

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

Third Sunday of Easter

The rebate from last year's Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) allowed for us to tackle the project of resurfacing the floor in our hall. It is scheduled to be done by this coming Friday, the 30th of April. The previous two years we were able to repaint the church and the rectory and replace the boiler for our church. For many years, we only talked about these necessary and overdue projects. I'm grateful for the pastoral council's sound advice as well as competent execution of these projects by Pam Wilson, Ruth Miller, and Rick Huston. I am grateful to all of you who have supported the ACA which made it possible for us to care for our buildings.

We are in desperate need of buying new ovens for our hall kitchen. The parish had purchased the present ovens nearly 40 years ago, even then, we purchased it used. They lasted this long because they are industrial grade. It is also the reason why they will be expensive to replace. For the 2009 Annual Catholic Appeal, we have decided to replace the ovens and renovate our kitchen. Your generosity supports over 60 ministries in the archdiocese and allows us to care for our parish into the future. Thank you for your generosity. Your unselfish response to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit is a gift to our youth and children. Thank you. Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen

Annual Catholic Appeal Message

We, as Catholics, are very generous people—and we show it each year through our parish-wide support of the 63 ministries and services of the Annual Catholic Appeal. We recognize that through our generosity to the appeal, 33 seminarians and 34 deacon candidates are being provided support, over 70,000 individuals who seek help through Catholic Community Services will be cared for, that our 69 Catholic schools sustain and continue to grow, and so much more! Please join me in saying "YES" to the support the many faithful servants throughout our Archdiocese who continue to provide the services and ministries needed to provide a Future Full of Hope for all!

Catholic Daughters Bake Sale

The members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will host their annual bake sale in Shaughnessy Hall on Sunday, May 3rd after both Masses. The Knights of Columbus will be serving coffee.

Thank You from Bellingham Food Bank

"Thank you for your recent efforts that brought in \$1,918.91 for our Milk Money program. Most of our clients are families with children, and fresh milk is an essential component of growing children's diets. Your donation helps us purchase the milk needed by our food bank families. More and more people are turning to Bellingham Food Bank for assistance. Each month we distribute 190,000 pounds of food in response to more than 8,000 requests for assistance. We would not be able to do this without the generous support of community members like you. Again, thank you for your amazing work and for helping us feed our community." Mike Cohen, Director.

Dine out for Maple Alley Inn

"Dine out" for breakfast, lunch and dinner Tuesday, May 5, and be an active part of raising money for people in need. Forty Bellingham restaurants will donate a percentage of their sales that day to Maple Alley Inn, an Opportunity Council program that serves hot nutritious meals to anyone who is hungry. This program operates two days a week. Your participation will help raise support for Maple Alley Inn during a time of increasing need. Go to www.oppcp.org/dineout. A list of participating restaurants will be available at S.H. Office.

Vacation Church School June 22-26

VCS provides programming for age 4 through grade 6. Youth in grades 7 through 12 next year are encouraged to volunteer in the program. Vacation Church School is a cooperative effort of Assumption, First Christian, First Congregational, St. James, Sacred Heart and Garden Street Methodist churches. It is held at First Christian Church, 495 E. Bakerview Rd. Enrollment is limited, so please register early. Registration begins April 19th and closes May 20th. Registration forms are available in the back of the church and on Sacred Heart website: www.sacredheartbellingham.org. Please contact Jennifer Rick, 647-2374, or at Jennifer.rick@comcast.net, if you want to help with this wonderful ministry.

Thank You

On behalf of the Polish community, I would like to thank very much, from the bottom of my heart, Fr. Qui-Thac, Paula Mallahan, Ruth Miller and the Sacred Heart staff, Nancy and Paul Orłowski and the 11:00 a.m. choir, and all the parishioners who helped provide food, entertainment, or support in spirit to the Mass and tribute we held on Divine Mercy Sunday, in honor of the fourth anniversary of the death of Pope John Paul II. Thank you, Urszula Kubik. In the words of Pope John Paul II: *"Everyone has a vocation: parents, teachers, students, workers, professional people, people who are retired. Everyone has something to do for God."*

Parish Hall Floor

The Parish Hall floor resurfacing project has started. We are looking forward to seeing the finished product.



There is a memorial called the Blackmun Wall on the internet listing the names and stories of 347 undocumented women who have died from so-called "safe and legal" abortions. How many thousands of victims are there that we don't hear about? Let's pray for an end to the killing of both babies and mothers due to abortion.

