

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Humans are creatures of habit. When we have done something in the past that worked well for us, we will most likely do it again. Why? Because it is a matter of prudence. Why reinvent the wheel? Well, sometimes we reinvent the wheel because the conditions have changed. Wheels work great on the road, not on the sea.

When the Jews followed Jesus after he fed the multitude with five loaves and two sardines, Jesus exhorted them, "Do not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life." The people then responded, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" This inquiry reveals their *modus operandi*, their habits. It worked for the Jews in the past: in order to be God's people and win His favor, they *did* his will. It is no longer about what the Jews can *do*, but what God can do in them: "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent." Jesus reinvents the wheel and says, "This is the work of God." Faith is a theological virtue; it is a means to obtain God. Therefore, only God can be the originator and giver of this virtue. At the same time, Jesus does not completely dismiss the cooperation of the people for they are called to offer their will; that is to "believe." What habits do we possess that keep us from believing?

Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin Friday, August 7th, after the 12:10 p.m. Mass, and will end with Benediction on Saturday, Aug. 8th at 8:20 a.m. in the Winter Chapel. Mass follows at 8:30 a.m. in the church.

### Whatcom Hospice Seeks Volunteers

You are welcome to attend an Informational Meeting Saturday, Sept. 19, 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Lower level meeting room, 800 E. Chestnut St., Bellingham

*The 32-Hour Training Program will be held Wednesday Evenings 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday Mornings 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.*

*Starting October 14th and ending November 14th*

Contact Dianne Gillespie, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator  
765-6892 or [dgillespie@peacehealth.org](mailto:dgillespie@peacehealth.org)  
For more information.

**Mission Support:** The Archdiocese gives mission causes an opportunity to share about their ministry and to raise funds to support their mission. At each Mass on the weekend of August 15-16, the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross of Govap, at St. Bernadette Convent in Seattle, will be sharing with us about the work that they do in the community, their prayer life, and service, and the financial challenge they face to educate the Sisters. Please give prayerful consideration to supporting their mission.

**Parish Directory:** You will have another opportunity to have your photo taken for the Parish Directory. We are scheduled with Lifetouch for a "make-up" week, September 1-5. More information to follow on scheduling your photo session.

**CAST** has enough sandwich makers and servers for July and August. Drivers are still needed. Sandwich makers, servers and drivers are needed for September. You can sign up in the entry of the church or call Ginnie Parine at 647-5703. This is a great family summer project. Thank you!

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend:** Give your kids the best gift they can get - parents with a great marriage! A good way to start is by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! At a WWME weekend, couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, phones and computers—and focus only on each other. See what a difference a weekend can make! Plan now for the next WWME weekend on November 6-8 in Everett. For more information, call Kay and Mike Gougeon, 671-6955.

**Newman Center Agape Groups:** Young people from the parish of Our Lady of Fatima church in Seattle will arrive August 2nd to spend a week at Sacred Heart Parish Center. If you would like to help in their mission while they are here, please bring non-perishable food items and clean, gently-used toys and clothes. The donations can be put into the container at the entry of the church or brought to the Parish Office.

### Parish Picnic August 30th

**The Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, August 30th at Fairhaven Park.** We are looking for a team, to help at this event in the following areas: food, setup, clean-up, servers and grillers to help with the salmon and hot dogs. Please call Paula Mallahan, at 671-1374, if you can offer your assistance.



If it is necessary to go against the current of what is sometimes being thought and said on all sides, then let us never grow weary of repeating it: all human life must be absolutely protected; in fact, abortion and euthanasia are murder.

# August 1 & August 2

## 18th Sunday In Ordinary Time August 2nd

8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church
No Coffee Hour	Parish Hall
11:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church
3:00 p.m. Agape	Parish Center

## Monday August 3rd

8:00 a.m. Agape	Parish Center
<b>No Mass</b>	

## Tuesday August 4th

8:00 a.m. Agape	Parish Center
5:00 p.m. Reconciliation	Church
6:00 p.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church

## Wednesday August 5th

8:00 a.m. Agape	Parish Center
11:15 a.m. Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church

## Thursday August 6th

8:00 a.m. Agape	Parish Center
11:15 a.m. Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church

## First Friday August 7th

8:00 a.m. Agape	Parish Center
11:15 a.m. Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church
1:00 p.m. Adoration	Chapel

**No First Friday Luncheon**

## First Saturday August 8th

8:20 a.m. Benediction	Chapel
8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church
3:30 p.m. Reconciliation	Church
5:00 p.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church

## 19th Sunday In Ordinary Time August 9th

8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church
No Coffee Hour	Parish Hall
11:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	Church
3:00 p.m. Agape	Parish Center

### Mass Intentions This Week

August 4	Fr. Thomas Beattie (+)
August 5	Monica Anne Fetty (Healing)
August 6	Helen Mosher (+)
August 7	Marylou Powers (+)

### Weekly Readings

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Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

Aug. 3	Numbers 11:4-15 ; Matthew 14:13-21
Aug. 4	Numbers 12:1-13; Matthew 14:22-36
Aug. 5	Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29, 34-35; Matthew 15:21-28
Aug. 6	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Mark 9:2-10
Aug. 7	Deuteronomy 4:32-40, Matthew 16:24-28
Aug. 8	Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Matthew 17:14-20

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1 Kings 19:4-8; Eph 4:30 -5:2; John 6:41-51



**LOOKING AHEAD** It's happening...although the lazy days of summer are upon us, September is approaching! Last time I went shopping, I was amazed to see all the back-to-school paraphernalia already in the stores.

To that end, updated information and calendars for Religious Education, for RCIA, for Confirmation, for Youth Ministry (Middle School & High School), for Sacramental Preparation (Baptisms, Weddings, etc), for Adult Faith Formation Opportunities, etc., are being updated and loaded onto the parish website [www.sacredheartbellingham.org](http://www.sacredheartbellingham.org). I hope to have it all updated by mid August. So please check it out, and check often! If you have questions, you can always give me a call at the office. Thanks! Twi McDonell

**LAST CALL FOR OUR LITURGICAL MINISTRY SEPT-OCT-NOV SCHEDULE:** We are preparing the next three months of weekend scheduling (September, October, and November) including the Thanksgiving Mass held at 10:00 a.m. on November 26th. Please send the dates you are not available to Christina Nichols at [c.t.nichols@comcast.net](mailto:c.t.nichols@comcast.net) by Wed. August 5th.

### Assumption School News 360-733-6133

**Sponsor a Student:** Our biggest challenge continues to be tuition assistance for families who seek a Catholic education. If you are called to sponsor a student with a tuition grant, please call Jennifer Rick or mail your pledge directly to the school. Our goal is to have twenty five \$1,000 grants for the 2009-2010 school year. Pledge installments are welcome. Will you help? Five donors have stepped forward with tuition assistance grants for the 2009-2010 school year. Any gift amount is gratefully accepted—partial grants can be combined to support the growing number of families who are in financial need.

### Sacred Heart Young Professional Group

If you are single, between the ages of 23 - 45, and are interested in helping to form a Young Professional Group here at Sacred Heart, please call, Agnes Balog at 360-305-1307.

### Sacred Heart's Stewardship Report July 25 & 26, 2009



#### Ordinary Income

Envelopes (151)	\$6,174.65
Visitors	\$ 587.00
Children (2)	<u>\$ 6.00</u>
	\$6,767.65

Weekly Budget Need \$8,232.00

2009/2010 Fiscal year to date:

Budget:	\$428,075.00
Actual:	\$ 29,798.75

St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 95.00
Assumption School	\$ 15.00