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	10.00
Peter's Pence	\$	5.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	491.00
Building & Grounds	\$	177.00
Assumption School	\$	115.00

Thank You for all the gifts of Time, Treasure and Talent you give to Sacred Heart!