

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

A few housekeeping items before I leave for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land on October 7th.

October is Respect Life Month: Hope and Trust in Life - You know that I have been unapologetic concerning the Church's view on the dignity of human life. Human rights are not possible without the first right: Right to life. It is no secret; the Catholic Church is preeminent in its stance against all assaults on innocent life: abortions, euthanasia, lack of health care, discrimination, sexual immorality...As a Church, we not only fight against these forms of violence, but also promote life. Please join us and celebrate October as a month for life by bringing jars of Stage 1 and Stage 3 baby food Drop them off in the vestibule when you come for Mass.

Mass coverage for October 7-17: Fr. Anthony Ton, a "senior priest" of the Archdiocese will be staying at the rectory and giving Sacramental and pastoral care for Sacred Heart and the Newman Center while I am away. Fr. Ton has had extensive pastoral assignments including being pastor of St. James in Vancouver (former cathedral of the archdiocese). He is an accomplished musician and composer and a trained counselor. I'm grateful for his generosity in being willing to come to Sacred Heart. Please make Fr. Ton feel at home while he is here. I will keep all of you in my prayers.
Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen

Potpourri of Art Meeting

All Potpourri of Art 2008 Committee Chairs and Co-chairs are reminded that there is a meeting scheduled in the Hall beginning promptly at 7:00 p.m. on October 7, 2008.

Agape Service Project 2008

Dear Sacred Heart Catholic Church,

We want to thank you so much for hosting the Agape Service Project this summer. Your hospitality and support was truly appreciated. We hope you know how much you contributed to the overall success of this program and helped the groups to feel at home!

We look forward to working with you again next summer! Once again thank you for your generosity and prayerful support!

God Bless,
The 2008 Agape Staff
Rachael Becker, Emily Dayton, Kelsey Harrington, and Sara Connell.

Note: If you are interested in seeing what the Agape Service Project accomplished last summer, a copy of the Agape Newsletter is posted on the Parish Hall bulletin board.

Upcoming Days of Recollection

St. Teresa of Avila house,
27008 78th NW, Stanwood, WA 98292

September 27

October 25

November 22

The Day of Recollection will be on various reflections. Time is from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring a sack lunch. Suggested donation is \$15-\$20. For directions call (360)-629-4032.

Interfaith's Winter Coat Drive

Please bring clean, good quality winter coats, hats and mittens to the worship services this month. Children's coats are especially needed. Sun. Oct. 19th is the last Sunday to bring items.



October is Respect Life Month

We pray that our great nation may return to respect for life, which is the law of God and a truth on which this nation was founded.

Catholic Marriage Enrichment: Seven weekly sessions, Mon. nights 6:30-9p.m. Oct. 13 - Nov. 24. We will be using DVD,s and materials from John Gottman, Christopher West on Pope John Paul II's "theology of the body", Gary Smalley and Jimmy Evans. Open to married people of all ages, if one person in the couple is a registered parishioner at Sacred Heart or Church of the Assumption. Room for 20 people only. Fee of \$30.00 per couple to cover the cost of materials. CALL Phil and Christine Gubbins PhD if you wish to attend 360-671-7646. Anyone with issues of substance abuse, physical or sexual abuse, or mental illness should seek professional help, as this course will not be helpful to them until those problems are solved.

Marriage Encounter

Sign up now for a Marriage Encounter Weekend and see for yourselves what a difference it can make! Upcoming weekend date is Oct. 17-19 in Everett. For more information, call Kay or Mike Gougeon at 671-6955.

Being a Christian Steward

Stewardship is a complete lifestyle, a life of total accountability and responsibility, acknowledging God as creator and owner of all. As disciples of Jesus, Stewards are caretakers of all God's gifts. Gratitude for these gifts is expressed in prayer, worship, offering, and the action of sharing these gifts out of love for one another.

