



*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*



Mass Intentions

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 start by honoring those requests that were already received prior to the closure of the church in March and then work forward from there. We will be pleased to receive Mass intention requests for the future however these requests will be honored once prior requests have been fulfilled. As a result specific dates for your requests will not be a possibility at this time.

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 4:00 PM: For the repose of the soul of Kathleen Rantz, as requested by her sister Helen Thares

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 5:30 PM: For the repose of the soul of Jim Caldwell, as requested by the Caldwell/Beebe family.

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 8:30 AM: For the repose of the soul of Miriam Leone.

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 11:00 AM: For the repose of the soul of Prudence Brannick, as requested by the Sharon Sofie Family.



PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

If you would like to be included on St. Mary's Prayer Chain please contact Pat White, 360-385-3063 or Carol Hurley at ptcabin2@msn.com. The purpose of our prayer chain is to provide spiritual support and healing for parishioners and their families and friends. Requests will be included in the daily prayers of their members and are confidential.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, JULY 13

12:00 pm: COMMUNION SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

12:00 pm: COMMUNION SERVICE

FRIDAY, JULY 17

12:00 pm: COMMUNION SERVICE

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

SATURDAY, JULY 18

(Our celebrant will be Father Ken Chukwu)

4:00 pm: Early Vigil Mass

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, JULY 19

(Our celebrant will be Father Ken Chukwu)

8:30 am: Spanish Mass

11:00 am: English Mass



FEAST OF ST. KATERIA TECKAWITHA - July 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha was a remarkable woman of the Algonquin clan of native Americans. Her life was one of extreme hardships amongst clashing social systems. At four she lost her family in a smallpox epidemic that left her disfigured and half blind. She was adopted by an uncle, who succeeded her father as chief who hated the Jesuit missionaries. Yet, after the instruction of one of the French missionaries she was baptized but then was treated as a slave because she would not work on Sunday. Yet she often meditated on the great dignity of being baptized. She was powerfully moved by God's love for human beings and saw the dignity of each of her people. Despite all, she humbly accepted her "ordinary" life. Her life has something to say to us in our day. She suffered from disease, social oppression and poverty but still grew in holiness. We may think that our proposed holiness is thwarted by our situations. If only we could have more solitude, less opposition, better health. Kateri Tekakwitha proved that holiness can thrive anywhere even in her primitive and difficult conditions. She was canonized in 2012 as the first American saint.



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The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 11 / 12, 2020

Dear fellow parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea,

We are reopening by reservation only and parish life, especially Mass, will be different.

Reservations can be made by calling the Parish Office at 360-385-3700.

The Archdiocese has established rules that we must follow to open the church for Mass, Adoration, and Communion Services. Kathleen Wadkins, St. Mary's Pastoral Coordinator, and Roger Cesmat, Maintenance, have been named and trained as our Safety Program Managers in accordance with Archdiocesan directives.

Archbishop Etienne and the St. Mary's Parish Council and Ministry leaders encourage those who may be in a high-risk category for COVID-19 to continue to participate in the Mass from the safety of their homes. **The Dispensation From Obligation to Attend Sunday Mass remains in effect for everyone.**

There are a lot of new procedures we are implementing to help our St. Mary's community stay healthy and safe. These are endorsed by the Archdiocese. Some of the biggest changes: you must make a reservation to attend Mass, there is only one entrance and one exit to the church, church doors will be locked during Mass, and Communion will be distributed after the final blessing (details below).

You need to familiarize yourself with the information below. Contact the Parish Office or ministry leaders if you have questions or concerns. Please be patient as we all get used to our new way of attending Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist.

How to attend Mass, Communion Service, and Adoration at St. Mary Star of the Sea

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

- Saturday Mass – 4 p.m. English and 5:30 p.m. English
- Sunday Mass – 8:30 a.m. Spanish and 11 a.m. English
- Communion Service – Noon during the week with Deacon Bill
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 1 to 4 p.m. Fridays with a designated greeter/facilitator?

