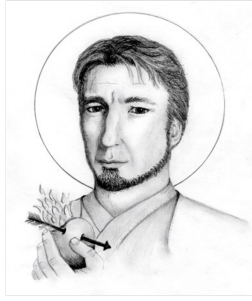


Saint Augustine & Saint Mary Catholic Churches



A Parish Family



November 6, 2022
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Masses



Sat. 5:00 pm - St. Augustine
Sun. 8:00 am - St. Augustine
Sun. 9:30 am - St. Augustine
Sun. 11:15 am - St. Mary
Wed. 9:30 am - St. Augustine
Thur. 9:30 am - St. Mary
Fri. 9:30 am - St. Augustine

Pastor

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St Augustine

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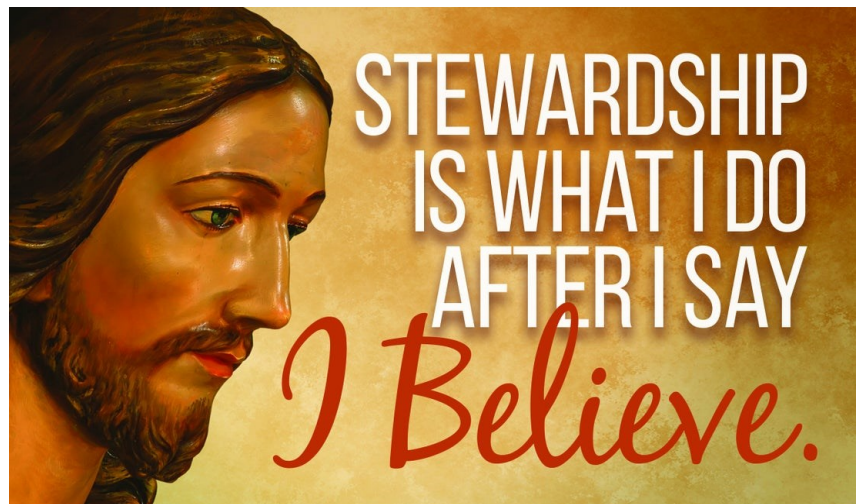
Tue-Fri, 10am-Noon and 1-4pm

St Mary

207 North Main Street
Coupeville, WA 98239
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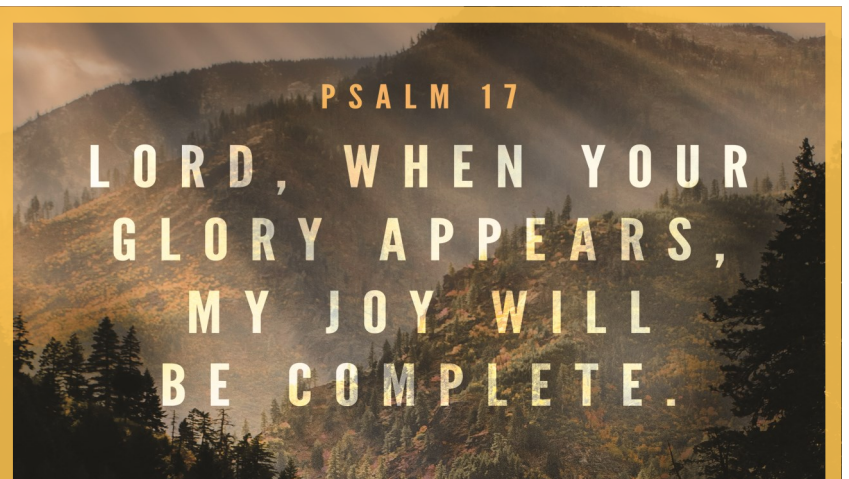
Mailing Address for both parishes:

P.O. Box 1319
Oak Harbor, WA 98277



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, **for God loves a cheerful giver.**

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7



St Augustine

Sanctuary Flowers this week are courtesy of the St. Elizabeth Guild,
in memory of all current and deceased members of the St. Elizabeth Guild.

