My brothers and sisters in Christ,

What a busy week we had last week, between organizing the office and cleaning our sacristy storage, I say it was a bit hectic but in spite of all craziness the volunteers and the staff kept a very positive spirit and for this, I would like to express my gratitude to them. Thank you very much for all the hard work that you do. Speaking of hard work, I would like to thank Rosie Frandanisa for helping clear out the sacristy storage. I also would like to thank Laura Stanger for all hard work she did in organizing our chili cook-off last Sunday. We had a good turn out and from the looks of it, people had a good time sampling the chili and visiting with fellow parishioners.

On another note, people are wondering about the little changes we had in our church. Some have expressed their opinions regarding the statutes in the sanctuary and that have felt that they were not informed. I do apologize if people were surprised by the recent addition of the statues in our sanctuary. When we first got the Virgin Mary and blessed the statue that Sunday, I thought I had made mention that we got the statue from another parish who had no further use for it, that there were also other statues I was getting namely Saint Joseph and the Holy Family (back in the alcove). For more than a year, these beautiful statues have been shoved in the back room of some warehouse. When I heard about it I felt sad as these statues, that are a part of our church's tradition, are being discarded like useless items. Now some generous parishioners have pooled their resources and bought the statues for our church. What I want to say is that my enthusiasm and love for the church has gotten the best of me and I apologize for the lack of communication. Thank you for your understanding, please continue to pray for me that I may become a better servant of God.

In our Blessed Mother's Immaculate Heart

Fr. Ramon

Stewardship of Treasure

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August 2012 Income	\$14,727	\$13,786	\$12,428	\$8,145	N/A	\$49,086
August 2013 Income	\$15,891				N/A	\$15,891
Monthly 2013 Budget						\$65,000

Monthly 2013 Budget

July 2013 Expenses over Income (\$49,109)

Prayers are Requested

for healing... Quincy Rader, , Fred Campbell, Ann Eddy, Bill Mitchell, Paul Moyes, Laurie Hammons, Desaree & Chloey Looney, Lynn Voss, Mary Cromer, Shirley Larson, Mike Perreault, JC Alley, Anna Maria Echavez, Eva Doyle, Linda Thompson and Dennis DePape.

for those who have died. . . Bob Lauer (former staff and parishioner), Courtnay Shreve, Danielle Larpenteur, Johanna Micek, (grandma of Carol Micek), Brian Sweeney, Marivic Juico, Dante Cabasco,

for those of our community who are serving in harm's way... Bret Meyer, Bowe Bergdahl (prisoner of the Taliban), Whitney Sellers Sutherland and Paul Clayborn.

Prayer Chain

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your re-



quests to God. And the peace of God. which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds to Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6 —7)

Do you or someone you know need a prayer? If so, call Kay Smith and the prayer chain at 425-486-2528.

Liturgies & Events

Sunday, August 11

8:30 am Mass 10:30 am Mass

Monday, August 12

8:30 am Adoration 9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, August 13

8:30 am Adoration 9:00 am Mass

Wednesday, August 14

8:30 am Adoration 9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Small Faith Sharing Group 10:00 am Quilters 7:00 pm Yoga

Thursday, August 15

8:30 am Adoration 9:00 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass 7:00 pm Centering Prayer

Friday, August 16

8:30 am Adoration 9:00 am Mass

Saturday, August 17

3:30 pm Reconciliation5:00 pm Mass6:00 pm Senior Singles Potluck

Sunday, August 18

8:30 am Mass 10:30 am Mass



Mark your Calendar

Parish Summer office hours 8:30 am — 3:30 pm

- Thursday, August 15, Feast of the Assumption-Holy Day
 of Obligation Mass at 9:00 am & 7:00 pm
- Sunday, September 8th 12 pm 3 pm Parish Picnic
- Saturday & Sunday, Sept 14/15: SVDP Bundle Sunday
- Sunday, November 10th Family Silent Auction
- Saturday, November 16th Gala dinner, silent and live auction

Questions for The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- In the Second Reading, what specific things did Abraham do "by faith"?
- How did Jesus answer Peter's questions?
- In what ways have you had to do difficult things "by faith"?What helped you hold on?

