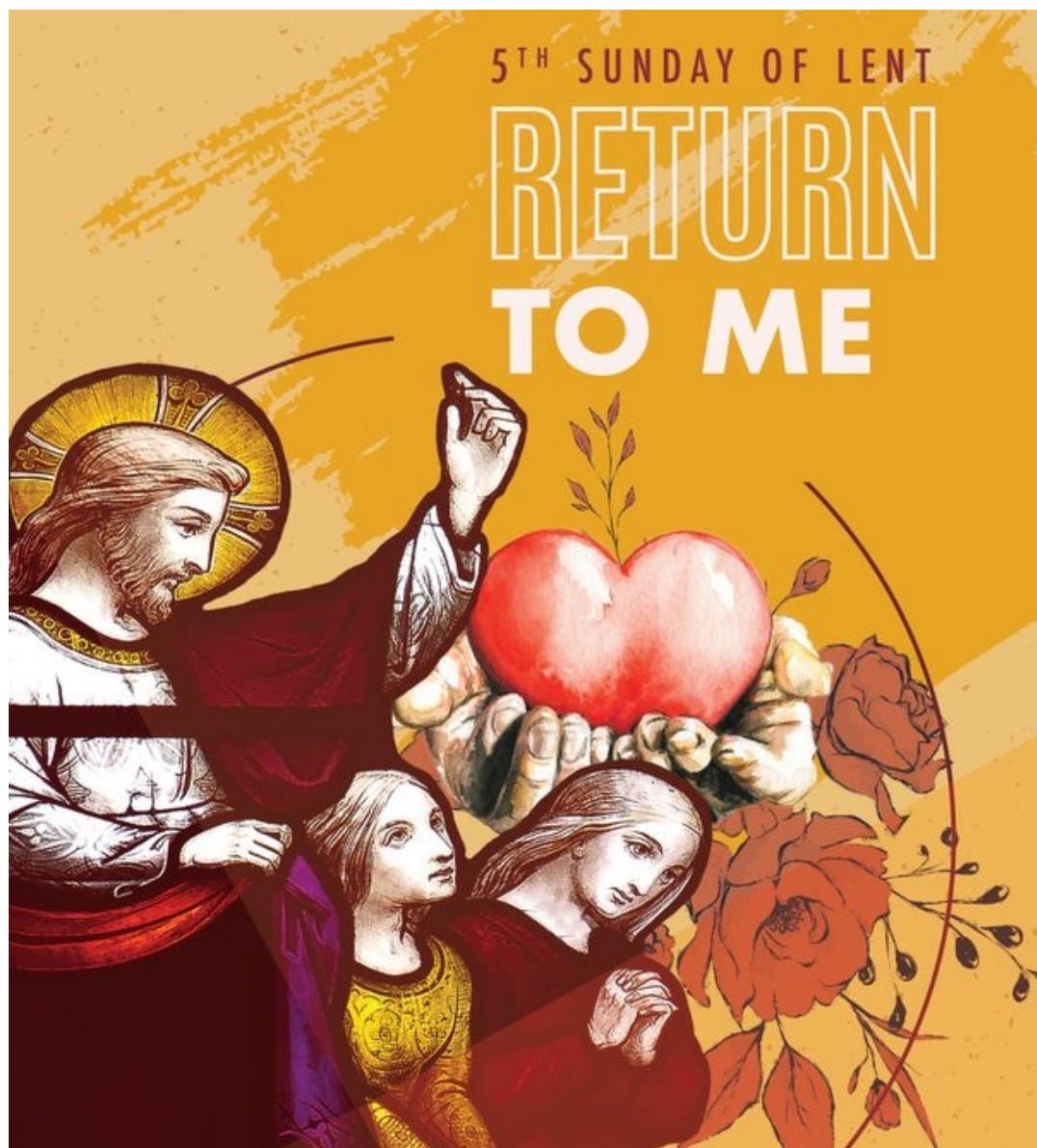


March 17, 2024

Skagit Valley Catholic Churches Regional Ministry

In union with Pope Francis in Rome and Archbishop Paul in Seattle



Immaculate Conception Regional School

www.icrsweb.org, 360-428-3912

1321 East Division Street, Mount Vernon WA 98274

Principal: Sarah Rutherford, rutherford@icrsweb.org

Secretary: Mrs. Gaby Oropeza, goropeza@icrsweb.org

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish community! Please fill out a registration form found in the church entryway and place it in the collection basket to register for our parish.

