



For the One who carved the islands / has come to live among us,
And this is the house He has chosen, / St. Mary Star of the Sea. — Anne Porter



**GREETERS AND SERVERS—NEXT WEEK
OCT. 7/8, 2017**

REMINDER: Servers and Greeters, not Parish staff, are responsible for finding a substitute once a schedule is disseminated. Thanks.

GREETERS

- SAT. 8:45 am: Carmen Boling
- SAT. 5:30 pm: Victoria Miller
- SUN. 8:15 am: Marlene & Pat O'Keefe
- SUN. 11:00 am: Mary & Michael Kulish

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 9:00 AM: **For the Repose of the soul of Gary Pelroy**, as requested by Natalia Guevara.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 5:30 PM: **For the repose of the souls of all unborn children who have lost their lives through miscarriage and the sin of abortion.**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 8:15 AM: **For the repose of souls of Stan & Tom Lorecki** as requested by Bernice Messmer.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 11:00 AM: **For the repose of the soul of Bill Monroe**, as requested by his wife Linda Monroe.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 12:05 PM: **For the special intentions of the living members of St. Mary Star of the Sea Ladies Guild.**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 6:30 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Ralph Tiddy**, father of Mary Pat Griswold.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 12:05 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Jerome Neal brother of Thomas Neal.**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 12:05 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Mary Laughran**, as requested by Don and Jean Giedt.

Readings for the Week...

MONDAY Exodus 23:20-23 Psalms 91:1-6, 10-11 Matthew 18:1-5, 10	TUESDAY Zechariah 8:20-23 Psalms 87:1-7 Luke 9:51-56	WEDNESDAY: Sirach 50:1, 3-4, 6-7 Psalms 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11 Galatians 6:14-18 Matthew 11:25-30	THURSDAY: Nehemiah 8:1-12 Psalms 19:8-11 Luke 10:1-12	FRIDAY: Baruch 1:15-22 Psalms 79:1-5, 8-9 Luke 10:13-16	SATURDAY: Acts 1:12-14 Luke 1:46-55 Luke 1:26-38	SUNDAY: Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:9, 12-16, 19-20 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 11:30 am: CONFESSIONS
- 12:05 pm: MASS
- 1:00 pm: Ladies Guild
- 3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
- 6:00 pm: Rainshadow--Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

- 12:05 am: Communion Service
- 3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
- 6:00 pm: Choir Practice--Church

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

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- 3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
- 6:00 pm: CONFESSIONS
- 6:30 pm: MASS
- 7:00 pm: RCIA--Hall

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

- 11:30 am: CONFESSIONS
- 12:05 pm: MASS
- 3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
- 6:00 pm: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting--Hall

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

- 11:30 am: CONFESSIONS
- 12:05 pm: MASS
- 1-Midnight: Adoration--Church
- 1:00 pm: Book Club Group--Rm. 6
- 3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

- Midnight-9:00 am: Adoration--Church
- 9:00 am: Spanish Mass
- 10:00-noon: SPANISH LUNCH--HALL
- 4:30 pm: CONFESSIONS
- 5:30 pm: MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 8:15 am: MASS (CONFESSION 30 MIN. PRIOR)
- 9:30 am: Religious Education--Classrooms
- 11:00 am: YOUTH MASS (CONFESSION 30 MIN. PRIOR)
- 12:30 pm: Theology Kettle--Hall
- 5:00 pm: Port Townsend Chorus--Hall
- 6:30 pm: Rosary



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Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sept. 30/Oct. 1, 2017

AROUND THE PARISH



COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEKEND

There will be a coffee hour after the 8:15 Mass only this Sunday. Everyone is most welcome to stop by. Volunteers to help host at these Coffee Hours in the future would be very much appreciated. For now, a Sunday without an assigned host will not have a Coffee Hour which will be announced at Mass on those occasions.



