

## Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

"*Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram aedificabo Ecclesiam meam.*" You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church. Thus began the work of our first pope and his successors unbroken to Benedict XVI. What a great gift Jesus has given to the Church in her "Vicar of Christ."

Nevertheless, one should not be naïve of arguments waged against the Catholics. Many interpret "Petrus" as referring to Christ Himself and therefore Christ never created the office of pope. I'd be interested in knowing what references they used to come to this conclusion. Who gave them the Bible? Whose authority are they using to interpret the Bible?

Here are just a few facts about the Catholic teachings on the ministry of the pope. The Bible was given to us by the living Church. By the year 393, the Council of Carthage had already given us the list of 73 books that we have today. Among many who affirm the office of the pope are (all lived in the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> century): St. Cyprian, Tertullian, Hippolytus, and St. Irenaeus. The teachings of these men have been confirmed down the centuries.

Objections to early Church interpretation of the Bible and the institution of the supreme head of the Church were never found until the rise of the sixteenth century heresies after the Protestant Reformation. These objections are being reused today. Everyone has a right to choose. Personally, I'd place my bets on the early Church Fathers and saints including those who gave me the Bible

Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen

### Fr. Qui-Thac on Vacation

Fr. Qui-Thac will be on vacation from August 25th through September 4th. Fr. Luke will be celebrating the weekday Masses while Fr. is on vacation. Fr. Qui-Thac will be back for the weekend Masses.

### Mass Schedule Changes

There will be no Mass at Sacred Heart Church on the following dates:

Friday, August 29th  
Tuesday, September 2nd  
Wednesday, September 3rd  
Thursday, September 4th

Mass Schedule for Church of the Assumption:

Wednesday /6:00 p.m.  
Thursday/10:30 a.m.  
Friday/10:30 a.m.  
No Mass on Tuesday

### Come Celebrate Respect Life Month

At the  
"Its Our Catholic Faith, Let's Live It!"  
Respect Life Weekend 2008

Key Note Speaker:

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers

When: October 17-19

Where: St. Michael Church (1021 Boundary SE, Olympia, 98501

More information at 360-280-6717 or 360-480-1898  
(Sponsored by Respect Life)

### Country Store

Please remember the Country Store. We would appreciate any collectibles you might wish to donate. If you would like them to be picked up please call Anni Martinek at 527-2290 or leave them at the Parish Office.



Labor Day Weekend marks the launch of Yes to Life Month 2008, sponsored by the Bishops of Washington State. Initiative 1000, which would legalize assisted suicide, is on November's ballot. I-1000 is contrary to Catholic teaching and places vulnerable people at risk. To respond to I-1000, there will be a special financial appeal on Labor Day Weekend. Donations will go to the Coalition Against Assisted Suicide.

### Thank You

Thank you! from Barbara Haddad for all the prayers for her daughter Michelle. They were very well received and appreciated. Thank you very much. Barbara.

### JustFaith

If the world is too much with you, and you are looking for a place to reclaim the power of your faith, then check out JustFaith. During each of the thirty weekly sessions, JustFaith can create a place for you to reclaim the heart of your faith—loving God and loving your neighbors all over the world—in a new and meaningful way. Find out what you are called to do through reflection, study, prayer and community by participating in the JustFaith program. The program begins the week of September 14-18. For more information, call Caroline Correa at 647-1232.

### Sacred Heart Quilters

Reminder to all Sacred Heart Quilters. The quilt will be housed in the Library until September 13th. Join us when you can.

### Parish Nurse News

The Health Ministry office will be open starting Sept. 11th from 10 to 11a.m. every Thursday. Drop by, or leave a message at 734-2850, Ext.8.

# August 23 & August 24

## 21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

**Isa 22:19-23, Rom 11:33-36, Gospel: (Matthew 16:13-20)**

**Aug. 24** 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church  
**Sun.** 9:45 a.m. **Coffee Hour** Church  
 11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church

**Louis IX of France, Franciscan tertiary  
 Gospel: (Mt 23:13-22)**

**Aug. 25  
 Mon.**

**Gospel: (Matthew 22:23-26)**

**Aug. 26** 1:30 p.m. **Prayer Shawl Ministry** St. Nicholas Room  
**Tues.** 5:15 p.m. **Reconciliation** Church  
 6:00 p.m. **Mass (Eva McAdam) (+)** Church

**Monica, Gospel: (Matthew 23:27-32)**

**Aug. 27** 11:15 a.m. **Reconciliation** Church  
**Wed.** 12:10 p.m. **Mass (Howard Josh) (+)** Church

**Augustine, bishop, doctor, Gospel: (Matthew 23:8-12)**

**Aug. 28** 11:15 a.m. **Reconciliation** Church  
**Thurs.** 12:10 p.m. **Mass (Cecil Pinkous) (+)** Church

**The Martyrdom of John the Baptist  
 Gospel: (Mark 6:17-29)**

**Aug. 29** 11:15 a.m. **No Reconciliation** Church  
**Fri.** 12:10 p.m. **No Mass** Church

**Jeremiah 20:7-9, Rom 12:1-2, Gospel: (Matthew 16:21-27)**

**Aug. 30** 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Winter Chapel  
**Sat.** 3:30 p.m. **Reconciliation** Church  
 5:00 p.m. **Mass** Church

**Parish Picnic at Fairhaven Park  
 22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**Jeremiah 20:7-9, Rom 12:1-2, Gospel: (Matthew 16:21-27)**

**Aug. 31** 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church  
**Sun.** 11:00 a.m. **Mass at Fairhaven Park** Church

### Individual Acts Of Stewardship

When you walk in your front door, give thanks for having a place to live

### Assumption School News 360-733-6133

**WANTED:** Eucharistic Ministers for the school Masses on Fridays. If you regularly attend the Friday school Mass and would be willing to commit to being a Eucharistic Minister, please contact the principal, Rose Goeres, at 733-6133.

**Registration for 2008-2009:** Are you looking for a Catholic school with a strong Catholic identity, proven academic success, a quality certified faculty, and an atmosphere that promotes achievement, moral behavior, and a host of co-curricular activities? Call Assumption Catholic School (733-6133) for a tour and a meeting with the principal.

## Religious Education News

### Sign-Up for RE Classes

It's not too soon to start thinking about RE Classes for Next Year... Sign-ups will be August 24th and 31st.

### CAST Needs

**Sandwich makers (3)** 4:30-5:30 p.m. needed for Sept. 15th and 29th.

**Servers (2)** 6:00-7:00 p.m. needed for Sept. 1st, 8th, 15th, and the 29th.

If you can help, please call Ginnie Parine at 647-5703 or Lee Langdon at 738-4010.

### 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.**

### Marriage Encounter Weekend

"Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." Let your Sacrament of Marriage or Holy Orders be the rock for your vocation. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Sept. 26-28 in Centralia and Oct. 17-19 in the Seattle area. Early registration is recommended. For more information, contact Kay or Mike Gougeon at 671-6955.

### Sacred Heart's Stewardship Gift Corner Giving to Others! August 16 & August 17, 2008

Envelopes (144)	\$ 5,590.60
Visitors	\$ 589.73
Children (1)	\$ 2.00
Total Sunday Income	\$ 6,182.35
Weekly Budget Need	\$ 8,097.11
Assumption	\$ 1,067.11

### July Monthly Report

<b>Collection income for month</b>	<b>\$ 35,634.22</b>
<b>Budget need for month</b>	<b>\$ 35,087.51</b>
<b>Overage for July</b>	<b>\$ 546.71</b>

St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 304.00
Building & Grounds	\$ 96.00
Assumption School	\$ 45.00

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