#### SACRED HEART PARISH



# 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 26, 2015

### MASS INTENTIONS

**SAT, July 25- 5:00 p.m.** +William Gus Mike &

+William Gustofson by Mike & Mary Alward

**SUN, July 26–10:00 a.m.** People of the Parish

## WEEKDAY SERVICES—7:30 A.M.

MON, July 27

*TUE*, *July 28* +Philip Gilbert by Jeanne Gilbert

WED, July 29 +Elfrieda Mullin

THUR, July 30 +Barbara & Clark Holsinger by Pete & Nancy Kleweno

*FRI, July 31* +Gus Travis

READINGS: Aug. 2: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

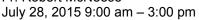
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24 John 6:24-35

Is there illness or special needs in your family? Our community is praying for you. Send your request to Judy Felgenhauer, jfelgen@comcast.net.

You are welcome to become a link in the prayer chain.

# **Immaculate Heart Retreat Center**

Day of Prayer on the Joy of the Gospel "Pope Francis' Message" Hope and Joy" Fr. Robert McNeese



Day of Prayer includes the rosary, two conferences, reconciliation, mass, lunch, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please register in advance: (509) 448-1224 or visit <a href="https://www.ihrc.net">www.ihrc.net</a> Cost \$37 per person (\$47 with use of a private room for the day)

In the second reading, St Paul tells us to live in a manner worth of the call you have received, having humility, gentleness and patience and to bear with one another through love. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are: in Spokane at the Immaculate Heart Retreat Center - October 16-18, 2015 and March 4-6,

2016. For more information contact Tom & Kathy Dauer at 455-8415 or go to Applications@InlandEmpireWWME.org

Envelope & Plate Offering: \$ 2,885.19

Outreach: \$ 115.00

Children: \$ 8.20

"The hand of the Lord feeds us," says the psalmist; "he answers all our needs." Both Elisha's servant in the first reading and the disciples in the Gospel story who witnessed the feeding of the five thousand saw this happen and knew it to be true.

Even diamonds start as coal - Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Visit <a href="www.Retrouvaille.org">www.Retrouvaille.org</a> for emotional testimonials. For confidential information or to register for the September 11-13, 2015 Spokane weekend call (509) 520-4118

#### PRAYER PILGRIMAGE

Literally get on the bus with fellow parishioners from around the Diocese this coming August 15, Feast of the Assumption, for a Prayer Pilgrimage to several "Marian" parishes and historical sites in the Diocese of Spokane. Spend an evening and over-night stay at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center on August 14, and then head out early the morning of August 15 for a day-trip which includes Mass, prayer, discussion, meals, visitation and exploration. Age limitation: All are welcome (minors must be accompanied by parent or guardian). Cost per person is \$150. Seating is limited. Register on line by August 10 at <a href="https://www.dioceseofspokane.org">www.dioceseofspokane.org</a>. Contact <a href="https://www.dioceseofspokane.org">bkraut@dioceseofspokane.org</a> 509-358-7314

New to Sacred Heart Parish? WELCOME! We ask you to let us know who you are. Mail this form to the parish office or e-mail the information to: shparish@qwestoffice.net.	
Name:	
Address:	Zip:
Email address:	

#### A Word from Father...

Dear Friends:

Laudate si! Praise be to you, Lord!
Pope Francis has borrowed those lovely words of praise from Saint Francis of Assisi, the great saint of creation and nature to begin his most recent encyclical letter to the Church and to the world. They singularly appropriate words to open his heartfelt call to Catholics and all humanity to take to heart the need for all of us to adapt our lifestyles and, by extension, our economies and social systems, to protect the earth that has been given to us as a gift from God.



I am just now reading the encyclical, and I must say, it is a touching and beautiful work, and unlike some commentators and politicians have suggested, it is singularly appropriate that he, as a religious and spiritual leader, speak out on the issue of care for our environment. What could be more "moral," "religious," and "spiritual" than calling humanity away from a relationship to this gift of creation that is abusive rather than protective and nurturing? As with our other relationships in life, those with our family members, neighbors, and co-workers, our relationship to the earth is one that demands respect and care. The consequences of treating our earth without respect, as if it were not a gift from God, will be horrific for our children and children's children.

Pope Francis' encyclical is worth reading for yourselves. Let him inspire you to new care, new respect, and indeed, new love for God's great gift of the earth to us. It is available widely on the internet for downloading or it can soon be purchased in printed form from Kaufer's or Amazon.

May all of us join Pope Francis and Saint Francis in praising God and his creation, not only in words, but in deeds: *Laudate si!* 

Fr. Keen

Father Kevin



Above: Margaret
Garvin enjoys taking
the tabs to the
Ronald McDonald
House

#### THANK YOU!

Please continue to save the aluminum pull tabs from soda cans. The funds raised from recycling them help defray the costs of lodging for families who must travel to Spokane for prolonged medical care for their children.

You will find the cardboard box (shaped the Ronald McDonald House) for the tabs in the vestibule of the church on the table.

Does anyone out there have a sofa that is in good condition and is not being used or is just in the way at your house? We are looking for just that kind of item for Father Kevin's office. If you have a nice couch that you would like to donate, please give us a call at the parish office: 747-5810 or email us at shparish@qwestoffice.net.

#### RETURN TO SACRED HEART





(above) Thien, held by his mother, Thi Cuc Phan. His father, Thong Hung Doan is on far right. Father Charles Skok was pastor of Sacred Heart in 1975

Rev. Thien Doan with his wife, Kerry, were in Spokane the week of July 13-17 and visited Sacred Heart. Thien's family had been sponsored by Sacred Heart through Catholic Charities' Vietnamese refugee resettlement program in 1975. Sponsor parishes provided housing and other essential needs as refugees rebuilt their lives. Thien's family lived in a house on East 9th Ave. While many refugees in Spokane adjusted to American culture and economy, not everyone coped with climate change! Thien's family eventually relocated to California. While the weather may have been a problem for the adults, Thien has the happy memory of his brothers sledding down a snow covered hill near the church! He now lives in Orange County where he is an Evangelical pastor, whose mission is "church planting" (cf 1 Cor 3,6).