

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

The parish was a busy hub over the last weekend. There was a wedding, a visiting priest, and the parish's 40th Potpourri of Art. Although not all the figures have come in, from the smiling faces at the event, it was a huge success. The show brought so many people from around the county. I especially enjoyed seeing parishioners, young, old, and all in between, working in the Café, the Country Store, and around the vendors. Thank you to our event chair, Barb Haddad (who also celebrated her birthday on the day of the event) and all sub-chairs and their volunteers, who worked many months in advance. People look forward to the event because of your sacrifices and energy. It was a beautiful picture of good stewardship of time and talents.

As we begin our efforts for stewardship of our treasure this week, let us be mindful of our need to be grateful to God for our families, our community, and our faith. Many generations before us have sacrificed out of love so that we may enjoy the fruits of their labors. We are called to be good stewards of these gifts and increase them for our children and their children. Please join me in recommitting our treasures for our parish and ministries. We will focus on the gift of our time in Lent and the gift of our talents at Pentecost. Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen

Potpourri of Art Raffle Winners

Quilt crafted by Sacred Heart quilters: Raylene McMullen
Afghan by DoDo Beard: The Spring Family
Williamson print: David Schrock
Stations of the Cross by Richard Wilson: Vicki Janney
Champagne basket from Barb Haddad: Mary Keim
Fly casting/fishing lessons from John Garry: Ena Mihovilovich

Thank you! We would like to thank everyone who donated their treasures and time to the **Country Store** this year. A special thank you for the beautiful hand-crafted items and delicious baked goods. And our appreciation to everyone who volunteered their time, it wouldn't have happened without you! Martha Zender and Margaret Karcher

Sacred Heart Giving Tree: Pick up Giving Tree tags in the Parish Hall before or after each Mass, these dates only: November 14, 15; November 21, 22; November 28, 29.

Homebound Eucharistic Ministers: Please pick up your 2010 books from Martha in the Parish Office.

Marriage Encounter: __Excellent __Good __Average __So So: How do you rate your marriage? If you checked any of the above, you are a great candidate for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! Make this autumn special by devoting a weekend to the most important relationship in your life. The next weekend is February 26-28 in Seattle. For more information, contact Kay & Mike Gougeon, 671-6955.

Celebrate Black Catholic History Month: The Office of the Vicar for Clergy and the African American Catholic Community of the Archdiocese of Seattle cordially invite you to a presentation on Sr. Thea Bowman & her African American Catholic spirituality at 6:30 p.m., on Nov. 21, 2009, at St. Anthony Parish Hall, 416 South 4th Street, Renton, WA 98507, followed by a light southern-style dinner. Please RSVP to Philip Tran at 206-382-4828 or philipt@seattlearch.org.

Spiritual Healing Retreat: A spiritual healing retreat will be at Rosemary Heights, Surrey, BC on Dec. 18-20, 2009. Fr. Elias Vella from Malta and Diana Mascarenhas from India will present sessions "**Set Free to Live and to Love**", that will include Adoration, Eucharistic Celebration, and healing lectures and workshops. The retreat is hosted by Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church in New Westminster, BC. To register call Bertha, 604-936-4669, or Rozalia, 604-944-1554, or visit www.eliasvella.org for more information. Space is limited. Registration deadline: Nov. 30, 2009.

WISH: The next meeting of WISH (Women in Sacred Heart) will be on Wednesday, November 18, at 10:30 a.m., in the Library in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

Advent Preparation: Lectio Divina: Monday, November 23, 2009 and continuing on Mondays during Advent, join us for prayer in the Winter Chapel, 12:10—12:50 p.m. Call Martha Sweeney for more information, 734-2850.



Addressing the Italian Chamber of Deputies, Professor Rocco Buttiglione noted the prevalence of forced abortion in China and other parts of Asia: "There are countries covering one quarter of humanity in which abortion of the second child is required. There are countries spanning perhaps another quarter of humanity in which it is possible for women to be bribed with the offer of aid to have abortions. (Newsmax.com, 7/31/2009)

November 14 & November 15

Sunday November 15th

8:30 a.m.	Mass	Church
9:45 a.m.	RE & First Rec./First Comm.	Parish Center
9:45 a.m.	RE Parents' Meeting	Fr.'s Office
9:45 a.m.	NO Coffee Hour	Hall
11:00 a.m.	Mass	Church
12:30 p.m.	Baptismal Preparation	St. Augustine
1:00 p.m.	Vietnamese Mass	Church
6:00 p.m.	SALT	Upper Room/ Assumption