You must make a reservation.

- A maximum of 50 people will be allowed in the church.
- **Reservations can be made by calling the Parish Office at 360-385-3700.**
- You may register for only **one** Mass every other weekend, either Saturday or Sunday. The Hispanic community will get priority to attend the Spanish Mass.
- Reservations will be accepted Monday-Thursday prior to the weekend.
- **Register for Communion Services and Adoration: 360-385-3700.**
- **Reservations may be made by household only.** In other words, you must live in the same dwelling to be on the same reservation. Family members who do not live together have to make separate reservations.

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.
- 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.

Seating at Mass.

- Only certain pews will be open. Congregants will be directed to seats by an usher beginning from the front of the church to the rear as spacing allows.
- There is no guarantee you will be seated in the same pew as family or friends.
- You are only allowed to sit with other persons who live in your dwelling and who are on your reservation.
- Social distancing will be observed in the pews and throughout the Mass.

NOTE: Once Mass begins, church doors will be locked and remain so until Mass has ended.

Readings for the Week...

MONDAY Isaiah 1:10-17 Psalms 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 Matthew 10:34-11:1	TUESDAY Isaiah 7:1-9 Psalm 48:2-8 Matthew 11:20-24	WEDNESDAY: Wisdom 8:2-7, 16-18 Psalms 16:5-9, 11 Matthew 5:13-19	THURSDAY Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 Psalms 102:13-21 Matthew 11:28-30	FRIDAY: Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 Isaiah 38:10-12, 16 Matthew 12:1-8	SATURDAY: Micah 2:1-5 Psalms 10:1-4, 7-8, 14 Matthew 12:14-21	SUNDAY Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 Psalms 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43
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“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.”**





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During Mass.

- No congregational singing. No sign of peace. Homilies will be brief.
- Only the bathroom near the narthex will be open. Do not gather near the door. If possible, do not use it once you are seated and Mass has started.
- No missals or prayer pamphlets in the pews. You are welcome to bring your own and take it home with you. Please leave nothing in the pews.

Communion.

- Communion will be given *after* the final blessing.
- Ushers will cue each pew and congregant as to when they can approach the priest.
- The Eucharist will be received in the palm only.
- There will be no Communion Cup.
- Once you receive the Holy Sacrament, you must leave the church and go directly to your vehicle. Please do not stop or chat with others.

Exiting the church.

- Once you have received Communion, exit down the side aisle closest to the social hall, "the Mary side".
- Put donations in the collection box at the back of the church.
- Leave through the automatic sliding doors.
- Go directly to your vehicle and do not stop to visit. Maintain social distancing.

Yes, this is a lot to take in, but it will be worth it to participate in the Holy Sacrament of the Mass. The celebration may be a bit different now, but we will be celebrating and praying together (even though we'll be 6 feet apart) in our own church. And that is something to be very thankful for.

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

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 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?

Remember - The Archbishop's dispensation from Mass attendance will remain in effect until further direction is provided.

- MASS TIMES -

- If we can obtain a priest -

(Reservations must be made in advance for all Masses and services by calling the Parish Office Monday through Thursday at 385-3700)

WEEKEND MASSES:

SATURDAY MASSES

- 4:00 pm, English
- 5:30 pm, English

SUNDAY MASSES

- 8:30 am, Spanish
- 11:00 am, English

COMMUNION SERVICES

- 12:00 Noon, Mon., Wed., Fri.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- 12:30 - 4:00 pm, Fridays



**Our celebrant next weekend, July 18/19,
will be Father Ken Chukwu**



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. See forthcoming weekly bulletin inserts for updates or read the whole pastoral letter at

Parish Stewardship

Week 7/5/2020

Week #1

Actual / Colecta Real	\$ 7,486.00
Budgeted / Presupuesto	\$ 6,902.15
	\$ 583.85

Year-To-Date / Año Corrido

Actual Collection / Colecta Real	\$ 7,489.00
Budgeted Collection / Presupuesto	\$ 6,902.15
	\$ 583.85



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WELCOME BACK!

