



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 FOR THE WEEK

We fly to thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 4:00 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Karen Velasquez**, as requested by Carol Hurley.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 5:30 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Teresa Neyra on the anniversary of her birth**, as requested by Nenita and Michael Chvilicek.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 8:30 AM: **For all of the parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish.**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 11:00 AM: **For the repose of the soul of Julian Arthur and the comfort of his family**, as requested by Bernie and Germaine Arthur.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 12:05 PM: **For the special intentions of Katherine Lofall, sister of Anna McEnery**, as requested by the Anna McEnery family.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 12:05 PM: (No Mass intention requested)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 12:05 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Dennis Murphy dear Grandfather of Anna McEnery**, as requested by Anna McEnery.

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.

Readings for the Week...

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Galatians 1:6-12	Galatians 1:13-24	Acts 1:12-14	Galatians 3:1-5	Galatians 3:7-14	Galatians 3:22-29	Isaiah 25:6-10
Psalms 111:1-2, 7-10	Psalms 139: 1-3, 13-15	Luke 1:46-55	Luke 1:69-75	Psalms 111:1-6	Psalms 105:2-7	Psalms 23:1-6
Luke 10:25-37	Luke 10:38-42	Luke 1:26-38	Luke 11:5-13	Luke 11:15-26	Luke 11:27-28	Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
						Matthew 22:1-14

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

11:30-11:45 am: CONFESSIONS - (IN THE PARISH CENTER)
12:05 pm: Mass

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

5:00-5:15 pm: CONFESSIONS - (IN THE PARISH CENTER)
5:30 pm: Mass

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

11:30-11:45 am: CONFESSIONS - (IN THE PARISH CENTER)
12:05 pm: Mass

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

11:30-11:45 am: CONFESSIONS - (IN THE PARISH CENTER)
12:05 pm: Mass
12:30-4:00 pm: Adoration--Church

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

(Masses are live-streamed in Hall)
3:00-3:30 pm: CONFESSIONS - (IN THE PARISH CENTER)
4:00 pm: Vigil Mass
5:30 pm: Vigil Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

(Masses are live-streamed in Hall)
8:30 am: Spanish Mass
11:00 am: English Mass

CIVILIZE IT

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has launched a campaign inviting Catholics to model civility and love for neighbor throughout the year. Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate will ask Catholics to pledge civility, clarity, and compassion in their families, communities, and parishes, and call on others to do so as well. Find out more information and resources to share with your community at: www.wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it



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The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 3/4, 2020



WE ARE NOW IN THE FINAL WEEK OF OUR PARISH'S CALLED TO SERVE AS CHRIST CAMPAIGN

Everyone's continued dedication is greatly appreciated however we are still a long way's away from meeting our goal. If you have not already, please review the campaign materials Archbishop Etienne sent in the mail and thoughtfully consider your response. Next weekend is the **Called to Serve as Christ Giving Weekend**. Thanks to all of those who have already made a commitment to this very important effort. Together we are helping to secure the future of our parish and archdiocese. The upcoming Giving Weekend is for parishioners who just haven't had time to connect with the volunteers or complete their pledge cards. All are invited to consider a sacrificial gift and to help reach our parish campaign goal so that hopefully 100 percent of our parish members will support this important effort at some level. With your help, we can meet our goal and make a lasting impact on our archdiocese.

CURRENTLY:
Our Parish Goal is: \$412,224.
Gifts Received to date: 7
Amount Pledged: \$7,775
% of Goal: 1.9%
Potential Share: \$1,166



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

The Annual Catholic Appeal for our Parish continues. Our Parish's Goal for the year is \$57,133. To date we have received \$40,348 through your generosity. This represents 71% of our financial goal amount and 47% of our participation goal. In the event that we do not meet our goal amount the short fall will be a taken out our parish resources. (Which would be very difficult for us).



COVID-FRIENDLY BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS Sunday, October 4

- Remember the "BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS" on Sunday, October 4.
- At St. Mary's on Sunday, October 4, after the 11:00 am Mass until 1:00 pm.
 - Please keep your animals in your car and drive through the back parking lot., and
 - In Quilcene on Sunday, October 4, after the 3:30 pm Mass at the Serendipity Farm located at 141 Cemetery Road in Quilcene. If you plan to attend Mass please bring a chair and masks.
 - Please keep your animals in your cars during the blessings.

"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."





FROM THE PASTOR...

Great News! As many of you have already heard, we have a new Pastoral Assistant for Administration. She was raised as a Catholic, right here in Port Townsend. Please see her auto-bio in this week's bulletin. Please be sure to welcome her as she joins our parish office team.

As we begin this month of October, there is a lot about which to be excited. This Sunday we have our traditional St. Francis Feast Day animal blessings here and in Quilcene (see the article on the front page of this bulletin). Linked with this is the fact that October is also Respect Life Month. This gives us the opportunity to reflect on the gift of life in all its forms and stages. It is an opportunity to reflect on the gift of all the plant and animal life on the planet and our responsibility to care for it, cf. Genesis 2:15 "The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and keep it," <https://bit.ly/34fQqQT> and Pope Francis' encyclical: "Laudato Si," <https://bit.ly/319xxWB>. But, most importantly, this month provides us with the opportunity to reflect on and express our gratitude for the most spectacular of all of God's creation: the human person, cf. Genesis 1:27 "God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them," <https://bit.ly/33iS3ha>. Recently, in response to the pandemic and protests, Pope Francis spoke about the dignity of all humans, cf. <https://bit.ly/2SnK4Jn>. Along with this theme of Respect Life, October is traditionally the month of the Rosary, which, of all prayers, most perfectly reflects the respect life theme.