November 5	Saturday	4:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Confession Mass (<i>Mike Lee, RIP; Anna Rezabeck, RIP</i>) Christmas Bazaar after Mass


November 6	Sunday	8:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 11:30 am	Mass Mass Christmas Bazaar after Mass Christmas Bazaar Clean-Up

November 7	Monday	Office Unavailable 10:00 am 4:00 pm 4:00 pm	Bible Study: The Eucharist, CR 1& 2 Agape, PH/KT Special Sacrament Class, PO

November 8	Tuesday	4:00 pm 5:30 pm	RCIC Class, CR 1 & 2 Safe Environment Training, PO

November 9	Wednesday	10:00 am 4:00 pm 6:30 pm	Funeral Mass & Reception - Patti McKinnon RE Classes, K - 5th grades, CR 1-5 RE Classes, 6th - 12th grades, CR 1-5

November 10	Thursday	5:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Pastoral Council, PO Filipino Choir Rehearsal, CH RCIA, CR 1 & 2

November 11	Friday	 Veteran's Day - Parish Office Closed 9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass (<i>Joaquin Blas Jr, RIP</i>) Divine Mercy/Adoration, CH

November 12	Saturday	RE High School Convention in Lynwood	

St Mary

November 6	Sunday	11:15 am 12:15 pm 12:30 pm	Mass Coffee & Conversation at St. Mary Bible Study, CR

November 10	Thursday	9:30 am 10:00 am 10:20 am	Mass Adoration, CH Bible Study, PH

We Pray for Our Family



Elnora Archer, Fr. Larry Bailey, Dahlia Blackburn, Eileen Catalano, Doris Dean, Mark Dean, Tom Dumit, Bob Ellis, Mamie Forbes, Douglas Hammer, Sheryl Henry, Marsha Kilgore, Jack Kraft, Angelina Lupino, Martha McAllister, Alexandria Molt, Lynnne Ochoa-Brown, Richard Rezabek, John Romanski, Lou & Lulu Santos, Tanya Shafer, Dennis Sionson, Tiffany Tienda, Chuck Tollefson, Doug Undesser, Jeanne Valdez, David Williams, Larry Williams, Patty Williams, David Yakubchak, Diane Young

Permission is required from the individual to be added to the prayer list.

To add a loved one, please call the parish office at 360-675-2303.

Welcome!



If you are new to St. Augustine and St. Mary churches or returning after a long absence, please take a moment to register as a member of our parish.

Registrations can be found at each church, at the St. Augustine/St. Mary Parish Office in Oak Harbor and online at www.staugustineoh.org.

Being registered helps us to get to know you and gives you the opportunity to tell us if there are ministries where you might like to serve.

After registering you will be included in all email messages, letters, and you will receive a tax statement at the end of the year.

Please join our parish family!

St. Mary Pastoral Council Corner

Advent is a time of preparation that leads our hearts and minds to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas and to Christ's second coming at the end of time.

Advent Begins on November 27

How will we prepare our hearts and minds? Does your family have Advent traditions or activities that you might want to share with our parish family

Please fill it out and hand it to any Pastoral Council member or place it in the basket in Harrington Hall by November 13.

We will share your traditions and activities with our parish family on November 27, the first day of Advent.

Sacraments

Baptisms:

- ⌘ Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 11:00 am at St Augustine Required Baptism class, Sat., January 14, 2023, 9am-Noon
- ⌘ Please call the parish office at 360-765-2303 to register.
We are scheduling 4 baptisms every month.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

- ⌘ Classes are Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm.
- ⌘ Classes are for non-baptized adults or baptized adults of a different denomination to enter into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Also for baptized Catholics who have not received 1st Communion and/or Confirmation.
- ⌘ Please call Rowena Harless at 360-675-2303 to register.

Anointings:

- ⌘ During regular office hours, please call the parish office at 360-675-2303 to request an anointing.
- ⌘ If you call the office after business hours, the recording will give you the number to call for an **emergency anointing only.**
- ⌘ An individual may receive one anointing per month.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP
TIME. TALENT.
TREASURE.

WE ARE CALLED TO SHARE
OUR TREASURE WITH OTHERS.

“How can I repay the Lord for all the great good done for me?”

- Psalm 116:12

Stewardship is recognizing that everything we have is a gift from God and out of gratitude for such generosity, we are called to share these gifts with others. It starts in our parish. Your financial pledge supports our church, our ministries, and the mission to help others encounter Jesus Christ.

See Father's letter for more details.

Parish Events

- ∞ **Small Group Bible Study at St. Mary - Groups are still forming.** If you are interested in being a part of a small Bible Study group, please let one of the St. Mary Pastoral Council members know. This is a wonderful chance for us to grow closer to Jesus and each other through God's Holy Word.
- ∞ **Fall Pies Have Arrived!** - Pumpkin & pecan pies for sale after Masses on the weekends of November 12/13 & 19/20 at St. Augustine. Supplies are limited on pecan and pumpkin so get your order in early! Call or text Theresa Frazer at 206-992-8193 to reserve your pies. Proceeds to support Parish Stewardship.
- ∞ **Safe Environment Training** - Tuesday, November 8, 5:30 pm at the St. Augustine parish office. The in-person training is required for volunteers who will work with minors and/or vulnerable adults. Please contact the parish office to register for the training.



