



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**  
**NOV. 11/12, 2017**

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

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**SAT 9:00 AM:** Spanish Assigned  
**SAT. 5:30 PM:** Edward Carder  
**SUN. 8:15 AM:** Travis & Elena McConaghy  
**SUN. 11:00 AM:** Tiburcio Brennan

**GREETERS**

**SAT. 8:45 am:** Carmen Boling  
**SAT. 5:30 pm:** Jackie and Cliff Rick  
**SUN. 8:15 am:** The Sanock Family, Chris and Mabs  
**SUN. 11:00 am:** Jovie Russ and Linda Monroe

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 9:00 AM:** For the special intentions of the Hispanic Community of St. Mary Star of the Sea.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 5:30 PM:** For the repose of the soul of Steven Hurley, on the anniversary of his birth as requested by his wife Carol.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 8:15 AM:** For the repose of the soul of Cynthia Conklin, as requested by Dorothy Hollenbeck and Tom Chambers.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 11:00 AM:** For the repose of the soul of Alva Brower, as requested by his wife Jose Brower.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 12:05 PM:** For the repose of the souls of past members of the Ladies Guild.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 6:30 PM:** For the repose of the soul of Mary Alice Yarr, as requested by his nephew Ken McMillen.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 12:05 PM:** For the repose of the soul of Stan Lorecki and the comfort of his family, as requested by the Bereavement Ministry.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 12:05 PM:** In memory of the life of Nora Anderson, as requested by the Gorski Family.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

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

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

12:05 am: COMMUNION SERVICE  
3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church  
6:00 pm: Choir Practice--Church

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

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

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

11:30 am: CONFESSIONS  
12:05 pm: MASS  
1:00 pm: St. Vincent de Paul Meeting--Hall  
3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church  
6:30 pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting--Hall

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

12-5:00 pm: Lizeth COTA Fund Raiser--Hall  
11:30 am: CONFESSIONS  
12:05 pm: MASS  
1-6:00 pm: Adoration--Church  
3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church

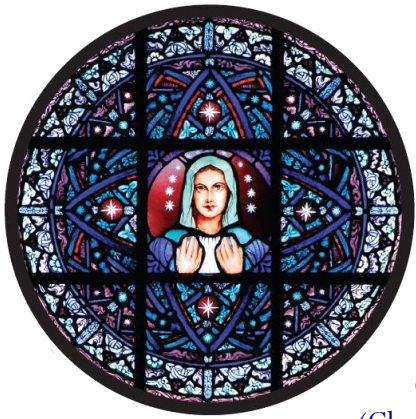
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

10:00 am - 4:00 pm: Lizeth COTA Fund Raiser--Hall  
9:00 am: Spanish Mass  
10:00 am: Spanish--Hall  
4:30 pm: CONFESSIONS  
5:30 pm: MASS  
6:45 pm: Charismatic Renewal

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

**STEWARDSHIP DRIVE**

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



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**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 4/5, 2017**

**AROUND THE PARISH**



**COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE**

There **will be** a coffee hour **after both** masses this Sunday - 8:15 and 11:00 am.



**GOOD HOUSKEEPING**

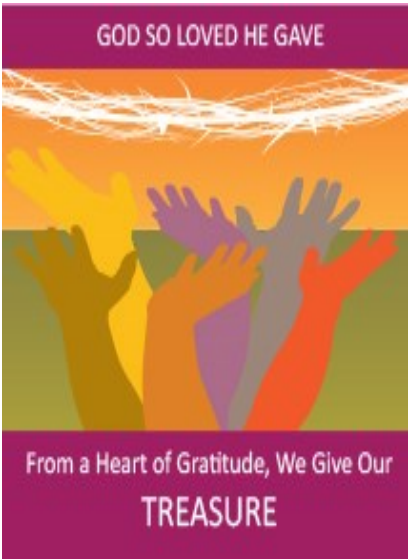
We need your help! The use of the church, the kitchen, classrooms, hall and other spaces are coordinated through the Parish Office. It is very important that any users of these spaces check with the office prior to their use. Keys are assigned by the office as well and are to be used by

the assignee only and must not be provided to others' use. Additionally, church spaces must be left in as clean a condition as they were found. The church does not maintain a full time caretaker for clean up and spaces are rented to outside users during the week. Your help in observing these guidelines will be greatly appreciated.



