

#### **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 Seventh Sunday of Easter Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, May 12, 2024

All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness; for the Lord, the Most High, the awesome, is the great king over all the earth. Pslam 47:2-3



#### **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**

Sunday: 9:00 am Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Wednesday: 10:30 am <u>Livestream Link</u> Sunday Mass is livestreamed and recorded on Facebook.

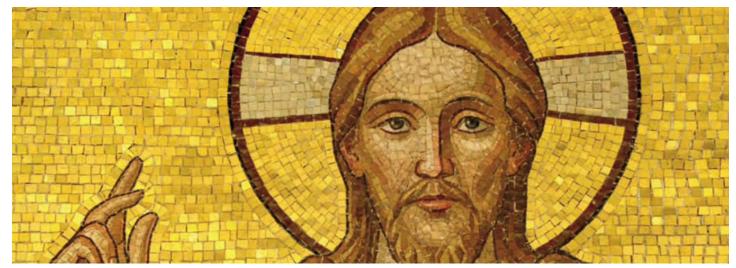
### Confessions

Saturday: 4:00 pm

#### **Communion Service**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 9:00 am

Jesus commissions the Eleven to make disciples of all nations and baptize them. Then He ascends into heaven, where He is seated at the Father's right hand.



When I was a child, on a lazy sunny day, I would lie on my back on the cool grass and just stare up at the clouds. I loved to watch the clouds move and wished that one day, I could fly up to the clouds and jump all over them. I marveled at the various shapes of the clouds and was curious what was beyond the clouds.

In my fourth-grade science class, my teacher taught us about the different types of clouds, such as cumulus, cirrus, stratus, and nimbus. Then he told us that at the end of the year, he would make clouds and make it rain in the classroom. I couldn't wait for it to happen; throughout the whole school year, the teacher kept us in anticipation, telling us to bring raincoats and umbrellas when it happened. When the end of the year came, I waited excitedly for him to make clouds and make it rain in the classroom. All he ended up doing was boil water under an aluminum tray and tell us to watch as the water condensed and formed a cloudy mist—then became water drops that dripped down the tray like rain. The last class was anticlimactic, to say the least.

But here in this Acts passage, the story is hardly anticlimactic. It's an exciting moment, with Jesus being lifted up, and a cloud taking him from the disciples' sight. Jesus had talked about going up to be with God on many occasions, but the disciples hadn't quite understood him until now.

The ascension happened 40 days after the resurrection. Numbers are meaningful in scripture, and the number 40 occurs frequently. God flooded the earth for 40 days and nights, Moses fasted for 40 days, Jesus fasted for 40 days, and the Israelites roamed the desert for 40 years. Here, after several appearances to the disciples over a 40-day period, Jesus ascends into the clouds.

There are other stories of clouds in the Bible: the pillar of cloud in Exodus and the cloud at Jesus' transfiguration (Luke 9:28-36). Clouds in the Bible are often a symbol of God's presence.

Jesus' ascension is momentous as it acclaims who Jesus is and illuminates the resurrection to us.

After the ascension, the disciples are told to stop gazing up at the clouds, in expectation of Jesus, as they are looking for him in the wrong place. Jesus' ministry doesn't end with his return to heaven, but continues on, as the ascension means Jesus can send the Holy Spirit to God's people.

The Holy Spirit continues to be poured upon all of us today, helps the church to proclaim the good news, to help the poor, and to love our neighbor. It is through the work of the Spirit that we meet Jesus and can see his work today.

Therefore, we don't look up at the clouds to experience Jesus but rather seek him in everyday places. Through the Holy Spirit, we receive power not to be passive onlookers staring at the clouds but to become an active cloud of witnesses in ministry with the living Christ who is among us. Jesus said: when you do it to the least of them, you are doing it to me. Let us all be encouraged to do God's work in the world through the guidance and power of the Spirit.

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A reflection for the Ascension of the Lord - U.S. Catholic (uscatholic.org)

## **FAITH FORMATION**

#### **Congratulations First Communicants!**

Congratulations to those who received their First Holy Communion on May 5.







### The Eucharist is "the source and summit

of the Christian life. The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself.

-The Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1324

#### **Fatima Rosary**

Join Kathy Zunino in the church on May 13 at 9:30 am to pray a Rosary in remembrance of Our Lady's appearances at Fatima. Please join us!

