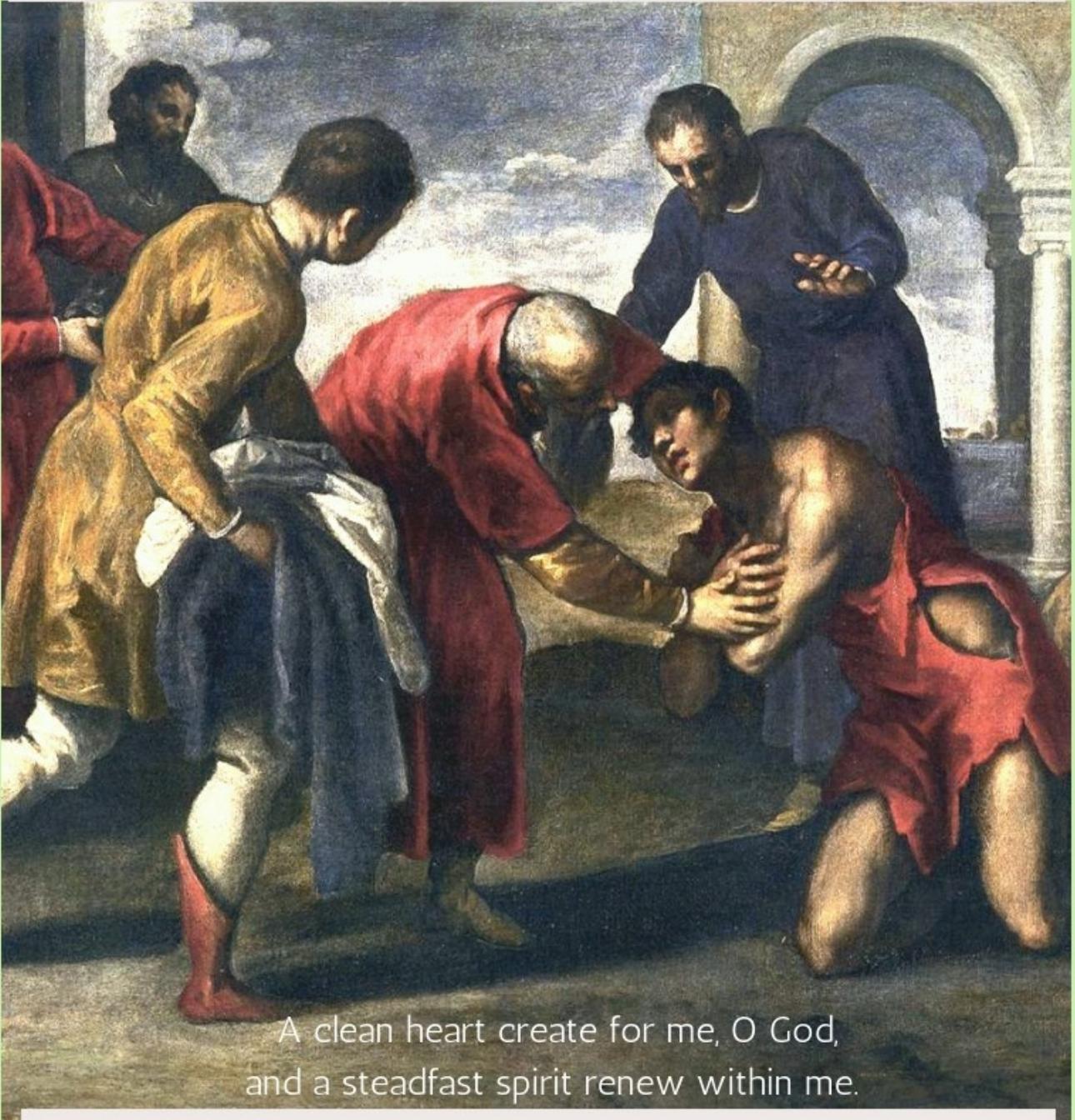


SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH



A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

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24TH SUNDAY IN
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Sacred Heart Parish, Bellingham ~ September 15, 2019

Sunday, Sept. 15, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am	Mass	Church
9:45 am	Coffee Hour—St. Vincent de Paul	Hall
11:00 am	Mass	Church
4:00 pm	Confirmation Meeting	Assumption Gym

Monday, Sept. 16, Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

11:00 am	Funeral Mass —Rosemary Dahlquist	Church
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Tuesday, Sept. 17, St. Robert Bellarmine