Afterhours Emergencies Requiring the Presence of a Priest:

Please call the Skagit Valley Emergency number:

360-419-4977. This line is reserved for critical

afterhours situations, including death and near death, where last sacraments are being requested.

Please notify the parish office for all other requests.

Catholic Community Services Helpline for Skagit County resources: 360-594-6446

Parishes Served By:

Fr. Tom McMichael, Pastor

ftom@skagitcatholic.org,

360-336-6622, ext. 122

Fr. Victor Raj,

Parochial Vicar

frraj@skagitcatholic.org,

360-336-6622

Fr. Paul Magnano,

Parish Priest

frpaul@skagitcatholic.org,

360-336-6622

Fr. Victor Olvida,

Priest in Residence

[immaculate-](mailto:immaculate-heart@skagitcatholic.org)

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360-855-0077

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360-336-6622, ext. 128

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Jamie Cline,

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360-336-6622 ext. 123

Planning on getting married?
Couples are asked to contact
their parish office at least 6
months prior to
their wedding.



Skagit Valley Catholic Churches All-Valley News

SKAGIT VALLEY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Holy Week

HOLY THURSDAY MARCH 28

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
MOUNT VERNON
6:00PM
8:00 PM SPANISH

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
SEDRO-WOOLLEY
7:00 PM BILINGUAL

SACRED HEART, LA CONNER 7:00 PM
ST. CHARLES BURLINGTON
7:00 PM BILINGUAL

GOOD FRIDAY MARCH 29

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
MOUNT VERNON
3:00PM
7:00 PM SPANISH

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
SEDRO-WOOLLEY
7:00 PM BILINGUAL

SACRED HEART, LA CONNER 7:00 PM
ST. CHARLES BURLINGTON
7:00 PM BILINGUAL

EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY, MARCH 30

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
MOUNT VERNON
8:00 PM BILINGUAL

ST CHARLES
BURLINGTON
8:00 PM BILINGUAL

ALL VALLEY YOUTH GROUP

Youth group will be meeting at a different time than usual this week. Wednesday, March 20th, we will be meeting at the St. Joe's Center for soup supper at 5pm and then we will carpool to the Burlington theater to watch Angel Studios' new movie on the life of St. Frances Cabrini. The movie starts at 7:15pm and any other parish members who want to attend with us are welcome. Tickets for youth group members will be covered.



TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICES

What are you doing for Lent?

We welcome you to come share in Taizé Prayer Services; for all peoples and all faiths.

Services will be on Mondays during Lent at 7pm
February 19, 26 and March 4, 18, 25

What to expect? Taizé prayer services are contemplative with simple, meditative songs. We share in quiet prayer, scripture readings, and silence. Services last about 30 minutes.

Immaculate Conception Church, Mount Vernon

SKAGIT VALLEY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Do you need healing?
Join us for this special sacrament

¿Necesitas sanación?
Únase a nosotros para este
sacramento especial

Monday, March 18th
10:30 am St. Charles, Burlington

40 Days for Life in Skagit County

We are excited to support life in Skagit County by supporting the 40 Days of Life campaign which runs from Valentine's day (February 14) through Palm Sunday (March 24). Please join us **every Tuesday through the campaign, starting February 20 from 11-12** in front of Planned Parenthood located at 1805 East Division Street Mount Vernon, Street Mount Vernon, WA. Visit the 40 Days of Life website for more information.

Text SVCC to 84576 to Flocknote and receive a weekly newsletter from the parishes of your choice

A Note from our Pastor, Fr. Tom McMichael

Happy 5th Sunday of Lent and St. Patrick's Day! This week I share with you great news about our own Immaculate Conception Regional School (ICRS) and the possibility of a new Catholic High school to serve Skagit, Whatcom, and Island Counties. First, I'm pleased to report that last month's 2024 ICRS Auction was a great success! Thank you to all who attended, donated to, and bid on the wonderful items and experiences that were offered. It was a festive evening and though the final tally is not yet available, every indication is that more money was raised this year to support our Catholic school than ever before. Special thanks to ICRS Principal Sarah Rutherford and Development Director Erin Kohlhaas along with the many volunteers who worked hard to make this year's auction a success. I was especially heartened by the generous support of scholarship funds to make our school accessible and affordable for all our families.

