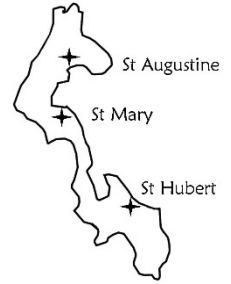


# WHIDBEY ISLAND FAMILY OF CATHOLIC CHURCHES



## ST. HUBERT



St. Hubert, St. Mary, St. Augustine

Pastor: Father Chris Hoiland

[FrChris@StAugustineoh.org](mailto:FrChris@StAugustineoh.org)

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 22, 2024**



*After speaking of His impending death, Jesus teaches His disciples that they are to be servants of all, welcoming even the children.*

### Regular Mass Times

St. Hubert  
Sat. 5:00 pm  
Sun. 9:00 am  
Wed. 10:30 am

St. Augustine  
Sat. 5:00 pm  
Sun. 8:00 am  
Sun. 9:30 am  
Wed. 9:30 am  
Fri. 9:30 am

St. Mary  
Sun. 11:15 am  
Thur. 9:30 am

**Communion Service (St. Hubert only)**  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 am

### 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)



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Revival**  
2022-2025

**LITURGY AND THE WORK OF  
REDEMPTION**

Archbishop Paul D. Etienne

**A Cosmic Mystery**

There is something cosmic about the Eucharist. “Even when it is celebrated on the humble altar of a country church, the Eucharist is always in some way celebrated on the altar of the world. It unites heaven and earth. It embraces and permeates all creation.”<sup>17</sup> The Eucharist is both human and divine, earthly and heavenly. In the Eucharist, as in the Incarnation, earth and heaven meet: “The Lord, in the culmination of the mystery of the Incarnation, chose to reach our intimate depths through a fragment of matter. He comes not from above, but from within, he comes that we might find him in this world of ours. In the Eucharist, fullness is already achieved; it is the living center of the universe, the overflowing core of love and of inexhaustible life. Joined to the incarnate Son, present in the Eucharist, the whole cosmos gives thanks to God. Indeed the Eucharist is itself an act of cosmic love.”<sup>18</sup>

The Eucharist strengthens our interior life, while transporting us beyond ourselves into a profound relationship with the Lord. This heavenly food fortifies us for this earthly pilgrimage until we find our true home in heaven. I recently received a lovely note from one of our women religious who made this concise observation: “Our home is not here. Our home is in heaven, and heaven is found in the Eucharist.” There is nothing else like the Eucharist on earth: Comparisons cannot do it justice! This is food and drink, but different from any other food and drink. This is a shared meal, but different from any other meal. In the Eucharist, God takes the humblest of our earthly offerings — bread and wine — and transforms them into something extraordinary, the very Body and Blood

of Christ. In the presence of this awesome mystery, all we can do is humbly approach the Lord to receive what he desires to give us.

What expectations do we bring with us when we come to Mass on Sunday? We expect a warm welcome, good music, excellent homily (that doesn’t go on too long), and liturgy celebrated with dignity and reverence, style and grace. And rightly so, for all of these things are important. None of them, however, is as important as our Eucharistic encounter with Christ, which must always be the focus of our ministry, our parish life, and our daily lives of faith. In this way, the liturgy will truly be in our communities “the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the fount from which all the Church’s power flows.”<sup>19</sup> The Eucharist strengthens us and “draws the faithful into the compelling love of Christ and sets them on fire,” giving the impetus to all other parish activities, which in turn should direct us back toward the Eucharist in praise and thanksgiving.

**The Challenge of Unity**

St. Paul had strong words for the Corinthians, whose community was divided by factions. He was especially scandalized that these divisions were evident when they gathered for Eucharist: “I hear that when you meet as a church there are divisions among you. ... What can I say to you? Shall I praise you? In this matter I do not praise you” (1 Corinthians 11:18, 22). We know that within the Church today, there are also divisions. Instead of recognizing our fundamental unity within the Body of Christ, some Catholics intensify those divisions by rejecting or even demonizing others. The liturgy can all too easily become an ideological battleground, as people insist that their own way of doing things is better or even the only way. But that is to see the Church as a human institution which we can shape according to our own way of thinking. The Church is a mystery, through which God shapes us, forming us into his holy people. Pope St. John Paul II said this so well: “We are constantly tempted to reduce the Eucharist to our own dimensions, while in reality it is we who must open ourselves up to the dimensions of the

