



COLUMBIA RIVER CATHOLIC

HOLY REDEEMER | ST. THOMAS AQUINAS | OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

October 19, 2025

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

WELCOME!

Welcome to Columbia River Catholic where we Glorify God and Sanctify Souls. We hope you will join us in our pursuit of an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. We would love to have you register in one of our three faith communities that can be found at the bottom of this page. If you are not already a Catholic Christian, or you are but have been away from the Church for a while, we'd love to help you become a Catholic or return to the fold. Again, just contact one of the communities at the bottom of this page to start or resume your journey.

Enjoy this bulletin. We hope that you will take the time to read through it as it contains important information about our faith and opportunities to grow in it, as well as opportunities to journey together in this Catholic community.

CLERGY

- Fr. Thomas Nathe, Pastor
- Fr. Bala Nagineni, Vicar
- Fr. Clifford Martin, Retired Priest
- Holy Cross Priests
- Deacon Scott Aikin



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Masses | Confessions | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Redeemer Parish, Vancouver

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26
Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am 23 hr. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00am Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00pm Confessions 3:30-5:00pm	Mass 8:30am Confessions 9:15am-10:30am 2:30-4:15pm Mass 4:30pm	Confessions 7:30-8:15am 10:00-10:45am Mass 8:30am 11:00am

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Camas

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26
		Confessions 5:00-5:45pm Mass 6:00pm	Mass 6:00pm	Mass 6:00pm	Confessions 4:00-4:45pm Mass 5:00pm	Confessions 7:30am - 8:15am Mass 8:30am

Our Lady Star of the Sea Mission, Stevenson

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26
		Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary 6:00pm-7:00pm				Confessions 10:45-11:15am Mass 11:30am

Open to exploring or learning more about the Catholic Faith? Considering joining the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults or OCIA.

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, or OCIA is a formal process of communal initiation of new members into the Catholic Church, as well as a welcome back program for returning Catholics, and further instruction for practicing Catholics who want to know more about the beauty of our faith. Please reach out to us, we want to help!

Holy Redeemer and St. Thomas Aquinas Parishes—Contact Mark MacKenzie at markm@holyredeemervanc.org

Share the Good News

Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today, and Forever ~

I have a number of things to share with you—all good, praise the Lord!

Vocations

Jesus Christ established the Church upon 12 priests. Not 12 parishes, or 12 dioceses, or 12 laymen, but upon 12 priests. Without priests, the Church doesn't exist. For good or bad, the Church has only ever been as healthy as the priesthood. To that end, we promote the priesthood and consecrated religious life because the Church needs the sacrifice of these people for the Glory of God and the salvation of souls, and because these are very special vocations, we want as many people as possible to experience for their own good. While the Church almost everywhere in the world continues to live through a vocations apocalypse, we have been blessed to have five ordinations and solemn professions from our parish family in the past 13 years. In addition to that, we have six people in formation for the priesthood or consecrated life now, with at least that number discerning entering formation in the next few years. The Serra Club and I are going to make a concerted effort in the coming years to improve upon those numbers. Every vocation takes a village to raise them up and this village of Columbia River Catholic has been stepping up. If you want to help with this heroic effort, please consider joining our local Serra club. You can email Shawn Madison at shawnemadison@comcast.net or simply mark "Serra Club" on your Stewardship form.

OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults or OCIA, is the program whereby people are catechized in the Catholic faith and discern entering the Church. This is for people who are not baptized as well as people who are validly baptized somewhere else. It is also for Catholics who have been away from the Church for a long time and want a community, process, and catechesis as part of their return, and for Catholic adults who were baptized in the Church but never received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation. Columbia River Catholic has over 60 people in our OCIA program this year—a record for us. This is great news and gives us an opportunity to thank Our Lord and consider inviting others to join OCIA. It is also a sign that despite a general decline in Mass attendance and participation in the sacraments for the Church throughout Western Civilization, things are going really well here. Praise God! If you want to join OCIA or invite someone else to join, please reach out to Mark MacKenzie at

markm@holyredeemervanc.org or simply mark it on your Stewardship form.