**--REMINDER--
YOUTH MASS NEXT SUNDAY
October 7, 11:00 am**

The regular Youth Mass (second Sunday of each month) will be held for all the youth of the Parish next Sunday, at the 11:00 am Mass.



MASS COUNTERS NEEDED

Mass counters are still needed to assist at the 8:15 and 11:00 Sunday Masses during the month of October. If you could help with this project please contact the Parish Office.



PROPOSED CHANGES TO MASS TIMES

TO START SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017

Saturday	4:30 pm (Through the winter)
Sunday	8:00 am
	9:45 am (Spanish)
	11:15 am
Wednesday	5:30 pm (Through the winter)

The Archdiocese has told us that the Spanish Mass is to be celebrated on Sunday instead of Saturday mornings. The proposed changes for Sunday will accommodate that change. Please let either members of the Parish Pastoral Council or the office staff know of any concerns that you might have regarding these changes.

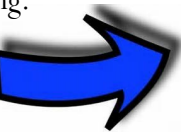


NEW GLORY TO GOD IN OCTOBER

We will begin singing the new 'Glory to God' the weekend of October 7-8. Music will be available in the pews. If you want to get a head start on getting to know it, go to stmaryss.com and click on the 'Archives' tab then look for "New Glory to God" for the sheet music and sing-along recording.

"OUR MISSION IS TO..."

**CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST BY MASS, SACRAMENTS, AND PRAYER;
LIVE CHRIST'S LOVE BY SERVING OTHERS, ESPECIALLY THE POOR, NEGLECTED, AND SUFFERING;
GROW IN THE TRUTHS AND VALUES OF OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION, TEACH THEM TO OUR CHILDREN, AND
PROCLAIM THEM TO THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW THEM."**





*FROM THE DESK OF
FATHER PETER
ADOKO-ENCHILL...*

Some Aspects of Ghanaian Culture (AKANS)

I have been asked to share some thoughts on some practices of the Ghanaian culture. I hope it will be of help to some of you to know what my people believe in. In general, the cultural practices in Ghana are very close to the practices of the Jewish people. For example, the numbers, **three, seven, forty; and the eight day practices, naming ceremony, puberty rites and purifications in connection with first menstruation**, and some more are similar to those of the Jews.

I would like to share with you the RESPECT FOR THE ELDERLY.

In Ghana the elders are accorded due respect. It includes those who are chosen to lead the people in various capacities like kings, chiefs, clan and tribal leaders, family elders, and those chosen to lead various battalions in cases of tribal wars, (during the ancient times). Even if the one chosen to be a king or chief or to lead in any capacity is young (as it often happened) he or she should be respected even by those who are older than he or she is.

Generally, when talking to an elderly person you should not put your hands in your pocket; your hands should be beside or behind you. You should not interrupt the elder when talking. When you are among the elderly you are not to join in their conversation unless you are invited to participate, or the matter is about you and you are to state your case.

When you meet an elderly person, you the younger should greet first and the elder will respond and ask how you are doing. If the path is narrow, and you meet someone older than you, you give her or him a way of passage. The young ones are to help the older people to carry or hold their loads or luggage.

The elderly are respected and obeyed in many ways. It is not though as if it is a one way affair. The elderly also give the people and the young one due respect as well. In fact, respect and good manners are to be exhibited across the board, but more to the elderly. The manner you talk to the elderly, how you respond to calls, and your behavior in their presence should be very respectful.

I will end here and continue later.

Fr. Peter

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE**

SÁBADO MISA EN ESPAÑOL	9:00 am
SATURDAY VIGIL	5:30 pm
SUNDAY	8:15 am & 11:00 am
MONDAY	12:05 pm
TUESDAY ** COMMUNION SERVICE	12:05 pm
WEDNESDAY	6:30 pm
THURSDAY	12:05 pm
FRIDAY	12:05 pm

(CONFESSIONS 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO EACH MASS)

**Mass times are subject to change during the year. Please consult the Weekly Calendar on the last page for the specific schedule of Masses for the week.

CATCHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Sacrament of Matrimony

"The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."

Sacred Scripture begins with the creation of man and woman in the image and likeness of God and concludes with a vision of "the wedding-feast of the Lamb." Scripture speaks through out of the marriage and its "mystery," its institution and the meaning of God has given it, its origin and its end, its various realizations throughout the history of salvation, the difficulties as rising from sin and its renewal "in the Lord" in the New Covenant of Christ and the Church.

Fr. Peter

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 9/24/2017

Week #13

Week / Semana

Actual / Colecta Real	\$ 8,612.51
Budgeted / Presupuesto	\$ 7,382.49
	\$ 1,230.02
Year to Date / Año Corrido	
Actual / Colecta Real	\$ 93,692.65
Budgeted / Presupuesto	\$ 95,972.37
	\$ 2,279.72



Share the Journey is a global Catholic campaign of compassion and support for migrants and refugees.

Pray and Learn
Find information and resources:
seattlearchdiocese.org/STJ

Advocate
Contact your representatives:
thewscc.org

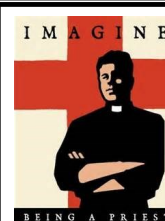
Give
At home:
catholiccharitiesusa.org
Overseas:
crs.org



OUR LADY UNDOER OF KNOTS NOVENA

Our Lady's Prayer Group invites all members of the Parish to join them in individually praying the Novena to Our Lady Undoer of Knots.

Beginning Sunday, October 8, through Monday, October 16. (Her help is invoked in regard to the problems and struggles we face for which we do not see any solution. It is a favorite devotion of Pope Francis. The concept of Mary untying knots is derived from a work by St. Irenaeus who presents a parallel between Eve and Mary, describing how "the knot of Eve's disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound fast through unbelief, this did the virgin Mary set free through faith."



COME AND SEE

Considering the priesthood? Learn about a vocation to the priesthood and where God might be calling you. The program will be held on Friday, October 6, at St. Charles Borromeo in Burlington. Open to men ages 15-40. RSVP with Fr. Jeffrey Moore at frmoore@skagitcatholic.org or 360-757-0128.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

**OCTOBER 14, 2017
1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM**

Training Begins in the Social Hall

YOUTH (boys and girls) and **ADULTS** (men and women) are encouraged to consider serving the Lord as an altar server.

Your participation as an Altar Server would be a great honor and privilege. When you serve the priests and deacons, you serve the people of God, and above all, you serve Christ. As an Altar Server, you would be involved in the holiest and most sacred event in our tradition of Catholic worship.

Other than priests and deacons, no one else other than altar servers are permitted to so closely play a part in the preparation of the Eucharist. During the Mass, our Savior becomes truly present on the altar. It is a great mystery, but it lives at the core of our faith.

It is important that you, as an Altar Server, be attentive and sensitive to the presence of God while performing your ministry around the altar. Servers must remember that everything that they do is for the Glory of God. As an Altar Server, you will do things that others will never do. You will learn things that others will never know.

You will see the Mass in ways that others may never see it. You will do it all for the Honor and Glory of God. Altar servers have a solemn responsibility to do their assigned duties with the utmost dignity and reverence. Youth and adults, male and female, may serve us in this ministry at St. Mary Star of the Sea. The only requirement is that youth must have received their first communion. Adults of good faith are welcome to serve and encouraged to serve.

Give some thought to participating in this ministry. Pray about it and if your answer to your call is yes then join us on Saturday, October 14.



THE BEREAVEMENT GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

will be held on Sunday, Oct. 1, at 12:30 pm in Rm. 6.

ST. MARY'S BOOK CLUB meeting will be **Friday October 6, at 1:00 pm**. The book for discussion will be, "The Four Loves" by C.S. Lewis. The meeting will be in Rm. 6. All are welcome to attend.