

“Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.” Matthew 5:16

In this newsletter you can read about our virtue for February, Re-enrollment Due Dates, Growing Great Kids Auction and Gala, Used Uniform sale, playground angels in February and March, Track Coaches needed, More Blast! Youth Group fun, Mass news and altar servers, new saint question of the week, Chili Dinner and Bingo night, Valentine's Date Night/Band hosted by Knights and CDA, Northern Deanery High School update & Game night for middle school, Math competition vs. Franklin opportunity, State of the School powerpoint available, Lenten MS. Small groups, Spark Kindness project, adult volunteers needed for mass, and much more!

Thank you for reading!

Peacemakers: February Virtue is Forgiveness

Lent is the perfect time to practice forgiveness just like Jesus forgives us. On the Cross at Calvary, after Jesus was beaten, mocked, spat upon, whipped, and then nailed to the Cross to die, His prayer to the Father was: “Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.” Luke 23:3. Before him were the very people Jesus came to save. Jesus loves every person so much that He would have suffered and died **even for one** to be forgiven.

Ash Wednesday is next week: Feb. 18th with an all school mass at 12:30pm.

Lent: The beginning of 40 days of fasting, prayer and almsgiving as we work on our spiritual relationship with Our Lord, Jesus Christ and one another.



***GROWING GREAT KIDS AUCTION & GALA IS RIGHT
AROUND THE CORNER!***

**Tickets available now!
Don't wait! This event
will be sold out.**

Auction Timeline:

- Ticket sales open now
- RSVPs due February 18th
- Auction & Gala on March 7th

Volunteers Needed: We can't do it without you! Please sign up here with the sign-up genius link!

Auction 2026 Website or <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054EAFA723AAF9CE9-61608381-2026#/>

For Auction questions, contact Jessica Rosetta at growinggreatkidsauction@assumption.school.

State of the School Recap!

We have the PowerPoint available now with a link for those that may have been unable to attend last Wednesday's meeting.

Link to "State of the School" is on the front of the newsletter website page. Mr. Ramos is happy to answer any questions that you may have after looking through the information.

Win for You, Win for the School!

With enrollment season now upon us, DON'T FORGET that if you refer a new family who enrolls for 2026-27, you're eligible to receive a tuition credit of \$275 (registration for one child)! The new family must remain enrolled through November, at which time your account will be credited (December 1, 2026). Please contact the office or Dayna Dennis (ddennis@assumption.school) if you have any questions about this incentive!

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Calling Playground Angels!

Volunteers at recess are a blessing to have help with each recess.

There are many spots open and on rainy days you get to stay inside with the kids!

February sign up

March sign up

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## **Coaches Needed: Track & Field 2026**

The final sports season will be Track and Field which starts on March 23rd, 2026. We will need at least 3 coaches -1 head coach and 2 assistants for the following positions.

1. Sprints including hurdles and relays
2. Field events -shot put, javelin and discus
3. Distance events

If interested, please contact Activities Director: Ms. Eager at [keager@assumption.school](mailto:keager@assumption.school) as soon as possible. This is a stipend position.

The season is March 23<sup>rd</sup> to the end of May.



### **February is the Month of Kindness Week 2**

February is Random Acts of Kindness Month! ACS's SPARK club would like to challenge everyone to send a positive note to someone you haven't talked to in a while or leave a kind note for a classmate, friend, teacher, or custodian. "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." Ephesians 4:32 Remember to write down a kind act you can do, or someone has done for you on SPARK's flame paper and attach it to the kindness wall ***next to the kindergarten room on the first floor.***