More Numbers

October and May are the two months of the year when parishes and missions across America count the number of people attending Mass. Holy Redeemer does it year-round and St. Thomas is moving in that direction as well. We know how many people are attending Mass on an average weekend in our three communities and whether or not that number is going up or down. I have something amazing to report in our numbers, something I'm not aware of happening anywhere else this has been done before: St. Thomas' Mass numbers have not gone down since losing our 11am Mass there last summer. The numbers at the 5pm and 8:30am Masses simply went up accordingly. Just as amazingly, and again I'm not aware of this being the case anywhere else this has happened: the financial giving at St. Thomas hasn't gone down either! This is a reflection of the seriousness of our parishioners' faith, and it is as inspiring as it is surprising! Just so you know, Holy Redeemer's average year-round weekend Mass count is 1500; St. Thomas' year-round average Mass count is 450; and Star of the Sea's year-round Mass count is about 93.

Piggybacking on our financial situation: In addition to overall income being up in Columbia River Catholic, our Annual Catholic Appeal numbers this year were fantastic. For about the fifth year in a row, Holy Redeemer's rebate exceeded all other parishes in the Archdiocese but for the Cathedral. Those rebates are a big part of our property's development. Meanwhile, St. Thomas and Star of the Sea saw the largest increase in giving the Annual Catholic Appeal year over year in the Archdiocese. The most important takeaway from this was participation. While Holy Redeemer continued to come in at #1 for the Archdiocese for a community its size, St. Thomas and Star of Sea saw participation increase dramatically.

If all of that wasn't amazing enough, at roughly the same time we were conducting the Annual Catholic Appeal, we took on two other charities as well: Mary's Meals and Catholic Cross Outreach. Taken together we saw \$130,000 leave Columbia River Catholic to feed children in the developing world in their place of education. These numbers represent something amazing here, they represent people growing in holiness. They represent a people who take their faith seriously.

Music

Our staff, volunteers, advisory bodies, much of our programming, and finances began consolidating two summers ago when

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we all came together as one parish family under the same pastor – me . That consolidation naturally continues.

Last spring Taylor Gonzaga, the music director at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, let me know that she was retiring. Taylor and her husband took in a foster child in the last year, and her life and priorities have changed substantially since then. Taylor retired last summer, and we've been relying on accompanists (pianists), cantors, and choir members to fill the gap since.



Also, last spring Angela Lee, Holy Redeemer Parish's music director, let me know that she wanted to cut back on her hours and responsibilities. She gave birth to her second child around Christmas and her life, and priorities have substantially changed since then. This weekend is Angela Lee's last as Holy Redeemer's music director. She has been with us for ten years and is such a lovely person, so

this is a difficult departure for many of us. There will be a farewell reception for her after the 11am Mass at Holy Redeemer this Sunday. Fortunately, she isn't going far (more on that below).

Since Taylor and Angela both brought their changed life situations to me at about the same time, it gave us a golden opportunity to hire one regional music director as we move toward becoming one parish in the next two years. The demand for highly talented and experienced music directors far exceeds supply, thus we are so blessed, and I am so pleased to announce that we have found one.

After a national search, we are very fortunate to be able to



hire a regional director of sacred music for Columbia River Catholic. As of this Monday, October 20, Karl Rhode will become Columbia River Catholic's first regional director of sacred music. Many of you know Karl as he has been a local fixture for ten years at St. Joseph Parish and recently

at Our Lady of Lourdes as well. Karl brings a great deal of talent and experience to this role, as well as enthusiasm, and I'm really looking forward to our future together. In a future

bulletin, Karl will get a chance to introduce himself, the direction of music at Columbia River Catholic, as well as the structure of his time and responsibilities for Columbia River Catholic. Of course, much of that will naturally evolve over time.

