



For the One who carved the islands / has come to live among us,
And this is the house He has chosen, / St. Mary Star of the Sea. — Anne Porter

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS


We will resume Mass intention requests however given the uncertain availability of visiting priests and the interruption in our Mass schedule due to the COVID-19 threat we will be honoring those requests that were already received prior to the closure of the church and work forward from there.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 4:00 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Randy McFerran**, as requested by Sally Gooding.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 5:30 PM: **For LaTrecia Arthur as she is received into the Catholic Faith**, may God bless her and be with her on each step of her new journey of faith.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 8:30 AM: **For those receiving their First Holy Communion and Confirmation**, that they may persevere always in God's grace and joy.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 11:00 AM: **For those receiving their First Holy Communion**, that God may shower them with is love and grace always.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP
Our Saint Vincent de Paul Society needs your help each day of the year. Please remember them in your generosity.



AMAZON SMILE
Your purchases can be a great opportunity to increase the funding of our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society through St. Mary Star of the Sea's **AmazonSmile** donation program by shopping at smile.amazon.com. By shopping at smile.amazon.com AmazonSmile will donate to our St. Vincent de Paul Society at no cost to you! To see the impact of donations visit the AmazonSmile Metrics Dashboard for Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Readings for the Week...

MONDAY Ezekiel; 24:15-23 Deuteronomy 32:18-21 Matthew 19:16-22	TUESDAY Ezekiel 28:1-10 Deuteronomy 32:26-28, 30, 35-36 Matthew 19:23-30	WEDNESDAY: Ezekiel 34:1-11 Psalms 23:1-6 Matthew 20:1-16	THURSDAY Ezekiel 36:23-28 Psalms 51:12-15, 18-19 Matthew 22:1-14	FRIDAY: Ezekiel; 37:1-14 Psalms 107:2-9 Matthew 22:34-40	SATURDAY: Isaiah 9:1-6 Psalms 113:1-8 Luke 1:26-38	SUNDAY Isaiah 22:19-23 Psalms 138:1-3, 6, 8 Romans 11:33-36 Matthew 16:13-20
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Please remember - The Archbishop's dispensation from Mass attendance will remain in effect until further notice.

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

12:00 pm: Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

12:00 pm: Communion Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

12:00 pm: Communion Service

12:30-4:00 pm: Adoration--Church

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

(Our celebrant will be Augustine Hilander, O.P.)

4:00 pm: Early Vigil Mass

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass

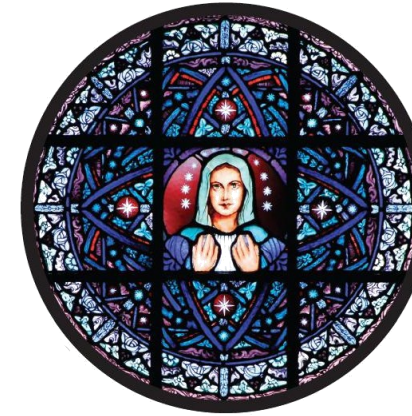
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

(Our celebrant will be Father Augustine Hilander, O.P.)

8:30 am: Spanish Mass

11:00 am: English Mass

Dear Lord, please grant me your peace
For I have made peace with what does not give peace
and I am afraid.
Help me face myself so I may see
That what I truly need to fear is my capacity to deceive
and willingness to be deceived,
My loving of things and using of people
and struggle for power,
My shrinking of soul
and my sedation of conscience,
My readiness to criticize and
and reluctance to encourage,
My clamor for privilege
and silence at injustice,
My seeking for security
and the forsaking of your kingdom.
Please, Lord, open my soul to your ways
and grant me your peace
that I may share them abundantly with others.



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The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 15/16, 2020



HOW TO ATTEND MASS, COMMUNION SERVICES AND ADORATION AT ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

Mass times – when we can have a priest, the weekend Masses will be held:

- Saturday Masses – 4:00 pm in English and 5:30 pm in English.
- Sunday Masses – 8:30 am in Spanish and 11:00 am in English.
- Communion Services – Noon during the week Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 12:30 to 4:00 pm Fridays with a designated greeter/facilitator.

You must make a reservation.

- Register for Masses, Communion Services and Adoration: 360-385-3700 or at kwadkins@stmaryss.com.
- **Arrive 15-30 minutes before Mass to check-in.**
- Enter the double doors nearest the rectory.
- Greeters will check-in Mass attendees, who will be directed to seats by an usher.
- Greeters have discretion to inquire about your health and to turn you away if you appear ill. For example, feverish or coughing.
- Everyone is required to wear a face mask. If you do not have a mask, one will be given to you. *(continued on next page)*



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Our goal amount this year is \$57,113. To date \$37,613 has been received through your generosity. Of the 248 registered families in the parish we have currently heard from 102 of them. You can contribute online at: www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate or you can call 1-800-809-4921.

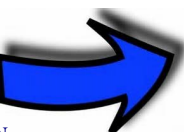


POSITION AVAILABLE AT ST. MARY'S

St. Mary's needs a Pastoral Assistant for Administration! Why don't you apply? It offers good pay with medical/dental/vision, vacation, and sick leave benefits, M-F, six hours a day. Knowledge of QuickBooks required. You would supervise staff, oversee facilities, IT, and the accounting. Send a cover letter and resume to Pastoral Coordinator Kathleen Wadkins, kwadkins@stmaryss.com, 1335 Blaine St., Port Townsend, WA 98368. *If you are not interested yourself, please share the information with family and friends and even on social media.*

"OUR MISSION IS TO...

CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST BY MASS, SACRAMENTS, AND PRAYER;
LIVE CHRIST'S LOVE BY SERVING OTHERS, ESPECIALLY THE POOR, NEGLECTED, AND SUFFERING;
GROW IN THE TRUTHS AND VALUES OF OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION, TEACH THEM TO OUR CHILDREN,
AND PROCLAIM THEM TO THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW THEM."





