

Whidbey Island Family of Catholic Churches St Augustine · St Mary · St Hubert

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St. Augustine - 185 N. Oak Harbor Street, Oak Harbor, WA 98277

St. Mary - 207 North Main Street, Coupeville, WA 98239

Mailing Address for both parishes - P.O. Box 1319, Oak Harbor, WA 98277

St. Hubert - 804 3rd Street, Langley, WA 98260

Mailing Address - P.O. Box 388, Langley, WA 98260

August 11, 2024 ~ 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 15, 2024 ~ Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Regular Mass Times

Sat. 5:00 pm - St. Augustine*

Sat. 5:00 pm - St. Hubert

Sun. 8:00 am - St. Augustine

Sun. 9:00 am - St. Hubert

Sun. 9:30 am - St. Augustine

Sun. 11:15 am - St. Mary

Wed. 9:30 am - St. Augustine

Wed. 10:30 am - St. Hubert

Thur. 9:30 am - St. Mary

Fri. 9:30 am - St. Augustine

Confessions

Saturday, 4:00 pm - St. Augustine*

Saturday, 4:00 pm - St. Hubert

(*The 3rd Saturday of each month, Vigil Mass and Confessions will only be at St. Hubert)

St Augustine/St Mary Parish Office Hours

Monday: Closed to the public

Tuesday - Friday: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

& 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

information@staugustineoh.org

St Hubert Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: Closed to the public

sthubert@whidbey.com

Weekly Calendar - St. Augustine

Aug 11	Sunday	8:00 am 9:30 am	Mass Mass (<i>Susan Ellis, RIP</i>)

Aug 12	Monday	4:30 pm	Agape Meal, K/PH

Aug 14	Wednesday	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass (<i>Edith Seiling, RIP</i>) Divine Mercy/Adoration, CH

Aug 15	Thursday	6:00 pm	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass, Holy Day of Obligation

Aug 16	Friday	9:30 am 10:00 am	Mass Divine Mercy/Adoration, CH

Aug 17	Saturday	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions CANCELLED Vigil Mass CANCELLED <i>Confessions/Vigil Mass will be at St Hubert in Langley</i>

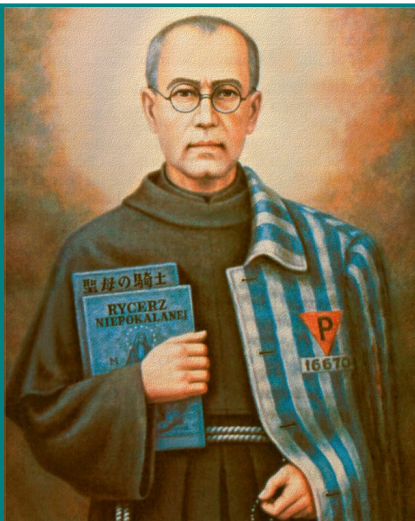
Aug 18	Sunday	8:00 am 9:30 am	Mass Mass (<i>Ysmael Collantes, INT;</i> <i>Bernardo Collantes, INT</i>)

Weekly Calendar - St. Mary

Aug 11	Sunday	11:15 am 12:15 pm	Mass Coffee & Conversation, CANCELLED

Aug 15	Thursday	9:30 am 10:20 am 12:00 pm	Mass CANCELLED Bible Study, HH Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass, Holy Day of Obligation

Aug 18	Sunday	11:15 am 12:15 pm	Mass Coffee & Conversation, CANCELLED



August 14th, the Eve of the Immaculate Conception, is the feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe. Long devoted to the Blessed Virgin, as a young man, he “prayed very hard to Our Lady to tell me what would happen to me. She appeared, holding in her hands two crowns, one white, one red. She asked if I would like to have them—one was for purity, the other for martyrdom. I said, ‘I choose both.’ She smiled and disappeared.” St Maximilian is the Polish Franciscan priest who is best known for offering his life in Auschwitz, in place of a family man who was condemned to death in the starvation bunker.

If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion. ~St. Maximilian Kolbe

Sacraments

Baptisms

- ⌘ The next Baptism Class is August 24 at 1:30 pm.
- ⌘ The next Baptisms are August 24 at 11:00 am.
- ⌘ We schedule a maximum of 4 children per Baptism.
- ⌘ Call the parish office at 360-675-2303 for more information or to register for class.

Anointings:

- ⌘ Please call the parish office at 360-675-2303 on Wednesday - Friday from 10:00 am - 4:00pm to request an anointing or last rites. On Tuesdays, please call the St. Mary, Anacortes office number at 360-293-2101.
- ⌘ After 4pm Wednesday-Sunday, call the office at 360-675-2303 and listen to the message to receive the **emergency anointing or last rites only** phone number. *On any Monday*, please call another parish to request an anointing.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) and Children (OCIC)

Adults: OCIA begins **September 10, 2024**, 6:00 - 7:30 pm in classrooms 1 & 2

Children: OCIC begins **October 29, 2024**, 4:00 - 5:00 pm in classroom 4

Classes are for:

- ⌘ Non-baptized or baptized adults and children (7-17) of a different denomination wishing to enter into Full Communion with the Catholic Church
- ⌘ Baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation
- ⌘ Catholics and non-Catholics wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith

Please email **Mary E Waters** at adultff@staugustineoh.org for more information or to register

Registration for Religious Education (RE) Classes opens July 22!