Back to Angela. Father Tim Illgen at St. Joseph Parish as hired her to conduct the 9am Sunday choir there. The amount of hours and responsibility fits just about perfectly for Angela. Angela is happy, Karl is happy, I'm happy, Fr. Illgen is happy, and if you're not already happy, in time you will be too!

Partners in the Gospel

A quick review. In the coming two years, across the Archdiocese of Seattle, the Catholic Church in Western Washington will go from 163 parishes and missions to 60 parishes. Two summers ago, those 163 parishes and missions consolidated into 60 parish families under 60 pastors. In two years' time all 163 parishes and missions will be canonically suppressed and reestablished as 60 parishes with new names. Between now and then, we will continue to discern together various aspects of our identity and future. It is very important that we remain engaged in this process. On the weekend of November 8 & 9, you will have an opportunity to attend a townhall style gathering after the Masses to explore the question "who are we?" There will be more about that opportunity on our website, bulletin, and in our Mass announcements.

Share the Good News

I had more things that I wanted to share with you in this pastor's column, but I ran out of room. Perhaps in another pastor's column. Suffice to say, by the grace of God things are going very well in our parish family, and we all have reason to be grateful and to share the good news.

May Almighty God Bless You,

Fr. Thomas Nathe

Catholic School Options

Columbia River Catholic Parish Family provides per-pupil assistance for active parishioners who enroll their children in grades K-8 at local Catholic Schools. This allows families to receive discounted tuition rates.

- Columbia River Catholic Preschool & Kindergarten
lauren@stthomascamas.org
- Regina Caeli Academy Homeschool Hybrid, Pre-K - HS
admissions@rcahybrid.org
- Our Lady of Lourdes School Pre-K—8th Grade
www.lourdesvan.org
- St. Joseph Catholic School Pre-K—8th Grade
www.stjoevanschool.org/
- Seton Catholic College Prep High School
<https://www.setonhigh.org/>

Music Ministry Thank You!

Oct 19 | 12pm

As noted in Fr. Nathe's Pastor's Column, there will be a thank you reception for Angela Lee at the Holy Redeemer Parish Center on Sunday, Oct 19, after the 11am Mass. Please join us on Sunday, Oct 19, to thank Angela for her dedicated service. For our past and future Liturgical Music leadership, please pray for our Music Directors Angela, Taylor, and Karl in this significant transition and the months ahead.

Opus Sanctorum Angelorum

Oct 22 | 6-8pm

Opus Angelorum is coming to Holy Redeemer on Wednesday, October 22, from 6-8pm with an Evening of Recollection on The Guardian Angels. Fr. Wolfgang Sietz, ORC will be joining us to celebrate a Holy Mass at 6pm. Thereafter will be an opportunity for those who have prepared to be consecrated to the Holy Angels and for those who wish to apply for the one-year preparation for the Consecration to the Holy Angels.

All Souls Day Cards

All Souls Day is November 2nd. All Souls Day Mass Cards are available at all entrances to Holy Redeemer and St. Thomas Aquinas. This is a wonderful way to honor the deceased on All Souls Day. Please return the envelope by Wednesday, October 29th to your parish office or by dropping them in the collection basket.

Free Medicare Workshops

Oct 22 & Oct 27

Paula Richard will be offering two free Medicare workshops at Holy Redeemer Parish Center on Tuesday Oct 21st at 10am or Monday Oct 27 at 6:30pm. This is an opportunity to come and learn about the basics of Medicare and review 2026 plans for Clark County. For more info contact Paula 360-607-4037.

Living Our Discipleship Through Stewardship



Discipleship is more than a belief, it's how we live our faith. One powerful way we respond to

God's grace is by giving back a portion of all we've been blessed with. As Archbishop Etienne reminds us: "Everything we have, everything that we are, is by God's initiative—God's grace." We're excited to share that all three parishes are off to a great start in this year's stewardship effort! As of last weekend, October 12th:

- Holy Redeemer: 194 families have made commitments (35% of goal), pledging a total of \$535,476 for 2026.
- St. Thomas: 71 families have made commitments (36% of goal), pledging a total of \$209,908 for 2026.
- Our Lady Star of the Sea: 13 families have made commitments (33% of goal), pledging a total \$19,828.

