

# ST AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Christ the King/1st Sunday of Advent

22 & 29 November 2020



## Thanksgiving Day Mass Thursday, 9 am, November 26

Reservations are required to attend the Mass. Please make your reservation between November 23 (Monday) and November 25 (Wednesday).

Wearing a mask and social distancing will be strictly observed.

The Thanksgiving Day Mass will be livestreamed to our Facebook page: St Augustine Catholic Church and

later on posted to our website at [www.staugustineoh.org](http://www.staugustineoh.org)

*Please bring non-perishables to be donated to Help House.*

## Sit, Kneel or Stand? What To Do at Mass

Here in the Pacific Northwest, everyone does their one thing during Holy Communion. Sit, kneel or stand? All three are happening at the same time!

To bring unity to our worship, Archbishop Etienne has legislated new laws for what to do at Holy Communion, based on the universal law, the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM)*.

### Effective Saturday, November 28, Archbishop Etienne requires

1. After the *Holy, Holy* we **kneel** until after the *Amen* of the Eucharistic Prayer.
2. After the *Lord's Prayer* and *Peace*, we **remain standing during the Lamb of God**.
3. After the *Lamb of God*, we **kneel** until we go forward for Holy Communion.
4. When we return to our places after Holy Communion, we **may kneel or sit**.

### EXCEPTIONS

At St Mary and in the Parish Hall at St Augustine, because we have no kneelers, you are **not required to kneel** (*GIRM 43*).

In these places, it is appropriate to stand from the *Holy, Holy* through receiving Holy Communion, after which you may sit.

If you prefer to **kneel** during the Eucharistic Prayer and again **after the Lamb of God**, that is your choice.

In any place, it is **improper to sit** during the Eucharistic Prayer, unless you are unable to sit or stand.



## DECEMBER SCHEDULE OF MASSES & RESERVATION DATES



Date of Mass/Service	Make your Reservation on:
December 5 & 6 (Sat & Sun)	Nov 30, 9 am to Dec 3, 4 pm
December 8, Immaculate Conception St Augustine: 9 am St Mary: 12:10 pm	Nov 20, 9 am to Dec 4, 4 pm
December 12 & 13 (Sat & Sun)	Dec 7, 9 am to Dec 10, 4 pm
Penance Service, Dec 14 Mon 6 pm	Dec 7, 9 am to Dec 10, 4 pm
December 19 & 20 (Sat & Sun)	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 17, 4 pm
December 24, Christmas Eve Masses: St Mary: 4 pm St Augustine: 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm
December 25, Christmas Day, 9:30 am	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm
December 26 & 27 (Sat & Sun)	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm
December 31, New Year's Eve Mass at St Augustine, 5 pm	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm
January 1, Mary, Holy Mother of God Mass at St Mary, 9 am	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm
January 2 & 3 (Sat & Sun)	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm

To make a reservation, go to [www.staugustineoh.org](http://www.staugustineoh.org) or call the parish office at 360-675-2303 (Ext 23 for voicemail)

The Parish Office will be closed from Dec 24 to January 3. Hence, please take note of the dates of reservation during that time period for the Masses you wish to attend.

The Masses to be livestreamed to our FB page (St Augustine Catholic Church) are: all Sunday 9:30 Masses; the Immaculate Conception Mass on Dec 8, Tuesday; the Penance Service on Dec 14, Monday; the Simbang Gabi Mass on Dec 19 Saturday; the Dec 24, 7:30 Mass; and the December 31, 5 pm Mass.

**Next Baptisms are scheduled for February 13** (subject to change depending on Covid restrictions)

Baptism class is scheduled on January 9, Saturday from 9:00 am to noon on Zoom. Call Peggy Smith at 360-675-2303 ext. 5 to register, where you will receive instructions about the Zoom classes.

**RCIA has begun, but you can still join.**

RCIA is a process through which non-baptized adults or baptized adults of a different Christian denomination may enter into Full Communion with the Catholic Church.