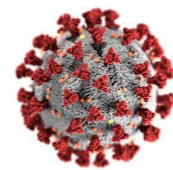
And lastly, we have a cause that is related to the above in a very broad way, we are now in the period of 40 days of prayer leading to our presidential election. It is important that we all work to prayerfully, study and form our consciences regarding the important issues and candidates before us. This is a particular concern as many people are unprepared to engage in dialogue in a respectful and peaceable manner and it is increasingly difficult to understand where the candidates truly stand on the issues important to us. The pastors of the Port Townsend Ministerial Association are all concerned about our ability to discuss these important issues in a peaceable manner. I add my voice to this concern. I invite you all to not avoid these important conversations but perhaps take care to "frame" your interactions by sharing your concern that our dialogue needs to be peaceable and for the purpose of better understanding each other's concerns and reasoning. We all need to first invite our brothers and sisters to share their thoughts and feelings on these issues. We need to listen, quietly, without interrupting them, and then, when invited share our thoughts and feelings. For more information on this subject, cf. the United States Bishop's page, <https://bit.ly/3n8RU7U>

Father Robert L. Evenson
Interim Priest Administrator



GREAT NEWS - ST. MARY'S IS LIVE!

St. Mary's is now live streaming all of our Masses. These Masses can be accessed on our Parish Website <https://www.stmaryss.com/> where you will find the button marked "LIVE STREAM MASSES". If you press it you will be directed to the FACEBOOK page where the Masses are found OR at <https://bit.ly/36tbUfx>. However you will need a personal FACEBOOK account to access these Masses. ALSO...these Masses will live stream in the Social Hall during these Mass times so that no one needs to miss Masses due to lack of space in the church. Seating will be first-come-first-serve.



COVID REMINDER

If your answer is "Yes" to any of these questions, please stay home! Note the new requirements below? **In the**

last 14 days, have you?

- * Traveled internationally?
- * Been exposed to a person with suspected or confirmed COVID19?
- * 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 smell or taste, diarrhea, vomiting runny now/ congestion or fatigue?



COVID PRAYER RESOURCES

Check out the COVID friendly interface and App called "Divine Office," www.divineoffice.org, as it gives the option to listen to the prayers and you have the option to see who else is praying the same prayers from this resource anywhere in the world. It is a virtual prayer community connected around the world.



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
* DAILY MASSES	
MONDAY, THURS, FRIDAY	12:05 pm
WEDNESDAY	5:30 pm
* ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
FRIDAY	12:30-4:00 pm
◆ CONFESSIONS (Confessions are heard in the Parish Center)	
◆ SATURDAYS	3:00-3:30 pm
MON., THURS., FRI.,	11:30-11:45 am
◆ WEDS.	5:00-5:15 pm
* THE DISPENSATION FROM ATTENDING MASS IS STILL	



We are required by the state to keep a record of everyone attending our Masses. We have also had to reduce seating capacity. Therefore, we ask that you kindly register if at all possible by calling the Parish Office to register to attend Masses at 360-385-3700 before 3:30 pm Friday afternoons but if not you are welcome to come even without a reservation as we now have additional seating in the hall.



BULLETIN UPDATE

Weekly bulletins will now be provided as you exit the church and not at the front as in the past. Also, children's bulletins appropriate for two age groups will be available at the same time/same place.

FINANCIAL FACTOIDS...

- It may be interesting to know some of the on-going financial factoids here at St. Mary's that your financial support makes possible. August billings are:
- Monthly water bill: \$400.00
- Power bill: \$120.00

Parish Stewardship
Week 9/27/2020
Week #13

Actual / Colecta Real	\$ 2,848.00
Budgeted / Presupuesto	\$ 6,902.15
	<\$ 4,054.15>
Year-To-Date / Año Corrido	
Actual Collection / Colecta Real	\$ 61,608.50
Budgeted Collection / Presupuesto	\$ 89,727.95
	<\$ 28,119.45>



Dear Parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea. I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful flowers, cards, gifts, emails and words of support that I received for my retirement. I have enjoyed working with you, for you and Father Nagel, Father Gary, Father John and Father Peter and the wonderful staff these past years. You will all remain in my heart and prayers. Thank you,
Kathleen Wadkins



WELCOME! TO CHIRSTA HOLBROOK OUR NEW PASTORAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



Christa Holbrook is excited to join the St. Mary Star of the Sea family as our new Pastoral Administrative Assistant.

She is a 2004 graduate of Port Townsend High School and holds a bachelor's degree from Central Washington University in Theatre Studies. In the past, she enjoyed being an alter server for Father Gary Sumpter and Father Kurt Nagel. Christa was confirmed and married at St. Mary Star of the Sea. She is a resident of Port Hadlock, Washington with her husband Chad Holbrook and their two dogs Gigi and Skye. In her spare time, she enjoys being on stage at Key City Public Theatre and is a member of Actors' Equity Association. She looks forward to meeting the parish so please say hello to her.



SAINT VINCENT NEEDS YOU!

Please remember our Parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society in your financial giving. They experience multiple needs for their help every day of the week and their good works can only continue with your financial support. <https://svdpejc.org/>