

THIS WEEK IN SCRIPTURE

Mon	<i>Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus</i> Ez 1:2-5,24-28c Mt 17:22-27
Tue	<i>St. Maximilian Kolbe</i> Ex 2:8—3:4 Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14
Wed	<i>THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i> Rv 11:9a;12:1-6a,10ab 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56
Thu	<i>St. Stephen of Hungary</i> Ez 12:1-12 Mt 18:21—19:1
Fri	Ez 16:1-15,60,63 Mt 19:3-12
Sat	Ez 18:1-10,13b,30-32 Mt 19:13-15
Sun	<i>20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i> Prv 9:1-6 Eph 5:15-20 Jn 6:51-58

Dear Friends,

This Wednesday we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation—one of only 5 days other than Sundays that we as Catholics are expected to attend Mass. Since people generally don't like to be told what to do, I know some people who prefer to call them 'Holy Days of Opportunity.'

January 1: Mary, Mother of God.

May 10: Ascension Thursday

August 15: Assumption of Mary

November 1: All Saints Day

December 8: Immaculate Conception

December 25: Christmas

The doctrine of the Assumption of Mary is relatively recent, established in 1950 by Pope Pius XII. However, the belief that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her life is documented as early as the second and third centuries. There are scriptural references too, in both the old and new testaments, that resonate the sentiment and truth of the As-

sumption. Ponder the words of the angel who first appeared to Mary at the annunciation, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women". (Luke 1:28)

For me, it just seems fitting that the one chosen to carry Jesus in her womb would be given great honor—and in her Assumption she offers for us a glimpse of what awaits us at the end of our earthly life.

Let's continue to pray for one another,

Marti Lundberg



**Join us for Mass
this Wednesday
9 am and 7:30 pm**

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION WEDNESDAY
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

COFFEE HOUR TODAY

8 am Marnell Witte & Becky Ortiz

10 am The Unabia Family

We need hosts to continue to have this event each week. Contact the Parish Office (parish@stbens.net or 206-632-0843) or sign up on the form at coffee hour if you are interested in serving as a host. There is no cost. Simply select a date that works with your schedule and we will provide clear, easy to follow instructions. Thank you for your consideration of this service opportunity!

August 13th - August 19th, 2018

Monday	8:00 am Mass 8:30 am Rosary
Tuesday	Church is open for prayer until 2 pm
Wednesday	Feast of the Assumption Mass at 9am and 7:30 pm
Thursday	10:15 am Mass at Columbia Lutheran
Friday	Church is open for prayer until 11 am
Saturday	10 am Prayer Group
Sunday	8:00 am Mass 9:00 am to Noon—Coffee Hour 10:00 am Mass 4:15 pm Reconciliation 5:00 pm Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday - August 12th

8 am - For the People of St. Benedict Parish

10 am - Miguel Salas ✠ by Lily Salas

5 pm - Nancy Lynch ✠ by Dermot Lynch

Remember, at every Mass we pray for all the people and intentions that are held in our Parish Book of Prayers located on a stand by the main entrance of the church. Take a moment to jot down your prayer requests and perhaps say a prayer for the others.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Bruno Berselli, Shirley Haugen, Martin Regge,

Carmen Gonzalez, Nora Taylor, Willie Kleffner,

Eli Mahnken, Ron Willette, Esther Hunsaker,

Janice Mosey, Dale Steen, Robert Roddy,

Eugene Haydu, Easton Brown, Roseanne Borden,

Xavier Schmitt, Mary Engley, and Alexander Hargis.

* Contact the Parish Office to have a name added to this list. Please note that the individual must give permission for their name to appear. Thank You. *

STEWARDSHIP

For Fiscal Year 2019—July 1, 2018—June 30, 2019,
our Budget for Sunday Collections is \$444,906.
THANK YOU for your ongoing support.

Fiscal Year 2019	Offerings	Budget
July	\$ 34,401	\$ 37,775
Year-to-Date	\$ 34,401	\$ 37,775

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal - Week 15

We are at 78% of our \$70,000 goal with 156 people or families responding. If you have not yet given your gift, could you please take a few minutes this week and visit the link on our home page? Your gift will support a variety of ministries and services in the archdiocese. Remember that anything we raise above our archdiocesan goal of \$60,829 will be used to re-finish the church doors to protect them from the weather and other projects at our church entrance. **THANK YOU!**

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS

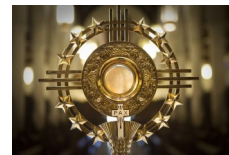
PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN - a class about how to help prevent child sexual abuse will be held here at St. Benedict on Thursday, August 30th or Tuesday, September 11th at 6:30 pm in the school Auditorium. Please register online at www.virtusonline.org.

Attendance is required for all school parents and for volunteers who have unsupervised, ongoing access to minors or vulnerable adults.

TOGETHER WE CAN PROTECT OUR CHILDREN!

