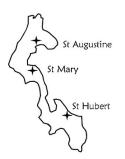
WHIDBEY ISLAND FAMILY OF CATHOLIC



CHURCHES ST. HUBERT

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Priest in Residence: Father Paul Pluth (St. Hubert)



Christ the King Sunday November 24, 2024



"The Lord is king, He is robed in majesty." Psalm 93

Regular Mass Times

St. Hubert St. Sat. 5:00 pm Sun. 9:00 am S

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

Wed. 10:30 am Sun. 9:30 am Wed. 9:30 am

Fri. 9:30 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)

Communion Service (St. Hubert only)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 am



Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

On this last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. And today's Gospel leads us to contemplate Jesus as he introduces himself to Pilate as king of a kingdom that "is not of this world" (Jn 18:36). This doesn't mean that Christ is the king of another world, but that he is king in another manner, but he is king in this world. It is a contrast between two types of logic. Worldly logic is based on ambition, competition, it fights using the weapons of fear, extortion, and the manipulation of consciences.

On the other hand, the logic of the Gospel, that is, the logic of Jesus, is expressed in humility and gratuitousness. It is silently but effectively affirmed with the strength of truth. The kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries and oppression; the reign of Christ is a "kingdom of justice, love and peace".

When did Jesus reveal himself as king? In the event of the Cross! Those who look at the Cross cannot but see the astonishing gratuitousness of love. One of you could say, "Father, that was a failure!". It is precisely in the failure of sin — sin is a failure — in the failure of human ambitions: the triumph of the Cross is there, the gratuitousness of love is there. In the failure of the Cross, love is seen, a love that is gratuitous, which Jesus gives us. For a Christian, speaking of power and strength means referring to the power of the Cross, and the strength of Jesus' love: a love which remains steadfast and complete, even when faced with rejection, and it is shown as the fulfilment of a life expended in the total surrender of oneself for the benefit of humanity.

On Calvary, the passers-by and the leaders derided Jesus, nailed to the Cross, and they challenged him: "Save yourself, and come down from the cross!" (Mk 15:30). "Save yourself!". But

paradoxically the truth of Jesus is precisely what is hurled at him in a mocking tone by his adversaries: "he cannot save himself!" (v. 31).

Had Jesus come down from the Cross, he would have given in to the temptations of the prince of this world. Instead, he cannot save himself precisely so as to be able to save others, precisely because he has given his life for us, for each one of us. To say: "Jesus gave his life for the world" is true. But it is more beautiful to say: "Jesus gave his life for me". And today, in this Square, let each one of us say in his or her heart: "He gave his life for me, in order to save each one of us from our sins".

Who understood this? One of the criminals who was crucified with him understood it well, the socalled "good thief", who implored him, "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingly power" (Lk 23:42). But this was a criminal, a corrupt person, and he was there in fact because he had been condemned to death for all of the brutalities that he had committed in his life. But he saw love in Jesus' manner, in Jesus' meekness. The kingship of Jesus doesn't oppress us, but rather frees us from our weaknesses and miseries, encouraging us to walk the path of the good, of reconciliation and of forgiveness. Let us look at the Cross of Jesus, let us look at the "good thief", and let us all say together what the good thief said: Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom". All together: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom". Ask Jesus, when we feel that we are weak, that we are sinners, defeated, to look at us, and say to him: "You are there. Don't forget me".

Faced with so many lacerations in the world and too many wounds in the flesh of mankind, let us ask the Virgin Mary to sustain us in our commitment to emulate Jesus, our king, by making his kingdom present with gestures of tenderness, understanding and mercy.

Pope Francis Homilies - Christ the King



PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER GOD'S GIFTS TO YOU AND MAKE YOUR PLEDGE TODAY.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Gratitude and generosity are fundamental to our Catholic faith. Parish Stewardship/Sacrificial Giving recognizes that all we have and all we are is a gift from God.

When we truly recognize God's abundant blessings in our lives, it frees us to share our gifts out of gratitude - and not out of obligation.

I invite you to thank God for his abundant blessings this past year and consider how you can grow in generosity through your time in prayer, in serving your church, and in making a financial commitment to our parish.

Your 2025 pledge is essential to developing the annual budget in support of the successful operation of our parish. Fundamental items include Sacramental Preparation and Faith Formation programs for both children and adults, Pastor and staff salaries, church and liturgical ministry supplies, campus building upkeep and maintenance, and other essential day-to-day expenses.

Pledges can be made by clicking or scanning the QR code below, or going to the parish website at sthubertchurch.org/stewardship. Pledge cards are also available in the parish office. Please make your pledge by December 15.

I thank you for your prayerful consideration and response. Your sacrificial giving moves the mission of our Church forward in building up the kingdom of heaven here on earth.

In Christ, Fr. Chris



GRATITUDE STARTS WHEN WE RECOGNIZE THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED A GIFT

Click or scan the QR code to go to the Stewardship page for St. Hubert. There you can enter your pledge and optionally set up a one-time or recurring donation. Thank you for your generous support to St. Huber Parish

FAITH FORMATION



Join your fellow parishioners and start off Thanksgiving Day giving thanks for all the blessings you have received.