HOW TO ATTEND MASS, COMMUNION SERVICES AND ADORATION AT ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA (continued from first page)

- There will be sanitation stations near the entrance equipped with hand sanitizer and masks for those who need them.
- Social distancing of at least 6 feet is required while on church property. Follow tape marks and signs.
- Put donations in the collection box at the back of the church.

Exiting the church.

- After Mass exit through the side door on Mary's side of the church.
- Go directly to your vehicle and do not stop to visit.
- Maintain social distancing.

Volunteers will be cleaning and sanitizing the church before and after every Mass and Communion Service. Your help would be most welcome! Please call the Parish Office to volunteer.

If you have questions, concerns, or want some things clarified, please contact the Parish Office, a Parish Council member, or a Ministry leader. We are in this together, and with God's grace we will persevere and thrive.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate our reopening.

Peace be with you,

Kathleen

Kathleen Wadkins
Pastoral Coordinator

For further information contact the Jefferson County Health District 360-385-9400. If severely ill or unable to reach a public health nurse, please call your personal health care provider. For more information and COVID-19 information in other languages, please visit www.jeffersoncountypublichealth.org.

PLEASE REMEMBER

If your answer is "Yes" to any of these questions, please stay home!
In the last 14 days, have you?

- Traveled internationally?
- Been exposed to a person with suspected or confirmed COVID-19?
- Had a temperature of at least 100.0° F?
- Had new or increased shortness of breath or difficulty breathing?
- Had a new cough?
- Had at least two of the following symptoms together: Chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell?

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY EARLY VIGIL MASS IN ENGLISH	4:00 pm
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS IN ENGLISH	5:30 pm
DOMINGO MISA EN ESPAÑOL	8:30 am
SUNDAY MASS IN ENGLISH	11:00 am
COMMUNION SERVICES -	
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY	12:00 pm
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
FRIDAY	12:30-4:00 pm
* CONFESSIONS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.	
* THE DISPENSATION FROM ATTENDING MASS IS STILL EFFECTIVE.	
* COVID19 RESTRICTIONS REQUIRE RESERVATIONS FOR MASSES AND ALL RELIGIOUS SERVICES BY CALLING 360-385-3700.	

CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXT SATURDAY

Father Augustine Hilander will be able to hear confessions next Saturday afternoon beginning at 1:45 pm in the courtyard.



THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Saturday, August 15

Now toward the end of the summer season, at a time when fruits are ripe in the gardens and fields, the Church celebrates the most glorious "harvest festival" in the Communion of Saints. Mary, the supremely blessed one among women, Mary, the most precious fruit which has ripened in the fields of God's kingdom, is today taken into the glory of heaven with the joy and thanksgiving of all humanity.

Parish Stewardship

Week 8/9/2020
Week #6

Actual / Colecta Real	\$ 2,271.00
Budgeted / Presupuesto	\$ 6,902.15
	<\$ 4,631.15>
Year-To-Date / Año Corrido	
Actual Collection / Colecta Real	\$ 33,354.00
Budgeted Collection / Presupuesto	\$ 41,412.90
	<\$ 8,058.90>



**CATHOLIC SOCIAL JUSTICE
The Preferential Option for the Poor and Vulnerable**

Here is a moral test for us to consider. How well are we doing with the care of the vulnerable members of our society. This question is especially important in a modern society marred by ever deepening divisions between rich and poor. It may be good for us to pause on occasion and recall the events of the Last Judgment (Mt 25:31-46) where the Gospel passage instructs us that we are to put the needs of the most vulnerable, including children, the poor and the marginalized first. Vatican II documents state, "the sum total of social conditions allows people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfilment more fully and more easily." So, there you go! Catholic teaching emphasizes that the common good includes the material and external good of humans; but also, the complete good of the human being, including their spiritual good, is of great importance. The Church's teaching on the "Preferential Option for the Poor" has become a much-debated subject. This is regrettable, as the teaching simply speaks to the universal destination of goods to the poor and the marginalized should be our concern. We should appreciate that the Church's love for the poor is inspired by the Beatitudes (Mt. 5:1-12) and that this has led numerous Christians to understand and accept the foundational teaching that we imitate Christ through our loving preference for the poor, which in turn inspires us to embrace the hungry, the needy, the homeless, those without healthcare, and those without a better future.

Yours in Christ,

Deacon Bill Swanson

Ed. note: This article is a continuation in a series of reflections by Deacon Bill Swanson on Catholic Social Teaching.



NEW CATECUMEN RECEIVED

Congratulations to LaTrecia Arthur on the occasion of her reception into the Catholic Church at the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday. We welcome LaTrecia with joy into our family of faith. May God surround her with His grace, peace and blessings and may she grow in God's mercy and love always as she continues in her journey of faith.



FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to all of the children who will celebrate their First Communion on this Sunday, August 16:
At the 8:30 am Mass: Elizabeth Vazquez, Emily Moreno, Natalia Durán Guevara and Ignacio Quiroz Hernandez who will also be confirmed.
At the 11:00 am Mass: Adelynn Yep and Luke Johnson.
May the blessings of our Lord be with them as they receive his body and blood at their First Holy Communion which is the bread of life and the source of all salvation. May it nourish their faith and bring them the joy of God's presence now and all throughout their lives.

CELEBRATE



June 14, 2020
June 6, 2021



THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST PROCLAIMED

"The Year of the Eucharist" has been proclaimed in our Archdiocese of Seattle for the coming year. Our focus will be a recommitment to authentic Eucharist celebrations which overflow in the concrete practice of love through service to the poorest and most vulnerable in our midst.