### **Save the Date: Valentine's Dance/Party**

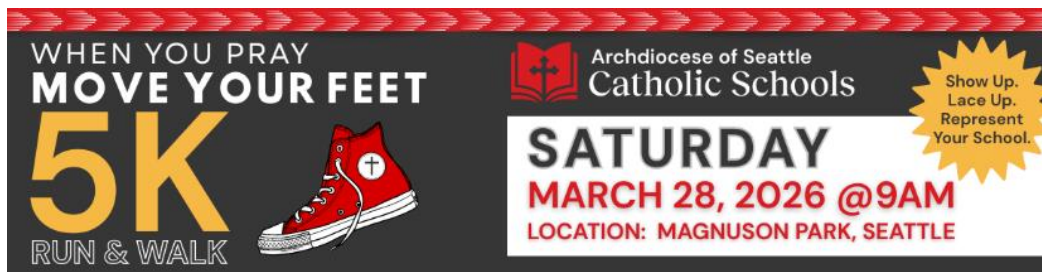
Hosted by the local Knights of Columbus council and the local Court St. Aloysius Catholic Daughters of the Americas in Bellingham. \$10 cover fee and donations for appetizers/food and drinks.

**Entertainment:** Band/Music will play from 7-10pm

**When:** Saturday February 14<sup>th</sup> starting @6pm

**Where:** In the Assumption Gym

(\*21+ and older please.)



## 74 Schools. One Body. One Mission.

This year, the Archdiocese of Seattle invites all its 74 Catholic schools to move as one community in our first-ever **Move Your Feet 5K!**

We move our feet not just as individual schools, but as one Catholic school family, united in faith, love, and solidarity. Together, we stand with Annunciation School, honoring lives lost and holding their community close in prayer.

This is more than a race! **This event is a visible sign of who we are as Catholic schools.** Our hope is that every school is represented- a powerful way to show Western Washington that Catholic Schools are here, united, and thriving.

Please invite your friends and neighbors! “When you pray, move your feet!”

<https://mycatholicschool.org/move-your-feet-5k/>



### Used Uniform Sale

If your child has outgrown their uniforms, don't worry! We will be having a used uniform sale on Friday February 27<sup>th</sup> in the school library from 9-3pm. If you have any questions, please contact Bridget Trosin or Kat Celaya for more information.

**\*\*We need your donations of items to help others find the sizes that their child may need. Drop off at the school office during normal school hours. Thank you.**

## **ASC Wrestling Schedule** **2026**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Host</b>              | <b>Location</b>              | <b>Boys/Girls</b> | <b>Time</b>  |
|-------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>2/17</b> | Vista/Horizon            | Ferndale High School         | B/G               | 4:00         |
| <b>2/26</b> | Blaine                   | Blaine High School           | B/G               | 4:00         |
| <b>3/3</b>  | Mount Baker              | Mt. Baker Junior High School | B/G               | 4:00         |
| <b>3/9</b>  | Nooksack Valley          | Nooksack Valley High School  | B/G               | 4:00         |
| <b>3/12</b> | Vista/Horizon/<br>Blaine | Ferndale High School         | B<br>G            | 4:00<br>4:00 |
| <b>3/20</b> | League Finals            | Meridian High School         | B/G               | 4:30         |

**League Finals on March 20 -Weigh in at Meridian High School at 3:00**  
**Matches begin at 4:30.**

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## **ASC Girls Volleyball Schedule** **2026**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Team</b> | <b>Opponent</b>  | <b>Location</b>                             | <b>Time</b> |
|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>2/12</b> | A           | Horizon          | Horizon Middle School                       | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Horizon          | Horizon Middle School                       | 5:00        |
| <b>2/17</b> | A           | Mount Baker      | Mount Baker JH                              | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Mount Baker      | Mount Baker JH                              | 5:00        |
| <b>2/19</b> | A           | BYE              | -----                                       | -----       |
|             | C           | Franklin Academy | Franklin-Markell Hall<br>1509 E. Victor St. | 5:15        |
| <b>2/24</b> | A           | Blaine           | Assumption                                  | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Blaine           | Assumption                                  | 5:00        |
| <b>2/26</b> | A           | Meridian         | Assumption                                  | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Meridian         | Assumption                                  | 5:00        |
| <b>3/3</b>  | A           | Vista            | Vista Middle School                         | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Vista            | Vista Middle School                         | 5:00        |
| <b>3/10</b> | A           | Nooksack Valley  | Assumption                                  | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Nooksack Valley  | Assumption                                  | 5:00        |
| <b>3/12</b> | A           | Lynden           | Assumption                                  | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Lynden           | Assumption                                  | 5:00        |
| <b>3/16</b> | A           | Lynden Christian | Lynden Christian High                       | 4:00        |
|             | C           | Lynden Christian | School Gym                                  | 5:00        |
| <b>3/18</b> | A           | TOURNAMENT       | TBA                                         | TBA         |

