

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Bellingham, WA.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The scholar of the law asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" A simple question, but a crucial one since it relates to the most important commandment of the Law, *You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbor as yourself*. How do we define neighbor? One principle is the commonality we share; this could be commonality of place, hobby, personality, interest, or education. These are people for whom we are willing to give of ourselves out of love (assuming). These are our personal standards that we apply to our relationships, but, if we are honest, we would admit that Jesus intends all in the most universal definition possible. Then Jesus gives the command, love your neighbor as yourself. How can we even begin to live this out? It seems impossible. I love giving myself compliments, but that's because there is evidence for it. What happens when I meet someone who needs a compliment, but does not provide the evidence? I like to randomly buy myself a shirt or a pair of shoes. Why don't I feel inspired to randomly buy a shirt or a pair of shoes for someone else? Even if I do feel inspired to do this, Why don't I feel it for others as often as I feel it for myself? Houston, we have a problem; except Houston won't be able to do much for us. Let us bring it to Jesus and ask Him.

Fr. Qui-Thac Nguyen

During July and August, our Tuesday Adoration times will move to Friday. We will return to our Tuesday adoration schedule in the fall. If your schedule allows you to join us on Friday, you are welcome.

Prayer Shawl Ministry. During the month of July, the Prayer Shawl Group will meet on Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Minnie Pollett, 4595 Lost Creek Lane, Bellingham.

The Light Weigh. Would you like to learn how to eat the foods you enjoy while losing weight? Give God a chance and rediscover the freedom from food you had as a small child! A Light Weigh orientation meeting will be held at Assumption Pastoral Center, July 18th, at 6:30 p.m. Find out about the Light Weigh Bible Study, a 12 week video series. For more information you can go to Lightweigh.com.

Prayer Vigil for Peace in the Middle East. Sunday, July 18th, 5:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m. hosted by First Congregational church, 2401 Cornwall Ave., Bellingham. Join our ecumenical prayer vigil for Christian, Jewish, and Muslim communities in Jerusalem, for all those, Israelis and Palestinians, who are suffering in the Holy Land, and for peace in the Middle East and the world.

Save the Date. Saturday, August 7th, 7:00 p.m., at Assumption Gym is Ignatius Night at the Movies! Bring your friends and family for a premier viewing of JOSEPH OF NAZARETH, the Story of the Man closest to Christ. All proceeds will support the building of a carport for the rectory, an Eagle scout project being coordinated by Zachary Adams, Troop 4003. JOSEPH OF NAZARETH tickets will be available after all Masses beginning July 17th. Donations gladly accepted as well.

JustFaith. "Love your neighbor as yourself" is the great commandment. But, in my busy life, who really is my neighbor and what does my faith say I should do for my neighbor? JustFaith is an intensive 30 week program that helps to answer these questions through reflection, study, prayer and community. For more information, call 734-2850, Ext. 6.

Faith on Fire Catholic Youth and Family Conference-August 20-22. Come to the Faith on Fire Youth and Family Conference! Enjoy dynamic Catholic speakers, celebrate Mass, and attend the Saturday night live band concert. Guests include: Tim Staples, Catholic convert and radio evangelist; Sister Miriam James Heidland, high school volleyball coach; Steve Ray, a Catholic convert who has worked with EWTN; Angus McDonell, youth minister and famed World Youth Day performer. Find brochures in the vestibule of the church or visit faithonfire-nwusa.org.

Attention Married Couples: "It was one of the best decisions we ever made." "Our only regret is that we put off going for so long." These comments were made by couples just like you, who attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend is September 10-12 in Fife. For more information contact Kay and Mike Gougeon, 671-6955.



Pro Life Prayer Vigil. Come and pray with us on the third Sunday of the month from 2-3 p.m. at Whatcom County's abortion clinic: Mt. Baker Planned Parenthood (1530 Ellis St.). Our monthly vigil will be Sunday, July 18, 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.

July 10 and July 11

Sunday July 11th

8:30 a.m. Mass	Church
9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour	Hall
11:00 a.m. Mass	Church
3:00 p.m. AGAPE	Parish Center

Monday July 12th

All Day AGAPE	Parish Center
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Tuesday July 13th

All Day AGAPE	Parish Center
1:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry	Minnie Pollett's Home
5:00 p.m. Reconciliation	Church
6:00 p.m. Mass	Church

Wednesday July 14th

All Day AGAPE	Parish Center
11:15 a.m. Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m. Mass	Church
1:00 p.m. Prayer for the Catholic Church	Church

Thursday July 15th

All Day AGAPE	Parish Center
11:15 a.m. Reconciliation	Church
12:10 p.m. Mass	Church

Friday July 16th

9:00 a.m. AGAPE	Parish Center
12:10 p.m. Adoration	Church
5:00 p.m. Reconciliation	Church
5:55 p.m. Benediction	Church
6:00 p.m. Mass	Church

Saturday July 17th

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

Sunday July 18th

8:30 a.m. Mass	Church
9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour	Hall
11:00 a.m. Mass	Church
1:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass	Church
3:00 p.m. AGAPE	Parish Center

Mass Intentions

July 13	Samantha Matt (Graduated High School)
July 14	Helen Fendley (+)
July 15	Chris & Doug Battershill (Special Intention)

Weekly Readings

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11	Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14,17, 30-31, 33-34, 36,37; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37
July 12	Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1
July 13	Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24
July 14	Is 10:5-7,13b-16; Mt 11:25-27
July 15	Is 26:7-9,12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30
July 16	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8
July 17	Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4,7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 18	Gn18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42
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Liturgy and Faith Formation

CALLING ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS! Please let the Liturgy Scheduler know of the times you cannot be scheduled for the period Sept.-Oct.-Nov.! You can do so by emailing: sacred-heart.liturgyschedule@gmail.com. Deadline is August 1.

CAST PROGRAM During the summer Sacred Heart stewards the Monday-night sandwich-making outreach activities that our Newman Catholic Campus Ministry students run throughout the school year. Details and sign-ups are in the back of church, or give the office a call — 734-2850, Ext.6.

Interested in Exploring the Catholic Faith?

Have questions or aren't sure? Or are you ready to start the process to become Catholic? Then call Twi McDonell at 734- 2850, Ext. 6 to set up a meeting. The process is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). We will begin our Inquiry sessions on Tuesday nights from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning September 7th, in the Parish Library. Please feel free to join us!

Looking to support the youth by purchasing a Car Wash

ticket (useable any time during the next 3 months ... only \$10 per ticket)? Contact Angus McDonell/Youth Minister — 360-920-8539. Check out the great activities of the Youth online at www.sacredheartbellingham.org

Catholic Relief Services Update: Haiti Earthquake Six months later

In the six months following the earthquake in Haiti, CRS has been working to assist 900,000 people made vulnerable by the devastation. Relief has come in the form of food relief, emergency shelters, water provisions and sanitation, health consultations and emergency operations, seed fairs for agriculture stimulation, protection through safe zones for the vulnerable and cash for work opportunities. For more information please visit the CRS website, www.crs.org. The Missions Office, reports that \$2,219,000 has been contributed to CRS by Archdiocese of Seattle parishes and schools, and businesses and others in western Washington, a record response from here for disaster relief and redevelopment.

Sacred Heart's Stewardship Report July 3 & July 4

Ordinary Income

Envelopes (156)	\$ 7,160.00
Visitors	\$ 658.25
Children (1)	\$ 1.00
	\$ 7,819.25

Weekly budgeted need: \$8,232.00



St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 505.00
Building & Grounds	\$ 109.00
Assumption School Fund	\$ 38.00