Second, we have begun a new phase of discernment about establishing a Catholic high school in the Northern Deanery. After years of discussion and with participation of and guidance from the Office of Catholic Schools a taskforce has been named and a professional feasibility study has been initiated. I will share more information as it becomes available. Establishing a Catholic high school is a very big challenge but we know what a difference a quality Catholic education makes at all levels. Please join me in praying for ICRS and for God's guidance as we consider a new local Catholic high school. Fr. Tom

Carta de nuestro Pastor:

Esta semana comparto con ustedes excelentes noticias sobre nuestra Escuela Regional Inmaculada Concepción (ICRS) y la posibilidad de una nueva escuela preparatoria católica para servir a los condados de Skagit, Whatcom e Island.

En primer lugar, me complace informarles que la subasta de la ICRS 2024 del mes pasado fue un gran éxito. Gracias a todos los que asistieron, donaron y ofertaron por los maravillosos artículos y experiencias que se ofrecieron. Fue una noche festiva y aunque el recuento final aún no está disponible, todo indica que este año se recaudó más dinero que nunca para apoyar a nuestra escuela católica. Un agradecimiento especial a la directora de ICRS, Sarah Rutherford, y a la directora de desarrollo, Erin Kohlhaas, junto con los muchos voluntarios que trabajaron arduamente para que la subasta de este año fuera un éxito. Me sentí especialmente alentado por el generoso apoyo de los fondos de becas para hacer que nuestra escuela sea accesible para todas nuestras familias. En segundo lugar, hemos comenzado una nueva fase de discernimiento sobre el establecimiento de una escuela secundaria católica en el Decanato del Norte. Después de años de discusión y con la participación y orientación de la Oficina de Escuelas Católicas, se nombró un grupo de trabajo y se inició un estudio de viabilidad profesional. Compartiré más información a medida que esté disponible. Establecer una escuela secundaria católica es un desafío muy grande, pero sabemos la diferencia que hace una educación católica de calidad en todos los niveles. Únase a nosotros para orar por la ICRS y por la guía de Dios mientras consideramos una nueva escuela preparatoria católica local.

Padre Tom

PD Únase a nosotros para nuestro Servicio de Reconciliación Cuaresmal de todo el Valle con confesiones individuales este sábado 16 de marzo a las 10 a. m. en la Iglesia Inmaculada Concepción en Mount Vernon. Varios sacerdotes estarán disponibles para escuchar confesiones hasta las 11:30 a. m. No habrá oportunidades para confesarse durante el Triduo Pascual, así que lo invitamos a planificar con anticipación y vaya antes del miércoles de Semana Santa.



Skagit Valley Catholic Churches Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday

8:30 am St. Catherine, Concrete
 5:00 pm Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sedro-Woolley
 5:00 pm St. Charles, Burlington
 5:00 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon
 7:00 pm St. Charles, Burlington SPANISH

Sunday

7:45 am St. Charles, Burlington SPANISH
 8:30 am Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sedro-Woolley
 9:00 am Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon
 9:30 am Sacred Heart, La Conner
 10:00 am Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sedro-Woolley SPANISH
 11:00 am Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon SPANISH
 11:15 am St. Charles, Burlington
 1:00 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon SPANISH

Immaculate Conception
 400 N. 15th Street, Mt. Vernon WA 98274

St. Charles
 935 Peterson Road, Burlington WA 98233

Sacred Heart
 404 Douglas Street, La Conner WA 98257

Immaculate Heart of Mary
 719 Ferry Street, Sedro-Woolley WA 98284

St. Catherine Mission
 45603 Limestone St., Concrete, WA 98237

Weekday Masses

Monday

10:30 am St. Charles, Burlington

Tuesday

12:15 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon

Wednesday

9:00 am Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sedro-Woolley
 6:00 pm St. Charles, Burlington

Thursday

12:15 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon
 7:00 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon (SP)

Friday

9:00 am Sacred Heart, La Conner

Skagit Valley Catholic Churches Confession Times

Monday

10:00 am St. Charles, Burlington

Wednesday

9:30 am Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sedro-Woolley
 5:15-5:45pm St. Charles, Burlington

Thursday

6:00-6:45 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon

Friday

8:30 am Sacred Heart, La Conner by appt.

Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm Immaculate Conception, Mt. Vernon
 4:00-4:45 pm Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sedro-Woolley
 4:00-4:45 pm St. Charles, Burlington

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 rooted in Catholic beliefs
 and values for students
 in PreK - 8th grade

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 los estudiantes del
 preescolar - 8º grado

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LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE - ENROLL TODAY!

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Para obtener más información, llame a la oficina de la escuela, hablan español.

ICRSWEB.ORG | 360.428.3912

Immaculate Conception Church

Church: 400 N. 15th Street, Mt. Vernon WA 98273 Office: 215 N. 15th Street, Mt. Vernon WA 98273

Phone: 360-336-6622 ext. 120 email: icc@skagitcatholic.org website: www.icc-mv.org

Administrative Assistant: Sandra Ruiz Office Hours: 8:30am—4:45pm M-F (closed 12:30-1:35)

Pastoral Council: Mike Marker Laurie Kerley Rosario Brito Jose Antonio Velasco Maria Velasco
Lomi Whitwer Adolfo Lucatero Kathleen Bullock Scott McMullen

Weekly Calendar 5th Sunday of Lent

Sunday, 3/17

8am Choir Rehearsal
English, Church Upstairs
Large Room
9am—Mass
10:15am Faith Formation
English, Church Upper
Rooms & Parish Center all
main Floor
10:20am—Rosary Spanish,
Church
11am—Misa
12:20pm—Rosary Spanish,
Church
1pm—Misa
5pm Confirmation Class
English, Church Upstairs
Large room and Pacrish
Center
7pm Vespers & Compline,
Church

Monday, 3/18

6pm Spanish Choir Church
Upstairs Large Room
7pm RICA Spanish Class,
Parish Center
7pm Valley Lenten Taize,
Church

Tuesday, 3/19

11am Divine Mercy
Chaplet & Rosary, CH
12:15pm—Mass
6:30pm Spiritual &
Scriptures studies with
the Charismatic Group
Spanish, all Parish Center

Wednesday, 3/20

4pm KofC Lenten Soup
Supper, St. Joes
6:30pm RCIA English,

Upstairs Church
6:30pm Sp. Rehearsal for
Alive Station of the Cross,
Basement
7pm English Choir
Rehearsal, Church
7pm Legion de Maria,
Narthex
7pm All Valley Youth
Group, PC & St. Joes

Thursday, 3/21

12:15pm Mass
1pm Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament, Church
6pm Confessions, Church
7pm—Misa

Friday, 3/22

11am Leadership
Meeting, Conference Room
12:00 pm Stations of the
Cross English, Church
3pm Stations of the Cross
Spanish, Church
7-9pm Stations of the Cross
Spanish and Hispanic
Charismatic Group, Church

Saturday, 3/23

7:00pm Sacramentors,
Library
10am Spanish Catechists
Class, all Parish Center,
Church Upstairs Large
Room
4pm Choir Rehearsal
English, Church Upstairs
Large Room
4pm Confessions, Church
4:15pm Rosary, Church
5pm—Mass
6:30pm Sp. Children Choir,
Basement

Prayer for the Faithful by St. Patrick



*May the Strength of God guide us
May the Power of God preserve us
May the Wisdom of God instruct us
May the Hand of God protect us
May the Way of God direct us
May the Shield of God defend us
May the Angels of God guard us
Against the snares of the evil one.*

*May Christ be with us!
May Christ be before us!
May Christ be in us!
Christ be over all!*

This day, O Lord, and forevermore. Amen

Stations of the Cross Fridays at Noon in
English, and 3pm and 7pm in Spanish.

Divine Mercy Novena

March 29th at 11am
(Good Friday)
March 30th at 11am
March 31st Easter Sunday the
Novena should be said at home.
April 1st at 11am
April 2nd at 11am



April 3rd at 11am
April 4th at 11am
April 5th at 11am
April 6th at 11am (Church
Upstairs Large Room)
April 7th at 2pm (Divine Mercy
Sunday)

**Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the
Narthex.** Last day to return the Rice Bowl is on
Easter Sunday. Visit crsricebowl.org.



*"For God did not send his Son into the world to
condemn the world, but that the world might be
saved through him."* Bring God into your
marriage to honor Him by going on the next

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: April 12-14, 2024
at LaQuinta in Tacoma, WA, Mar 8-10, 2024, Immaculate Heart
Retreat Center, Spokane, WA, [Apr 26-28, 2024 in Everett, WA](http://www.wmme.org).
For more information about Worldwide Marriage
Encounter, please visit www.wmme.org. For questions, or to find
out more about a Virtual Encounter Experience, feel free to
contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321. Follow WWME
on Instagram and Facebook!