**All games are played at middle schools unless otherwise noted.**

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**Help us win easy \$Money! Vote for your Favorite Teacher!**

Brown & Brown Insurance Services, Inc. wants to give \$5,000 to your favorite teacher. To nominate your teacher, head to [bbrowncellenceineducation.org](http://bbrowncellenceineducation.org) and tell them why your teacher should be selected! If your teacher wins, they'll get \$2,500 for their classroom, and \$2,500 to take home!

Students and parents can nominate their favorite teacher through March 1st. You can nominate online at [bbrowncellenceineducation.org/](http://bbrowncellenceineducation.org/), in-person or by mail at 501 Front St, Lynden, WA 98264.

Official terms and conditions apply, see website for full details.



### **SAVE THE DATE: BINGO EVENT 3/14/26**

You can now purchase your tickets starting this week for our incredibly fun 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser for the whole family. Ticket order forms are in your envelopes this week. Invite your friends and family as this event is open to all! For extra order forms, contact the school office.

### **WHATCOM MATH COMPETITION**

Assumption has been invited to participate in a math competition hosted by Franklin Academy. We hope to form a team of students in grades 3–5 to compete on Saturday, March 21st. At this time, we are looking for one or two parent volunteers to help lead and support this enthusiastic group of young mathematicians. Assumption will provide you with a room, materials, and ideally the group will meet at least once a week after school until March 21st. **If you are interested in leading this, please reach out to Bev Williams at [bwilliams@assumption.school](mailto:bwilliams@assumption.school) by Wednesday, February 18th.**

More information will come home for participants once we figure out if we have a team leader.



**WHATCOM CATHOLIC**  
JESUS IS HERE

## **Whatcom Catholic News**

For all the news, mass times and pastor notes in Whatcom County and the Catholic Church: check out this website

<https://www.whatcomcatholic.org/>

### **School Mass February 13th.**

Friday: February 13, Kindergarten will be leading Mass @8:15am.

**All K-8 students should wear dress uniforms** and parents are welcome and encouraged to attend each Mass!

Middle School Servers at mass should arrive by **7:30am.**

Your sacrifice to come early and help at Mass is greatly appreciated.

***Altar Servers: Morgan Veldman, Eva Molano, Elodie Wolf, Valerie Millard and Adele Jones***

EMHCs are Mr. Costanza H2 and Miss Copeland H3

### **Northern Deanery High School News/Middle School Event Flyer in Wed. envelopes today!**

Why a Catholic High School?

The idea of a Catholic high school is new for our region. There aren't generations of alumni stories being passed down at the dinner table, so for many families the top questions tend to be: Why choose a Catholic high school, and why is it worth the investment?

The answer lies in the student experience.

Catholic high schools educate the whole person, creating an environment where students are known, challenged, and guided during their most formative years. Students benefit from close relationships with teachers, strong academics and mentorship, and a community that supports their personal growth and faith development. This combination builds a strong foundation for life beyond high school.

What does that look like in real life? Alexa Rosson, a 2015 graduate of Archbishop Murphy High School, recently shared how her Catholic high school experience shaped her both personally and

professionally. Her story offers a powerful glimpse into what's possible for both our students and our Catholic community.

Watch Alexa's story on our new Northern Deanery Catholic High School YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5Zf68f2vOI>

Interested in enrolling a student in this school, but unsure if it works financially? We have a new scholarship fund available to help families like you! For more information, send an inquiry via our Contact Us page.