Mystery.”<sup>20</sup> When we celebrate the Eucharist, God is forming us, through Jesus’ Paschal Mystery, into the family of God. This is not our doing, but God’s: “Look graciously upon this family whom you have summoned before you.”<sup>21</sup> As a local Church, unity is more than one goal among many. Unity is essential to our mission. The prayer of Jesus for his disciples on the night before he died was that we might be one: “I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me” (John 17:20-21). The effectiveness of our witness depends on our unity. Nowhere is that unity more important than in our celebrations of the Eucharist. *So when we as one are gathered all together, let us strive to keep our minds free of division; may there be an end to malice, strife and quarrels, and let Christ our God be dwelling here among us.*<sup>22</sup>

Unity is not easy. Unity requires give and take. As Pope Benedict XVI has written, “Union with Christ is also union with all those to whom he gives himself. I cannot possess Christ just for myself; I can belong to him only in union with all those who have become, or who will become, his own. Communion draws me out of myself towards him, and thus also towards unity with all Christians.”<sup>23</sup> The intimate sharing with Christ we experience when we participate in the Eucharist and receive Holy Communion is not strictly between God and myself, because the Mass is not an individual devotion but a communal prayer. For this reason, our celebrations of the Eucharist should be marked not by individual expressions of piety, but by unity.

The singing, the spoken responses, and the postures we take during the Mass — standing, bowing, kneeling — are important signs of that unity, and more: They can actually help build the unity we seek. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal tells us that singing at the beginning of Mass not only introduces the celebration, but “foster[s] the unity of those gathered.”<sup>24</sup> In a similar way, “A common bodily posture, to be observed by all those taking part, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community

gathered together for the Sacred Liturgy, for it expresses the intentions and spiritual attitude of the participants and also fosters them.”<sup>25</sup> When we gather to celebrate the Mass, what we do as a community really matters. The fraction rite of the Mass, when the priest breaks the host, reminds us of this. The one host is broken into many parts, so that the many can become one body in Christ. As St. Paul wrote, “Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf” (1 Corinthians 10:17)

Our unity must reach beyond our parish community. When we celebrate the Mass, we are part of a larger Church — this local Church, the Archdiocese of Seattle, and the Church throughout the world. In early Christian Rome, this unity was expressed in a unique rite, no longer part of the Mass, called the fragmentum. Each Sunday, the bishop of Rome would send a fragment of the bread consecrated at his Mass to each parish. This fragment would then be mingled with the chalice at each Eucharistic celebration. It symbolized the union of the parishes with the Mass offered by the bishop of Rome.

As I have gotten to know the archdiocese over the past year, I have seen a wide range of liturgical practices. In order to express and reinforce our unity as a local Church, I would like to clarify several aspects of the Mass and bring us into a unity of posture and practice. I recognize that this will require some change for virtually all our parish communities, and for some more than others, but our unity as a local Church in celebrating the liturgy surely warrants the effort on our part. In this matter, we must be attentive to the practice of the Universal Church, particularly “to what serves the common spiritual good of the People of God, rather than private inclination or arbitrary choice.”<sup>26</sup>

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<sup>17</sup> Pope St. John Paul II, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 8.

<sup>18</sup> Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, 236.

<sup>19</sup> *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 10.

<sup>20</sup> Pope St. John Paul II, *Mane Nobiscum Domine*, 14.

<sup>21</sup> Eucharistic Prayer III, Roman Missal.

<sup>22</sup> From “*Ubi caritas*,” the Offertory chant for Holy Thursday, Roman Missal.

<sup>23</sup> Pope Benedict XVI, *Deus Caritas Est*, 14.

<sup>24</sup> GIRM, 46.

<sup>25</sup> GIRM, 42.

<sup>26</sup> GIRM, 42.

## WHIDBEY ISLAND FAMILY OF CATHOLIC St Augustine · St Mary · St Hubert

- ❖ The next Mass and Confessional time celebrated by our Father Chris at St. Hubert will be Saturday September 21. Confessions will be held at 4pm followed by Mass at 5pm.
- ❖ Your continued prayers, understanding and support are vital as we work together to foster an environment of openness and welcome for all members of our new parish family.

