# WHIDBEY ISLAND FAMILY OF CATHOLIC



# CHURCHES ST. HUBERT

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# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 6, 2025



Jesus sends out seventy-two disciples in pairs, as lambs among wolves.

# Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Psalm 66:1

## **Regular Mass Times**

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

Mon. 9:00 am Sun. 9:30 am Wed. 10:30 am Wed. 9:30 am Fri. 9:30 am

Fri. 9:00 am

## Confessions

Saturday, 4:00 pm - St Augustine Saturday, 4:00 pm - St Hubert

# Independence Day: Gratitude and Mission July 4, 2010 Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

The fourth of July is not a Holy Day. It is not a part of a liturgical year. We do not have special readings for this day in our lectionary. And contrary to the suggestions of many parishioners this week, as you can see, my vestments today are not red, white, and blue. Nevertheless, when Independence Day falls on a Sunday, as it does this year, it is appropriate for us to ask: What is the intersection between our faith and our citizenship, what do the scriptures say about this national feast that we celebrate this weekend? When we pose that question, a rather clear message emerges for us today.

People of faith celebrate Independence Day in a way that is different than people who have no faith. From a faith perspective we approach the fourth of July with gratitude and mission. Now most Americans that I know feel themselves very lucky to be living in this country. When you look at our prosperity and our freedom, I know few people who wish to live anywhere else. Even in these hard economic times when a lot of us are struggling, our standard of living and the opportunities that we still have as Americans exceed those which are available to most of the people in our world. I would say, that by and large we feel ourselves lucky to be Americans.

But Americans who are people of faith have a slightly different perspective. We do not so much feel lucky, as blessed. We are not so much satisfied, as we are thankful. We feel that we are fortunate to be Americans because we see our nation as a gift from God. The difference is significant. If you're lucky, you're just lucky and that's it. If you feel that you are blessed, however, then you know that the things that you have, have been given to you by someone who loves you. Such a gift demands gratitude. Such a gift implies an obligation to the giver. So people of faith approach this holiday, not just by feeling lucky, but by feeling thankful. We believe that our freedom and this country come from God.

But thanksgiving leads to mission. If all we have has been given to us, then we have an

obligation to respond to that gift appropriately. It is clear from today's gospel that our response flows from being sent. Jesus sends the 70 out to every place that he is going to visit to speak in his name, to extend his peace, to minister to the sick, and to announce the Kingdom of God. In a like way, we who feel that we have been blessed by the gift of this country have a mission, a mission to speak the words of Christ and to stand for his values in the national debates that frequently occur among us. We are fortunate to live in a country where the voice of the people is heard. We who are followers of Christ are called to represent his values and his presence in our nation. If indeed we have been sent, then we have been called not to just represent what we think or what most people think, but what Jesus thinks.

The old cliché, "What would Jesus do?" is relevant here. What would Jesus do? What would Jesus say? What would Jesus say in our national debate about the value of life: the value of life in the womb or the value of life among the elderly? What would Jesus say about those who are unemployed and our responsibility in some way to assist them? What would Jesus say about our national immigration policy and those who wish to work and to live among us? What would Jesus say about the poor, about those who do not have adequate access to food, education, or health care? That is the mission of those who have been so blessed as Christians to represent Jesus' voice in our national debate. We do this because we have been sent. We embrace this mission because we are thankful. We know that were it not for God's love and God's blessing, we would not have our job, our home, our family, our health, our education, our freedom, or our country.

I think most Americans feel that they are lucky to be Americans. Christians know that they are blessed. The gift of this country is a gift from God. So let us celebrate this July 4<sup>th</sup> from the perspective of faith. Let us be thankful to the God who has given us our freedom and our nation. And let us embrace our mission to spread the good news of God's Kingdom from sea to shining sea.

Fr. George M. Smiga.

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## **Weekly Mass Schedule**

We will now be having daily Mass at 9:00 am on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Mass will be at 10:30 am on Wednesdays, and there will be no Mass on Tuesdays.

