

ST. HUBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH

OUR MISSION

As Roman Catholics centered in the Eucharist, our mission is to live Christ's Gospel message to love, teach, pray, and serve.

OUR VISION:

St. Hubert, the heart of South Whidbey's Catholic community, is the magnet which draws us together as a welcoming body alive in our faith. Led by the Spirit through our laity, we work to realize God's kingdom on earth through joyful worship, inclusivity, and service to others.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 2024

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication. Psalm 130:1-2



Church Hours

Open for private prayer: Monday-Friday: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Saturday: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Sunday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 9:00 am. Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm. Wednesday: 10:30 am. Livestream Link

Communion Service

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday At 9:00 am.

Christ calls out to us, just like He called out to Lazarus.



Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." John 11:43–44

The death of Lazarus can be seen as a symbolic representation of the soul that has died from mortal sin. This is similar to the fact that leprosy, physical ailments and the like are also symbols of sin. For that reason, Jesus' initial reactions reveal how we should respond to serious sin in our lives. When Jesus faced the death of Lazarus, "He became perturbed and deeply troubled," "Jesus wept," He became "perturbed again" and He "cried out in a loud voice." Though Jesus was God, He freely chose to assume human nature and to experience human emotions and passions to teach us how we should react. In this case, He chose to become perturbed, deeply troubled, to weep and to cry out to show us how we should react to grave sin. Grave sin kills the spirit. As a result, we must be deeply affected if we commit or witness a grave sin.

One lesson we can take from this passage is that when you or a loved one falls into grave sin, it must not be ignored. Final impenitence is a sin by which a person fails to have appropriate remorse for sin and reacts to it in a dismissive and casual manner. This cannot be our reaction. Begin by considering the great value of taking sin seriously, reacting to it with passion and emotion, and crying out to God for forgiveness. When Jesus cried out, commanding Lazarus to come out of the tomb, the details were added that Lazarus did come forth but was still bound "hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth." Saint Augustine teaches that, in part, this symbolizes the entire process of confession and the forgiveness of sins. First, no person is capable of confessing their sins by their own effort. It must be that they are moved by grace and the command of our Lord to come forth to show themselves in their bound state to God. Lazarus' obedience to Jesus' command symbolizes the Christian's response to God when called to repentance. When our Lord says, "Untie him and let him go," this symbolizes the unmerited effect of the Sacrament of Confession and the power it has to release a person not only from their sins but also from the ongoing effects of those sins.

Our Church teaches that sin has a double consequence. First, it keeps us from eternal salvation. This effect is remedied through Confession and forgiveness. However, there is a second effect called "temporal punishment" (see the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #1471–1473). This "punishment" is not from God, but from sin. It means that when we sin, even in a less serious way, we become attached to that sin and that the ongoing temptation to return to it is strengthened. Thus, ongoing conversion also means we hear our Lord say, "Untie him and let him go." This is especially accomplished by ongoing conversion and growth in virtue. Reflect, today, upon the rich symbolism found in the story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. As you do, listen for the passionate voice of Jesus who calls to you, "Come out!" What sin is Jesus calling you to be free from? Identify that sin and repent of it with the same passion that our Lord exhibits. From there, consider any ongoing temptation you struggle with and any attachment you still have toward a particular sin. Jesus desires that you be completely unbound and set free. Be open to that grace and do all you can to accept it.

FAITH FORMATION

Cabrini Cabrini is now out!

This Lent, we have the opportunity to grow inspired by St. Frances Cabrini, the patron saint of immigrants, whom God worked His miracles through right here in Seattle.

St. Frances Cabrini was an Italian immigrant who arrived in New York City in 1889, only to be greeted by disease, crime, and more impoverished children than she could count. From there she set out on a daring mission to convince the hostile mayor to secure housing and healthcare for societies most vulnerable. While struggling with a new language and poor health St. Frances Cabrini managed to build an empire of hope, unlike any the world had ever seen.

Cabrini is currently only showing in theaters but will soon be streaming on paid subscription services.



