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. 25/26, 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: Isaac and Elias Johnson SUN. 11:00 AM: Tiburcio Brennan, Maggie Anderson GREETERS SAT. 8:45 am: Carmen Boling

SAT. 5:30 pm: Suzanne Selisch SUN. 8:15 am: Laura Simpson SUN. 11:00 am: Mark and Nancy Johnson

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 9:00 AM: For the special intentions of the Hispanic Community of St. Mary Star of the Sea.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 5:30 PM: For the repose of the soul of Bob Yarr, as requested by his nephew Ken McMillen.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 8:15 AM: For the repose of the soul of Marlene Greggerson.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 11:00 AM: For the repose of the soul of Randy Gomez, as requested by his wife Susi Gomez.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 6:30 PM: For the repose of the soul of Phillip Carroll as requested by his niece Liz Sabo.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

12:05 pm: COMMUNION SERVICE 1:00 pm: Rosary Makers--Hall 3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church 6:00 pm: Rainshadow--Hall

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church 6:00 pm: **CONFESSIONS**

6:30 pm: MASS

7:00 pm: RCIA--Hall

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY--OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 am: MASS (CONFESSION 30 MIN. PRIOR) FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 HOLIDAY--OFFICE CLOSED 11:30 am: CONFESSIONS 12:05 pm: MASS 1-6:00 pm: Adoration--Church

3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

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 26 **STEWARDSHIP DRIVE** 8:15 am: MASS (CONFESSION 30 MIN. PRIOR)

9:30 am: Religious Education--Classrooms 11:00 am: MASS (CONFESSION 30 MIN. PRIOR) 12:30 pm: Theology Kettle--Hall 12:30 pm: Bereavement Group--Chapel 5:00 pm: Rosary

5:00 pm: Port Townsend Chorus--Hall

Readings for the Week...

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MONDAY 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Psalms 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 Luke 18:35-43

TUESDAY 2 Maccabees 6:18-31 Psalms 3:2-7 Luke 19:1-10 Luke 19:11-28

WEDNESDAY: **THURSDAY:** Sirach 50:22-24 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-Psalms 138:1-5 Psalms 17:1, 5-6, 8, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Luke 17:11-19

FRIDAY: 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59 1 Chronicles 29:10 Luke 19:45-48

SATURDAY: 1 Maccabees 6:1-13 Psalms 9:2-4, 6, 16, - 19 Luke 20:27-40

SUNDAY: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15 - 17Psalms 23:1-3, 5-6 1 Corinthians 15:20 26, 28 Matthew 25:31-46

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 18/19, 2017



COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

There will be a coffee hour after the 8:15 am Mass.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

The celebration of life gathering for John Overman will be held after the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, November 19, in the

Celebration Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP SACRIFICIAL **GIVING 2018**



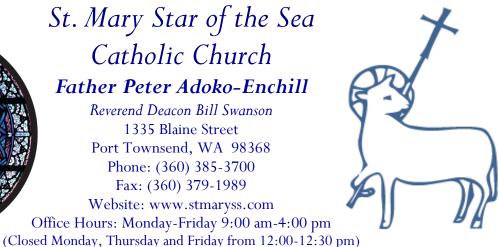
TREASURE

Man Thanks to all who have already returned their Stewardship pledges. At this time we have heard from 32% of those who were contacted. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

This said, our budgeted amount is \$384,048 of which \$184,741 has been received to date. We have a ways to go as you can see to meet our budgeted needs. Please give

thought to this particularly now as we near Thanksgiving as to how you might offer your support to our Parish.

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."







Thanksgiving again! How did that happen? How has the year gone by so quickly...again? Regardless of the season or time Thanksgiving provides us with such a wonderful opportunity to reflect on how we are blessed in our lives. First of all we would like to thank all the members of St. Mary's Parish for your wonderful support, your talents your time your prayers and your smiles (ok...your frowns too..) and the blessings that you are. We reflect on the fact that the Greek word,

'Eucharist' itself means 'thanksgiving' and thank God for His love and mercy and for the Bread of Life, in the Holy

- Eucharist. As well, we have so much to be grateful for in living in such a rich country having more than we could ever need. What we will eat on Thanksgiving Day could probably
- feed a family for a month in a poor country. Let us be thankful to serve one another as we would serve the Lord Jesus Himself; thankful for our all our blessings and for the opportunity to share those blessings with others in all that we do. A Happy Thanksgiving to you all from all your Parish Staff.

"OUR MISSION IS TO ...

