

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



*“My soul proclaims the greatness
of the Lord; my spirit rejoices
in God my savior.”*

Luke 1:46-47

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am
Weekdays 8:00am Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri
Wednesday School Mass at 8:45am
Rosary before Daily Mass
Holy Days announced in bulletin
Confession Saturday 3:30-4:30pm;
Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm
(or by appointment)
Adoration Wednesday 9:30am-5:30pm

Assumption Parish School

Principal—TJ Romano 328-1115

Pre-School—Kindergarten—Grades 1-8

www.assumptioncatholic.org

*“Be strong, be brave, be fearless;
for with God you are never alone”*

Sacraments

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist — Contact the Parish Office

Anointing of the Sick — Contact the Parish Office

Marriage — Contact the Parish Office.

(Diocesan requirements include at least 6 months of marriage preparation)

Parish Council

Christine Anderson Carolyn McCanna
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Finance Council

Bill Arnold Greg Hicks
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SUNDAY	MAY 13 Mother's Day
8:00am	Mass
10:30am	Mass
MONDAY	MAY 14
8:00am	Mass
TUESDAY	MAY 15
8:00am	Mass
9:00am	Ladies Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	MAY 16
8:45am	Mass
9:30am	Adoration
4:30pm	Confessions
5:30pm	Benediction
THURSDAY	MAY 17
8:00am	Mass
FRIDAY	MAY 18
8:00am	Mass
SATURDAY	MAY 19
7:00am	Men's Bible Study
3:30pm	Confession
5:00pm	Mass
SUNDAY	MAY 20
8:00am	Mass + Coffee & Donuts
10:30am	Mass + Coffee & Donuts



05/13	Sunday	8:00am	Assumption Parishioners
		10:30am	Leo Miller +
05/14	Monday		Charlotte Geraghty
05/15	Tuesday		Adrian de Borba
05/16	Wednesday		Nancy Jensen +
05/17	Thursday		Floyd Geiger +
05/18	Friday		Excelsior Community
05/19	Saturday		Assumption Parishioners
05/20	Sunday		Tim Coyle
			Cecelia Major +

Loving God,
 As a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church.
 Bless our mother.
 Let the example of her faith and love shine forth.
 Grant that we, her family,
 may honor her always with a spirit of profound respect.
 Grant this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen

Please pray for: Joan Hastings, Jan Erickson, Bob Hansen, Teresa Brennan, Joyce, Dean, Barry Hayes, Marlene Bumbeck, Bailey Cooper, Clara Fischer, Helen Black, Stacey Hastings, Susan, Janie, Mike Schauble, Gerrine Njenga, Peg Walsh, Sean, Dick Henrichs, Anita Brennan, and all who are sick or recovering from surgery. If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please call Barbara Rice (327-8124) or Kathryn Overland (328-8523).



May 6, 2018: \$10,202.00 Needy: \$1,001.00



"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10)



MAY 13, 2018

The Ascension of the Lord



“The Ascension is not an isolated episode. No scriptural text that presents the Lord being raised to heaven after his resurrection speaks of it thus. It is part of the mystery, it is a fact concerning the person and mission of the Son of God who came to dwell a little while among us, taking on human nature, and who, at a time established by the Father, returned to him. As the mystery of God and his Christ, this fact concerns all people, pointing them to their salvation, collectively and individually. It cannot be envisioned except in this double dimension. Scripture does not speak of God and Christ ‘in themselves’ abstractly, but of God and Christ known in faith, such as they are for us... As it brings Jesus’ earthly mission to an end, the ascension ushers in a new age, toward which the Lord himself had directed the disciples; the age of the church and its mission. The last appearance of the risen Christ, which ends Luke’s Gospel, leads the way to his future...” — The Days of the Lord

There always seems to be some questions about the Ascension —‘is it still a Holy Day of Obligation?’ ‘Didn’t it used to be on a Thursday?’ “Who changed it and why?’ In short, ‘yes, it is still a Holy Day of Obligations—as are *all* Sundays of the year,’ ‘yes, it did used to be celebrated on Thursday — the 40th day following the Resurrection,’ and ‘it has been changed in most ecclesiastical provinces of the United States because the decision was given to national conferences of bishops to determine what would be most beneficial in their conference. In turn, the USCCB left it up to each individual ecclesiastical province to decide the date for the celebration of the Ascension.’