## ON VOCATIONS

The pope thus describes vocation as depending on what we might call "objective" circumstances, both interior and exterior. "[Their task] is determined by various circumstances of an interior and exterior nature." These circumstances vary from individual to individual, and a complete description cannot be given. Yet the primary factor can be summed up with a single word—*love*. "Love is the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being,"<sup>9</sup> and thus having a vocation means being drawn by love and in love to commit oneself to a way of life. A vocation therefore begins with Christ, who makes an approach in love to an individual person, leading him to search for a path in life by which to respond to Christ's love. In prayerful dialogue with Christ, this person then examines his personal circumstances, in order to find the path of life in which he can make the best gift of himself in love.

Excerpt from a Summary of Paths of Love  
[Discernment of Vocation According to Aquinas, Ignatius, and Pope John Paul II \(pathsoflove.com\)](#)

## USCCB PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father,  
we thank you for calling men and women to serve  
in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and  
consecrated persons.  
Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond  
generously and courageously to your call.  
May our community of faith support vocations of  
sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns  
with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,  
forever and ever.  
Amen

The Arm of  
**ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE**  
is visiting the United States and is coming to  
St. Mary Parish!

Known as the *Apostle of the Impossible*,  
Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering  
dedication and steadfast faith. Millions  
have experienced his intercession in times  
of adversity and need.

**DATE:** Thursday, September 26, 2024

**LOCATION:** St. Mary Catholic Church

**ADDRESS:** 4001 Saint Mary's Drive, Anacortes, WA 98221 (360) 293-2101

**VENERATION OF THE RELIC BEGINS:** 2:00 PM

**SPECIAL MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JUDE:** 6:00 PM

**VENERATION ENDS:** 9:00 PM

CHECK THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR OTHER LOCATIONS



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# LITURGICAL CALENDAR



*September 23: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)*

## **A poor brother who prays**

Born into a poor Italian farm family, from a young age Francesco Forgione desired to be a friar. When he was sixteen, he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin Order and took the name Brother Pius (Fra Pio). He was ordained to the priesthood in 1910; six years later, joined the convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie in San Giovanni Rotondo. He spent many hours everyday hearing Confessions. The height of his apostolic commitment was the celebration of the Holy Mass. He described himself as “a poor brother who prays.” “Prayer is the greatest weapon we have,” he said. It is “a key to open the heart of God.”

## **An extraordinary meeting**

In 1948, Padre Pio heard the Confession of a young Polish priest, Father Karol Wojtyła, who thirty years later would ascend the throne of Peter, taking the name John Paul II. It was during John Paul’s pontificate that Padre Pio was declared blessed. During the rite of beatification, the Pope said that in the humble friar, we see the image of Christ suffering and risen. “His body,” he said, “marked by the ‘stigmata,’ showed the intimate connection between death and resurrection... Not less sorrowful, and humanly much more scorching, were the trials he had to suffer as a consequence, one could say, of his singular charisms.” For Padre Pio, “suffering with Christ” was a gift: “In contemplating the Cross on Jesus’ shoulders,” he said, “I always feel strengthened and I exult with holy joy... All that Jesus suffered in His Passion, I too have suffered, insofar as it is possible for a human creature.”

## **“Relief from suffering”**

The life of Padre Pio also shows an intense commitment to alleviate the sufferings of families.

In 1956 he inaugurated the “Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza” (the House of Relief from Suffering), a new state of the art hospita. “It is the apple of my

eye,” the friar said when the hospital opened. “This is the creation that Providence, with your help, has created. Gaze at it in wonder, and with me bless the Lord God. He has place upon the earth a seed that He will warm with the His rays of love.”

## **Death**

Padre Pio died during the night of 23 September 1968, at the age of 81. On 16 June 2002, he was proclaimed a saint by Pope John Paul II. In his homily, the Pope said, “The life and mission of Padre Pio prove that difficulties and sorrows, if accepted out of love, are transformed into a privileged way of holiness, which opens onto the horizons of a greater good, known only to the Lord.”

[St. Pius of Pietrelcina, priest - Information on the Saint of the Day - Vatican News](#)



St. Hubert's Youth Group invites YOU to join them as they participate in



FOR CHILDREN WHO WISH  
FOR **JUST ONE GIFT**

Two years ago, St. Hubert's Youth Group fundraised, purchased items, packed boxes and sent out a total of 27 Boxes of Joy. This year they invite YOU to participate with them as they try to reach their goal of 40 Boxes of Joy.

Box of Joy's mission is to bring Christmas presents to children in areas where presents are too expensive or unattainable. By packing a box the size of a shoe box, we can share a new kind of Christmas joy with others who may have never experienced it.