9:00 am	Mass	Church
12:00 pm	Angelus and Rosary	Church
1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 18

10:00 am	Faith Formation— <i>Lectio: Presence</i>	Hall
12:00 pm	Angelus and Rosary	Church

Thursday, Sept. 19, St. Januarius

8:00 am	Adoration, Confession	Church
9:00 am	Mass	Church
12:00 pm	Angelus and Rosary	Church
7:00 pm	Social Justice Meeting	Hall

Friday, Sept. 20, St. Andrew Kim and Companions

9:00 am	Mass	Church
9:45 am	Adoration until 8:50 am Saturday	Chapel

Saturday, Sept. 21, St. Matthew, Apostle

8:30 am	Rosary	Chapel
8:50 am	Benediction	Chapel
9:00 am	Mass	Church
9:30 am	St. Michael Chaplet	Church
3:30 pm	Confession	Church
5:00 pm	Vigil Mass	Church

Sunday, Sept. 22, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am	Mass	Church
9:45 am	Re Classes—3 years to 5th Grade	Atrium
9:45 am	Coffee Hour—Knights of Columbus	Hall
11:00 am	Mass	Church
12:15 pm	RCIA	Library
4:00 pm	EDGE and Life Teen BBQ	Rectory Lawn
5:30 pm	Confession	Comm 115, WWU
6:30 pm	Mass	Comm 115, WWU

Sacred Heart's Stewardship of Treasure Report Ordinary Income September 7 and 8

Envelopes (85)	\$ 6,525.70
Loose	\$ 865.12
Total	\$ 7,390.82
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 282.25
Assumption School	\$ 165.00



We are celebrating the feast of the cross which drove away darkness and brought in the light. As we keep this feast, we are lifted up with the crucified Christ, leaving behind us earth and sin so that we may gain the things above. So great and outstanding a possession is the cross that he who wins it has won a treasure. Rightly could I call this treasure the fairest of all fair things and the costliest, in fact as well as in name, for on it and through it and for its sake the riches of salvation that had been lost were restored to us.

Had there been no cross, Christ could not have been crucified. Had there been no cross, life itself could not have been nailed to the tree. And if life had not been nailed to it, there would be no streams of immortality pouring from Christ's side, blood and water for the world's cleansing. The legal bond of our sin would not be cancelled, we should not have attained our freedom, we should not have enjoyed the fruit of the tree of life and the gates of paradise would not stand open. Had there been no cross, death would not have been trodden underfoot, nor hell despoiled.

Therefore, the cross is something wonderfully great and honorable. It is great because through the cross the many noble acts of Christ found their consummation—very many indeed, for both his miracles and his sufferings were fully rewarded with victory. The cross is honorable because it is both the sign of God's suffering and the trophy of his victory. It stands for his suffering because on it he freely suffered unto death. But it is also his trophy because it was the means by which the devil was wounded and death conquered; the barred gates of hell were smashed, and the cross became the one common salvation of the whole world.

The cross is called Christ's glory; it is saluted as his triumph. We recognize it as the cup he longed to drink and the climax of the sufferings he endured for our sake. As to the cross being Christ's glory, listen to his words: *Now is the Son of Man glorified, and in him God is glorified, and God will glorify him at once. And again: Father, glorify me with the glory I had with you before the world came to be. And once more: "Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it and will glorify it again."* Here he speaks of the glory that would accrue to him through the cross. And if you would understand that the cross is Christ's triumph, hear what he himself also said: *When I am lifted up, then I will draw all men to myself.* Now you can see that the cross is Christ's glory and triumph.

—St. Andrew of Crete (+ 740)



Mass Intentions

Sept 17 William Lundquist +	Sept 20 Mickey Coyne +
Sept 19 James Werle +	Sept 21 John Byrnes +

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September 2019

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

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Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish

If you are just visiting, welcome! If you'd like to register at our parish, you can stop in at the parish office across the street, or go to www.shbham.org to get a registration form. You can come in and get a cup of coffee in the office Monday-Friday from 9 am to 4 pm. Our parish staff can help you connect with the parish community in many ways, including social justice, homebound ministry, St. Vincent de Paul, and more.