### **Versión en español:**

La idea de una escuela preparatoria católica es nueva en nuestra región. No hay generaciones de historias de exalumnos que se transmitan en la mesa durante la cena, por lo que para muchas familias las preguntas principales suelen ser: ¿Por qué elegir una escuela preparatoria católica y por qué vale la pena la inversión?

La respuesta está en la experiencia de los estudiantes.

Las escuelas preparatorias católicas educan a la persona en su totalidad, creando un entorno en el que se conoce, se desafía y se guía a los estudiantes durante sus años más formativos. Los estudiantes se benefician de una estrecha relación con los profesores, una sólida formación académica y tutoría, y una comunidad que apoya su crecimiento personal y el desarrollo de su fe. Esta combinación construye una base sólida para la vida más allá de la escuela secundaria.

¿Cómo se traduce esto en la vida real? Alexa Rosson, graduada en 2015 de la escuela secundaria Archbishop Murphy, compartió recientemente cómo su experiencia en la escuela secundaria católica la formó tanto personal como profesionalmente. Su historia ofrece una poderosa visión de lo que es posible tanto para nuestros estudiantes como para nuestra comunidad católica.

Vea la historia de Alexa en nuestro nuevo canal de YouTube Northern Deanery Catholic High School en <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5Zf68f2vOI>

¿Le interesa matricular a un estudiante en esta escuela, pero no está seguro de si le conviene económicamente? ¡Tenemos un nuevo fondo de becas disponible para ayudar a familias como la suya! Para obtener más información, envíe una consulta a través de nuestra página de contacto.

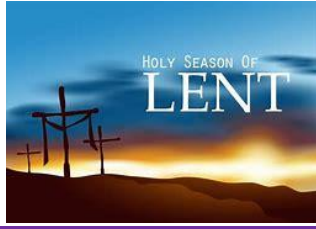
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### **Faith Community Scholarships now open!**

***If you are a member of a Whatcom Catholic parish, please find your application in your family Wednesday envelope today. These applications are due by March 13, 2026. Extra paper forms will be in the office. Spanish forms and English are available and online.***

*Many of you may be waiting to see what tuition assistance you are receiving from the school and/or from the Fulcrum Foundation before you can specify your need from the parishes. Since you will be receiving all of this information in the same letter in April, please estimate these amounts based on what your family received in the 2025-2026 school year. (Note: If you are new to the school this year and have applied to the*

*Fulcrum Foundation for the first time, contact the office and we can provide you with the Fulcrum amounts directly as soon as we have that information.)*



## Lenten Bible Study

Mr. Sherwood and Mrs. White will be hosting a short bible study in Lent during middle school recess on Wednesdays.

Look for a sign-up this week in your family Wednesday envelopes. The due date will be on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Groups to start the following week.

## Youth Group:

Lots of upcoming events including a retreat. Please contact Daniel Prenosil as usual at his email if you have any questions: [daniel@assumption.org](mailto:daniel@assumption.org)

## March 12<sup>th</sup> Mass Volunteers needed

This mass is for PARENTS! Mr. Ramos is excited to have parents be a part of our school masses as lectors, greeters and gift bearers.

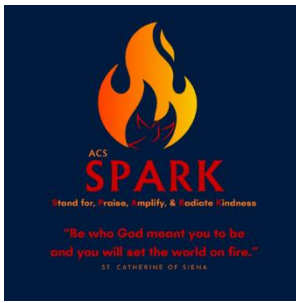
If you are interested in helping with this mass. Use the sign-up genius below for available spots.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084FAFAB2CA02-61780409-lectorsgift>

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## Spark News

Ready to create a SPARK? Calling all ACS 3rd-8th grade girls to make a difference now and beyond!



Learn ways to spread kindness and grow confidence through faith, service, and leadership.

Snacks, special guest speakers and fun activities at every meeting!