Thank you for your incredible generosity! Your pledge helps our parishes continue their mission and ministry. If you haven't already, make your pledge today!

Pumpkin Carving Contest

Oct 26 | 2-4pm

The Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest is being held at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Hall on Sunday, Oct 26. Pumpkins are provided, or bring your own along with your imagination and carving tools. Please RSVP through the QR code on page 9.



All Hallows Eve Celebration

Oct 31 | 5pm-7pm

The All Hallows Eve Celebration for all CRC families takes place on October 31st in the Holy Redeemer Parish Center! Fun, food, trunk-r-treat and more! See our website for more information. This is a fun family event. Kids (and adults, too!) are encouraged to come dressed as your favorite saint. Kids trick or treat at our Trunk or Treat, and play saint-inspired games and eat delicious saintly snacks! To sign up to provide treats, volunteer to help or set up your saintly themed trunk for treats, see the QR code on page 7.

Remembrance of Abortion Victims

Nov 7 | 1:30-2:30pm

Clark County Right to Life invites you to the annual Remembrance of Abortion Victims event on Nov. 7, Friday, from 1:30-2:30 pm in front of the Clark County Courthouse. Signs provided. Family friendly event. Questions? Suggestions? Contact Gerry Parmentier at 360-831-7542 or by email 4life@clarkrtl.org.

Holy Redeemer Parish, Vancouver



Holy Redeemer Church

Website: holyredeemervan.org

Phone: 360-885-7780

Email: office@holyredeemervan.org

Parish Office Hours
9am-4pm Monday-Friday
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Vancouver, WA 98684



Daily Mass Intentions

10/20 Hank Murray
10/21 Joseph Chang
10/22 Robert Faust†
10/23 Ivy Peterst
10/24 Joanne Mustacchia
10/25 Joanne Mustacchia

Prayer Requests

Jerry Ackert+, Spencer Adams, Joan Baderscher, Erik Benaventet, Charlene Bragg, Giselle M. Brakeville†, Charlotte Braden, Sherry Callaghan, Dee Dettling†, Ruby Duncan, Ryker Erickson †, Lynn Florentino†, Carol Greene†, Dorothy Gutierrez †, Ed Gillis, Diane Helley†, Evelyn Huebner†, Jamie Kohler†, John Kessenger+, Kristen Morris, Carol Patrick, Ron Prill, Teresa Poissant†, Mary Santiago, Damon Schleichert†, Ivana Tarabochia, Evelyn Ward †, Jim Williamst, Elizabeth Wolf

Thank you for your generosity!

Contributions	10/5-10/11
Stewardship	\$ 31,644
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 414

Special This Week

Opus Sanctorum Angelorum

Oct 22 | 6:00pm

Join us on Wednesday, October 22nd from 6-8pm with an Evening of Recollection on The Guardian Angels. Fr. Wolfgang Sietz, ORC will be celebrating a Holy Mass at 6pm with a presentation during the homily with a consecration after the Mass. Thereafter will be an opportunity for those who have prepared to be consecrated to the Holy Angels and for those who wish to apply for the one-year preparation for the Consecration to the Holy Angels.

Medicare Workshop

Oct 21 or Oct 27

With Medicare open enrollment in play this month, Paula Richard (Holy Redeemer parishioner) is offering free Medicare workshops at the Parish Center on Tuesday Oct 21st at 10am or Monday Oct 27 at 6:30pm. This is an opportunity to come and learn about the basics of Medicare for 2026.

All Souls Novena of Masses

All Souls Day is November 2nd. All Souls Day Mass Cards are available at all entrances to the church. This is a wonderful way to honor the deceased on All Souls Day by including them in the All Souls Novena of Masses. Please return the envelope by Wednesday, October 29th to the parish office, drop it in the mailbox by the walkway to the church, or by dropping them in the collection basket.