PARISH LIFE

Teen Confirmation: Please join us on **Sun., Sept. 15 at 4 pm in the Assumption Gym** for an information/registration meeting. The Archdiocese of Seattle is lowering the age for Confirmation preparation to 7th grade in a few years, but allowing individual parishes to begin this process. Assumption and Sacred Heart, with its combined youth ministry program, is taking a gradual approach. This year, all high school students and 8th graders from the two parishes who are baptized Catholics are welcome to prepare for the sacrament. This meeting is for **parents and teens**.

WHAT?? You didn't pose for the LIFETOUCH photographers? No worries! We still want your family/individual photo included in the new parish directory. Please send a recent photo to kim.walker@shbham.org or bring a hard copy to the front office soon. Our goal is 100% participation—please help us by providing your family photo! Deadline approaching very soon, please don't delay.

New FORMED Series at our Wednesday Faith Formation study group! Please feel welcome to join us as we study *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*. This series explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. Join us in the hall at 10 am every Wednesday.

Social Justice Committee: Would you like to become more involved in the parish? Does learning more about the social justice teachings of the Church, sharing ideas about how we can put those into action at Sacred Heart, and participating in such events speak to your heart? If so, the Social Justice Committee may be for you! Some past focuses have been care for the environment, immigrant support, fair trade, homelessness, Maryknoll missionary support, CRS and Rice Bowl, Bread for the World offering of letters, Catholic Advocacy Day, among others. Our next meeting will be Thurs., Sept. 19 at 7 pm in the parish hall. We welcome new members. Questions? Contact Carol Gavareski through the parish office, 360-734-2850.

Religious Education classes will begin Sun., Sept. 22! Please register your children ages 3 years through 5th grade. Registration forms and calendars are available online, the entryway of the church, and in the parish hall. Classes for all the age groups will be on Sundays from 9:45-10:45 am in the parish hall.

Bellingham Catholic Moms is a group of Catholic moms from several local parishes with kids ages newborn to 25 who meet for fellowship and support. The first meeting of the school year will be on Tues., Oct. 1, and thereafter on the 1st and 3rd (and 5th) Tuesdays from 10-noon at the parish hall. While the moms meet, Lila Ruiz, PA for Faith Formation, will teach the 3-6 year olds CGS in the Atrium! Please join us and bring a friend; come with or without kids. Contact Bridget Adams with any questions; timbridget@gmail.com.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) serves more than 46 million people in the US who live in poverty. 25% of the funds collected will remain in our diocese. By supporting this collection, you are giving those on the margins a hand up, not a hand out.

Winter Warmth Coat Drive will begin next week until October 13, donations of gently used and new coats, hats, and mittens are appreciated!

Pray for those in the Military:

HM1 Benjamin Chapin, USN
LT COL Gregory DeMarco
MAJ Tyler Ripley, USAF
CMC Paul McFadden, USN
MT6 David Varner
SGT Luke Bradshaw, US Army
CAPT Jason Taylor
LTCDR Casey Oswald, USN
TSGT John Coder, USAG
AT1 Jon Silver, USN
CAPT Jonathan Brent
SGT Davis Glass, USMC
Jared Santos
James Robinson
MAJ Kiel Gilliland, USAFR
MAJ Sharon Gilliland, USAG
LT Andrew Remien, USN
MCPO Anthony Edward Vega
SGT Chelsea Torvik, US Army
E1 Dylan Bailey, USN
1LT Joe Knutson, USAF
E3 Cole H. Trolinder, US Army
LT CDR Scott Higbee, USCG
SFC Casey Gursley, US Army
LTCOL Andrew Hoffman, USAF
PFC John Vincent, USMC
SGT Matthew Mashburn, USMC
A1C Jacob Bean, USAF
1 LT Nikolas Karaffa, US Army
SGT Nelson Fitzsimmons, US Army
E4 Jacob Townsend, US Navy

Please remember in your prayers those who have died, especially:

Meagan Meagher, Corinne O'Brien,
Finn Blaylock, Rosemary Dahlquist,
Fr. Raymond Heffernan,
Moyna Guinn, Dale Boudreau,
Ginny McEvoy, Betty Chapin,
Phyllis Weiland, Kitty Dolan,
Margaret Maiefski, Barb Haddad,
Bill Maris, Guy Loiselle,
Gerald Gribble, Ben Sokolowski,
Betty Kuljis, Mami Stamm,
Sylvester Moran, Patrick Imhof,
Laurie Capello, and Kathy Wood.