# **POPE LEO XIV**

Robert Prevost's doctoral dissertation is about the Augustinian method of leadership. The title of the work is: The Office and Authority of the Local Prior in the Order of Saint Augustine. This work may offer a sneak-peak into Pope Leo XIV's beliefs in leadership and what we as Catholics will see from our pontiff. Here is an excerpt of an article written by Brenden Towell, who read the dissertation.



#### "From Local Prior to Universal Pastor

The ecclesiology Leo XIV sets forth in this early work affirms that the Church, at every level, is more than a bureaucracy or social movement. It is the Body of Christ, animated by the Holy Spirit and governed through structures that serve communion. His theological imagination links the local and the universal, showing that the Church's health depends on grassroots vitality and on the unifying role of the Petrine office.

Now, as the Successor of St. Peter and Vicar of Christ, Leo holds the highest office of visible authority in the Church. His decisions will likely feel less like top-down mandates and more like discernments made in consultation with others. This is a style of leadership that some will likely describe as "synodal" — though not in the looser,

open-ended sense the term has often taken on in recent years.

Rather, this version of synodality is likely to resemble ordered collaboration, not open-ended experimentation. In the dissertation, the superior is described as "the principle of unity for the community" — a figure who listens, yes, but who also exercises authority with integrity. In this vision, the Church is not a debating society but a body bound together in a shared mission, guided by divine Revelation and the grace of God." Article by Brenden Towell. Article linked <a href="here">here</a>.

# **FAITH FORMATION**

Pilgrims of Hope/Faith on Fire

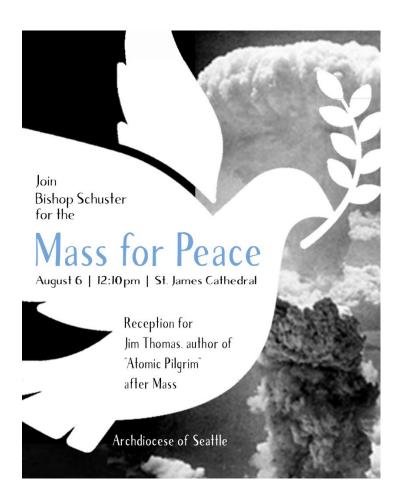


This year's Faith on Fire, the signature Catholic event of the Pacific Northwest, will take place from July 25-27. We'll begin with a 5 p.m. Bilingual Mass on Friday, July 25, celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Eusebio Elizondo. After Mass, join us for a dinner in the Father Auer Center, followed by our kick-off speaker under the big tent on the lawn. Faith on Fire is a spiritually enriching celebration of fellowship, family, prayer, and vocations, where we come together to rejoice in the beauty and joy of our Catholic Christian faith. Enjoy inspiring speakers, uplifting music, and so much more!

#### **NEW THIS YEAR!**

- Bilingual Mass Friday night with Auxiliary Bishop Eusebio Elizondo!
- Bilingual confessions offered, and bilingual tracks!
- Friday night only option to attend dinner and talk(s) after 5pm Mass!
- Meals for children and college students are included in registration fee!

**Guest speakers and Presenters**: Fr. Bryan Dolejsi, Fr. Dwight Lewis. More to be announced!



#### **Mass for Peace**

Help us commemorate the 80th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima & Nagasaki, Japan at our Annual Mass for Peace. All are invited to pray for continued peace in our world and reflect on the tragedy of war.

#### **New Ministry: Sisters in Faith**

A new ministry, Sisters in Faith, has formed to encourage the women of the parish to build our friendships and connect deeper in our Catholic Faith through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Beginning on July 19, meetings will be held on the third Saturday of each month in Read Hall from 9 to 10:30 am. The goal is to come together in a spirit of Sisterhood to support and encourage each other as we learn to listen and act on the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Coffee, tea, and small bites will be served. For more information, contact Ruth Ashburn at <a href="mailto:raashburn@whidbey.net">raashburn@whidbey.net</a>.

