Come after me, and I will make you fisbers of men.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 26, 2020

Caravaggio, The Calling of Sts. Peter and Andrew, 1606

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Sacred Heart Parish, Bellingham ~ January 26, 2020

Sunday, Jan. 26, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am Mass Church
9:45 am Coffee Hour—Assumption Students Hall
9:45 am RE Classes Atrium/Library
11:00 am Mass Church
12:15 pm RCIA Library
3:00 pm EDGE/Life Teen Field Trip Trampoline Zone
5:30 pm Newman Center Confession WWU MPR
6:30 pm Newman Center Mass WWU MPR

Monday, Jan. 27, St. Angela Merici
9:00 am Mass Church
12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church

Tuesday, Jan. 28, St. Thomas Aquinas
9:00 am Mass Church
12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church
1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Group Hall

Wednesday, Jan. 29
10:00 am Faith Formation—Happiness Hall
12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church

Thursday, Jan. 30
8:00 am Adoration, Confession Church
9:00 am Mass Church
12:00 pm Angelus and Rosary Church

Friday, Jan. 31, St. John Bosco
9:00 am Mass Church
9:45 am Adoration until 8:50 am Saturday Chapel

First Saturday, Feb. 1, Bl. Virgin Mary
8:30 am Rosary Chapel
8:50 am Benediction Chapel
9:00 am Mass Church
9:30 am St. Michael Chaplet Church
3:30 pm Confession Church
5:00 pm Vigil Mass Church

Sunday, Feb 2, Presentation of the Lord
8:30 am Mass Church
9:45 am Coffee Hour Hall
9:45 am RE Classes Atrium/Library
11:00 am Mass—Shoff Baptism Church
12:15 pm RCIA Library
4:00 pm *No EDGE or Life Teen WWU MPR
5:30 pm Newman Center Confession WWU MPR
6:30 pm Newman Center Mass WWU MPR

Mass Intentions

Jan 27 Salomon Family
Jan 28 James Ingram + Jan 31 Gordon & Juliet
Jan 30 Carol and James Whittrock +
George
Feb 1 Peter Cartwright +

Sacred Heart’s Stewardship of Treasure Report
January 11 and 12

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Gospel Meditation

It begins! Jesus is doing something new. “He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea.” Jesus leaves his family, his profession of carpentry, and everything he has known and loved for the previous 30 years. He goes because it is time. Something new is beginning, and Jesus will not begin it alone. “As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers … he walked along from there and saw two other brothers.” What does he say to these men? “Come after me.” These words are for Peter and Andrew, for James and for John. They are also for all of us. “Come after me.” The adventure of discipleship will be strange, wild, and unexpected. The Apostles surely didn’t know what they were getting into. But the invitation is accompanied by a promise. “I will make you fishers of men,” Jesus tells the first Apostles. No more will their priorities be limited to this particular village, to the square miles of the Sea of Galilee. Their eyes will be open to the kingdom of God, and their priorities will shift. Most of us will not be called to roam the countryside, but we are invited to a similar shift of priorities. “Come after me,” Jesus says. “At once they left their nets and followed him.” Drop the nets of what you’ve demanded your life to be. Drop your self-seeking priorities. Drop your concept of religion as a Sunday obligation and no more. Drop your disregard for those outside your immediate social sphere. Whatever it is that keeps you from seeing as Jesus sees, from loving as he loves, start to drop it today. Because the kingdom of God is waiting for your yes! —LPi

The Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions for January 2020

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Accept the invitation to follow him.
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 8 am to 4 pm. Our parish staff can help you connect with the parish community in many ways, including St. Vincent de Paul, social justice, homebound ministry, and more. 

PARISH LIFE

Sacred Heart is in need of more volunteers to help count the weekly collection. You do not have to have accounting or money handling experience: we will train you. A background check is required. If you are interested, please contact Melissa at the parish office: melissa.johnson@shbham.org or 360-734-2850.

Looking for Members! Sacred Heart Parish is forming a Hospitality Committee that will serve funeral luncheons, collaborate on coffee hour, and assist with various events. If you would like to learn how you can help make your parish more welcoming—and have fun together doing it—come and see what’s happening! We are holding a formation meeting on Mon., Feb. 3 at 6 pm in the parish hall.

Sacred Heart is looking for some happy folks who like to serve! Beginning in Lent, we will need some people on Friday afternoons and evenings to help out in the kitchen after Stations of the Cross. Interested? Talk to Melissa after Mass or at the parish office, 360-734-2850. If you’re looking for a Lenten practice, have I got a deal for you!

Young Adult Talent Show: Be sure to sign up for our Talent Show/Coffee House event at Broadway Hall in Bellingham on Feb. 16 from 7-9 pm. Submit your act or talent idea at aprilj@assumption.org until February 2!

Avow Discernment Group for Catholic Women: All young women who want to make the journey of discernment to the religious life are welcome to join us for a meeting. We will learn about religious life, prayer, and principles of discernment. We will discuss the many dimensions of religious life, including the nine essential elements taught by the Church. Potential candidates will walk through the "Six-Month Discernment Challenge" with a view of moving from discernment to decision.

- When: Sat., Feb. 8
- Where: Sacred Heart Parish hall
- Time: 10 am until noon
- Who: Women, ages 18-35

Catholic Advocacy Day is Thurs. Feb. 20. The bus to Olympia and back is free. Come join us, meet your state legislators, and advocate for just and equitable state policies. To register—or for more information—go to https://lpc.org/cad or call 206-223-1138. Please register by Feb 7 so bus schedules can be arranged and legislative appointments made.