Memorial candle burns for:

Matt Ursin
9/16-9/22

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YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF POTLUCK

Sept. 22, 2019

4:00pm-6:00pm

Sacred Heart Rectory Lawn

The Spirit of Newman 2019

November 2nd - 6pm - Four Points Sheraton Hotel

\$60 Early Bird ——— Now - Sept. 2nd
\$75 General Ticket ——— Sept. 3rd - Oct. 18th

Limited Tickets Available!

Purchase Tickets

- Online via our website -
- At Sacred Heart Parish Office -

Contact Emma Fisher to reserve a full table!

www.wwunewman.com/spiritofnewman

Questions? Contact Emma Fisher:

Emmafisher@wwunewman.com
360.410.0218

Are you unable to come, but would still like to support the ministry? Please visit our donation page!

www.wwunewman.com/donate

Thank you in advance for all of the support!



ASSUMPTION EVENTS

Protecting God's Children: This in-class, 3-hour training is designed to teach volunteers how to keep our ministries, programs, and schools safe. This class is required by the Archdiocese of Seattle for new employees and volunteers with ongoing unsupervised contact with minors or vulnerable adults. To be in compliance, all new volunteers must take this training. The class date is:

Thurs., Oct. 3, 6:30-9:30 pm in the Teachers' Lounge
You must register online to enroll in one of these classes by visiting www.virtusonline.org. Click on the "Registration" link and follow the instructions.

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Rachel's Vineyard—Hope and Healing after Abortion:

Be ashamed when you sin, don't be ashamed when you repent. Sin is the wound, repentance is the medicine.

—St John Chrysostom

Is your heart begging for God's mercy and forgiveness? Repentance is the first step—don't let shame get in the way.

October 25-27, Stanwood (Español)

November 8-19, Seabeck (English)

Registering now! Call us for a compassionate, confidential conversation in English: 206-920-6413 or Español: 206-450-7814. Visit us at www.ccsww.org/projectrachel, or email us at projectrachel@ccsww.org.



Our school would like to thank an anonymous couple from Assumption for their very generous donation of \$25,000. We will use it to offset school bus expenses and to upgrade the computer lab with new Chromebook computers for all students. This will allow us to redesign the computer lab into a more welcoming "learning commons." Remember the annual Parent Teacher Club Spaghetti Dinner is next Sat., Sept. 21 at the gym with 5 and 6 pm seatings! Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling the school office at 360-733-6133.

St. Mary's, Anacortes, Fall Rummage Sale is Thurs.-Sat., Sept. 26-28. Hours are 10-4, and Thurs. is 10-7. Large baby strollers are discouraged. Clothes on sale for \$5/bag on Sat.

If a friend has become pregnant unexpectedly, let her know you will support her. It's ok if you don't have the perfect words to say. Reassure her it's ok (and *good*) to show happiness for this new life. Yours may be the only support she has. Can you—will you—make a difference in their lives? —USCCB Respect Life



