Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us persevere.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 18, 2019

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### Sacred Heart Parish, Bellingham ~ August 18, 2019

**Sunday, Aug. 18, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8:30 am **Mass** Church
- 9:45 am Coffee Hour—Family Promise Hall
- 9:45 am Bible Study with Lila Library
- 11:00 am **Mass**—Lott Baptism Church

**Monday, Aug. 19, St. John Eudes**
- 9:00 am **Mass** Church
- 12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church

**Tuesday, Aug. 20, St. Bernard**
- 9:00 am **Mass** Church
- 12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church
- 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Hall

**Wednesday, Aug. 21, St. Pius X**
- 10:00 am Faith Formation—Lectio: Mark Hall
- 12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church
- 6:00 pm **Mass** Church
- 7:00 pm The Word at Wood’s—Teen Study Barkley

**Thursday, Aug. 22, Queenship of the Bl. Virgin Mary**
- 8:00 am Adoration, Confession Church
- 9:00 am **Mass** Church
- 12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church
- 6:00 pm Liturgy Committee Meeting Hall

**Friday, Aug. 23, St. Rose of Lima**
- 9:00 am **Mass** Chapel
- 9:45 am Adoration until 8:50 am Saturday Church
- 4:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal Church

**Saturday, Aug. 24, St. Bartholomew, Apostle**
- 8:30 am Rosary Chapel
- 8:50 am Benediction Chapel
- 9:00 am **Mass** Church
- 9:30 am St. Michael Chaplet Church
- 1:00 pm **Wedding**—Hulsey/Waldrop Chapel
- 3:30 pm Confession Church
- 5:00 pm **Vigil Mass** Church

**Sunday, Aug. 25, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8:30 am **Mass**—Morton Baptism Church
- 9:45 am Coffee Hour—Knights of Columbus Library
- 9:45 am Bible Study with Lila Library
- 11:00 am **Mass**—Roberts Baptism Church

### Sacred Heart’s Stewardship of Treasure Report

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| Holy Day—Assumption | $320.00 |
| Family Promise     | $210.00 |

**The Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions for August 2019**

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly schools of true human growth.

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**Mass Intentions**

Aug 19 Wes & Lisa Dykstra +
Aug 20 Pauline Simo +
Aug 21 Peter R. Kesling +
Aug 22 Esther Van Veen +
Aug 23 Rhonda Brown +
Aug 24 Clark Hernandez +

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You are the salt of the earth. It is not for your own sake, he says, but for the world’s sake that the word is entrusted to you. I am not sending you only into two cities ...but to the whole world. And that world is in a miserable state. For when he says [this] he is indicating that all mankind had lost its savor and had been corrupted by sin. Therefore, he requires of these men those virtues which are especially useful and even necessary if they are to bear the burdens of many...

Do not think, he says, that you are destined for easy struggles or unimportant tasks. You are the salt of the earth. What do these words imply? Did the disciples restore what had already turned rotten? Not at all. Salt cannot help what is already corrupted. ...But what had first been renewed and freed from corruption and then turned over to them, they salted and preserved in the newness the Lord had bestowed. It took the power of Christ to free men from the corruption caused by sin; it was the task of the apostles through strenuous labor to keep that corruption from returning.

...If others lose their savor, then your ministry will help them regain it. But if you yourselves suffer that loss, you will drag others down with you. Therefore, the greater the [tasks] put into your hands, the more zealous you must be. For this reason he says: But if the salt becomes tasteless, how can its flavor be restored? It is good for nothing now, but to be thrown out and trampled by men’s feet.

When they hear the words: When they curse you and persecute you and accuse you of every evil, they may be afraid to come forward. Therefore he says: “Unless you are prepared for that sort of thing, it is in vain that I have chosen you. Curses shall necessarily be your lot but they shall not harm you and will simply be a testimony to your constancy. If through fear, however, you fail to show the forcefulness your mission demands, your lot will be much worse, for all will speak evil of you and despise you. That is what being trampled by men’s feet means.”