**YOU COUNT!**

Many thanks to all those who helped with counting at all the Masses throughout the month of October. Your service is as always greatly appreciated.



**PARISH STEWARDSHIP SACRIFICIAL GIVING 2018**

During the coming weeks as we focus on Stewardship of Treasure, please reflect on how we are called to continue to sustain and build up our parish church by returning to the Lord from all the Lord has given us.



**CLEAN BLANKETS DRIVE**

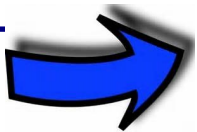
Clean, washable blankets will be collected November 11/12, to benefit our local homeless shelter. Your generosity in helping to provide a warm stay at the shelter for all their guests will be greatly appreciated. Please note that only blankets are requested, no bedspreads, quilts, comforters, or sleeping bags, please.

**Readings for the Week...**

<b>MONDAY</b> Wisdom 3:1-9 Psalms 23:1-6 John 6:37-40	<b>TUESDAY</b> Romans 12:5-16 Psalms 131:1-3 Luke 14:15-24	<b>WEDNESDAY:</b> Romans 13:8-10 Psalms 112:1-2, 4-5, 9 Luke 14:25-33	<b>THURSDAY:</b> Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Psalms 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17 John 2:13-22	<b>FRIDAY:</b> Romans 15:14-21 Psalms 98:1-4 Luke 16:1-8	<b>SATURDAY:</b> Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Psalms 145:2-5, 10-11 Luke 16:9-15	<b>SUNDAY:</b> Wisdom 6:12-16 Psalms 63:2-8 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13
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**“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...**

**BELIEF IN GOD**

The belief in God had been in the mind of the people of Ghana before the advent of Christianity, due to the way they related to nature and many expressions related to God, among other things.

God is called **Nyankopon**, which literally means a "Great Friend"; **Nyame**, which means "Find Him and you will be satisfied". He is also known as **Ewuradze**, which means Lord. There are many attributes of God which describe how He is. He is described as **Otumfo** (the Powerful One), **Twerampon** (Lean on Him and you will never fall), **Okatakya** (the Great One), **Kokoroko** (the Mighty One). Interestingly, God is sometimes addressed as **Twerampon Kwame** which is an indication that He was "born" on Saturday. The people know that He has no beginning or end, but the name explains the Sabbath which originally was on Saturday; again explaining some of the semblance of the Jewish culture. God is also believed to be a good parent so he is addressed **Obaatanpa**.

As I said in the beginning, the belief in the love and power of God is expressed in many ways. The expressions also show how close God is to the people. You find these expressions on cars, fishing boats, buildings, and people and even on cloths there are "named" using some of the expressions. You find expressions or descriptions like, **Nyame Bekyere** (the Lord will provide), **Nyame wo ho** (God is present), **Nyame tse ase** (God is alive), **Nyame wo tum** (God has power to do everything), etc.

Even though the people know that God is a loving parent, they believe that He will not spare you if you misbehave, or commit serious offences like committing adultery or murder. This instills some fear of God, both in terms of reverence and actual fear.

There is a story that God was very close, and one day an old lady was pounding **fufu** (pounded cassava) and the pestle she was using was hitting the throne of God (the sky) so she was warned. But she did not listen so God withdrew to the highest heaven. This in a way explains the effect of sin. Christianity has added something to the belief, and also helped to understand the knowledge of God clearly. (To be continued)

**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)

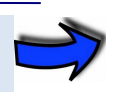
**\*\*Mass times are subject to change during the year. Please consult the Weekly Calendar on the last page of this bulletin for the specific schedule of Masses for the week.**

**THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
MARRIAGE UNDER THE REGIME OF SIN**

Every man experiences evil around him and within himself. This experience makes itself felt in the relationships between man and woman. Their union has always been threatened by discord, a spirit of domination, infidelity, jealousy, and conflicts that can escalate into hatred and separation. The disorder can manifest itself more or less acutely, and can be more or less overcome according to the circumstances of cultures, eras, and individuals, but it does seem to have a universal character.