Monday November 16th

No Mass

7:00 p.m.	EDGE	Assumption Gym
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Tuesday November 17th

12:10-5:50 p.m.	Adoration	Church
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.	Shalom Mom's Group	St. Augustine
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Winter Chapel

Wednesday November 18th

10:30 a.m.	WISH	St. Augustine
11:15 a.m.	Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m.	Mass	Church
6:30 p.m.	Archdiocese Parish Review	Hall
7:00 p.m.	Vigil - Lajos Martinek	Church

Thursday November 19th

10:00 a.m.	Parish Nurse	St. Clare
11:15 a.m.	Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m.	Funeral Mass	Church
6:30 p.m.	Social Justice Meeting	St. Nicholas

Friday November 20th

5:00 p.m.	Reconciliation	Church
6:00 p.m.	Mass	Church

Saturday November 21st

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

Sunday November 22nd

8:30 a.m.	Mass	Church
9:45 a.m.	RE & First Rec./First Comm.	Parish Center
9:45 a.m.	F. Comm., F. Rec. Parent's Mtg.	Fr.'s Office
9:45 a.m.	NO Coffee Hour	Hall
10:00 a.m.	Bible Study	St. Clare
11:00 a.m.	Mass	Church
6:00 p.m.	SALT	Upper Room/ Assumption

Mass Intentions This Week

November 17	Miles Walsh (+)
November 18	Deacon Glenn Clifton (+)
November 19	Kevin Elles (Healing)
November 20	Pete Cardinale (+)

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov. 15	Daniel 12:1-3; Heb. 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32
Nov. 16	1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63; Luke 18:35-43
Nov. 17	2 Mc 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10
Nov. 18	2 Mc 7:1,20-31; Matthew 14:22-33
Nov. 19	1 Mc 2:15-29; Luke 19:41-44
Nov. 20	1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59; Luke 19:45-48
Nov. 21	1 Mc 6:1-13; Matthew 12:46-50

Our Lord Jesus Christ The King

Nov. 22	Daniel 7: 13-14; Rev 1:5-8; John 18: 33b-37
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Faith Formation & Liturgy & Outreach

The high school teens had an AWESOME time at the Convention. It was almost unanimous that Fr. Qui-Thac ROCKED his keynote talk! Other highlights included Joia Farmer's story of conversion as well as our very own CATHY PAUL's teen witness talk! A great Pre-Func was had by our Bellingham teens at St. Joseph's in Issaquah. Hats off to our youth minister and musician, Angus McDonnell and St. Joe's Tim Greer! And praise God for our Newman Students who rocked all the support action to make the event happen! May God's grace abound!

Pro-Life Prayer Vigil: Come and pray with us once a month on the third Sunday from 2-3 p.m. at Whatcom County's abortion clinic: Mt. Baker Planned Parenthood (1530 Ellis St.). Our monthly vigil will be Sunday, November 15, 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, 671-4836.

Please keep our second grade religious education class in your prayers. They receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, November 14.

Baptismal Prep Class: Sunday from 12:30-4:30 in Parish Library!

Assumption Catholic School News

Attention Parents: Believe it or not, it's time to start thinking about enrollment for fall 2010! Enrollment information for new families is mailed in January. Space fills up very quickly—especially our pre-school and kindergarten programs. Contact the school (Jennifer Rick, 733-6133, Ext. 38) to add your name to the enrollment inquiry mailing list.

Would you like to help Assumption School? An easy way is to simply do what we all do by buying gas, groceries and clothes. SCRIP are gift cards that anyone can purchase for those everyday expenses we all have. It's not extra money, the cards are accepted like cash at the retailer of your choosing. Thank you Assumption parishioners, we wouldn't be the school we are without your support.

Sacred Heart's Stewardship Report November 7 & November 8, 2009



Ordinary Income

Envelopes (133)	\$ 7,317.05
Visitors	\$ 453.36
Children (3)	\$ 4.00
	\$ 7,774.41
Weekly Budget Need	\$ 8,232.00

2009/2010 Fiscal year

Budget to date:	\$ 156,408.00
Actual to date:	\$ 158,163.30

Holydays	\$ 90.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 316.88
Building & Grounds	\$ 130.00
Assumption School	\$ 20.00