MORE NEWS





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

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 11/12, 2017

GREETINGS (continued from last week)

In Ghana when elders are gathered

there is a special greeting from anyone who goes there. If one of them is late he has a way of greeting those who were there earlier. When greeting the elderly at a meeting, normally it is accompanied by a shallow bow as a sign of respect. At a meeting, (if the number is not too big) after verbal greeting one has to shake the hands of all those present, starting from the right not left. In all family meetings this often takes place, especially when they have travelled from different places.

There are greetings for those digging a grave, going to bed, playing special drums. In the olden days when people used public toilets, one did not greet but would say "no greetings" and the one passing by would response "I do not respond" this would indicate that the person is going to the bathroom. Now this is fading away or has faded away. From early age, children are taught how to greet and show respect when they meet everyone. Among one of the ethnic groups in Ghana, they prefix the greeting with "please"; for example, in the morning one will say please good morning.

Fr. Peter

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE**

SÁBADO MISA EN SPAÑOL		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 IN THE LORD

The nuptial covenant between God and his people Israel had prepared the way for the new and everlasting covenant in which the Son of God, by becoming incarnate and giving his life has united to himself in a certain way all mankind saved by him, thus preparing for "the wedding-feast of the Lamb." On the threshold of his public life Jesus performs his first sign--at his mother's request--during a wedding feast. The Church attaches great importance to Jesus' presence at the wedding at Cana. She sees in it the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence.

In his preaching Jesus unequivocally taught the original meaning of the union of man and woman as the Creator willed it from the beginning: permission given by Moses to divorce one's wife was a concession to their hardness of hearts. The matrimonial union of man and woman is indissoluble: God himself has determined is: "What therefore God has joined together, let no man put asunder."

This unequivocal insistence on the indissolubility of the marriage bond may have left some perplexed and could seem to be a demand impossible to realize. However, Jesus has not placed on spouses a burden impossible to bear, or too heavy--heavier than the Law of Moses. By coming to restore the original order of creation disturbed by sin, he himself gives the strength and grace to live marriage in the new dimension of the Reign of God. It is by following Christ, renouncing themselves, and taking up their crosses that spouses will be able to "receive" the original meaning of marriage and live it with the help of Christ. This grace of Christian marriage is a fruit of Christ's cross, the source of all Christian life.



THANKS FOR THE BLANKETS

Warmest thanks to all members of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish for

their caring generosity in contributing blankets for our Local Homeless Shelter last weekend. May your caring be rewarded generously.



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 Parish Hall. Please bring your re-giftable items to the Parish 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.



LADIES GUILD NO-**HOST LUNCHEON**

All Ladies of the parish are invited to attend the Ladies Guild No-Host Luncheon at the Highway 20 Roadhouse

Restaurant on December 4, at 1:00 pm. To make reservations please contact Germaine Arthur 360-385-2233.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 11 Week		
Week / Semana		
Actual / Colecta Real	\$ 8,686.85	
Budgeted / Presupuesto	<u>\$ 7,382.49</u>	
	\$ 1,304.36	
ear to Date / Año Corrido		
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Budgeted / Presupuesto	<u>\$ 147,649.80</u>	
	<\$ 2,687.21>	

MORE PARISH NEWS

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OUT OF THE MOUTH OF BABES

The voices the songs and the excitement of our Parish Children at the Youth Mass last Sunday were a joyful and wonderful experience for all who attended. Please be sure to join in at the

next Youth Mass on Sunday, December 10. Please contact Deacon Swanson for details at 368-385-3700.



POETRY SHARING

Friday December 1, will be the Poetry Sharing Meeting for the Saint Mary Star of the Sea Book Club. Please be thinking about a favorite poem that you would like to share. Please make copies of

your poem for the meeting. We will meet 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall in Room 6.



GIVE A POWER BOOST

Did you know that when you contribute to the Power Boost Program listed on each of your Jefferson Co. PUD bills that one-half of the funds received by the PUD are provided to our Saint Vincent de Paul

Society and one half is given to OlyCap? These funds are dedicated to meeting the needs of low income power users in Jefferson Co. who need help with their electric bills at this chilly time of year.



GET MORE OUT OF YOUR HOLIDAY GIVING...

Now, as you begin working on that Christmas giving list consider shopping at smile.AMAZON.com. Use the code

smile.Amazon.com/ch/26-4764012 and get even more out of every purchase you make. There is no cost to you and AMAZON will donate a percentage of your purchase towards our Saint Vincent de Paul Society when you do. Tell your friends and families too.