Divine Mercy Prayer Circle

We are a newly formed online circle of folks who are committed to praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet for souls who are in the process of dying or who have died. We pray for the dying and when they pass to their heavenly reward, they in turn pray for us, hence the circle.

To join the Divine Mercy Circle, email Orlanda Enriquez grammy1854@icloud.com. Once you join you will receive prayer requests via email. Prayer request should be sent to: grammy1854@icloud.com and cc: sthubert@whidbey.com.

What Happened to the Prayer Corner?

The prayer corner is undergoing renovation to ensure that we are praying for everyone who needs prayers and celebrating those whose prayers have been answered. If you are looking for a name or looking to add a name, please visit the parish website and fill out the <u>form</u>, come and visit the parish office, or call and we can help you to fill out the form.



Update to the Synod Listening Sessions

Thank you to the people who took the time to learn more about what happened last October (thanks to a great panel conversation from America Media), and to the 20+ people who attended the listening sessions this last week. As a result of the thoughtful, honest comments in response to the three questions, the Archbishop has a fuller understanding of where our church is doing well and what is needed to move forward, following the teachings of Jesus.

St. Patrick's Day

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day this year by watching a Formed documentary about the life of St. Patrick. Learning the REAL history of St. Patrick w/ Eddie Cotter | Chris Stefanick Show - Lent - FORMED St. Patrick | Catholic Saints - Lent - FORMED

COMMUNITY

The Thirsting Parish Mission

Please join St. Augustine in Oak Harbor in welcoming internationally acclaimed musician, Daniel Oberreuter. Please attend the Parish Mission Concert happening on March 17th, this Sunday, at St. Augustine at 7 pm.



Forged by Love Men's Conference St Stephen the Martyr April 20th

All Men are invited to this powerful day of fellowship, worship, and growth as we delve into what it means to live as authentic Catholic Christian men in today's world. Our theme this year, Forged by Love, will explore the power of the Eucharist to form our hearts and minds in Christ. Keynote speakers include Bishop Frank Schuster, Fr Paul Heric, Seattle Seahawk Abraham Lucas, Musician Daniel Oberreuter and Deacon Jim Johnson! Come and connect with fellow men of faith and equip yourself with practical tools and insights to navigate the challenges of modern life with courage and integrity. Whether you're a husband, father, single man, young adult, or seasoned veteran in your faith journey, there's a place for you at this exciting day! For more information or to register please visit: Seattle Men's Conference

Golf Tournament for Seminarians August 6th, 2024, 6:30 am- 2:30 pm.

Join Archbishop Etienne and the Crozier Society for their 21st Annual Golf Tournament to raise money for the education of seminarians. The goal is to raise \$200,000 for the education of new seminarian students. Golfers can register as a single player, or as a group (under sponsors) and the cost covers all green fees, cart fees, and food and beverage for the day. For more information or to register please visit, <u>Golf 2024 - Participant</u> <u>Registration - Archdiocese of Seattle</u> (archseattle.org).

Anchored in Hope

Whidbey Island Women's Clinic

Join Whidbey Island Women's Clinic on April 20th at 6 pm for their Annual Spring Dessert Banquet. This year's theme is *Anchored in Hope,* and the guest speaker will be Sound Waves Images' Shari Richard, RDMS. Admission is free, but RSVP is required. This event will be held at South Whidbey Assembly of God. For more information, please visit <u>www.wiwcfriends.org/anchored-in-hope</u>.



Are We Old Yet?

Engaging with Aging Series at St. Augustine in the Woods

Join Grethe Cammermeyer and Stef Christensen on Thursday, March 21, from 1:00-2:30 pm to continue a series on aging and the concerns that come with aging. This discussion is based on the blog they edited, resulting in a book called *Engaging with Aging.* All are welcome.