Pfishing E-Mails

Parishioners have reported receiving emails from Father Chris for Amazon gift cards. THESE E-MAILS ARE NOT FROM FATHER CHRIS.

Please know that any emails you receive from Father Chris or parish staff members or other parishioners would never request gift cards or money.

Please call the requestor to confirm the request before you respond to the email. Too many of our parishioners have been taken in by these reprehensible villains. Protect yourselves and others.

St. Mary Christmas Bazaar

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, December 3 from 9 am -2 pm and attend the St. Mary's Annual Christmas Bazaar!

All handmade donations will be received November 28 - December 2 and fresh baked goods are received only on Friday December 2nd.

Please text or call Janet at 360-969-1609 when you will be bringing your donations to the Hall.

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Shannon Miller from LPI, our bulletin publisher will be securing new ads for our church. As a valuable member of the business community please consider purchasing a print and/or digital ad as your participation makes our bulletin possible each week.



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Stewardship

Saint Augustine

Weekly Expenses	\$13,090
October 23 Offering	\$ 9,617



Saint Mary

Weekly Expenses	\$ 2,962
October 23 Offering	\$ 1,536

We encourage you to use online bill-pay through your bank as there is no cost to the parish or to you.

Include your envelope number and mail your donations to: P.O. Box 1319, Oak Harbor, WA 98277.
If you need your envelope number please call the parish office 360-675-2303. Thank you!

Adult Education at St. Augustine

The Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence

Experience for Yourself the Profound Mystery of the Eucharist

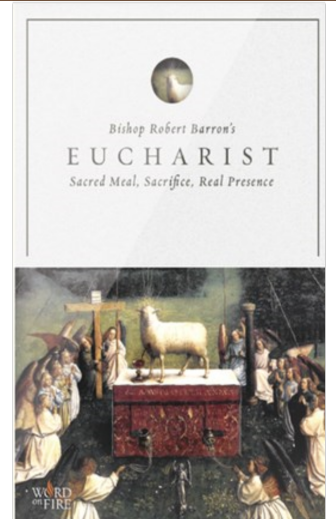
- A 4-week video course (no books required) by Bishop Robert Barron
- Mondays, November 7, 14, 21, 28; 10:00-11:30 am
- Classroom 1 & 2, Parish Hall; in person (No zoom available)

“The Eucharist is not a luxury, but a necessity, for without it, we would, in a spiritual sense, starve to death.” *-Bishop Robert Barron*

Bishop Barron offers inspiring insights into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives and the centrality of the Eucharist. Too many believers do not understand the mystery of the Eucharist, which Vatican II said is the “source and summit of the Christian life.”

This fresh look at the Eucharist brings to light its reality as sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary for communion with God, and the real presence of Christ.

Please call Barb Dumit at 360-240-9509 for more information.



St. Mary's Christmas Bazaar
& Bake Sale Fund Raiser

Saturday, December 3rd, 9am - 2pm

207 N. Main Street, Coupeville



Women of St. Mary Support:

Gifts from the Heart Food Bank, Women's Care Center,
Small Miracles, Boys and Girls Club,
Garage of Blessings, Spin Café, and many more!

Cash donations gladly accepted.



St. Mary Christmas Dinner

December 9, Friday at 5:30 pm



In Harrington Hall

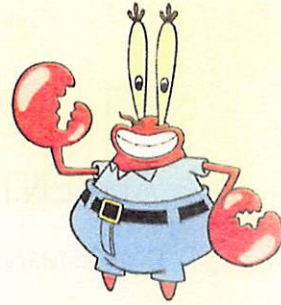
Catered by Caio Restaurant

Tickets are \$25 each and includes wine

Tickets on sale starting November 12 and
after all Masses until the event.



Ahoy Matey!



We will be holding a Crabby Patty Cake dinner as a fundraiser in support of building repairs to our clubhouse

Date: Saturday, 19 Nov 22

Pick up times: 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Location: Knight's Club of Oak Harbor

Cost: \$15.00 per plate

Menu

Two Crab Cakes

Hush Puppies

Cole Slaw

Order on-line at: fbagarella1959@gmail.com

All orders will be pick up only. No in club eating for this event.

All orders must be placed prior to 16 Nov 22 in order to ensure we have enough food supplies for all meals ordered.