Join us every 3rd Friday after school at 3:45-5:45pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Our February meeting is Friday, Feb. 20 and our topic is "Feed Your Body, Pt. 2" with special guests, our very own ACS and ICRS school counselor, Mrs. Katie White, M.Ed. discussing how spiritual focus can help us feel at peace and local neurologist and author, Dr. Carolyn Taylor, guiding a talk and games about how our brain works.

[RSVP HERE!](#) to attend and if you can help, [Sign Up Here!](#)

Questions: [ACS.Spark.Club@gmail.com](mailto:ACS.Spark.Club@gmail.com)



## Peacemaker Virtue for February - Forgiveness

Our peacemaker virtue this month is forgiveness. Scripture tells us to "be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ." (Ephesians 4:32). Our Catechism tells us, "It is not in our power not to feel or to forget an offense; but the heart that offers itself to the Holy Spirit turns injury into compassion and purifies the memory in transforming the hurt into intercession." (CCC 2843). This means that even if we remember the hurt, and may still need boundaries, we do not have to stay angry or seek revenge. Instead, we can bring our hurt to God and pray for the other person, trusting God to heal our hearts and hope for their healing as well.

When someone hurts you, their heart needs prayer. Their sin sets a snare for you as well which brings the temptation of revenge and/or hatred. Ask God to give you the strength to forgive, just as Jesus forgave from the Cross. As the Catechism reminds us: "Forgiveness bears witness that, in our world, **Love is stronger than sin.**" (CCC 2844)

Here is a video from Fr. Mike Schmitz about the process of forgiveness:

<https://youtu.be/im2hU2yg3Eo?si=eQo5w49sSUbWK7tY>

## **NEW SAINT QUESTION OF THE WEEK 2.11.26**

This feast day celebrates a Marian apparition that occurred in France in 1858. Mary appeared to a 14-year-old girl, St. Bernadette Soubirous. Bernadette's faith was so strong that she continued to visit the site even when her parents were unsure about the apparitions. In 1862, Church authorities confirmed the authenticity of the apparitions. The apparitions revitalized the faith of millions of people and continues to do so today. The Feast of \_\_\_\_\_ became worldwide in 1907. "I do not promise to make you happy in this world but in the other."- \_\_\_\_\_ to Bernadette

Feast day: Feb. 11th

Last Week: No winners, the answer was St. Josephine Bakhita.

### **Upcoming calendar items:**

**Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>** – **RED, WHITE & PINK** Day! (or regular uniform)

**Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>** – No School /President's Day observed

**Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>** – **Possible Chinese New Year attire** with traditional wear(more info to come by Friday)

**Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>** – **Ash Wednesday with All School Mass at 12:30pm**

**Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>** – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat @ Sacred Heart (all day)

**Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>** – **Re-enrollment/Contracts Due for current families!**

**Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>** – New family enrollment begins & Pizza Lunch Day!

**Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>** – Used Uniform Sale in the library 9-3pm

**March 7<sup>th</sup>** – Growing Great Kids Auction and Gala @ the Bellingham Golf and Country Club @5pm

**March 12<sup>th</sup>** – Red Robin Fundraiser for 8<sup>th</sup> grade

**March 13<sup>th</sup>** – NO SCHOOL for students and teachers!

**March 14<sup>th</sup>** – Chili and Bingo Event in the gym

**March 17<sup>th</sup>** – St. Patrick's Day (GREEN & WHITE Day!)

Final Reminders:

\*\*\*Haircuts for boys and girls need to be kept up. If students are “out of uniform” 3 times it will result in a lunch detention for grades 4-8<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*\*Items for the newsletter need to be turned in/emailed to Mrs. King and Mr. Ramos by Monday at 2pm for the Wednesday Digital and/or Wednesday Envelopes. The office needs time for review and printing if needed.

- **\*\* Casual dress every Wednesday. Assumption tee shirts/sweatshirts, jeans or uniform pants, leggings under a skirt or dress. Swag can be worn on Wednesdays.**
- **Scouts may wear uniforms on meeting days.**