EASTER WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass- March 23rd, 5 pm

Palm Sunday Mass- March 24th, 9 am

Holy Thursday Mass- March 28th, 6 pm

Good Friday Service- March 29th, 6 pm

Easter Vigil Mass- March 30th, 5 pm

Easter Sunday Mass- March 31st, 9 am









DONATE ONLINE

PREPARES Open Your Heart Campaign



A Life-Affirming, Life-Changing Promise of Support PREPARES – Pregnancy and Parenting Support - is a program initiated by the bishops of our state in 2014. It began as a conversation about how to live out our Catholic teachings about the value of all human life and the prerequisite to protect and help those in need. Join us in making St. Hubert the first and only Prepares center on Whidbey Island. Please help us make this program available to those who need it.

Prepares is one of many programs offered by Catholic Community Services which provides support to families in need and will be one of the newest programs introduced into St. Hubert Outreach Mission. St. Hubert Outreach Mission supports many other causes in our community including Helping Hands, Whidbey Island Women's Clinic and Mother Mentors. Adding Prepares will make more resources available on Whidbey Island.

Why should we support Prepares?

- Prepares is a Catholic faith-based organization that aligns with Catholic beliefs and is a part of Catholic Community Services.
- It helps support and assist new mothers and fathers with their children from birth to the age of six.
- There is the opportunity to mentor young men and women and bring them support during a new chapter of their lives.
- It is a part of the Corporal Acts of Mercy at St. Hubert Catholic Church.

Thank you to WOSH for supporting Prepares by making baby blankets! These blankets are on display in the Narthex, please take a moment to appreciate the hard work WOSH put into these blankets.



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 <u>sthubert@whidbey.com</u> 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 March 21st is Beef Stroganoff - includes Fruit & Dessert. A Gluten free option is available upon request.

STEWARDSHIP

Online Giving

Changes are coming to our online giving platform The Archdiocese is moving to a new service provider, Pushpay. Pushpay is fully integrated with our office software, reducing our workload. Additionally, Pushpay's fee schedule is lower than our current service provider, Vanco, so more of your donation will come to us rather than the service provider.

For now, we will be using both services. However, for those of you that are currently giving electronically we would like to transition as many of you as possible over to the new platform. If you are not donating electronically, please consider doing so. It's a wonderful timesaver for both you and the office.

Have You Made Your Pledge for 2024?

Please fill out and return your pledge card or go to the parish website <u>sthubertchurch.org/stewardship</u> and make your pledge there.

Ministries: St. Hubert's Kitchen

Soups, meals, and events.

St. Hubert Kitchen provides planning and the arrangement of meals for various events including funeral receptions, holiday events and more. This includes St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen and the A Smile and A Meal program. There is information about this ministry located by the kitchen and on the table in the Narthex.

This wonderful ministry serves the greater Langley, Clinton, and Freeland area. Making and delivering food to those in need or those who just need a break from cooking and washing dishes every day. In addition, requests can be made for a pick-up service on Thursday afternoons.

Now it is your time to join us! Being a part of this ministry can be very joyful and satisfying. The kitchen is a great place to meet old friends, make new friends and spend time with laughter and joy. Serving people is our goal and certainly part of God's calling.

If you already belong to a ministry and want to add your talents to our kitchen, we would love to have you. Please send Kathy Childs an email at

kathycchilds@hotmail.com and she will find you a project suited to your time and talent.



Green Team

During Lent, we take time to reflect on our relationship with God and one another. A large part of that reflection is to see where we have missed the mark. Since the created world is one of God's many gifts to us, perhaps we can take a time in prayer to reflect on our relationship with creation. Consider using these this humble prayer as a starting point for some meditative, reflection time.

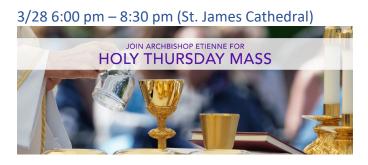
I ask for the grace to reconcile my relationship with God, creation, and all of humanity, and to stand in solidarity with the poor through my actions.

DONATE

EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

3/24 10:00 am – 11:30 am (St. James Cathedral)















Each year during Lent Rice Bowls are filled with spare change and bills. Once Lent is over, they are then collected by the Archdiocese and the money is distributed to communities all over the world. 75% of the money is sent to communities in El Salvador, Uganda, and Indonesia. These funds are then distributed to help impoverished families provide for themselves.