According to faith the disorder we notice so painfully does not stem from the *nature* of man and women, nor from the nature of their relations, but from *sin*. As a break with God, the first sin had for its first consequence the rupture of the original communion between man and woman. Their relations were distorted by mutual recriminations; their mutual attraction the Creator's own gift, changed into a relationship of domination and lust; and the beautiful vocation of man and woman to be fruitful, multiply and subdue the earth was burdened by the pain of childbirth and the toil of work.

Nevertheless, the order of creation persists, though seriously disturbed. To heal the wounds of sin, man and woman need the help of the grace that God in his infinite mercy never refuses them. Without his help man and woman cannot achieve the union of their lives for which God created them "in the beginning."



**YOUTH MASS  
NEXT SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 12,  
11:00 AM**

The regular monthly Youth Mass will be held **next** Sunday, November 12, at 11:00 am. It would be greatly appreciated if parents would check with your children's teachers prior to this Mass to be aware of their role and participation requirements. Children should plan to sit in the front pews and parents are welcome to do so as well depending upon the needs of their children.



**REGIFTING AND  
COOKIE SALE!**

St. Mary's Ladies Guild Annual Re-Gifting and Cookie Sale will be on **Dec. 2 and 3, 2017** in the church hall. Please bring your re-giftable items to the church hall (not to the parish office) after Masses on: Sunday, Nov. 12, 19, 26, and Sat. Nov. 25, before 5:30 pm Mass. Also, bring your Christmas cookies on Thursday and Friday Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Needed are gently used and new items appropriate for gifting. Suggested ideas are jewelry, books, children's books, toys, glassware dishes, nick-knacks, Christmas decorations, CD's, DVD's, religious items and home made items. No clothing, rummage or electrical items will be accepted. For more information call Marlene O'Keefe 360-301-3480.

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

**Week of 10/29/2017**

**Week #18**

**Week / Semana**

**Actual / Colecta Real** \$ 5,244.62

**Budgeted / Presupuesto** \$ 7,382.49

<\$ 2,138.00>

**Year to Date / Año Corrido**

**Actual / Colecta Real** \$ 127,986.23

**Budgeted / Presupuesto** \$ 132,884.82

<\$ 4,898.59>



**RUMMAGE SALE**

A rummage sale to help with the medical expenses of Liseth Salcedo, the child of a member of our Hispanic Community, who needs a life-saving heart transplant will be held on **FRIDAY, Nov. 10, 12-5:00 pm AND SATURDAY November 11, 10-4:00 pm**. 100% of the proceeds will assist with transplant-related expenses. For more information contact: Lucero Figueroa at 208-447-9471 or email: [lucromrn4@gmail.com](mailto:lucromrn4@gmail.com)



**2018 CALENDARS  
ARE AVAILABLE**

Caleendars for 2018 are now available in the vestibule. Please take only one per family so that there will be enough for all members of the Parish who would like one.



**HEALING PRAYER TEAM  
MEETING**

St. Mary's Healing Prayer Team will meet **next** Sunday, November 12, at 12:00 noon, in the Chapel.

**Blood Pressure**



**WHAT'S YOUR PRESURE?**

Jefferson County has generously provided the Parish with a blood pressure cuff for those wanting to check their blood pressure. The device will be kept in the Library and can be used whenever desired. It is a good idea to check your pressure frequently especially if you currently have high blood pressure or are taking medications for it.



**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Our local shelter for the homeless is seeking an overnight monitor for this coming shelter season. This is a **PAID** position for two nights per week from 11pm - 8am to start with a possibility of more. The compensation is \$11/hour with an increase in January. Contact deForest either by COAST phone 360-531-0112 or email: [@defwpt@gmail.com](mailto:@defwpt@gmail.com). This would be a wonderful position for that special nocturnal parishioner.