Even after nearly 40 years (the norms for the Roman Calendar were revised in 1969), where 80% of the dioceses in this country celebrate the mystery of the Ascension on Sunday rather than Thursday, the question still emerges. *Because* it is such a significant event of the Paschal Mystery — one cannot celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and thus, the birth of the Church, without that concrete and physical presence of Christ moving beyond human grasp. It is always too much of a tendency to place the responsibility of resolving issues into someone else’s hands, rather than taking on the role and responsibility that is properly ours. To *be* the church means *we* must embrace the challenges of our own inadequacies, the struggles with pride and control and the challenges of human conflict in order to participate in that great mystery of resurrection. We cannot just lay all our problems on Jesus’ shoulders to let Him ‘take care of things.’ The gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to *us* in order that we might be the living Body of Christ in our world. With a physical Jesus present in our midst at all of the crucial moments of decision-making we would naturally defer to Him. It would absolve us of the responsibility of making tough decisions, of allowing our consciences to be formed and rob us of the opportunities that the gift of free will gives. Remembering that the gift of free will is that which enables us to love, to sacrifice a bit of our own pride and to commit to a vision that is larger than our own. One can only imagine the tragedy of the quality of life without love, sacrifice, heroism, artistic creativity or beauty. Jesus tells us again and again that “God is love,” and he teaches us by moving beyond our grasp that it is *love* that is the powerful and life-changing dynamic that changes human hearts and so changes and renews the face of the earth.

MANOR CARE Volunteers are needed to bring communion to Manor Care on the third Thursday of the month for April—November. If you are interested, please call Barbara Rice (327-8124).

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR—The new schedule will begin Memorial Day weekend (May 26-27) and run through mid-September. Please drop a note, email or call the Parish Office by Tue, May 16 with days you are not able to serve. We thank you for your time and dedication!

FAITH—FAMILY—FUN in celebration of Pentecost, on Sun, May 20, we would like to invite all families with children of any age, to a family potluck and an evening of faith enrichment. Please join us from 4:30-6:00pm in the gym with a dish to share.

- Our purpose and hope is to develop peer support within our community; as families seek ideas and suggestions to help pass on our rich tradition of Catholic faith.
- Additional gatherings will be planned according to our liturgical seasons.
- Any questions? - please call the Parish Office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is coming the week of June 25-29. Volunteers are needed— if the Holy Spirit is moving you to volunteer—please call Jane Weigelt at 844-2265.



Thanks Mom!

At his graduation, a young man tasked with giving a speech began reading from some notes. "I want to talk about my mother and the wonderful influence she had on my life," he said. "She's a shining example of parenthood, and I love her more than words can ever do justice."



The graduate then paused, appeared to struggle a moment and looked up at the audience with a mischievous smile. "It's really hard to read my mom's handwriting," he said.

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY



will have their last meeting of the spring next
Tues, May 15.
Meetings will begin again in September.

Wishing everyone a blessed summer

CAPA/PREPARES PROGRAM through Catholic Charities is always in need of diapers, sizes 4,5, and 6, boys and girls clothing, size 2T-6T. Items may be dropped off at the Parish Office or in the church foyer. Please take time to visit their website and learn more about the wonderful work they do in helping strengthen and heal families:
www.catholiccharitiesspokane.org and click on the "Programs" link.

CARITAS OUTREACH MINISTRIES



Food items needed: Canned meat, canned fruit, boxed cereal, jam, ravioli

Necessities: Kleenex, dish soap, laundry soap. **Volunteer Opportunities:

- We are looking for a few enthusiastic souls to join our fundraiser committee! Caritas is growing and we are seeking new and exciting ways to support our mission. Contact 509-326-2249 or email staff@caritasoutreachministries.org for more information



ASSUMPTION PARISH SCHOOL
TJ Romano, Principal



BLOOD DRIVE Assumption Parish School is again partnering with Inland Northwest Blood Center to host a Blood Drive on Monday, May 14. 12:00-5:45pm. Last year, 38 people generously gave of their time, and we received \$1,500 to spend on FOSS science kits for our K-5 grade students! (Each FOSS kit is a set of science lab experiments that gives students hands-on learning). This year we hope to purchase these kits for our Junior High students. You may make an appointment by calling the INBC at 1-800-423-0151 or go online at www.inbcaves.org. Thank you!



USED BOOK SALE A great opportunity to find books for summertime reading! Stop by the library May 21-23. Do you have books to donate? Please drop them by the School Office during school hours.

GUATEMALA MISSION CELEBRATION The Diocesan Guatemala Commission would like to invite everyone to the Sixth Annual Diocesan-wide Guatemala Mission Celebration will be held on Monday, June 4th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at Barrister Winery, Spokane. Honored guests will be Fr. Michael Savelesky, prior chairperson of the Guatemala Commission, and the people of the Mission (via video taken in February). More information is available on the webpage: <http://dioceseofspokane.org/diocese-of-solola>



Steubenville Northwest Conference 2018

July 27-29

Join hundreds of high school students for another amazing summer conference. Come praise with the Ben Walther Band and hear moving testimonies from Kris Frank, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, Fr. Jim Crisman, and more! Take time this summer to grow in your faith! The cost is \$172, scholarships available.

Contact Shad Gallaway to register before May 18th.

509-251-1793

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PARISH LIBRARY

Sonja Corbitt tells us why she became a Catholic in *Fulfilled: Uncovering the Biblical foundations of Catholicism*. A new guide book from Ascension Press. Shelved with **Bible**. See the parish website under **Faith Formation** for open hours, book lists, etc.



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