#### Ordination of Maximiliano (Max) Muñoz!

These past few years the Knights of Columbus and many other members of the Parish have supported Maximiliano Muñoz, a seminarian. Please join him on June 1, at 10:00 am at St. James Cathedral in Seattle for his ordination. The event will be livestreamed on the Archdiocese Facebook page and on their Vimeo.

#### **Formed for May**

May is the month of Mary; in this month we also honor St. Joseph. Together they are the perfect married couple. Consider learning more about St. Mary or St. Joseph by viewing one of the many wonderful podcasts and tv shows on Formed. To learn about the saints or feast days of May, visit the Parish website under the Formed tab are links to Formed for the month of May.

Not sure if you have Formed or need help to access it? Contact the Parish Office during working hours and they will assist you.



"Taste and See

## June 21-23, 2024 at St. Mary's Church, Anacortes, WA Kick-off Mass on Friday, June 21st with Bishop Frank Schuster! MORE INFORMATION: https://stmaryanacortes.org/faith-on-fire

## FAITH ON FIRE is for EVERYONE!

Our Catholic family weekend kicks off on Friday with Mass and our keynote speaker, followed by a beautiful candlelit Eucharistic procession. Saturday will feature an adult and youth track, prayer time for families, music, food, fellowship, Vigil Mass, movie for youth with parents, and a healing service. Food and camping are available with registration! Come celebrate the joy and beauty of our Catholic Christian faith and experience an authentic encounter with Jesus Christ!



## Keynote Speaker: Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio aka "Dr. Italy"

Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, also known as "Dr. Italy," holds an MA and PhD in historical theology from Catholic University of America and is known for delivering profound Catholic truths in understandable and relevant terms.

## **Guest Speakers and Presenters:**

Mother Prioress Noella Marcellino (OSB), Mother Ozanne Schumann (OSB), Mary White (postulant), Sr. Sabina Mbenge (SMK), Fr. Tyler Johnson, Fr. Chrysostom Mijinke (OP), and more (details to follow)!

## Music

St. Mary parishioners, Rene and Mimi Abadesco will provide music for Friday evening; Leanne Gettman, talented local Skagit Valley cantor, will be leading the praise and worship music this year; and Gabby Herdon, from United Praise NW, will help with the healing service!

## Youth Track

Youth will have opportunities to participate in adoration, confession, talks, fellowship, crafts, healing service, praise and worship music, lawn games and more!

## **REGISTER NOW!**

#### Use the QR code at right, or go to

#### https://tinyurl.com/fof2024

If you would like a paper registration form, stop by the Parish Office during business hours.





# **Come Holy Spirit!**

Experience a *LIFE* with the Holy Spirit RETREAT

### June 29, 2024

## From 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

## Holy Spirit Retreat at St. Hubert Catholic Church

Receive more power from the Holy Spirit through presentations, testimonies, and prayer.

The retreat will be run by Western Washington Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Sponsored by the Living Light Prayer Group

### Three ways to register!

- By filling out the form in the Narthex and returning it the Office
  - Online at https://sthubertchurch.org/holy-spirit-retreat/

Please bring your own lunch

# Fraternal Benefit Event

Learn more about how you can prepare for the future and align your finances with your faith.

Do you have a will? Life insurance beneficiaries updated? End of life legal forms completed? Funeral plans made?

<b>Date:</b> Monday, May 20, 2024 <b>Time:</b> 6 p.m.	Learn more about: • Financial protection through life insurance,
Location: Saint Hubert Catholic Church	annuities, and long-term care insurance
	• End of life planning & wills
RSVP: schwabofficemail@kofc.org	Licensed Whidhey local attorney Sarah

Licensed, Whidbey local attorney, Sarah O. McCarthy, present for Q & A

#### **Refreshments provided!**

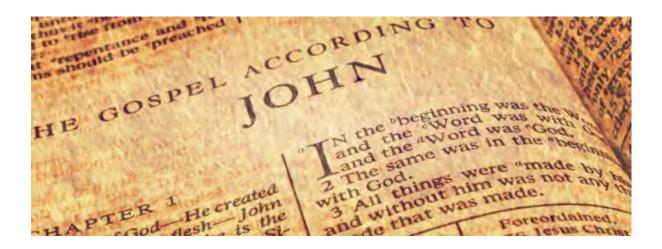
## \*All Parishioners Invited to Attend\* FREE Event!