- ⌘ RE for grades K-12 begins **September 18**
 - ⌘ Registration is **OPEN!** Forms are available in the vestibule, parish office, or online at ww.staugustineoh.org
 - ⌘ Please fill out both sides of the form, attach your check made out to St. Augustine, and drop it in the collection basket at Mass, mail it, or bring it in to the Parish Office
 - ⌘ Many hands make our RE program a success! Contact info@staugustineoh.org or 360-675-2303 for details about teaching and volunteering
- (**Please note, children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation, contact Rowena, PA for Religious Education at rharless@staugustineoh.org after August 19th)

Stewardship

Saint Augustine

Weekly Expenses	\$ 13,090
July 21 Offering	\$ 8,482



Saint Mary

Weekly Expenses	\$ 2,962
July 21 Offering	\$ 3,594

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!

News and Events

- ∞ **Partners in the Gospel Mass Change** - On August 17, 4:00 pm Confessions and 5:00 pm Vigil Mass will only be at St Hubert in Langley. All Whidbey Island Family of Catholic Churches members are encouraged to join Fr. Chris at St Hubert!
- ∞ **Flowers** - August 11 flowers are courtesy of Patrecia West in honor of Clint West. Stop by the parish office and purchase flowers for a birthday or memorial for someone you love or simply to beautify the church for our parish family.
- ∞ **World Famous Pies** - The World Famous Pie ladies will be selling their next batch of fresh homemade pies the weekends of August 17/18 and 24/25. Offerings include blackberry, triple berry, Marionberry, boysenberry, raspberry, raspberry rhubarb, and rhubarb. Yum! Contact Theresa Frazer at (360)675-9840 or tjfrazer@gmail.com to reserve your favorite.
- ∞ **Blackberry Picking** - The 4th Annual Blackberry Picking Party and Picnic in support of the World Famous Pie Ladies pie ministry will be held Friday, August 16 starting at 11:30 am at the Sykes' Farm. Please RSVP to Tamara Sykes (971)333-1901

Tips & Etiquette

Please turn off (or set to "do not disturb") all cell phones prior to entering the Church. Or, err on the side of caution, and leave them in your car!

Pray for Vocations

Lord Jesus, Please grant to me the grace to know my true vocation. In Baptism I was signed in Your name and have grown to share in the work of bringing Your Father's love to our world. May I respond to the special life's work to which You are calling me. I ask that many will hear the particular call to serve in the Church as priests, religious, and consecrated lay people. To whatever You ask of me, may I freely, courageously and lovingly respond. Amen.

We Pray for Our Family

Ruth Abrea, Fr. Larry Bailey, Marrisa Blas, Gary Barrett, Lynnne Ochoa-Brown, Jim Brady, Pete Caldwell, Patrick Cantwell, Eileen Catalano, Andrew Cook, Daniel Cook, Mary Coplea, Cecilia Crook, Mike Cussimano, Justin Day, Jacquie Diaz, Tomasa Dagdagan, Bob Ellis, Douglas Hammer, Lynn & Jerry Hendricksen, Sheryl & Mikey Henry, Donald Hubner, Marsha Kilgore, Jack Kraft, Laura Lafranchise, Carol LeClercq, Pat Magorrian, Dick Malone, Martha McAllister, Alexandria Molt, Jasmine Patricio, Onee & Richard Rezabek, Denise Robertson, Nancy & John Romanski, Lou & Lulu Santos, Jadwiga & Philippe Sebrechts, Dennis Sionson, Kathy Stratton, Don Stubenrauch, Chuck Tollefson, Carmela Tubo, David Williams, Larry Williams

*Permission is required from the individual prior to adding their name to the prayer list.
To include a loved one, please call the parish office at 360-675-2303*

Parish Job Opening

St Augustine Catholic Church is seeking to hire an accompanist (piano and/or organ) to provide music for parish liturgies and other designated celebrations. The position would collaborate with the Pastor or other assigned consultive body. The candidate will need to audition for the Pastor. The position is a year-round position up to ten hours per week. Successful candidates should be registered to a Catholic parish and be an active participant in Catholic worship and parish life. The complete job description and application packet are available on our website www.staugustineoh.org or by sending a request to admin@staugustineoh.org

When people whisper, what they whisper usually is not flattering. It's also usually not accurate. If it was either of these things, it probably wouldn't have to be whispered.

"Stop murmuring among yourselves," Jesus tells the community in today's Gospel, and I think I detect a hint of impatience in his voice — or is that just my own bias? Maybe, maybe not. But it's true that what they were whispering about wasn't particularly flattering, and it also wasn't very accurate: *Did you hear what he said? That he's the bread of life?*

Do they disbelieve, or are they simply confused? Resentful? Afraid? Overwhelmed? We don't know, but we do know that they're not bringing their questions into the open. They're whispering them, trading them secretly, like contraband candy. *We know this guy. Who does he think he is? Well, if you ask me...*

And then we get to what is usually the true purpose of a whispered opinion: the desire to make oneself out as the correct and unchallenged judge of the matter at hand.

In many ways, we have become a Church of murmurers. *Did you see what Bishop So-and-So said to Such-and-Such newspaper? Did you hear what Fr. Whatshisname said in his homily? Who does he think he is? Well, if you ask me...*

Perhaps it was always this way, even before modern times. Perhaps this Gospel shows us that this is no new thing.

Today, we see Jesus respond to his sulking critics by drawing their attention back to the truth at the heart of his teaching. *Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me.* And that is the end of their murmuring.

The truth is like a brick wall, and it knocks them over - or rather they, hurling themselves against it, knock themselves over. *"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever."* — John 6:51

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