Social Justice Corner

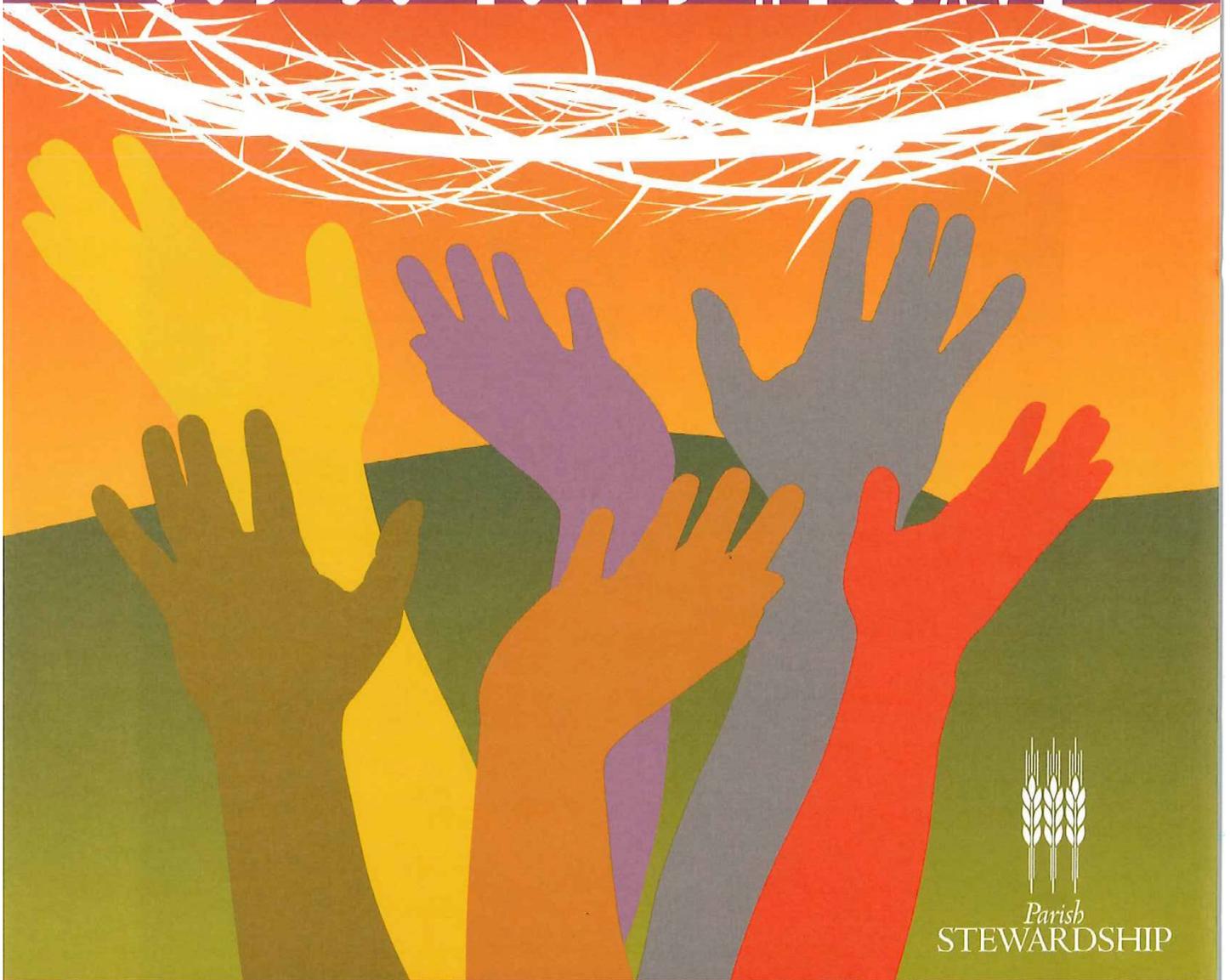
In today's Gospel we hear the familiar parable of the prodigal son. During this Season of Creation, let us look at the parable in a new light. Two writers for the Catholic Climate Covenant resources suggest that we are the prodigal son in the way we have treated the earth, the generous gift of our Creator God. His story mirrors our self-centered way of using the earth's resources focusing on personal gain and disregard for the welfare of others as well as future generations. Now, like the younger son, we are beginning to come to terms with our misdeeds. And as in the story, our generous God is calling us to himself, calling us to conversion, in his forgiveness and generosity.

Pope Francis, in his encyclical *Laudato Si*, echoes this theme. "This sister (earth) now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her." (#2) Our two previous popes also spoke of this. St. John Paul II stated, "I wish to repeat that the ecological crisis is a moral issue."

What can we do on a practical, personal level? Of many actions, consider limiting single-use plastics. 40% of plastic is used once and tossed. Refuse plastic bags, water bottles, take-out containers, and utensils. Purchase and carry reusable versions of these products. Let businesses know that you would like them to offer alternatives. Recycle what you can, even knowing that most plastics still end up in landfills. (Source: Catholic Climate Covenant.)

So let us reflect, and act now, on what our personal and communal responses should be to God's call for healing our common home.
—Carol Gavareski

GOD SO LOVED HE GAVE



FROM A HEART OF GRATITUDE WE GIVE OUR
TIME TALENT TREASURE

What shall I return to the Lord for all His bounty to me? – Psalm 116:12

Stewardship isn't just about how much money we give or how we volunteer in ministry to support our parish. It is about the sacrificial way we live our lives. It is about letting go of selfishness and embracing generosity. Part of our generosity should extend to the Body of Christ – our church. How can we enable our parish to carry out the mission Christ gave it?

If you haven't already decided on your parish stewardship commitment, please prayerfully consider your commitment and return your parish stewardship commitment form to the parish office, through the mail, or in the collection basket.

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PERFORMED LIVE BY JENNIFER PAGANO

Thursday, October 24 at 7 pm

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Admission:

Individual: \$10

Students: \$5

Family of 3 or more: \$25

Youth ages 12 & under: Free

Suitable for Ages 13 and Up

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