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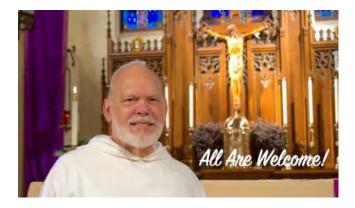


## Fr. Jude Eli returns to St. Mary Parish for a series of talks on St. John's Gospel: The Book of Glory!

The book of glory in the gospel of John deals with the teaching of Jesus and the accusations against Him which led up to His passion, death and resurrection (chapters 11-21).

## May 27th through 30th (Monday – Thursday)

Morning: after the 9am Mass Evening: 6:30–7:30pm 4001 Saint Mary's Drive, Anacortes WA 98221 Father Auer Center (FAC) Room 5



Bring your Bible and a refreshment to share!

## COMMUNITY

#### **Men's Breakfast**

Thank you to all the men who attended the Knights of Columbus Fellowship Breakfast.



#### Cinco de Mayo

Thank you to all who attended the Cinco de Mayo event. Thank you to all the happy volunteers who served the tables!



#### Bingo Night!

Join the Knights of Columbus for a Bingo Night with Chili Cook Off! This event will be on Friday June 7, at 6:00 pm, and there will be a \$10 door fee which will cover all Bingo Cards and meal costs. Additionally, there will be alcoholic beverages available to purchase. Prizes are available for the bingo winners.

#### **Congratulations Graduates!**

Congratulations Elijah on graduating High School! There will be cake after Mass on June 9 to celebrate!



#### Adopt a Highway

Join the Knights of Columbus on May 25 from 9 am to 11 am for their quarterly Adopt a Highway clean up! They will be meeting at the Goose parking lot, please arrive a few minutes early, there will be coffee and donuts provided.

#### Shred-It Truck and Parking Lot Sale!

Save the date for the Parking Lot Sale and the Shred-It Truck happening on July 20! Bring all your old files and important documents for a safe and reliable way to dispose of them.

The Parking Lot Sale will be happening on the same day. Begin saving anything that you wish to sell. Please do not bring any items into the Parish Office or the church now. Closer to the event there will be room to store items here.

#### **Help Wanted for a Small Project**

We need a volunteer to sand and teak oil the two outdoor benches that go between the buildings of the CORE (RE Buildings). If you are interested in taking on this task, please contact Debbie Batey at <u>debbiesquilt@aol.com</u>.



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 May 16 will be Mac & Cheese with Ham and fresh vegetables and on May 23 their will be Pot Roast and Root Vegetables. All entrées include fresh fruit and a sweet treat. 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, 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 transfer 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.

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#### **Green Team**

There's a reason we refer to the world we inhabit as Mother Nature. This beautiful earth, our common home, provides us with everything we need. From our Mother Nature, we receive all the raw materials for breathing, eating and drinking, clothing ourselves, making homes to live in and places to come together. Just as we each were born of our mother, all that surrounds us comes from this amazing mother, the natural world. In fact, the whole of nature – including us – is the first Scripture of God speaking to us.

How about for Mothers' Day, we say 'thanks' for the gift of Mother Nature? How about if we take care of her?

"Creation is the primary and most perfect revelation of the Divine." –Thomas Aquinas

#### **Volunteering and Safe Environment**

Those who serve our parish community in various ministries and volunteer activities are a precious gift and vital to the life of our church. Some tasks are invisible to most of us, like counting money, or tending the gardens, and some involve working with our children and the homebound. Other ministries are more visible, like lectors, choir members, or altar servers. All are appreciated and we don't thank you enough.

All volunteers are subject to the safe environment polices of the Archdiocese of Seattle. It has a long commitment to the protection of children, youth, and vulnerable adults. For years, it has taken steps to ensure the safety of those who serve and are served in our parishes, schools, and agencies.

The policy requires all volunteers to have a Virtus profile set up. This online system supports the Safe Environment efforts, including background checks, training, and development and implementation of related policies. The initial set up requires agreeing to the church policies, completing initial training and background check. If you have contact with vulnerable adults or children, you must complete a background check and training every three years. If you are volunteering in one of our ministries and have not set up a Virtus Profile, please contact Mary Beth Schoeler, our Safe Environment Coordinator, at her email Faithformation@whidbey.com to get started.