Readings for The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 38:4 — 6, 8 — 10 Hebrews 12:1 — 4 Luke 12: 49 — 53

St. John Vianney Parish News

Events at St. John Vianney

YOGA NEWS...YOGA

NEWS...YOGA...Did you know there are 365 acupuncture points in your body & each point belongs to a meridian channel that connects to certain organs? Is your energy flowing to keep your internal organs healthy & happy? Join us Wednesdays at 7pm here at SJV for light stretching to remove blockages so your energy flows more fluidly. Class sessions are \$10. Namaste

Senior Singles Dinner & a Movie

Sat. Aug 17 after 5 PM Mass—picnic dinner provided at \$5.00 each. Drop off money in parish office with your name by Wednesday, August 14 so we know how many people to cook for. Also showing the movie "Quartet". Please join us for a wonderful evening of inspiration.

Want to Feel Good?

Your family and friends think you are wonderful! You ARE! You have special gifts that make the world a better place! If you have some time to share your gift please consider visiting someone who could use YOUR light or perhaps making your favorite meal for someone. If you have a few spare moments, give us a call at the Sonshine Ministry! If you or someone you know needs a little Sonshine (a meal or a card) call us at 425-823-0787.

SJV Quilters Ministry

Please join us for quilting on Wednesdays at 10:00 am. It's a stitch! Call Sue Cholewczynski 425-488-9447.

Lift up Your Voice!

"All God's children got a place in the choir! Now is your chance! Choir members have the opportunity to sing at either the 8:30 or 10:30 am Mass each week. No rehearsals during the summer but come and sing. For more information, please contact Mary Thurtle at 425-466-4190 mthurtle@sjvkirkland.org or talk with any current choir member.

Praise & Worship Band Auditions

Do you love playing the drums or piano? Think about auditioning for the Praise and Worship Band! We rehearse on Thursdays @ 7pm and play on Saturday at the 5pm Mass. To arrange for an audition, contact Margaret Graham in the office or mgraham@sjvkirkland.org

Liturgical Ministers

Are your email address and "can't serve" dates updated? The August schedule is here. Be sure to click on 'request sub' when you aren't able to serve on an assigned day. Please remember to put in your 'Can't Serve' dates for September. Contact Marti: martib1@earthlink.net or the parish office.

Join Our Bible Study Register now for one of the upcoming bible studies beginning this fall. The Gospel of John begins in September or the Scriptural Study of Angels beginning in October. Registration Forms are available on the welcome table. Questions: Cynthia Kemp 425 823 6125.

Women's Book Group Join us for our next Women's Book Group Tuesday, September 3rd at 7pm when we will discuss "Proof of Heaven" a Neuro surgeon's Journey into the Afterlife by Eben Alexander. Take some time for yourself, enjoy some wine, chocolate and the companionship of some amazing women just like you in the parish!

Parish Picnic

Save the date! September 8, 2013 from 12 noon — 3 pm. Want to join the planning committee? Next planning meeting, August 11th after the 10:30 Mass. Please contact Laura Stanger in the parish office with ?'s.

2013 Parish Auctions

Save the dates of Sunday, November 10th, for our annual Parish Silent Auction and Saturday, November 16th, for our annual Gala dinner, silent and live auctions. This is our main fundraiser and we need your support. We are now accepting new items and services for both auctions. Stop by the Wel-

come Table or the parish office for procurement forms. If you have any questions call or email Margie Berard at mberard@sjvkirkland.org

Parish Picnic: Sign up sheets are posted in the social hall for volunteers for the parish picnic. PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY! Volunteer for one hour and play for two hours!

Social Concerns

Our social concerns group is committed to educating our parish in the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops position on a variety of issues.

Would you like to join the committee? If so, see Fr. Ramon or Jan Kline. We'd love to have you!

St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your continued support of SVDP though out the year with your donations of peanut butter, jelly, macaroni & cheese, flour and sugar 5 lb., canned chili or stew, tuna fish, mayonnaise, pancake mix, syrup, cooking oil, Ramen noodles and canned fruit.