Coming Up

Oct 21 Medicare Workshop
Oct 22 Opus Sanctorum Angelorum
Oct 30 Patriotic Rosary
Oct 31 All Hallows Celebration
Nov 1 All Saints Day
Nov 2 All Souls Day

Recurring Meetings

American Heritage Girls: Mondays 4:30pm | Oct 20, Nov 3
Bible Study with Littles: Tuesdays 9:30am | Oct 21, Oct 28
Choir, Children & Youth: Wednesdays 5:00pm | Oct 22, Oct 29
Choir, Adult: Thursdays 7:00pm | Oct 23, Oct 30
Direction of Our Times : 2nd Tuesday (monthly): Nov 11
Fidelis and Fraternus: Wednesdays 6:00pm | Oct 22, Oct 29
Holy Face of Jesus Devotion: 4th Tuesdays 9:15am | Oct 28
Homeschool Co-Op: Fridays 10:30am | Oct 24, Oct 31
Millions of Monicas: Mondays 6:00pm | Oct 20, Oct 27
MMP Cenacle: Mondays 9:15 am | Oct 20, Oct 27
MMP Cenacle: Thursdays 9:15am | Oct 23, Oct 30
MMP Cenacle: Saturdays 9:15am | Oct 25, Nov 1
OCIA: Tuesdays 6:00pm | Oct 21, Oct 28
Spanish Endow: Thursdays 6:30pm | Oct 23, Oct 30
St. Joseph Cenacle: 3rd Tuesdays, 0:30am | Nov 18
Troops of St. George: Mondays 6:30pm | Oct 20, Nov 3
Young Adult Bible Study: Friday 6:30pm | Oct 24, Nov 7

Holy Redeemer Faith Formation

For a complete listing of opportunities and upcoming events, visit holyredeemervan.org or call the parish office M-F 9am-4pm.

**THANK
YOU,
ANGELA!**



Our music director, Angela Lee, is stepping down from her position to focus on her family. Thank you for 10 years of faithful service to the parish!

WE WILL MISS YOU!

 **Opus Sanctorum Angelorum** 
Evening of Recollection

October 22, 6-8pm
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church
Vancouver, WA

**Conference Topic:
The Guardian Angels**

6:00pm Holy Mass with conference talk during the homily and Consecration to the Guardian Angel of those who have completed their year or formation. After Mass, opportunity to apply for the one-year formation towards the Consecration to the Guardian Angel.

Two Silent Retreats October 16-19 or October 23-26, 2025
Our Lady of Peace Retreat House Beaverton, OR
Single or Double \$425
opusangelorum.org - contact@opusangelorum.org - (330) 969-9900

HOLY REDEEMER CAMPUS

**ALL HALLOWS
CELEBRATION**

OCTOBER 31, 2025

5PM-7PM

AN ALL-AGES SAINT CELEBRATION!

COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVORITE SAINT
TRICK-OR-TREAT AT OUR TRUNK-OR-TREAT
ENJOY SAINTLY GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PROVIDE TRUNKS, CANDY, AND RUN ACTIVITIES!



SCAN TO
VOLUNTEER!



PRAYER - FAITH - FRATERNITY

COR

The Knights of Columbus invite all men to join COR, a program focused on improving men's prayer lives and their relationship with the Lord.

Last Saturdays of the Month

9:15am (after Mass)

Good Shepherd Building



Questions? Contact Jesus Gomez
gomez.swimming@live.com

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Camas



St. Thomas Aquinas Church

Website: stthomascamas.org

Phone: 360-834-2126

Email: office@stthomascamas.org

Parish Office Hours

9am-4pm Monday -Thursday

324 NE Oak Street

Camas, WA 98607



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Daily Mass intentions

- 10/22 Grace Varsek (birthday)
Magnus Yoshimura (birthday)
10/23 Sophia Doumitt
10/24 Lesly Collins† and
Tanae'a Hollingsworth †

Prayer Requests

Heather (surgery recovery), Kathryn Thomson (recovery), Cox family, Gina Bevil (healing), Gail Murphy (recovery), Irina & her son, Toni & her husband (housing), Heather (recovery), Kristen (Connell) Morris†, Jay Blomme (recovery), Claire (healing), and please continue to pray for all those on the prayer chain.