LET US PREPARE THE WAY FOR JESUS: ADVENT TRADITIONS AND ACTIVITIES



Dear St. Mary Parishioners,

All St. Mary households are invited to submit a favorite Advent tradition/activity. Please use this sheet to write down your household's favorite Advent tradition/activity. Fill it out and hand it to any Pastoral Council member or place it in the basket in Harrington Hall. Please complete your sheet by November 13 so your ideas can be compiled and handed out to you on November 27, the first day of Advent. We are looking forward to sharing our faith and preparing the way for Jesus.

With Love, Your St. Mary Pastoral Council – Aida, Barbara, Bill, Chris, Deborah, Maria, Paul, Phil, Shari

OUR HOUSEHOLD'S FAVORITE ADVENT TRADITION/ACTIVITY

IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN IN YOUR HOME, PLEASE INCLUDE THEM AS MUCH AS YOU WISH! FEEL FREE TO INCLUDE GROWN CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN, SPOUSES, OR YOUR OWN CHILDHOOD FAVORITE FAMILY TRADITION.

Family Name(s): _____

Favorite Advent Tradition/Activity: _____

Here is how to do the activity: (Use the back of this sheet as needed.)

Here are the things we will need to do the activity:

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November 2022

Catholic Community of St. Augustine and St. Mary

Rev. Chris Hoiland, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

So many saints

In the early Church, there was a great desire to celebrate the saints and martyrs by assigning each a feast day. However, Christians had been so persecuted that there weren't enough days in the calendar for individual commemorations. Eventually Pope Gregory IV designated November 1 as All Saints Day.



Happiness

As a loving Father, God wants us to be happy. True happiness is: "Joy and beatitude over receiving the fulfillment of our vocation as creatures: a sharing in the divine nature and the vision of God. God put us into the world to know, love, and serve him, and so come to the happiness of paradise (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, # 1720).

Patience makes sense

Don't be tempted to compare yourself to others. God's plan for each of us is unique. "Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over him who prospers in his way" (Psalm 37:7).



Effective prayer is humble, yet bold

Jesus said, "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it, and you will" (Mark 11:24). The best prayers require the boldness to ask for what we want and the humility to surrender to God's will. Try these tips to pray with humility and boldness:

Seek reconciliation: The most common reason for ineffective prayer is unconfessed sin. Start with a thorough examination of conscience to see what needs confessing. Seek forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly. Ask for the grace to improve.

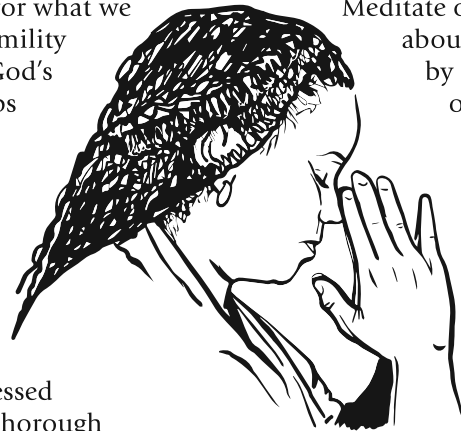
Step aside: Sometimes our prayers become lists of demands instead of

conversations with our beloved Father. Put the focus back on Him. Choose a Scripture verse, Biblical image, or a mystery of the Rosary, for example.

Meditate on it and talk with Him about it. We learn humility by lessening the focus on ourselves.

Give thanks: Each day, honor God as the source of all that is good in your life. Think of four or five of your favorite blessings and thank Him for them. Doing this daily strengthens our faith in His care.

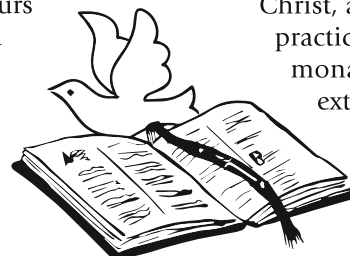
Act in faith: "Cast all your anxieties on him, for he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7). Asking God for help with all your concerns – which is different from demanding – is a sign of humility and bold faith.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics pray the Liturgy of the Hours?