Then ...to a more exalted comparison: You are the light of the world. ...The light he means is an intelligible light, far superior to the rays of the sun we see, just as the salt is a spiritual salt. First salt, then light, so that you may learn how profitable sharp words may be and how useful serious doctrine. Such teaching holds in check and prevents dissipation; it leads to virtue and sharpens the mind’s eye. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor do men light a lamp and put it under a basket. Here again he is urging them to a careful manner of life and teaching them to be watchful, for they live under the eyes of all and have the whole world for the arena of their struggles. —St. Chrysostom +407
Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish
If you are just visiting, welcome! If you’d like to register at our parish, you can stop in at the parish office across the street, or go to www.shbham.org to get a registration form. You can come in and get a cup of coffee in the office Monday-Friday from 9 am to 4 pm. Our parish staff can help you connect with the parish community in many ways, including social justice, homebound ministry, St. Vincent de Paul, and more.

PARISH LIFE

A big THANK YOU to our Knights of Columbus, who have generously donated their time and energy to installing a new fence around the parish rectory lawn, which improves our grounds and security. From Easter Egg hunts to youth ministry events and other gatherings, the parish uses the rectory lawn year-round, and it’s comforting to know the space will be more secure. Thanks, guys!

Landscape Maintenance: Would you have 3-4 hours to help weed the parish grounds? Please meet us on Aug. 31 in the parish parking lot around 9:45 am. Bring garden tools and if you have a gas weed eater, we would be most grateful if you could share it. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office at 360-734-2850 and someone will get back to you.

NEW PARISH DIRECTORY! Go to the www.shbham.org website now or call the parish office at 360-734-2850 to schedule your photography session. Sessions will be Sept. 4-7 and 9-12. Sign up early to reserve your spot!

Catholic Young Adults: Join us on Fri., Sept. 13 for Holy Hour/Happy Hour! We will start at 7 pm at Sacred Heart in the Queen of Peace chapel for an hour of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by happy hour drinks and food at the Archer Alehouse in Fairhaven. For more information or to RSVP, please contact April.Waldrop@shbham.org.

NEW: PARISH WEBSITE UPDATE! If you haven’t visited our parish website at www.shbham.org, you need to see our new site! We have partnered with eCatholic, a website design company that tailors sites specifically to the needs of Catholic parishes. Take a look! There are some new photos to see—and you can also register online for a photo session for the upcoming new parish directory.

Prayer Shawls Available! If you or someone you know has an illness, an upcoming medical treatment, or a new baby in the family, we have an abundance of prayer shawls available. Come in to the parish office during open hours and pick out a beautiful, prayerfully made shawl.

Family Promise hosting begins next Sun., Aug. 25 and lasts through the whole week. There are many ways you can help to support this ministry. If you want to help, please call the parish office, 360-734-2850, and we will connect you!

Angelus and Rosary at noon in the church is available Monday through Thursday. Usually the door to the church is locked, so if you would like to pray, someone from our staff can let you in. Please stop by the office and let us know!

The Wednesday 6 pm Daily Mass will soon move back to WWU Newman Center. This Wed., Aug. 21 is the last time the Wednesday Mass will be on the regular schedule at Sacred Heart for the summer. All other daily Mass schedules remain the same.

Grit and Grace Men’s Retreat is for every man searching for deeper relationship with God and a fuller understanding of what it means to live as a son of the Father. It’s an opportunity to personally encounter God the Father and experience his generous love. It is Sept. 20-22 at Rockridge Canyon in Princeton, BC. For more information and to register, go to www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat.