Send new prayer requests to:

stthomasprayers@stthomascamas.org

Thank you for your generosity!	
Contributions	10/5-10/11
Stewardship	\$ 11,702
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 350

Special This Week

Parish Stewardship Drive Continues

Many thanks to all those who have returned a commitment form for 2026. As of last week, St. Thomas has received 71 commitments (36% of our goal of 200). This represents 228 commitments to individual ministries and pledges of over \$209K for 2026! If you have not yet completed a commitment form, please return your forms (or complete it online) this week. Thank you!

Parish Playgroup | Tuesday, October 21

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 10:00am-11:30am, Aquinas Center Room 1
Connecting families with young children in a wholesome environment for fellowship and support through play, crafts, music, and more. Meetings every 1st and 3rd Tuesday. Contact erin@stthomascamas.org.

Young Adult Bible Study at STA This Week

Friday, October 24, 6:30-8:30pm, Fireside Room
CRC Young Adult Ministry encourages all young adults, ages 18-26, to join weekly Bible Study sessions. This week we will be meeting in the fireside room at St. Thomas. Contact Daniel for more details:
holyredeemeryoungadult@gmail.com OR 360-601-0459.

Cor Men's Group - Weekly

Saturday, October 25, 8:00-9:15am, Fireside Room
All men are encouraged to join our now weekly Saturday morning gatherings at 8am for fellowship and discussion to help us grow in our faith. (This is in addition to the monthly Cor sessions on the 3rd Saturdays with a breakfast and discussion). Contact Mark at mailhotm@gmail.com.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Sunday, October 26, 2-4pm, Parish Hall - see ad on next page.

Coming Up

- Oct 22 *Opus Sanctorum Angelorum* at Holy Redeemer, 6pm
Oct 31 All Hallows Eve Celebration, 5-7pm, Holy Redeemer

Recurring Meetings

- Aquinas Guild:** 1st Wednesdays 10am fireside | Nov 5, Dec 3
Catholic Daughters: 1st Mondays 6pm fireside (not Jul-Aug) | Nov 3, Dec 1
Cor Men's Group: 3rd Saturdays 8:00am (not summer) | Nov 15
Discipleship Gathering: 4th Tuesdays 7pm church | Oct 28
Drama Group: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 6:00pm fireside | Oct 28, Nov 11
Faith Formation (PreK-12): Sundays 9:45am AC | Oct 19, Oct 26, Nov 2
Faith & Family Parents: Periodic Sundays 9:45am fireside | Oct 26, Nov 16
Grief Support: 1st Mondays 10:00am Parish Office | Nov 3, Dec 1
Knights of Columbus: 1st Wednesdays 7pm fireside | Nov 5, Dec 3
OCIA (Christian Initiation): Tuesdays 6pm Holy Redeemer | Oct 21, Oct 28
Parish Playgroup: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 10am AC | Oct 21, Nov 4
Parish Potluck: 2nd Tuesdays 5pm hall (except summer) | Nov 11, Dec 9
Prayer Shawl Ministry: (usually) 1st Saturdays 9:30am | Nov 1, Dec 6
St. Vincent de Paul: 1st Wednesdays 1pm fireside | Nov 5, Dec 3
Women's Bible Study: Tuesdays 9am Parish Hall | Oct 21, Oct 28
Youth Group Socials: monthly weekends 6pm (not summer) | Nov 8

St. Thomas Aquinas Evangelization

For a complete listing of opportunities and upcoming events, visit stthomascamas.org and read the weekly parish email.