HOW TO ATTEND MASS, COMMUNION SERVICES, AND AORATION AT ST. MARY'S

#1- FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL, DO NOT ATTEND MASS IF IN THE LAST 14 DAYS YOU

HAVE:

- Traveled internationally,
- Been exposed to a person with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19,
- Had a temperature of at least 100° 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.

#2 - TO ATTEND MASS YOU MUST:

- Make a reservation for the Mass you wish to attend by calling the Parish Office at 360-385-3700, **Monday-Thursday**,
- There will be a 50 seat maximum capacity per Mass,
- Without a reservation you will not be allowed to attend Mass,
- You may register for only one Mass every other weekend,
- The Hispanic Community will be extended priority for the Spanish Mass,
- Call the church to register for Communion Services and Adoration as well.

#3 - ARRIVING AT MASS - PLAN TO ARRIVE 15-20 MINUTES EARLY TO CHECK IN

- Enter the double doors nearest the rectory,
- Greeters will check you in, ushers will direct you to your seat,
- Greeters have discretion to inquire about your health,
- You are **REQUIRED** to wear a mask,
- Sanitation stations will be near the entrance - sanitizers, masks, etc. are available,
- Social distancing of at least 6 feet is required while on church property,
- Follow tape and signs,
- Once Mass begins the Church doors will be locked and remain so during Mass.

#4 - SEATING AT MASS:

- Only certain pews will be open and you will be directed to a pew by an usher, front to back,
- **There is no guarantee you will be seated in your preferred pew or the same pew as family or friends,**
- Only other people living in your dwelling and on your reservation will be allowed to sit together,
- Please follow the tape and pew partitions,
- Social distancing will be followed.

#5 - DURING MASS:

- There will be no singing or sign of peace and homilies will be short,
- The only bathroom open for use is in the back of the church, if possible don't use it once Mass starts,
- No missals or prayer pamphlets will be available. You are welcome to bring your own but please leave nothing in the pews.

#6 - COMMUNION:

- Communion will be given only **AFTER** the final blessing,
- Ushers will queue each pew and congregant as to when to approach the priest,
- The Eucharist will be received in the palm only and there will be no communion cup,
- After receiving Communion, exit down the side aisle closest to the Social Hall, (Mary's side),
- Put donations in the collection box in the back of church,
- Leave the church directly and go to your vehicle,
- Please do not stop to chat with others.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Our goal amount this year is \$57,113. To date \$33,402.98 has been received through your

generosity. Of the 248 registered families in the parish we have currently heard from 87 of them. This campaign serves the needs of many worthy programs in our Archdiocese of Western Washington. Your prayerful participation will be appreciated. You can contribute online at:

www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate or you can call 1-800-809-4921.



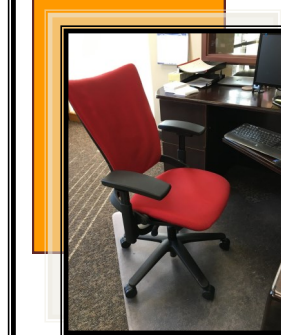
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MASS HELPERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to assist at Masses. We would greatly appreciate your consideration of helping with checking parishioners in as they arrive, ushering and sanitizing the

church after each Mass. The duties are light but so necessary to the orderly celebrations of our Masses. Every effort is taken to assure the safety of volunteers and parishioners alike. Gloves, masks, required social distancing and sanitizing are all required and everything is provided for these jobs. Please call the Parish Office at 360-385-3700 if you can help.

POSITION AVAILABLE



St. Mary's is looking for a Business Administrator to join the wonderful ministry serving our vibrant faith community here in Port Townsend. If you have been blessed with gifts of business administration, accounting, staff supervision, facilities and IT, then we would like to talk with you. So

much more than just a job when your faith aligns with your work. We offer competitive wages and good benefits. If you feel the call, please send your cover letter and resume to: Kathleen Wadkins, St. Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 1335 Blaine Street in Port Townsend.