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Christ the King / 1st Sunday of Advent

22 & 29 November 2020

DECEMBER SCHEDULE OF MASSES & DATES OF RESERVATION

Date of Mass/Service	Make your Reservation on:
December 5 & 6 (Sat 5 pm & Sun 9:30 am) December 6 St Mary (Sun 11:15 am)	Nov 30, 9 am to Dec 3, 4 pm
December 12 & 13 (Sat 5 pm & Sun 9:30 am) December 13 St Mary (Sun 11:15 am)	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 & 9:30 pm	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) January 3 St. Mary (Sun 11:15am)	Dec 14, 9 am to Dec 22, 4 pm

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Masses to be livestreamed to our FB page (St Augustine Catholic Church): all Sunday 9:30 Masses; the Penance Service on Dec 14; the Simbang Gabi Mass on Dec 19 Saturday; and the Dec 24, 7:30 Mass.

STAY SAFE, STAY SANE, STAY PRAYERFUL



Thanksgiving Day Mass
Thursday, 9 am, November 26
At St Augustine Church

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

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 kneel or stand.

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!

Next Baptisms are scheduled for February 13

(subject to change depending on Covid restrictions)

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

Please Pray for Our Families & Friends

For those during this COVID-19 pandemic, those who are ill, those who are going to have or are recovering from surgery, those in Careage or other rehabilitation facilities. For our military both at home or deployed, and for those who may be away attending college.

Tina Hamilton
Richard McCormick ~ Naomi Puhr

PFC Zachary McCormick, US Army National Guard

~Permission is required from the individual prior to adding their name to the prayer list.
~To include a loved one's name, please call the Parish Office at 360-678-6536.

St. Mary Pastoral Council Corner

Staying Connected as a Parish

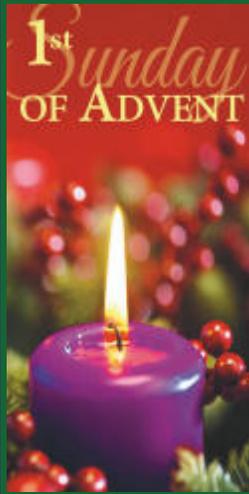
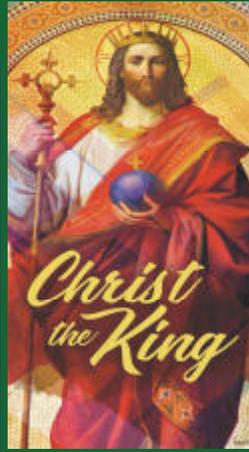
Beloved members of the St. Mary Coupeville Parish. Your Pastoral Council would like you all to know we are thinking of you and miss seeing you each Sunday morning. During these difficult times you have never strayed from our minds.

Your Pastoral Council would like to hear from you. How can we stay connected as the loving community family we have come to know and love? Do you have any ideas you would like to share? Do have any concerns regarding fellow parishioners that are feeling alone and isolated. We would love to hear from you. The sense of family and community shared by St. Mary's parishioners has always been the backbone of this parish. We do not want to let this pandemic change that. Our goal is to not only survive this pandemic, but to come out of it with the same special sense of family and community. We are hoping you will be willing to share ideas as to how we can maintain this special characteristic until we can all meet for coffee and doughnuts once more. Please share your ideas, thoughts, or concerns by emailing:

pmccormick@staugustineoh.org

November 22 - 29

Sun 11/22	Christ the King 9:30 am Mass Livestream on <i>St Augustine Catholic Church FB page</i> : 11:15 am Mass at St Mary (reservation only) RIP +Diana Schmidt 12:15 pm K of C Christmas card sales (This is your last opportunity to buy)
Mon 11/23	9:30am-12 noon call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Tue 11/24	9:30am-12 noon call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Wed 11/25	9:30am-12 noon call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Thu 11/26	Happy Thanksgiving The office is closed No private prayer today
Fri 11/27	The office is closed today
Sat 11/28	No activity
Sun 11/29	1st Sunday of Advent 9:30 am Mass Livestream on <i>St Augustine Catholic Church FB page</i> : 11:15 am Mass at St Mary (reservation only) RIP +Diana Schmidt



November 29 - December 6

Sun 11/29	1st Sunday of Advent 9:30 am Mass Livestream on <i>St Augustine Catholic Church FB page</i> 11:15 am Mass at St Mary (reservation only)
Mon 11/30	9:30am-12 noon call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Tue 12/1	9:30am-12 noon call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Wed 12/2	9:30am-12 noon call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Thu 12/3	9:30am - 12 noon Call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org 11:00-12:30pm Private prayer - wear face mask or no entry, sanitize hands and observe social distancing
Fri 12/4	9:30am -12 noon Call 360-678-6536 or email pmccormick@staugustineoh.org
Sat 12/5	No activity
Sun 12/6	2nd Sunday of Advent 9:30 am Mass Livestream on <i>St Augustine Catholic Church FB page</i> ~Hat, sock & glove drive ~ BEFORE MASS bring NEW socks, hats, gloves for the needy. 11:15 am Mass at St Mary (reservation only)



St Mary Works of Mercy

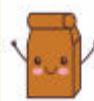
St Mary Works of Mercy is having a drive for **NEW** warm socks, hats and gloves. These items will be collected to give to men and women in need. Due to Covid-19 we can only accept **NEW** items in original packages or clear baggies. You may bring your donations to our church before Mass on December 6th & 13th. There will be boxes available for you gifts. If you have any questions regarding this drive, please leave us a message at our parish office (360-678-6536) and someone from our team will answer you as soon as possible.

Mass Reservations

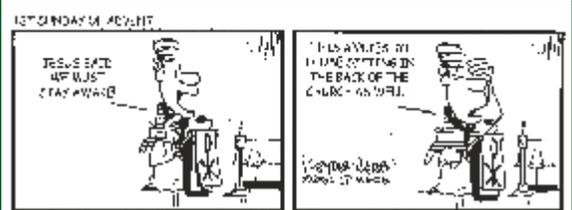
From Monday 9 am to Thursday 4 pm
You may make a reservation online www.staugustineoh.org or by phone at 360-675-2303 Ext. 23

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.
NEW ENTRY INTO ST AUGUSTINE CHURCH WILL BE IN THE VESTIBULE (because of winter)



The Agape meal program is providing brown bag dinners from 4:30-5:30 pm on Mondays from the St Augustine vestibule



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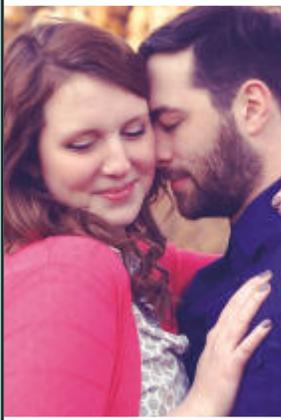
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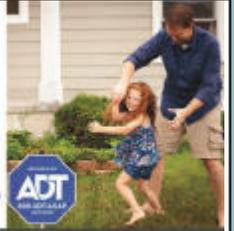
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