Fr. Bala is traveling through October 30th

Please keep him in your prayers for a safe & rejuvenating trip. During his absence, the regular schedule for Masses and Confessions will continue. Visiting presiders include: Fr. Justus Kiiza, a priest of the Diocese of Kabale, Uganda, who has visited us often since he was in residence here 20 years ago. He has been at the STA rectory the week of Oct 12-20 and all are invited to a special reception for him on Sat, Oct 18. Fr. Justin Ryan, the Director of Vocations for the Archdiocese of Seattle, will celebrate Sunday Masses Oct 25-26. Fr. Jerry Woodman, a retired priest of the Archdiocese of Seattle, will celebrate weekday Masses for us over the next two weeks.

Discipleship Gathering

Tuesday, October 28, 7:00-8:00pm, Church
Gather in St. Thomas Aquinas Church before Our Lord in the tabernacle as we reflect on the recent Gospel message (Luke 16:19-31) in which the rich man suffered in Hades for NOT doing anything for the poor man Lazarus - the sin of OMISSION. Jesus taught His Church to perform BOTH CORPORAL and SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY. This coming Discipleship Gathering will seriously study our need to avoid the sin of omission for The Spiritual Works of Mercy and God's great graces created to help us do what He calls us to do. For more info, contact Mike Hansen at 503-310-6584.

All Saints Day & All Souls' Day 2025

All Saints Day, Nov 1st, falls on a Saturday this year so there is no obligation to attend Mass this year; an 8:30am Mass will be celebrated on Nov 1 at Holy Redeemer. All Souls' Day, Nov 2nd, falls on a Sunday and preempts the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Here's how you can help us all celebrate:

• All Souls' Day Masses

Saturday, Nov 1, at 5pm and Sunday, Nov 2, at 8:30am.

• All Souls' Day Remembrance Envelopes

Use the special envelopes found in the back of the church. All Souls' Day Masses will be celebrated with prayers for the repose of the souls of your deceased loved ones. Please return the envelopes by Wed, Oct 29th, in church or at the office.

• Pictures of your Deceased Loved Ones

The Catholic Daughters will have a table set up in the church near the St. Thomas statue. You are invited to bring pictures of your deceased loved ones to place on the table to help us keep them in mind as we pray for them. Bring photos before Mass on Nov 1st (or the several days before). Thank you.

• Holy Cross Cemetery Blessing

At 1:00pm on Sunday, Nov. 2nd, you are invited to Holy Cross Cemetery to join Fr. Bala as he blesses the cemetery grounds and all those whose earthly remains are committed there.

Join Us for a
Pumpkin Decorating
Family Event!

**RSVP
REQUIRED
by Oct 19th**



Suggested
donation \$5



DECORATING CONTEST

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025
2 PM-4 PM**

Parish Hall at St. Thomas Aquinas

**WE'LL PROVIDE THE PUMPKINS OR YOU CAN BRING
YOUR OWN PUMPKIN**

BRING YOUR FAMILY AND A LITTLE IMAGINATION!

BRING YOUR FAVORITE CARVING TOOLS!

Pinocle Night at STA

Sunday, November 2nd, 2-4pm, STA Fireside Room
The Empty Nesters invite you to their next Pinocle Night. If you enjoy pinocle for "fun and fellowship," we hope you will attend. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. RSVP to attend (or for more info) call Lori Frank (360-695-4334) or Maureen Daudistel (maureend001@gmail.com or 503-703-9510).

Youth Group Social

Saturday, Nov 8, 6:30pm, off campus
All youth in Grades 6-12 are invited to participate. Look for details in email updates from Laura.Cram@hotmail.com.

Thanksgiving Meals

Save the Date:

the Knights of Columbus Annual
Thanksgiving Community Meal and
Outreach is coming up on November 27th.

Be on the lookout for future bulletins with
opportunities to participate the week of or
on Thanksgiving Day.