Cash donations always help fill the pantry, too. Food can be dropped in the box in Narthex, cash donations with the office.

<u>Donations of personal care</u> <u>items for the homeless</u>

If you have extra toothbrushes, soap, shampoo or hand sanitizers please donate them in the picnic basket by the upstairs restrooms. They will be taken by the **Serra Club** to Lazarus House along with sack lunches that they prepare for the homeless.

Children and Family Life Ministry Events



St. John Vianney Catholic Preschool Brochures for the preschool are available at the Welcome Table or for more information, visit our website at www.sjvkirkland.org and click the Preschool tab. Contact An-

nette Schwientek, our preschool director, at: aschwientek@sjvkirkland.org or 206-234-3988 for more information about the preschool.

<u>Masses</u>. Just down the stairs, the first room on the right is our parish nursery. It is staffed and free! Please bring your children down if you are in need of a bit of peace while you are celebrating Mass.

<u>First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Preparation for 2013-14 school year</u> Classes for parents and their children for these special Sacraments begins in September. More information will be available soon. See website for registration form and details.

Middle & Senior High School, Young Adult and Outreach Experiences

August 4 — 10 Off to the north... 20 of us working in community to help our neighbors. We will live at St. Charles, Burlington and spend our week with food bank, clothing bank, in migrant farm camps, celebrating Mass, visiting San Juan Rehab and Care elders, and more. Making a difference, learning and caring.

Confirmation 2014 sign ups will begin in September. Must be 16 by May, 2014, a regular Mass and youth group attendee or otherwise committed in our parish. Stay tuned.

Ghana 2013 trekkers are home. We visited 3 villages, a Catholic orphanage for differently abled kids, worked at the food bank in Wiaga http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2KdDJiPYuQQ&hd=1, built a water catchment system at Childcare Foundation, painted, and otherwise had a most wondrous experience. *Sister Stan is from the town of Bawku, in Northern Ghana, where she was raised with three brothers and four sisters. At 10 years of age, she began spending as much time as her family would allow with the nuns near her village, and she entered the convent in 1994. She has worked now as a missionary in West Africa for over 16 years. Sister Stan's faithful service has earned her the esteem and blessing of the Yendi Catholic Diocese to reach out in a very powerful way in her home country of Ghana. A diabolical practice that exists locally is to ritually kill children who are born with any physical deformity, disability, or even an anomaly (such as twins). Sister Stan describes her response to this evil: "We give ourselves to God for the service of persons who are poor. We meet the needs of our dehumanized brothers and sisters, the most abandoned, the marginalized, and those cut off from the sunlight of human companionship in our large human family. We are called to the vocation of love." Water Access Now is funding a borehole at the site of the new orphanage but it seems there is not water under ground. A local holy man, Moses by name, has used his divining rod and found a spot where he is sure there is water. We are drilling one more time... and extended our hands and prayed for the miracle of water in Sang. Please pray that we succeed!

Events around our Parish

Extreme Makeover Parish Edition: The parish offices have been cleaned, carpeted, and painted. The parking lot has been re-sealed and striped. Topsoil has been placed in the gravel area near the flag pole of the parish and grass will be planted there. Our clean up crew, cleaned up the church and chapel beautifully. The rectory fence has been stained. So many things are getting done this summer. We are so blessed. Thank you for making this parish so beautiful!

2013 Chili Cookoff: Who won the Chili Cookoff: Fr. Ramon– People's choice award Judges awards: First Place: Fr. Ramon's Chili, Second Place Leingang Boy's Chili, Third Place: Spicy Stanger Girl's Chili (Laura and Annie Stanger) and Honorable Mention to the Better with Bean's Chili by the Whitmore Family. It was a fun afternoon thanks to everyone who helped and came to this fun event. Thanks to Leina McDermont, Sarah Seigneuret, Annette Schwientek, Jeri Griffin, Marie Cory, and her Neighbor Ruth for helping along with Den-

nis McMahon for playing some wonderful music to help