The Liturgy of the Hours is a cycle of prayers said throughout the day. It's the highest form of prayer in the Church after the Mass. The Hours are a meditation on the psalms, canticles, and Scripture readings, and bring us closer to

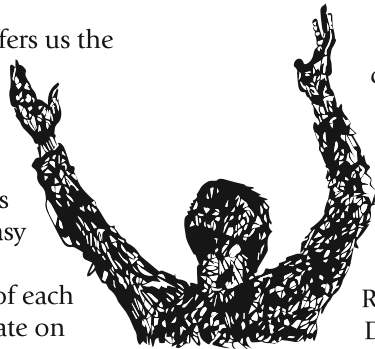


Christ, and to each other. The practice began in the monasteries, but has been extended to priests, deacons, religious orders and the lay faithful. At any given time, someone somewhere, is praying the Liturgy of the Hours.

Become new during Advent

During the Advent season, the Church offers us the chance to prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas. It's our opportunity to become the people God intended us to be.

Be mindful. Fulfilling our responsibilities well is how we glorify God. Yet, it can be easy to get lost in the routine of daily life. St. Josemaria said, "Carry out the little duties of each moment: do what you ought and concentrate on what you are doing."



Resolve to do better. "I want to be more considerate," is a great start. Specifics will make it happen. "I'll give others my full attention when they're speaking to me," or "I will be on time to respect others' schedules."

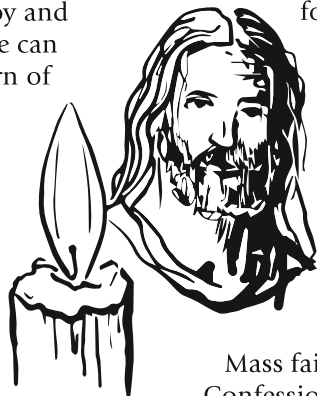
Be flexible. If you struggle to find 20 minutes to pray each day, try two 10-minute sessions morning and evening. If you lack time for an entire Rosary, pray one decade at a time throughout the day. Don't miss this chance to prepare well for the birth of Jesus at Christmas.

from Scripture

Matthew 24:37-44, Don't be afraid, do be prepared

The Church calendar is a gift to help us mark the seasons of joy and sorrow, work and rest. We can withdraw from the pattern of the world and remember that we wait in joyful hope for Jesus to come.

Beginning at the end of this month, the season of Advent is a time of warning and a time of preparation. Next month we celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas. But he will come twice more: at our own death, and at the end of time. This Gospel reading reminds us that we will never know ahead of



time just when he will come for us. Advent is the time to ask, "What do I need to do to be ready to greet the Lord?"

Start by examining your conscience and pick one or two sinful practices you want to eliminate.

Then try to spend more time in prayer, attend

Mass faithfully, and go to Confession.

Finally, spend a few extra minutes each day in prayer. Then when Christmas comes, you will know you are ready to greet the Lord with joy.

Q & A How does the Church decide who is a saint?

There are many people in Heaven who are saints but whose names we may never know. They are uncanonized saints. Canonization is the formal process by which the Church identifies and

determines whether someone has become a saint.



In its simplest form, official Church procedures detail three steps to recognizing a saint. First, the bishop of the

diocese where the person died begins an extensive investigation. The results are passed to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the Congregation approves, the prefect presents the cause to the pope. With the pope's approval, the petitioner becomes "venerable" and is called "Servant of God."

Next, "beatification," may come after further investigation and a miracle has proven to be attributed to the Servant of God's intercession after his or her death. Then the person can be called "Blessed."

Finally, canonization may follow additional investigation and a second miracle also proven to have occurred after the beatification and as a result of the candidate's intercession. After canonization, the "Blessed" is called "Saint."

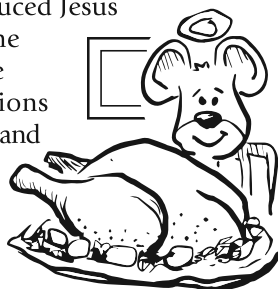
Feasts & Celebrations

November 2 – All Souls Day. On this day we pray for the dead, especially our loved ones and the souls in Purgatory. Our prayers and sacrifices can help them get to Heaven.

November 16 – St. Gertrude the Great (1301). Born in 1256 in Germany, St. Gertrude was raised by and later joined the Benedictine nuns. When she was about twenty-six, she began having visions of Christ. She was known for her personal holiness, her kindness to the rich and poor, and her prayers for the souls in Purgatory.

November 27 – First Sunday in Advent. We anticipate Christ's birth and his coming on the last day. Catholics around the world light candles in an Advent wreath to signal the coming of the light of Christ.

November 30 – St. Andrew (1st Century). The son of a Galilean fisherman and brother of Simon Peter, he introduced Jesus to Peter. After the Resurrection, he conducted missions in Turkey, Greece and Macedonia. He was martyred on a X-shaped cross.



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