It is also for baptized Catholics who have not yet received First Communion and/or Confirmation

**The Christian Initiation process is not a program. The process is a journey of faith...**

...through the initial stages of asking and seeking

...through beginning involvement with Christian/Catholic people

...through hearing the Gospel proclaimed and by faithful reflection and prayer on this Word of God

...through study and discussion about Catholic experience

...through doubts and hesitations

...through discernment of God's call for them as individuals

...through the steps of commitment

...through the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist)

**This process is for those who:**

- Are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church;
  - Have never celebrated baptism;
  - Have celebrated Baptism in another faith and are interested in the Catholic Church;
  - Are married to a Catholic and attend Mass but just don't know what the next step is to become one of the Catholic faithful.
- Or-are a Catholic who wants to further their understanding by taking a refresher course.

Call 360-675-2303 x 5 for more info.

**LIVE THE LITURGY**

*Inspiration for Christ the King Sunday*

Titles and privileges, palaces and guards, banquets and benefits, servants and fine living, are all things earthly folks associate with kings and royalty. These have no place in Christ. To understand the kingdom of Christ and what it means to have Christ as our king, one must be willing and able to understand transformation, engagement, and empowerment. To live in the kingship of Christ, we have to live deeply and contemplatively; allowing God to change not only how we act, but how we feel, think, and see. It is not an easy journey or one that is always welcomed. Sometimes, it is easier and safer to live as if Christ were our earthly king. It's a more black and white world. But the kingdom of Christ exists in a world of gray where the hungry, thirsty, those who are strangers, naked, ill, and imprisoned find a welcome home. It is a kingdom that doesn't always make sense, where the last are first and the weakest are most strong. World economics and secular philosophy doesn't like this kind of king. Maybe that is why they crucified Him the first time and continue to. Whatever we do to the least of God's children, we do to God. Do you really want to inherit the kingdom?

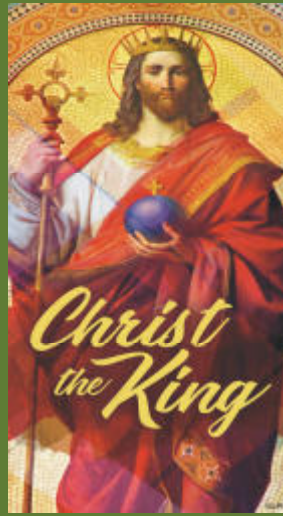
**LIVE THE LITURGY**

*Inspiration for the 1st Sunday of Advent*

Be watchful! Be alert! The core message of Advent cannot be more direct or simple. As those who are postured in a spirit of readiness and anticipation, we must always be attentive and vigilant. We have to be ready not only for the anticipated arrival of our Lord, but watchful and attentive to the unexpected visit as well. While we know that the Christ is coming, we also do not know the exact time. Cultivating this expectant attitude is the purpose of this season. It is easy to grow slack, inattentive, and too self assured. We can easily deaden ourselves to the wonder and surprise of God's presence. We get so absorbed in so many other distractions that it can seem like Christ's second coming, and even Christ's coming in time are of lesser importance. When it finally dawns on us that we have wandered far away from where we need to be, and lost our attentiveness and focus, we will wonder how this all happened. We may even try to put the onus on God and blame God for a lack of involvement or presence. We are the ones, who through our own choice, put the distance in our relationship and lost touch. Now it's time to come back and perk ourselves up a bit!