SAVE THE DATE!! Sacred Heart is sponsoring "Respect Life at the End of Life," a presentation by Sr. Sharon Park, retired director of the Washington State Catholic Conference. She will be presenting Catholic teaching on making end-of-life decisions, Thursday morning, Feb. 27 from 10:30-noon. Mark your calendars and join us for this important event.

Prayer Shawl Ministry at Sacred Heart meets to knit and pray together every Tuesday in the parish hall at 1 pm. Come and meet them and think about joining the group. They will teach you how to knit and provide all the supplies you need.

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
- LTC Dr C. 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, USAF
- LT Andrew Remien, USN
- MCPO Anthony Edward Vega
- SGT Chelsea Tovrak, US Army
- E1 Dylan Bailey, USN
- CAPT Joe Knutson, USAF
- LT Bridgett Knutson, USAF
- E3 Cole H. Trolinder, US Army
- LT CDR Scott Higbee, USCG
- SFC Casey Gursly, US Army
- LTCOL Andrew Hoffman, USAF
- PFC John Vincent, USMC
- SGT Matthew Mashburn, USMC
- A1C Jacob Bean, USAF
- 1 LT Nikolas Karaffa, US Army
- SGT Nelson Fitzsimmons, US Army
- 1LT Jordan Townsend, US Navy

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

Memorial candle burns for:
- Gerald Gribble
  1/26/21

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ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Sign up today to attend one of the next Marriage Encounter weekends at the Best Western Wesley Inn and Suites in Gig Harbor on February 7-9, or at the Sheraton Hotel in Bellevue, April 24-26. Apply at wwwme.org. For more information about Gig Harbor, leave a message at 253-582-0239 or for the Bellevue retreat, call 206-772-2344. Sign up today!

Psalides Retreat Center: “Hamlet” or “Acting Noble!” Shakespeare Retreat led by Fr. Stephen Rowan, Feb. 14-16. Shakespeare lays out keen observations on the human condition. In this retreat, we will ponder what he says and what he prompts us to think about when we consider the dilemmas involved in how to act “noble” and righting wrongs. To register for this or another upcoming retreat, go to psalidesretreatcenter.org.

Considering Separation or Divorce? Wait! There is an alternative. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has brought healing to tens of thousands of troubled marriages worldwide. Your situation may seem hopeless, but 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 Feb. 21-23, call 206-706-2608 or go to www.helpourmarriage.org.

Rachel’s Corner: Hope and Healing After Abortion
My tears are of joy and healing and not of sadness anymore. I am free and I am not alone. —Testimonial
Have you forgotten how to laugh and enjoy life? Come on a Rachel’s Vineyard™ Retreat and see what tears of joy feels like. Be reminded that you belong to God—you always have and you always will. The next retreats available are March 6-8 or April 24-26. Call for a compassionate, confidential conversation in English: (206) 920-6413 or Español: (206) 450-7814. Visit us at www.cccswww.org/projectrachel. Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, courage to please you, faith to persevere in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you. —St. Thomas Aquinas

**Middle and High School Youth News**

High School Lock-In Feb. 22-23 at the Assumption gym. We will begin with Ask-a-Priest at 6:30 pm with Father Moore, and then from 8 pm Saturday to 8 am Sunday we will have all sorts of fun activities and games to keep the group awake. It's free to attend—everyone is asked for each teen to bring a food item to share with the group. Contact April Jordan-Hulsey for more information or to RSVP.

If you haven't signed up yet to attend the Agape or Tijuana Mission trips, you still have a chance; April has extended the deadline to Fri., Feb. 7, so be sure to sign up before then!

New Catholic Homeschool Community in Anacortes: Catholic Schoolhouse, a local homeschool program, is currently registering students for the 20/21 academic year. More than an academic co-op, it's a structured program that meets weekly for homeschoolers. It includes a chorus, two hours of classroom instruction, hands-on science, art projects, and social time after class. Please join us Tues., Feb. 4 at 7 pm in Burlington for an information night. For details, contact Stacey Griffith at 360-333-7683 or smchristianson@hotmail.com.

The funny thing is, [while] many people seem to see the Church as uncompassionate and uncaring, it was where I found love, acceptance, and forgiveness.

Social Justice Corner

Our State Legislature and US Congress are both in session. What is our responsibility as Catholic Christians to influence their votes according to Catholic social and moral teaching? Some of us would say “keep religion out of politics,” but our Bishops remind us, “Responsible citizenship is a virtue and participation in political life is a moral obligation.”

Catholic Advocacy Day is an opportunity to join Catholics from across the state to make our voices heard in the state legislature. This year’s theme is Catholics for the Common Good. The plan is to address issues of affordable housing, human trafficking, the death penalty, and care for creation, although priority issues may change based on developments during the legislative session. The day includes prayer, a keynote presentation on Washington State’s financial structure, briefings on legislative issues, stories of how our advocacy is making a difference, and group appointments with district legislators.

I can speak from experience, having participated several times over recent years. The gathering of several hundred people is a visible sign that together we can make a difference! And there is no pressure to speak on an issue if you’re not comfortable doing that—your presence will be a witness of your concern and commitment. The (free) bus ride is also a chance to connect with others from our area.

Pre-register by Feb 7 at https://ipjc.org/cad or call 206-223-1138. Questions? Email catholicadvocacyday@ipjc.org. Also, consider signing up for action alerts from the Washington State Catholic Conference (WSCC) on their website, www.thewsc.org. This is an easy way to stay informed.

—Carol Gavarecki
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