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Stewardship of Treasure

July—January
Income: \$480,765
July—January
Expense:
\$387,831
Net Surplus:
\$92,934

Loan Balance:
\$1,058,527
*Thank you for
your gifts!*



**March 20th is the Last day for Lenten Soup
Supper** in the St. Joseph Center from 4-6:30pm.
Thank you Knights of Columbus for all your
hard work. Thank you to all who participated.

3/17 9am For the People
3/17 11am Abraham Gonzalez Sr. (RIP))
3/19 12:15pm Paul Justice (RIP)
3/21 12:15pm Miguel Alatorre (RIP)



Weekly Calendar

Sun/Dom. 03/17/24

7:45am—Mass, Spanish
9:45am—Bible Study
11:15am—Mass, English

Mon/Lun. 03/18/24

10:00am—Confessions
10:05am—Rosary
10:30am—Daily Mass
6:30pm—RCIA Inquiry Class

Tue/Mar. 03/19/24

5:30pm—Stations of the Cross
6:30pm—RCIC Class

Wed/Mie. 03/20/24

5:15pm—confessions
6:00pm—Mass
6:30pm—F.F. Class

Thu/Jue. 03/21/24

10am—Funeral Mass
6:30pm—Youth 1st Comm Class

Fri/Vie. 03/22/24

10am—RCIA Inquiry
5pm—Silent adoration/adoración
8:30pm—Via Crucis

Sat/ Sab. 03/23/24

4:00-4:45pm Confessions
5:00pm—Mass, English
7:00pm—Mass, Spanish

Stewardship of Treasure

July-January
Income
\$235,233
July-January
Expenses
\$206,327



St. Charles Church

Church and Office: 935 Peterson Rd., Burlington WA 98233
Phone: 360-757-0128 Administrative Assistant: Brenda Rocha
email: stcharles@skagitcatholic.org website: www.stcharles-burlington-wa.org
Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10:00am—2:00pm,
Wednesday 10:00am—5:00pm

Pastoral Council: Rudy Allen Garth Cray Paula Dey Peter McGowan
Juan Peinado Yadira Rodarte



Mass intention:

03/23/24—Miguel Alatorre (7pm)
For Mass intentions please call the
parish office 360-757-0128.
Para intenciones de misa, llamar a
la oficina. 360-757-0128



Domingo de Ramos

Se les invita a partici-
par en la procesion del
Domingo de Ramos que se lleva
acabo 15 minutos antes de las
Misas de Espao.

Confirmation Retreat Retiro de Confirmacion

March 23, 2024

8am-2pm

At

Immaculate Heart of Mary Sedro-Woolley

Please bring \$15 to St Charles Parish office to cover
Lunch . Favor de traer \$15 a la oficina de San Carlos
para cubrir el almuerzo.

Recordatorio: A todos los que recibirán
sus sacramentos el sábado 30 de
marzo, les pedimos que entreguen sus
formularios de padrinos completos a la
oficina parroquial lo antes posible. La misa ese día
comenzará a las 8pm, llegue a las 7:30 p.m con sus
padrinos.

Reminder: To all who will be receiving thier sacraments
on Saturday March 30th, we ask that you submit your
completed sponsor forms to the parish office as soon as
possible. Mass will start at 8pm, please arrive at
7:30pm with your sponsor.



St Charles Holy Week schedule / Horario de Semana Santa

Holy Thursday/ Jueves Santo 7pm Bilingual

Good Friday/ Viernes Santo 7pm Bilingual

Easter Vigil/ Sabado de Gloria 8pm Bilingual

Food Bank Story for the month of January 2024

Thank you to all the wonderful Skagit Valley parishioners and friends. **You have enabled the Food Bank to:**
Distribute over **208,111** lbs of food which helped feed over **2,545** families through the drive-thru and home delivery
programs and to help stock emergency shelters in the area. You also provided families with young children with over
345 packages of diapers. Over **100** volunteer warriors generously gave over **1,050** hours of their time to prepare and
distribute all the food and diapers.

