

# Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 5th, 2015

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## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Tue	7	6 pm	Debra Kruse	INT
Wed	8	9 am	Paul Necco	INT
Thu	9	6 pm***	Dominador Malasmas	RIP
Fri	10	9 am	Mabel Meeks	RIP
Sat	11	9 am	Daniel & Maxine Poore	RIP

## PERPETUAL ADORATION—OPEN HOURS AVAILABLE

SUN	2 am & 11 pm	THUR	12, 2- 4 am & 11pm
MON	12, 1, 2, 3 & 4 am	FRI	3, 5 a.m. & 7 pm
TUE	12, 1, 2, & 4 am	SAT	9, & 11 pm
WED	4 am & 11 pm	<b>Contact Sally 293-3222</b>	

## The Belles & Rummage Sale

The Belles of St. Mary will be holding their monthly meeting Monday **4/13** in the FAC room 5 at 10am. Rummage Sale is just around the corner and we need you! There is going to be training for cashiers at 9:30am prior to the 10am Belles meeting. Following the meeting, we will enjoy the potluck, in lieu of monthly birthday luncheon and continue Rummage Sale discussions as necessary.

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL CLASSES

Please take the time to renew your safe environment training online, by April 30th, if you haven't already done so. Thanks.

Visit: <http://www.seattle.setanet.org/>

Click on MY OBLIGATIONS and answer the prompts.

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASS FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS AND FOR VOLUNTEERS YET TO TAKE THE FOUNDATION CLASS

- . Name of class: Called to Protect for Ministries
- . Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2015
- . Time: 7:00pm
- . Location: Saint Mary Catholic Church, Anacortes, WA
- . Room name/number Father Auer Center, Room 7
- . Capacity of the room: 50
- . Name of the trainer: Laurie Liberty

## SVDP Quarterly Report

January 1, 2015—March 31, 2015

### Donations & Grants Received:

St. Mary Parish .....	\$4,711.81
CCS Rebate .....	\$1,663.50
Donations from Individuals .....	\$6,150.00
Total Donations .....	\$12,525.31

### Community Assistance

Food purchased to stock food bank .....	\$1,416.29
Laundry Assistance .....	\$35.50
Medical Assistance .....	0.00
Temp. Housing Assistances [Motels] .....	\$1,400.00
Rent Assistance .....	\$1,683.00
Transportation Assistance .....	\$200.00
Utilities Assistance.....	\$2,369.97
Other .....	\$200.00
Total Expenses.....	\$7,304.76

Number of Bags of Food Distributed..... 201

\*Food items needed to fill these bags:

201 boxes of cereal	402 cans of tuna fish
201 cans <u>each</u> : vegetables, soup, meat	201 cans of fruit
400-500 pkgs. of Top Ramen	201 cans of spaghetti sauce
201 pkgs. of pasta	201 cans of Pork & Beans or misc. beans
201 boxes of "meat helper"	402 pkgs. of Mac 'n Cheese
201 rolls of toilet paper	

Plus miscellaneous food items, bath soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, personal care items (shampoo, deodorant, etc.), children's books & "treats" for children.

Submitted by Iris Perkins

Editor's Note:

3% of the parish's gross ordinary income is donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, every month as the parish's outreach to the Anacortes Community. This is made possible through the financial support you make to the parish. Know that when you pledge financial support to the parish you are also helping the poor in the community. This assistance is also open to parishioners who are in need.

Thank You St. Mary Parishioners!

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## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

### RICE BOWL: Hungering for Celebration!

"We prayed, fasted, and gave alms--and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord--and in the lives we've changed this Lent in Tanzania, Nicaragua, Niger, Lebanon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and all over the world!"

For those who have not yet turned in your Rice Bowl offerings, please put them into the collection basket at Masses or drop them by the Office of Faith Formation. Thank you for your generous contributions during this Lenten season at St. Mary.

### FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHTS

The Seattle Mariners have extended an invitation to Saint Mary's parish to purchase special discount tickets for either or both "Faith & Family Nights." The dates of the games covered by the offer are Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday June 19<sup>th</sup>. After the game on the 26<sup>th</sup> there will be a showing of "The Lego Movie" and after the game on Friday June 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a fireworks display.

Tickets for either game will be \$12.00 per person and each group that attends will have a scoreboard greeting. To qualify we must reserve 20 or more discount tickets. If you are interested in attending one of these Mariners' games contact the Office of Faith Formation. At [Fform@stmarynacortes.org](mailto:Fform@stmarynacortes.org) or call 360-293-6882.

## LENTEN Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving 2015

### Lenten Almsgiving 2014 = \$ 9, 371.00

Ash Wednesday	\$ 1,450.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 1,594.56
Catholic Home Missions inc Black & Indian Mission	\$ 1,064.00
Catholic Relief Services [not incl. of direct donations]	\$ 1,514.75
Soup Supper Donations	\$ 1,322.00
Easter Flowers for the Church	\$ 792.00
SVDP—CCS Rebate	\$ 1,662.00
Lenten Mission	\$ 1,672.00
Holy Thursday [beneficiary: SVDP]	\$ 25.00
Good Friday [beneficiary: Holy Land]	\$ 25.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 11,121.31</b>

## Fr. Marion's Corner

### EASTER

At Easter, we proclaim that the resurrection renews the whole world. The gift of Jesus' death and rising to new life is a precious gift. It is not an ordinary gift, it is extraordinary. It is not natural, it is supernatural. What should be the natural response to such a gift?

In 1989, when I was in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, I received from my rich godfather, one of the best gifts I have ever received: a pair of Nike Bo Jackson shoes (white and orange). I know it is superficial, but I loved these shoes. They gave me a sense of dignity and importance; I felt as though I were Bo Jackson himself when I wore them. I cleaned them every day after school and gently placed them back into the black and orange Nike shoebox. I even placed the crumpled tissue paper inside the shoes to retain the shoes' shapely form. Because the gift was so precious to me, it seemed perfectly natural to maintain this daily ritual surrounding the shoes. Even if it seems now a little neurotic, there is a fittingness and logic to these actions; it is a natural response to such a precious gift.

I'm a little embarrassed sharing this story partly because it shows how worldly and artificial I am and partly because if I follow the above logic and apply it to the precious gift of faith, then there is a lot of room for change in my life. I've always been haunted by this rhetorical question: If I were accused of being a Christian, will there be enough evidence to convict me? I'm grateful to this community, which has helped me to put into actions God's gift of faith.

If you have been away from the Catholic Church for a while for whatever reason and wish to come home, we invite you to consider renewing your gift of faith and your relationship with the Church in our community. Please call me to begin the journey home.

Fr. Marion Nguyen - (360) 293-2101

### STAFFING CHANGES TAKING PLACE AT ST. MARY

June 30, 2015 will be a day of change; three of our staff will be stepping down from ministry: Dorothy Conklin, Laurie Liberty, and Dr. Jim Liberty. We have been blest by their selfless service to the community. Laurie has been with us for over 2 years, 6 years for Dr. Jim, and 23 years for Dorothy. The Pastoral Council has begun to plan for the farewell. When the time comes, I hope that all of us will take the opportunity to show our appreciation for them.

### Pastoral Assistant for Administration

Saint Mary's Parish seeks a Pastoral Assistant for Administration. The successful candidate will be an active member of a Catholic parish faith community; have excellent organizational and communication skills; B.A. degree or equivalent in related field. Salary DOE and excellent benefits. Contact Fr. Marion Nguyen directly (360) 293-2101 or email him at [saintmarynacortes@gmail.com](mailto:saintmarynacortes@gmail.com) for more information and application form. This special email is only for applicants and not for any other parish business.