Our Lady Star of the Sea Mission, Stevenson



Our Lady Star of the Sea

Webpage: stthomascamas.org/our-lady-star-of-the-sea

Phone: 509-427-8478

Email: office@stthomascamas.org

Office Hrs: Please call for an appointment

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Staff: Tony & Abby Coates
abby@stthomascamas.org
509-427-0010

Sunday Mass Intention

10/12 Colleen Fredrickson† and
Karen Fredrickson†

Prayer Requests

Javier (to find hope & joy), Geri Murphy (comfort), Dick Anderson (healed), Richard Gross (healed), James Hickey (healing), Peighton McCormas (healing), Anna Maciejewski (healing), Bright Dove (leg pain), and please continue to pray for all those on the parish prayer chain.

Send prayer requests to:
Abby Coates 509-427-0010

Thank you for your generosity!	
Contributions	10/5-10/11
Stewardship	\$ 1,622

Special This Week

Fr. Justus Kiiza is our Celebrant this Sunday

Fr. Justus is from the Kabale Diocese in western Uganda. He was ordained in 1999, with degrees in Theology and Ecclesiastical Studies. He also earned an MBA from the University of Portland, Oregon, in 2008 (when he was in residence at St. Thomas in Camas). He has held various positions in the Kabale Diocese: Dean of Students and Procurator at a minor seminary, Diocesan Vocations Director, Trinity College chaplain, and Diocesan Financial Administrator. He has had international experience, here in the PNW while earning his MBA, and working in the Archdiocese of Glasgow, Scotland, for three years. He is currently pastor at Nyamwegabira Parish, the Chairperson of Diocesan priests, and Dean of the Markiro Deanery. He enjoys reading novels, playing volleyball, and making friends. With Father's ongoing interest in education, his background in finances, and his experience in his Diocese, he is a valuable addition to the Building Hope in Kids, Board of Directors.

Pope Leo Releases First Papal Exhortation *Dilexi Te*

Dilexi Te means "I Have Loved You." The document is a pastoral reflection on the Christian duty to love and serve the poor. It represents both a continuation and completion of work started by Pope Francis, inviting all Christians to appreciate the close connection between Christ's love and summons to care for the poor." Read it online at vatican.va.

Have a Talent to Share?

See the Talent and Teach sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Let's fill up our calendar with fun things to learn from our fellow brothers and sisters. Whether it's painting, cooking, fermenting, music, DIY crafts, dancing, tech skills, financial wisdom, or anything else. We need your ideas!

Help us Gather Blessing Bag items

Please continue to fill our bins for those in need. Winter weather is right around the corner, and our students will be putting together *blessing bags* for those that are less fortunate. *Blessing Bags* are XL zip lock bags that are filled with essentials for everyday living but can be hard to get when you are either homeless or in need. We will have two totes in the social hall by the bulletin board for those who can donate specific items for these *Blessing Bags*. The *Blessing Bags* will then be given to all parishioners to have in their cars so each of us can give them to those in need that we may see during our travels. We need hats, gloves, socks, toothbrushes, granola bars, bottled water, travel sized shampoo or soap, band aids, pocket warmers, XL zip lock bags, and gift cards for food. If you feel called to help us put these bags together and can donate any of these items, we would greatly appreciate it.

Coming Up

Oct 25 Mike Leon's Bread Making Class, 3:00- 5:00pm, Social Hall

Minister Schedule

Celebrant:
Sacristan:
EMHC (cups):
Lector:
Ushers:
Counters:
Coffee Hosts:

Sunday, Oct 19

Fr. Justus Kiiza
Chris C.
John & Kitty
Chris B.
Regina & Laura
Cheryl & Kitty
Matt, Dick, & Steve

Sunday, Oct 26

Fr. Justin Ryan
Joseph
Joseph & Monica
Tom P.
Jim & Debbie
Greg & Kitty
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MASS INTENTIONS

Please contact your local parish office to request a Mass intention.

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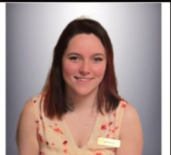
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