*Stewardship is what we do after we say
"I believe!"*

October 4 & October 5

Please welcome Fr. Paul Magnano this weekend.
Fr. Anthony Ton will take Fr. Qui-Thac's place while he is in the Holy Land Oct. 6th through Oct. 17th

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7, Philippians 4:6-9, Gospel: (Matthew 21:33-43)

Oct. 5 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
Sun. 9:45 a.m. RE/First Rec./First Communion Parish Ctr.
9:45 p.m. Coffee Hour (Finance Council) Hall
11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church
12:15 p.m. Bible Study St. Augustine Rm.
6:00 p.m. SALT/Movie Night Assumption

Bruno, priest, Gospel: (Luke 10:25-37)

Oct. 6 **No Mass** Church
Mon. 7:00 p.m. EDGE Assumption Gym

Our Lady of the Rosary

Gospel: (Luke 1:26-38)

Oct. 7 No Afternoon Prayer Shawl Meeting St. Nicholas Room
Tues. 5:15 p.m. Reconciliation Church
6:00 p.m. **Mass** (Teresa Ospina) (+) Church
7:00 p.m. RCIA Winter Chapel
7:00 p.m. Potpourri of Art Meeting St. Augustine Rm.
7:00 p.m. SHALOM Mothers' Grp. St. Nicholas Rm.
7:00 p.m. County Wide Prayer Shawl Mtg. Hall

Gospel:(Luke 11:1-4)

Oct. 8 11:15 p.m. Reconciliation Church
Wed. 12:10 p.m. **Mass** (Anthony Matteo Suter) (+) Church

Denis, bishop, martyr, Gospel: (Luke 11:5-13)

Oct. 9 10:00 a.m. Parish Nurse St. Claire Rm.
Thurs. 11:15 a.m. Reconciliation Church
12:10 p.m. **Mass** (Lorraine Smith) (+) Church
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting St. Francis Rm.
7:00 p.m. 8:30 Choir Practice Church

Gospel: (Luke 11:15-26)

Oct. 10 11:15 a.m. Reconciliation Church
Fri. 12:10 p.m. **Mass** (Fr. Harvey Wingfield) (+) Church

Is 25:6-10a, Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20, Gospel: (Matt 22:1-14)

Oct. 11 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
Sat. 3:30 p.m. Reconciliation Church
5:00 p.m. **Mass** Church

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a, Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20, Gospel: (Matt 22:1-14)

Oct. 12 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
Sun. 9:45 a.m. RE/First Rec./First Communion Parish Ctr.
9:45 a.m. RE Parents' meeting St. Aquinas Rm.
9:45 p.m. Coffee Hour Shaughnessy Hall
11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church
12:15 p.m. Bible Study St. Augustine Rm.
6:00 p.m. SALT Upper Room/Assumption Parish Ctr.

Assumption School News

Next School Mass: Friday, October 17, 10:30 a.m.

No School: Friday, October 10, 2008, for Teacher In-service Day.

Science Fair: Thursday, October 23.

Office Hours: Assumption School 7:30-3:30 every Mon.-Fri.

Liturgical Ministers Sign up Sunday is coming October 18th & 19th. If you have been interested in considering signing up for a Liturgical Ministry or think perhaps God is calling you to serve the community in that way, this is a great time to find out more information and sign up! Trainings will be at a later date. All New and Veteran Ministers are invited to attend the Liturgical Ministers Retreat on Saturday Morning, November 8th. We begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. and conclude with lunch. More information will be forthcoming in the bulletin and on the website!

II Tuesdays Adult Faith Formation

II Tuesdays! Our first gathering for Adult Faith Formation is Tuesday, October 14th from 7-9 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Fr. Brian Dolesji will speak about Discernment about God's Plan for Us...finding our true Vocation. Fr. Brian, recently ordained and now serving at St. Joseph Parish in Issaquah is an inspiring and dynamic speaker. Please come and join us!

RCIA begins on Tuesday, October 7th from 7-9 p.m. in the Winter Chapel

Social Justice Book Discussion

This year we are going to begin with the best seller "Three Cups of Tea" by Mortenson & Relin. This fascinating book tells the story of one man's mission to promote peace one school at a time. If you have already read the book, please come and share your reactions with others. If you have heard about it from others, read it and attend the discussion Monday, Oct. 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Parish Center Library.

Bible Basics: Bible Basics is a free two-session program which will be offered Mondays, October 13th and 20th, at Assumption. For times and location, call catechist Christine Heuser, 671-9712.

Sacred Heart's Stewardship Gift Corner Giving to Others!

September 27 & 28, 2008

Envelopes (137)	\$ 5,430.05
Visitors	\$ 796.47
Children (1)	\$ <u>1.00</u>
Total Sunday Income	\$ 6,227.52

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 8,097.11
Build Hope	\$ 10.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 115.00
Building & Grounds	\$ 5.00
Assumption School	\$ 00.00

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