# **FORMED**

Enjoy some of the FREE offerings on Formed. As a parishioner of St. Hubert, YOU can access all of FORMED programs for FREE!! To sign up or to access these programs visit <u>Sign in - FORMED</u>, and register or log in as a member of St. Hubert.



Saint Maria Goretti: Fourteen Flowers of Pardon Learn more about the holy life and martyrdom of St. Maria Goretti in this moving documentary. In particular, the film highlights her ultimate act of love: forgiving her murderer on her deathbed.

## **OUTREACH**



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

## St. Anthony's Kitchen Service

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. This week, the meal will Spaghetti and Meatballs. When picking up your meal, please come to the parish office and one of our staff will get it for you.

# **COMMUNITY**

## **Archbishop's Golf Tournament**

Join us for the 22nd annual Archbishop's Golf Tournament

- July 29, 2025
- 11 am to 6:30 pm
- The Golf Club at Redmond Ridge (new location)

The Archbishops' Golf Tournament is the Archdiocese of Seattle's premier fundraising event to benefit seminarian education, hosted by Archbishop Etienne and the Crozier Society. To register, see

# **STEWARDSHIP**





## Triennial National Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA

This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS). The AMS is the Archdiocese for the Military Services, not of the Military Services. This is an important distinction, because the AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs and services, to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – including those from our own parish. To donate, see the following link:

https://donate.milarch.org/page/82467/donate/1/ What is the name of Abraham's son?

## I feel the need... the need for speed

To donate to the Annual Catholic Appeal!

Your contributions
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Church by supporting Catholic education,

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CYO camps, faith formation and guidance and training for our seminarians, clergy, and lay leaders.

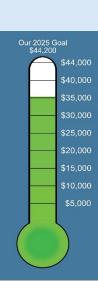
Services directly supporting your parish.

Help us reach our goal!





We have met 80% of our goal! That's over halfway there! Thank you to everyone who has already donated, we appreciate your generosity! Please help us meet our goal by donating today!



## PRAYER CORNER

Stephen Berard, Charlotte Blackwell, Sarah Brock, June Brown, Charlie Childs, Terri Desrosiers, The Drnec Family, Jim Grilliot, Doug Hammer, Henri Hardenberg, Catherine Holman, Collete Larson, Georgia Loe, Megan Kukuk, Eleanor Maloney, Ethan & Grace Munnich, Kathleen O'Guin, Maria Rudman, Duffy Schoeler, Donald Shull, Lori Stewart, 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**

7/5- St. Hubert Parish
7/6- (RIP) Flor Dary de Fatima Muños,
(RIP) Bette Orrico



## **REST IN PEACE**

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

#### May They Rest in Peace:

Braulio Herrera Abuan, David Barrett, Giovanni Carosi, Richard Egge, Paul Firnstahl, Karen Johnson, Maria Kelly, Eloisa Murphy, Jo Petterson, Lee Rogge, Gary Poland, John Scehovic, Bob Sullivan, Will Surface, Laddie Taylor.

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

Amen

#### Communion for the Homebound



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 <a href="mailto:DivineMercyCircle@aol.com">DivineMercyCircle@aol.com</a>. Prayer requests should be sent to <a href="mailto:DivineMercyCircle@aol.com">DivineMercyCircle@aol.com</a> 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.

#### **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 library, CORE Room 8. 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.

July 6 – 19										
9a Mass	9a Daily Mass 10a Rosary Parish Office Closed	12p Women of St. Hubert Arts and Crafts 3p Living Light Prayer Group	10:30a Mass 11:30a Rosary 11:30a Divine Mercy 11a St. A's Soup 11:30a Luke Bible Study	9a Daily Mass 10a Rosary 3p Writers Group	9:30a Daily Mass 9:30a Rosary Parish Office Closed	<b>4p</b> Confession <b>5p</b> Mass	12			
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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 Parish Office(360) 675-2303

#### St. Hubert Parish Office Hours

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

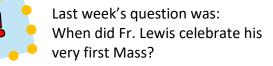
#### Addresses

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

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

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The answer is: June 11, 2011 at St. Charles

Borromeo in Tacoma

The winner is: Dan Ashburn