Steps to participate:

- Pack a box, making sure the gifts follow the guidelines and are appropriate for selected gender and age group.
- Bring your box back to the Parish Office, or to the Youth Group's table in the Narthex.
- Each box requires \$9 to ship, checks need to be made out to St. Hubert with Cross Catholic in the memo line.
- A \$9 donation can also be made to offset the shipping costs of someone else's box!!

More instructions, guidelines, boxes, and information will be available at the table in the Narthex. Please stop by and talk to a youth group representative.

Boxes and instructions will be available starting September 29. All boxes need to be returned to the Parish Office by November 1.

Happening today!!



### Creation calls out in desperation!

How will we answer?

St. Hubert Catholic Church invites us to reflect together. *What does it mean to care for creation?*

### Consider today's worsening realities.

Years long droughts.

Smaller harvests.

Rising sea level.

Torrential rainfall out of season.

Famine. Floods. Displacement. Deaths.

**To help guide us in serious conversation, we welcome**

**Anna Patrice Johnson**

*North American Senior Programs Manager for the Laudato Si Movement*

**September 22, 2024 – 2-3:30PM**

**St. Hubert Catholic Church**

Reception to follow.

### Fish Dinner and Jazz Night

Join the Knights of Columbus on September 27 from 5:30 to 8:00 pm for an evening of music with fish and Barramundi and sides. Adult beverages will also be available for purchase.

Garrett Poteat will be providing the music and Cormac McCarthy will be creating one of his masterpieces that will be auctioned off at the end of the evening. Tickets are \$30 per person and will be sold after all the Masses.



## FAITH FORMATION



### All Souls' Day Banner

November 2 is All Souls' Day, a special time to remember those dearly departed family and friends. Once again, we will have a banner with the names of those dearly departed on display in the Narthex. If you have names you would like to add please email them to St. Hubert parish office to add them to the banner. Please note that we are only accepting emails, as they provide us with a record of the correct spelling of all names. If you cannot send an email, please come into the parish office and we will assist you. The deadline for adding a name is **Wednesday, October 16.**

## OUTREACH



*All you who are thirsty, come to the water.  
~Isaiah 55:1*

### St. Anthony's Kitchen Service

Wednesday Soup Lunch, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Thursday Meal Service – A Smile & A Meal.

Email [sthubert@whidbey.com](mailto:sthubert@whidbey.com) or call the parish kitchen at (360) 221-5303 by Tuesday and leave a message to request the Thursday meal service. The menu is on our website. The entrée choice for September 26 is hamburger and fixings. What priest and parishioner was featured in last week's bulletin? All entrees include fresh fruit and a sweet treat. A Gluten free option is available upon request.



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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Center in Mt. Vernon presents ... Our First  
Ever Baby Shower!

We have 13 expectant mothers who need  
baby supplies!

Purchase a Baby Shower gift from our registry or  
come into the parish office for help  
please go to this link: [tinyurl.com/FWCBabyGifts](https://tinyurl.com/FWCBabyGifts)  
or scan the QR Code →

There will also be a table in the Narthex after Mass  
to help you with the registry.



Questions: Contact Linda Schaever  
at [sthubert@whidbey.com](mailto:sthubert@whidbey.com)



## PRAYER CORNER

June Brown, Stephen Berard, Alexandra Crawford, Louisa Creech, Charlie Childs, Terri Desrosiers, Drnec Family, Ian Francis, Rick Egge, Jim Grilliot, Catherine Holman, Megan Kukuk, Judith Martinez, Kathleen O'Guin, Cleveland Riley, Maria Rudman, Lori Stewart, John Scehovic, Donald Shull, Amy Stuart, Tom Sulich, Kathey Von Doran.

### Do you have an addition to the prayer corner?

Please call the parish office, visit the office, or fill out this [form](#) online and the prayer will be added to the next bulletin.

### Mass Intentions

9/21- St. Hubert Parish  
9/25- Carlos Reys (RIP)



## REST IN PEACE

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

**May They Rest in Peace:**

David Barrett, Damien Berger, Cody Crowley, Donna Chan, Tom Chan, Kevin Conroy, Jean Duffy, Bill Good, Lois Haynes, Karen Johnson, Sixto Martinez, Gene Malm, Elsie Mullinaux, Eloisa Murphy, John O'Phelan, Jonathan Spitzer, Will Surface, Bethany Watkins, Barbara Williamson, Dorea Woods, Jose Zuardi.