Please remember in your prayers those who have died, especially:

Memorial candle burns for:
Nenita Iturzaeta
8/19-8/25

Pray for those in the Military:
HM1 Benjamin Chapin, USN
LT COL Gregory DeMarco
MAJ Tyler Ripley, USAF
CMC Paul McFadden, USN
MT6 David Varner
SGT Luke Bradshaw, US Army
CAPT Jason Taylor
LTCDR Casey Oswald, USN
TSGT John Coder, USAG
AT1 Jon Silver, USN
CAPT Jonathan Brent
SGT Davis Glass, USMC
Jared Santos
James Robinson
MAJ Kiel Gilliland, USAFR
MAJ Sharon Gilliland, USAG
LT Andrew Remien, USN
MCP0 Anthony Edward Vega
SGT Chelsea Torvik, US Army
E1 Dylan Bailey, USN
1LT Joe Knutson, USAF
E3 Cole H. Trolinder, US Army
LT CDR Scott Higbee, USCG
SFC Casey Gursley, US Army
LT COL Andrew Hoffman, USAF
PFC John Vincent, USMC
SGT Matthew Mashburn, USMC
A1C Jacob Bean, USAF
1 LT Nicholas Karaffa, US Army
SGT Nelson Fitzsimmons, US Army

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ASSUMPTION EVENTS

Protecting God's Children: This in-class, 3-hour training is designed to teach participants how to keep our ministries, programs, and schools safe. This class is required by the Archdiocese of Seattle for new employees and volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors or vulnerable adults. To be in compliance, all new volunteers must take this training. Class dates are:

Sat., Sept. 14, 9 am–12 pm in the Assumption Library
Thurs., Oct. 3, 6:30–9:30 pm Assumption Teachers’ Lounge

You must register online to enroll in one of these classes by visiting www.virtusonline.org. Click on the “Registration” link and follow the instructions.

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Mass & Reception
WITH ARCHBISHOP SARTAIN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST - 12:00PM
ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
804 9TH AVENUE, SEATTLE

Come join Archbishop Sartain for Sunday Mass and to wish him well as he prepares for retirement! Public reception following.

Is Your Marriage in Crisis? There is Hope! When marriages are in crisis, couples often feel alone, frustrated and hopeless. But there is hope! Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of troubled marriages. There is always hope, and you are not alone in your struggle. For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for our upcoming program on Sept. 6-8, call 206-706-2608 or go to www.helpourmarriage.org.

Rachel’s Vineyard—Hope and Healing after Abortion:
It took a lot of courage for me to call, but I’m so glad that I did. —Anonymous Parishioner
This weekend, numerous women and men are seeking help from the divine healer, Jesus Christ, on a Rachel’s Vineyard Healing Retreat. Please keep our retreatants and team in your prayers! Could God be calling you to experience this healing as well?

Fall Retreat Schedule:
October 25-27, Stanwood (Español)
November 8-19, Seabeck (English)

Registering for retreats now! You may call us for a compassionate, confidential conversation in English: 206-920-6413 or Español: 206-450-7814. Email us at projectrachel@ccsww.org or visit us online at www.ccsww.org/projectrachel.

The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished. God creates every person for eternal union with himself and continually invites us to embrace a loving relationship with him. Every person is chosen. We are called to be messengers of God’s love, treating one another as cherished and chosen by him. In doing so, we help build a culture that respects all human life. Every person is sent.

Social Justice Corner

The Agape Service Project abundantly thanks the Sacred Heart community for the continued and generous support of our programming. From housing the youth groups every week, to individual donations to our food bank, to administrative support of the Agape staff, Sacred Heart truly makes the Agape Service Project possible.

Some highlights from our 15th summer:
• 13 Parishes from the Archdiocese of Seattle
• 207 participants (youth and adult)
• 20 additional local volunteers
• 5,425 volunteer hours throughout the summer
• 6 staff members
• 157 families on average served each week at the food bank
• 5,286 total people served
• 17 partner community agencies
• 4 college scholarships awarded
• 66 annual and monthly financial supporters
• 38 members of the Agape Prayer Team
• 5 members of the Agape Advisory Committee

Thank you so much for supporting our program and supporting me these past 5 years. Agape has been a gift to me and I am truly grateful to God for this incredible experience. I will still be around town supporting in any way I can. At this time I would like to officially welcome Kelsey Harrington in as the new Agape Director. She is remarkably gifted and we are excited for the growth and life she will continue to bring to the program.

Thank you, Melina Sergent and the 2019 Agape Staff