### **MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

#### **FAST FACTS:**

- 1 in 5 adults experiences mental illness each year, and only half of them receive treatment.
- 1 in 20 U.S. adults experiences a serious mental illness each year , and only two-thirds receive treatment.
- 1 in 6 U.S. youth experiences a mental health condition each year, and only half of them receive treatment.
- 50% of all lifetime mental illness begins by age 14, and 75% by age 24.
- The average delay between onset of mental illness symptoms and treatment is 11 years.
- 125 million people live in Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas.
- In 2020 there was a 31% increase in mental-health-related emergency department visits among adolescents.
- 7 in 10 Americans (72) agree that people living with mental health conditions face discrimination in their everyday life.

#### For more information:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention About Mental Health (cdc.gov)

Mental health basics, types of mental illness, and emotional, psychological, and social well-being. National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) - Transforming the understanding and treatment of mental illnesses (nih.gov)

The lead federal agency for research on mental disorders and information on mental disorders and answers to mental health related questions. Homepage | NAMI

The nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI works to educate, support, advocate, listen, and lead to improve the lives of people with mental illness and their loved ones.

## If you are experiencing a mental health crisis: Call, chat, or text 988 to speak with a trained crisis counselor 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

## One **Mission**, One **Family,** Together in Christ

#### The Annual Catholic Appeal

funds ministries and services for your local Catholic community – including your neighbors and your parish. Your donation ensures the availability of outreach ministries, education, faith formation, support for parishes and much more!

#### Your donation supports outreach ministries that:

- Care for the sick
- Comfort the grieving
- Counsel those in crisis
- Inspire CYO campers
- Engage youth communities
- Promote faith sharing
- Welcome refugees
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PICTURED FROM TOP: Catholic Youth Convention, Seminarians, CYO Camp

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## PRAYER CORNER

Eamonn Boyle, Bill Carruthers, Kate Boyle, June Brown, Louisa Creech, Terri Desrosiers, Drnec Family, Braxton Evans, Jim Grilliot, Catherine Holman, Judith and Sixto Martinez, Kathleen O'Guin, Dale Polka, Maria Rudman, Lori Stewart, Donald Shull, Amy Stuart, Tom Sulichy, Stevenson Family.

## 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**

5/11- St. Hubert Parish

5/12- All Mothers, living and dead

5/15- Delores Allen (RIP)



5/15- Sixto Martinez (RIP)

5/18- St. Hubert Parish

5/19- Lisa and Robert Poiters, Janet Tony, Wayne McGlaen.

## **REST IN PEACE**

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

Damien Berger, Cody Crowley, Donna Chan, Kevin Conroy, Jean Duffy, Bill Good,

Lois Haynes, Karen Johnson, Elsie Mullinaux, Sixto Martinez, Gene Malm, John O'Phelan, Jonathan Spitzer, 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.

#### **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.

#### **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 grammy1854@icloud.com. Prayer requests should be sent to grammy1854@icloud.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 those who we know, 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 held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm. No RSVP necessary.



#### May 12 - May 25

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9a Mass (Bilingual) <b>12</b> 10:30a Vatican II Study Group 10:30a Quinceanera Preparation	9a Communion 13 Service 9:30a Fatima Anniversary Rosary 3p Green Team	9a Communion 14 Service 12:30p W.O.S.H. Crafting 3p Living Light Prayer Group	10:30a Mass 15 10:30a Divine Mercy Chaplet 12p Vatican II	9a Communion 16 Service 3p Writers Group	9a Communion17Service9:30a Adoration10a Rosary in EnglishParish Office Closed	5p Mass 18 6p Saturday Social Hour
9a Mass 19 10:30a Quinceanera Preparation 10:30a Vatican II 12p Baptism Preparation	9a Communion 20 Service 6p Fraternal Benefits Night	9a Communion 21 Service 12:30p W.O.S.H. Crafting 3p Living Light Prayer Group	10:30a Mass 22 10:30a Divine Mercy Chaplet 12p Vatican II	9a Communion 23 Service 1p Grief Support Group 3p Writers Group	9a Communion 24 Service 9:30a Adoration 10a Rosary in English Parish Office Closed	9a Adopt a 25 Highway 5p Mass

#### **Office Hours**

Monday-Wednesday: 9:30 am – 4:30 pm Thursdays: 9:30 am – 1:30 pm

**Closed Fridays** 

Voicemails and emails are monitored. Due to limited staff please make appointments when possible.

#### **Office Contact**

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