Please consider either using a personal Rice Bowl, which can be obtained in the Narthex, or using the donate button to donate your money directly to CRS.

DONATE

Pregnancy & Parenting Support

Prepares was founded in October of 2014 to help support new families or impoverished families with the birth of their new baby. Ten years later, in 2024 Prepares has expanded to reach all over Washington State. Last year, Prepares served a record number of 14,120 families across the state.

Please join us in donating to Prepares to support families in need. Your generous donation will help make a big change in a young child's life. To donate visit the link below or pick up an envelope in the Narthex



PRAYER CORNER

Eamonn Boyle, Bill Carruthers, Terri Desrosiers, Jim Grilliot, Catherine Holman, Maria Rudman, Lori Stewart, Amy Stewart, Tom Sulich, Chuck Dunnigan, Braxton Evans, Judith and Sixto Martinez, Claire Hesson, Donald Shull.

Please see the Faith Formation Section for an announcement about the Prayer Corner!

If there is any mistake in the prayer corner, please contact the parish office and they will fix the problem as soon as possible.

Mass Intentions

3/20- Monica Simpson RIP



REST IN PEACE

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May They Rest in Peace:

Donna Chan, Kevin Conroy, Cody Crowley, Lois Haynes, Karen Johnson, Elsie Mullinaux, John O'Phelan, Jonathan Spitzer, Barbara Williamson, Dorea Woods, Jose Zuardi and Jean Duffy. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen

ST. HUBERT COUNSELING SERVICES



COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Communion for the Homebound is available! Please call the parish office at: (360) 221-5383 to arrange to have communion brought to you.

TAIZÉ

Please consider joining the Taizé prayer service group on the first Wednesday of the month. The prayer service is livestreamed and can be joined by using this link.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88142620837

LIVING LIGHT PRAYER GROUP

Join the Living Light Prayer Group on Tuesdays at 3pm in the Church for an hour of reflection, praise, and prayer with Him. We pray for each other, and for those who are in our prayer box.

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 Orlanda Enriquez <u>grammy1854@icloud.com</u>. Once you join you will receive prayer requests via email.

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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 held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm. No RSVP necessary.

EVENTS CALENDAR:

March 17th - March 24th

Sunday 3/17 8:15 am: Choir Rehearsal 9:00 – 10:00 am: Sunday Mass 10:00 am: Coffee Hour-Hosts WOSH 3:00 – 5:00 pm: First Communion Preparation

Monday 9:00 am: Communion Service 3:00- 4:30 pm: Green Team Meeting

Tuesday 9:00 am: Communion Service 12:30 – 3:00 pm: WOSH Crafting 3:00 – 4:00 pm: Living Light Prayer Group 3:00 pm: Call/Email to reserve Smile & Meal

Wednesday 10:30 am: Wednesday Mass 11:00 am – 12:30 pm: Soup Lunch 6:30 – 7:00 pm: Rosary

Thursday 9:00 am: Communion Service Smile and a Meal Pickup/Delivery 10:00 – 10:30 am: Divine Mercy Rosary 3:00 – 5:00 pm: Writers Group 6:30 pm: Choir Rehearsal

Friday 9:00 am: Communion Service 9:30 – 10:00 am: Friday Adoration 10:00 – 10:30 am: Rosary 3:00 – 4:00 pm: Stations of the Cross The parish office is closed.

Saturday 4:00 pm: Confession 5:00 – 6:00 pm: Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday 3/24 8:15 am: Choir Rehearsal 9:00 – 10:00 am: Sunday Mass 10:00 am: Coffee Hour- Hosts Outreach 10:30 – 12:00: Youth Group





CONTACT INFORMATION:

Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday: 9:30 am-4:30 pm Thursday: 9:30-1:30 pm Closed on Fridays – Voicemails and emails are monitored. Due to limited staff, please, make appointments when possible.

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