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is considered a Holy Day of Obligation this year. **St. Hubert will be celebrating Mass at 9 am.** For more information about this please visit Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception - Archdiocese of Seattle.

Mass Change

Please note that there will be no Mass on Wednesday November 27. Instead, there will be a communion service at 10:30 am.



Guest Speaker – December 1St. Hubert- December 1, at 10:30

The Faith Formation Commission has invited Tom East, a Parish Liaison with the Archdiocese of Seattle, to come speak to us about the Eucharist, the Eucharistic Revival, and its connection to Partners in the Gospel. The presentation will take place on December 1 at 10:30 am. Come and hear about the work that has been done in this revival and join in on its final year of mission.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE ARCH?



30th Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. December 7, 8:00 am- 3:00 pm. Immaculate Conception and St. James



Simbang Gabi Masses, December 14 11:00 am-12:00pm, St. James

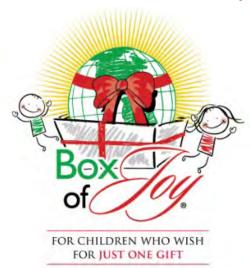


During the Jubilee Year 2025, Pope Francis is calling on all the faithful to become Pilgrims of Hope. The Jubilee Year begins when Pope Francis opens the Holy Doors at St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024. The doors will remain open until the end of the Jubilee Year on January 6, 2026. During the Jubilee, millions of pilgrims are expected to travel to Rome to walk through the Holy Doors and participate in Jubilee events.

Click <u>here</u> or on the Jubilee 2025 image above for more information on where you can go locally to participate.

OUTREACH

Thank You from the Seven Disciples



Thank you to all the parishioners who donated money or boxes to the Boxes of Joy campaign. The Youth Group was able to pack and send 33 boxes and raised an additional \$816! Thank you for helping to bring some Christmas joy to a child who might not otherwise receive it.

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen

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 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. There is no meal on Thanksgiving. Instead, you can order a meal through the Mobile Turkey Unit. Who is the patron of the United States?

Catholic Giving Opportunities Calendar Here are some giving opportunities for the remainder of the year.



The collection for December is the CCS Appeal for the Poor. Catholic Community Services of Western WA Appeal for the Poor supports over 190 programs and services that are relevant to local needs in all 19 counties. To donate click here or to learn more click here. Thank you for your generous support.

To all those who serve in all of our ministries... Although your photo is not in our gratitude poster... please know...

WE ARE

Grateful

FOR YOU

We see you and appreciate you. There is simply not enough room for all of your in one single poster.

Thank you and may God bless you

PRAYER CORNER

June Brown, Stephen Berard, Alexandra Crawford, Charlie Childs, Terri Desrosiers, The Drnec Family, Ian Francis, Rick Egge, Jim Grilliot, Catherine Holman, Ed LaBissoniere, Megan Kukuk, Kathleen O'Guin, Jo Petterson, Maria Rudman, Lori Stewart, John Scehovic, Duffy Schoeler, Donald Shull, Amy Stuart, Tom Sulich, Kathey Von Doran, Trish Zapinski.

Do you have an addition to the prayer corner?

Please call the parish office, visit the office, or fill out this <u>form</u> online and the prayer will be added to the next bulletin.

Mass Intentions

11/23- St. Hubert Church 11/24- Paul Firnstahl, Mercedes and Elsa Reyes 11/28-For the United States of America

REST IN PEACE

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

May They Rest in Peace:

David Barrett, Cody Crowley, Donna Chan, Kevin Conroy, Lois Haynes, Maria Kelly, Karen Johnson, Elsie Mullinaux, Eloisa Murphy, John O'Phelan, Gary Poland, Jonathan Spitzer, Will Surface, Laddie Taylor, Jose Zuardi.

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



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. Prayer requests should be sent to DevineMercyCircle@aol.com and cc: 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 toward healing. Please contact Alice at (360) 221-0746 if you would like more information.

Calendar: November 24 – December 7							
9a Mass 24 10:30a WOSH Event	9a Communion 25 Service	9a Communion 26 Service 3p Living Light Prayer Group 6p RE Class	10:30a 27 Communion Service 11a Divine Mercy Chaplet No Soup Kitchen	9a Thanksgiving 28 Day Mass Parish Office Closed	9a Communion Service 9:30a Friday Adoration 10a Rosary	4p Confession 5p Mass	30
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9a Mass 1 10:30a Youth Group	9a Communion 2 Service	9a Communion Service 3p Living Light Prayer Group	10:30a Mass 4 11a Divine Mercy Chaplet 11a Soup Lunch 11:30a RCIA Group Session 7p Taizé Prayer Service	9a Communion 5 Service 3p Writers Group 5:30p Whidbey Climate Action	9a Communion Service 8:30a First Friday Adoration 10a Rosary Parish Office Closed	4p Confession 5p Mass	7

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

St. Hubert Parish Office Hours

Monday -Thursday: 9:30 am- 4:00 pm

Friday: Closed to the public

Addresses

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

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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 11/17. The answer is: St. Michael, St. Raphel, St. Gabriel. and the winner is: Alice Thull