If you have not seen what is happening at the food bank on Saturdays, please join us
Again, thank you for helping families.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church/ St. Catherine Mission

Church: 719 Ferry Street, Sedro-Woolley WA 98284 Phone: 360-855-0077

Church: 45603 Limestone Street, Concrete WA 98237

email: immaculateheart@skagitcatholic.org website: www.ihm-sw.org

Administrative Assistant: Leslie Cornwell Office Hours: 9:30am—1:30pm M-F

IHM Pastoral Council: Dave Strachila Karen Green Doug Hutter Arturo Lopez Steve McCart Sharon Pawlowicz

St. Catherine Pastoral Council: Yvonne Eagleburger Jan Brovan Nancy Glass David and Georgia Lang Philip and Virginia Moran Diane Young

WEEKLY CALENDAR FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 17th

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

8:30 am Mass, English
9:30 am Coffee Social
10:00 am Mass, Spanish

Wednesday, March 20th

6-8 pm Last time for the
Eucharistic Study Group

Friday, March 22nd

7:00 pm Last Bilingual
Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, March 19th

SPRING BEGINS

2:00 pm Ladies Guild Mtg
3:00 pm Faith Group
7:00 pm Knights Mtg.
7:00 pm Spanish Rosary

Saturday, March 23rd

**Saint Catherine
Concrete**

8:30 am Mass

Immaculate Heart of Mary

4:00 pm Confessions
5:00 pm English Mass

Wednesday, March 20th

9:00 am Daily Mass
9:30 am Confessions

*Happy St. Patrick's
DAY*



Did you lose your keys?
A black jacket was left in
the sacristy. These keys
were found in the pock-
et. If they belong to you,
please contact the Parish
Office - #360-855-0077.

THANK YOU!

St. Catherine Mission will be getting a
face lift soon! Thanks to those who
donated to have the exterior of the
Mission Church painted!

*Wednesday evening will be the
last in the video series sessions.
Thanks to Karen Green and Steve
McCartt for presenting this
program.*

IHM MASS INTENTIONS

3/17 8:30 am *Repose of Soul of
Margaret Gorski*
10:00 am *For the People*
3/20 9:00 am *Repose of Soul of
James Steinhoff*
3/23 5:00 pm *Repose of Souls of
Margaret Olson and
Carl Olson*



Stewardship of Treasure 2023/2024

Immaculate Heart of Mary

July-January Income \$124,324

July-January Expenses \$129,892

Net Shortfall \$ (5,568)

St. Catherine Mission

July-January Income \$ 16,465

July-January Expenses \$ 15,111

Net Surplus \$ 1,355

Thank you for your generous gifts

Sacred Heart

Church: 404 Douglas Street, PO Box 757, La Conner WA 98257 Phone: 360-466-3967

email: lori@skagitcatholic.org website: www.sacredheartchurchlaconner.org

Ministry Coordinator: Lori Hansen Office Hours: 11:00am—2:00pm M-Th

Pastoral Council: Denny Doneen Richard Doerflinger Chad Lemrick Ann Gerner Ran Hinrichs
Julie and Robb Anderson Denice Gardner Steve Miller

Weekly Calendar:

March 17th: Sunday Mass 9:30am; Faith Formation making
pretzels! Coffee hour.

Mar. 20th: Men's & Women's Bible Studies 8:30am/ 10am

Mar. 22nd: Friday Mass 9am.

Mar. 22nd: Funeral Mass 2pm—Kaitlyn Santoro

Mar. 24th: Palm Sunday Mass 9:30am; Classes & coffee.

Happy Birthday!

Mar. 18. Anna Yu-Rank - Cayli Gibbons

Mar. 19. Kathy Hefferline - Margeaux Zwick

Mar. 20. Chad Lemrick

Mar. 21. Kalkidan Cowan

Mar. 22. Maggie Benetti - Jack Peranteau

Mar. 23. Lee Ann Doerflinger - Richard Karney

Stewardship of Treasure 2023-2024

July—Jan. Income \$159,328

July—Jan. Expenses \$142,217

Net Surplus: \$ 17,111

Thank you for your Stewardship!



Holy Week at Sacred Heart

Palm Sunday Mass March 24th 9:30am

Holy Thursday Mass March 28th 7:00pm

Good Friday Service March 29th 7:00pm

Easter Sunday Mass March 31st 9:30am



**Our annual Easter Egg
hunt for the youth will
take place after Mass
on Easter! If you took
bags of empty Easter
eggs home to fill on
March 10th, please
return them filled by
Palm Sunday Thank
you!**