April 25 & April 26

3rd Sunday of Easter April 26th

8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
 9:45 a.m. RE & First Rec./First Comm. P. Center
 9:45 a.m. No Coffee Hour Hall
 11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church
 12:15 p.m. Bible Study St. Augustine
 6:00 p.m. SALT Upper Rm./Assumption

Monday April 27th

7:00 p.m. Edgestravaganza Assumption Gym

Tuesday April 28th

1:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry St. Nicholas
 5:00 p.m. Reconciliation Church
 6:00 p.m. **Mass** Church
 7:00 p.m. RCIA Chapel

Wednesday April 29th

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation Church
 12:10 p.m. **Mass** Church
 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Prep. Church

Thursday April 30th

10:00 a.m. Parish Nurse St. Clare
 11:00 a.m. Reconciliation Church
 12:10 p.m. **Mass** Church
 6:00 p.m. 8:30 Choir Church

Friday May 1st

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation Church
 12:10 p.m. **Mass** Church
 1:00 p.m. Adoration Winter Chapel
 1:10 p.m. First Friday Luncheon Hall
 6:30 p.m. First Communion Rehearsal Church

Saturday May 2nd

8:20 a.m. Benediction Winter Chapel
 8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
 10:00 a.m. Sacrament of First Communion Church
 3:30 p.m. Reconciliation Church
 5:00 p.m. **Mass** Church

4th Sunday of Easter May 3rd

8:30 a.m. **Mass** Church
 9:45 a.m. RE & First Rec./First Comm. P. Center
 9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour Hall
 9:45 a.m. Catholic Daughters' Bake Sale Hall
 11:00 a.m. **Mass** Church
 12:00 p.m. Catholic Daughters' Bake Sale Hall
 12:15 p.m. Bible Study St. Augustine
 6:00 p.m. SALT Upper Rm./Assumption

Mass Intentions This Week

Tues. April 28th Sia Vue Yang (+)
 Wed. April 29th John Phyllis Bruggenkamp (+)
 Thurs. April 30th Jaques Salomon (+)
 Fri. May 1st Kathie Banning (Healing)

Weekly Readings <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>

Sun. April 26 Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1Jn 2:1-5a;
 Lk 24:35-48
Mon. April 27 Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
Tues. April 28 Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
Wed. April 29 Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40
Thurs. April 30 Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51
Fri. May 1 Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59
Sat. May 2 Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69
Sun. May 3 Acts 4:8-12; Jn 10:11-18

Faith Formation & Liturgy

First Holy Communion Rehearsal will be Friday, May 1st beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Please bring your completed banners to the practice.

To our wonderful liturgical ministers: it will soon be time to create the June, July, and August schedule. Please e-mail Christina Nichols by May 8th at c.t.nichols@comcast.net to let me know if there are dates on which you are unable to serve at Mass. Please include in your message which Mass or Masses you serve at and your ministry. Thank you all for your faithful service to Sacred Heart.

II Tuesday Faith Formation Program is a panel that will be discussing the topic **Economic Difficulties\$: How my reason and my Catholic Faith Lead Me Forward**. Our panel is composed of Gus Ayala, Jamie Twining, Jim Thomas from the Missions Office, and Fr. Qui-Thac. The presentation kicks off by a compelling witness of the ministry trip to Tijuana given by students of the Newman Catholic Campus Ministry. As with all II Tuesday presentations, Reconciliation is offered at 5:15 p.m.; Mass is at 6:00 p.m. and the presentations begin at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and join us for this timely, informative, and faith informed evening.

Walk for Life

Please sponsor us for this year's "Walk for life" on Saturday, May 2nd. Your support will change lives! The Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic is dedicated to providing compassionate care and practical assistance to women, men and teens facing an unplanned pregnancy. The Clinic was established to communicate the truth about abortion, to equip teens to save sex for marriage, to help men women and families cope with the effects of abortion in a life affirming manner, and to minister the Gospel of Jesus Christ. See walkers after each Mass to sign up as a sponsor or call Kay Gougeon at 671-6955.

Assumption School News

Thank you for all of your support. Our Fun Run was very successful and our auction net proceeds came in only 2% less than budgeted! Our enrollment is strong also. We have exceeded our enrollment goal. Thank you for your prayers and support!

Registration for 2009-2010: 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.

Sacred Heart's Stewardship Report April 18 & April 19, 2009



Envelopes (159)	\$ 6,427.00
Visitors	\$ 690.73
Children (2)	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Total Sunday Income	\$ 7,127.73
Weekly Budget Need	\$ 8,097.11
Easter	\$ 440.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 201.00
Building & Grounds	\$ 50.00

1st quarter 2009 Sunday Income \$107,387.81
 Quarter Budget Need \$105,262.43