## November 21 - 28

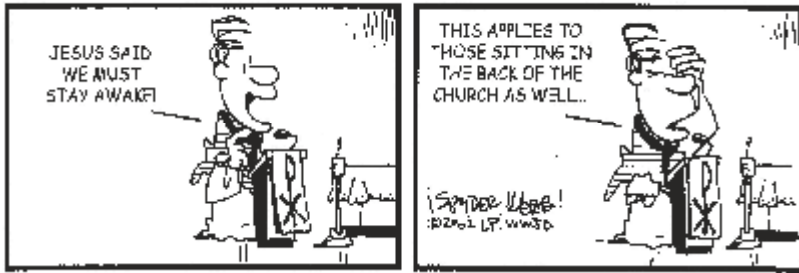
Nov 21 Sat	4:00 pm Confession, PO 5:00 pm Vigil Mass ( <i>Our Parishioners, INT</i> )
Nov 22 Sun	9:30 am Mass, Church ( <i>Agatona Robel, RIP; Alan Boissonneault, RIP; Maria Blas, RIP; Precioso Domingo, RIP; Appreciation for Life, INT</i> ) 9:30 am Mass, Parish Hall 9:30 am Mass Livestream ( <i>FB page: St Augustine Catholic Church</i> )
Nov 23 Mon	Office Unavailable Start of Reservations for November 28 & 29 Mass & November 26 Thanksgiving Mass! (call the parish office or go to our website, <a href="http://www.staugustineoh.org">www.staugustineoh.org</a> ) 4:30 pm Agape
Nov 24 Tue	NO RE
Nov 25 Wed	10:00 am Fr Paul's Private Mass NO RE
Nov 26 Thu	Office & Church Closed No Activity, No RE 9:00 am Thanksgiving Day Mass, CH 9:00 am FB Mass Livestream of Mass, <i>Facebook Page: St Augustine Catholic Church</i>
Nov 27 Fri	Office & Church Closed No activity in Church
Nov 28 Sat	<i>No activity in the morning</i>



## November 28 - December 5

Nov 28 Sat	4:00 pm Confession, PO 5:00 pm Vigil Mass ( <i>Our Parishioners, INT</i> )
Nov 29 Sun	9:30 am Mass, Church ( <i>Jean Valdez, INT; Father Roger Vehorn, INT; Beatrice Munoz, RIP; Quintina De Leon, RIP</i> ) 9:30 am Mass, Parish Hall 9:30 am Mass Livestream ( <i>FB page: St Augustine Catholic Church</i> )
Nov 30 Mon	Office Unavailable Start of Reservations for December 5 & 6 Mass! (call the parish office or go to our website, <a href="http://www.staugustineoh.org">www.staugustineoh.org</a> ) 4:30 pm Agape
Dec 1 Tue	4:00 pm RE Online, 1st & 2nd Gr, Zoom 6:30 pm RE Online, 12th Gr, Zoom
Dec 2 Wed	10:00 am Fr Paul's Private Mass 4:00 pm RE Online, 3rd & 4th Gr, Zoom 6:30 pm RE Online, Gr. 7/8 & 9/10, Zoom
Dec 3 Thu	4:00 pm RE Online, 5th & 6th Gr, Zoom 6:30 pm RE Online, 11th Gr, Zoom
Dec 4 Fri	10:00 am Fr Paul's Private Mass 10:30 am Divine Mercy Chaplet/Rosary, PG 11:00 am Private Prayer/Adoration, CH
Dec 5 Sat	<i>No activity in the morning</i>

### 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### Mass Reservations

From Monday 9 am to Thursday 4 pm  
You may make a reservation online  
[www.staugustineoh.org](http://www.staugustineoh.org) or by phone  
at 360-675-2303 Ext. 23

**Please take note:** Make sure to list each person's first name in your reservation. Mass-goers not from the same household cannot be seated together.

No reservation & No mask, No entry.  
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THROUGH THE VESTIBULE.



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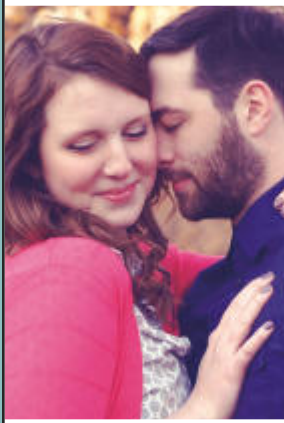
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