Beginning September 7th, we will have First Friday Mass at 8 am immediately followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 am. onthly devotion will continue with the **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** thru 11 am. There is a sign up sheet in the vestibule to sign up for a holy hour during this time. We would like to have at least two people schedule at each hour. Take some time for quiet prayer and reflection with our Lord.

"Be still and know that I am God"



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Have an item for the bulletin? Please submit by 4 pm on Monday to parish@stbens.net. Thank you!

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: We have 4 baptisms at today's Masses! If you are looking to baptize your child or have been asked to be a God-parent, our next baptism class is Saturday November 3rd after the 9 am Mass.

Sacramental Preparation Classes for 2018-19: If you child will be in second grade (or older) and is ready to prepare for their First Confession and First Holy Communion, classes will begin in October. More information and registration is available online at <https://parish.stbens.net/sacramental-prep-for-children>

For questions about any sacramental need (weddings, RCIA, Adult Confirmation) or for more information about joining the parish, contact Marti Lundberg: 206-518-6017 or m.lundberg@stbens.net.

YOUTH MINISTRY

N SEATTLE CATHOLIC YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAMS: Please pray for all of our ministry activities and mission trips. We will be sharing our experiences with you soon!

Registration for N Seattle Catholic Youth: 2018-2019 Ministries will begin September 1st. Check the website www.nscy.org for more up-to-date information.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Respect LIFE: All parishioners and interested parties are invited to the monthly Seattle Respect Life Network (SRLN) meeting, Wednesday August 15th at 6:45 pm, Blessed Sacrament - Aquinas hall. Rosary. We are coordinating for those of you wanting to attend the upcoming Aug 27th "Life apologetics" event at St. Marks Parish. Their 6 pm program features speaker Katie Lodjic - Students for Life (Seattle Chapter). Call SRLN 206.226.5332, Gene Slagle co-director.

A Lifeline For Married Couples NEXT Weekend:

The Retrouvaille program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. It is designed to improve communication and help couples reconnect. **It's not too late to sign up for our program starting next weekend.** For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register, visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 206-706-2608.



Rachel's Corner: Have you felt a heavy weight in your heart? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat, and allow your burdens to be lifted. Our next retreat is August 24th-26th in Stanwood, WA. To register, call Aleah 800-822-4673.

Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

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Did you know? You can get up-to-date information about all of our events at our website: www.stbens.net.



SCHOOL NEWS



**Mark your Calendars
for the 2018
GREAT WALLINGFORD
WURST FESTIVAL!
SEPTEMBER 21ST AND 22ND**

Plan to come to the annual Wurst Fest for lots of great food, fun and crafts, along with the ever popular Sweet Shop and Beer Garden! This is a great opportunity to have fun and support St. Benedict Catholic School at the same time. We can't do this without your support!

Calling all Alums and those who just love our great school. Can you spend some time volunteering at the Alumni Table in the Cafeteria during the Wurst Fest? Lots of St. Ben's alums come each year to support their school and see their class pictures and the Wurst t-shirts on the cafeteria bulletin boards. This year we will set up a dedicated table just for our great alums. We'd love to have our graduates on hand to share what it was like "in the day", reconnect with classmates and let folks know what a great school we continue to be. The hours needed are Friday, 4pm-7pm and Saturday 10am-2pm—any time you can give would be greatly appreciated. Please contact our school Development Director, Teresa Gillett at t.gillett@stbens.net for more info. Thanks in advance for your help!

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS! FOR WURSTFEST!

Now that the summer is here and you are cleaning off your bookshelves, don't forget the **Used Book Room at the Wurst Festival** (September 21st & 22nd) is always looking for inventory. I know you are used to dropping them off at the office. **Remember**, due to the construction space in the parish office is limited. Please keep your books handy and drop them off **after** the school year begins, September 5th. We take all types of books for all ages. Don't pack the boxes and bags too heavy. We don't want you or others to get hurt carrying them.

SERVING OTHERS

St. Martin de Porres Sandwich Making: Join us Monday August 20th at 9:00 am in the kitchen of the Parish Center for our PB&J assembly line. Send cookies or boiled eggs if you can't help make sandwiches.

HCSJ at Food Lifeline: Contact Len at 206-909-2735 or at kannapell@yahoo.com to find out and sign up for St. Ben night at Food Lifeline.

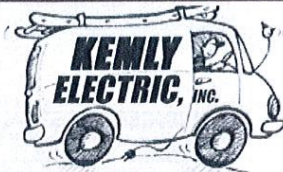
FAMILYWORKS needs our donations of non perishable food items this summer. Please bring them with you to Mass, or order from QFC using our special donation order form found in the vestibule. As of today, we have contributed 3,572 pounds of food. Great job parishioners on feeding those in need.



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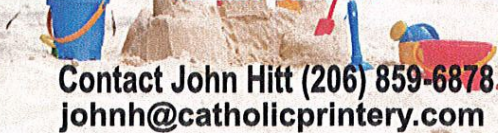
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