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

*Amen*

## ST. HUBERT COUNSELING SERVICES

**Alice Thull, LICSW,**

is now available to provide individual, couple, & family counseling at St. Hubert.

For more information or to schedule a visit, call 360.221.0746.

Fees are on a sliding scale.

Please call the parish office at (360) 221-5383 to arrange to have Communion brought to you.

### Divine Mercy Prayer Circle

Join the circle of prayer by praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet for those who are dying, and in return once they pass on into heaven, they will pray for us. To join the Divine Mercy Circle, email [DevineMercyCircle@aol.com](mailto:DevineMercyCircle@aol.com). Prayer requests should be sent to [DevineMercyCircle@aol.com](mailto:DevineMercyCircle@aol.com) and cc: [sthubert@whidbey.com](mailto:sthubert@whidbey.com).

### Living Light Prayer Group

You are invited to pray with us on Tuesdays at 3:00 pm in the church, for an hour of praise, reflections, and intercession. We pray for each other, and for special intentions.

### St. Hubert Counseling Services

We all find ourselves at a point in our lives when we need help coping. It may be relationship problems; death or illness of a loved one; difficulties with children; or feeling sad, anxious, or depressed. Professional counseling can provide the support and help needed to get to a place of mental, emotional, and spiritual health. To make an appointment with Alice Thull, please call her at (360) 221-0746. All fees are on a sliding scale.

### Grief Support Meeting

If you have lost a loved one, please join us for the

monthly meeting of the St. Hubert Grief Support Group. Meetings are 1:00pm on the fourth Thursday of the month in the Help Services Center located at 815 Saratoga Road. The group provides a place for people to connect with others who have also had a death in their lives, and to share their unique grief journey in a safe, supportive environment. Connecting with others who have this common bond of experience can be a source of comfort and helpful in building momentum towards healing. Please contact Alice at (360) 221-0746 if you would like more information.



## Calendar: September 22- October 5

<b>9a Mass 22</b> <b>10:30a Youth Group</b> <b>10:30a Stephen Ministry Training</b> <b>2p Laudato Si Movement- Anna Johnson</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 23</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 24</b> <b>9a W.O.S.H. Crafting</b> <b>3p Living Light Prayer Group</b>	<b>10:30a Mass 25</b> <b>11a Divine Mercy Chaplet</b> <b>11a St. A Soup Lunch</b> <b>11:30a Acts Bible Study</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 26</b> <b>1p Grief Support Group</b> <b>3p Writers Group</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 27</b> <b>9a Friday Adoration</b> <b>10a Rosary</b> <b>5:30p Fish Bake and Jazz Night</b> <b>Parish Office Closed</b>	<b>4p Confession 28</b> <b>5p Mass</b>
<b>9a Mass 29</b> <b>10a Knights of Columbus Burrito Breakfast</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 30</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 1</b> <b>9a W.O.S.H. Crafting</b> <b>3p Living Light Prayer Group</b> <b>6p RE Class</b>	<b>10:30a Mass 2</b> <b>11a Divine Mercy Chaplet</b> <b>11a St. A Soup Lunch</b> <b>7p Taizé Prayer Service</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 3</b> <b>3p Writers Group</b> <b>5:30p Whidbey Climate Action</b>	<b>9a Communion Service 4</b> <b>9:30a Friday Adoration</b> <b>10a Rosary</b>  <b>Parish Office Closed</b>	<b>4p Confession 5</b> <b>5p Mass</b>

### St. Hubert Office Contact

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### Church Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm  
 Saturday: 3:00pm - 6:30 pm  
 Sunday: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

### St Augustine Parish Office Hours

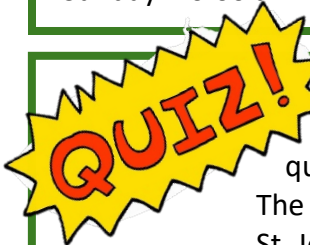
Monday: Closed to the public  
 Tuesday - Friday: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
[information@staugustineoh.org](mailto:information@staugustineoh.org)

### St. Hubert Parish Office Hours

Monday -Thursday: 9:30 am- 4:00 pm  
 Friday: Closed to the public

### Addresses

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 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



Thank you all for submitting your answers for the quiz question for 9/15.  
 The answer is:  
 St. Joan of Arc!



## HOLMES HARBOR CELLARS

Greg and Theresa Martinez welcome you!  
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[www.holmesharborcellars.com](http://www.holmesharborcellars.com)

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