



**The Circus is Coming
to Aumsville . . .**

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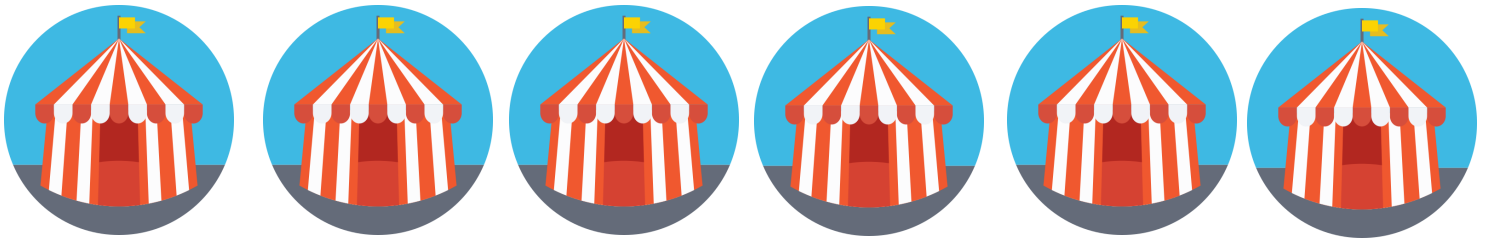
Tickets on Sale Soon!

May 24th @ Mill Creek Park



Imagine yourself and your family sitting inside the large blue and white circus tent, eating a spool of cotton candy or breaking open some peanut shells. The thrill of the performers as they dazzle the crowd with performances and suspenseful acrobatic shows. These are all memories I recall of the circus from my childhood when it came to my hometown. I hope that tradition continues for others. I took my children years later. It's continued to be our tradition for many years, and now our community has the opportunity to enjoy the circus with their family.

-Ron Harding, City Administrator



SAVE THE DATE!

The Circus is coming to town! On May 24th, 2024, Aumsville will be hosting the Culpepper and Merriweather Circus at Mill Creek Park where they will be performing two shows. Ticket sales will open soon, and once they do, attendees will be able to purchase discounted tickets in advances at City Hall or online at the Culpepper and Merriweather Circus website. Tickets will be available for full price at the door if there is capacity. Advanced tickets will cost \$8 for children and \$13 for adults. If attendees purchase tickets at the gate, they will be \$9 for children and \$16 for adults.

This is a unique and wonderful experience to spend with your family and friends- especially since they only come to town every two years.

All city-earned proceeds will get donated to local services groups. Call City Hall for additional details, and keep an eye on social media posts as the dates get closer.

At Recology Organics in Aumsville, Oregon, visitors are warmly welcomed at the front office by Patty, one of the six employees, along with her energetic dog, Ginger. Brody graciously guided city staff through a tour of the property during a recent visit, detailing the intricate processes involved in composting.

Oregon has three Recology locations: North Plains, McMinnville, and Aumsville. McMinnville's location includes a retail area as well as delivery. Recology has an agreement with Portland Metro Services to process compostable materials, and locals bring in yard clippings that start the process of creating usable compost.

"The Recology mission represents a fundamental shift from traditional waste management to resource recovery. We seek to eliminate waste by developing and discovering sustainable resource recovery practices that can be implemented globally."

Composting offers benefits by removing organic materials, like food scraps, from landfills, then reducing greenhouse gases. But there are many other benefits to composting.



**Aumsville
Spring Clean
Up**

APRIL 19TH + 20TH

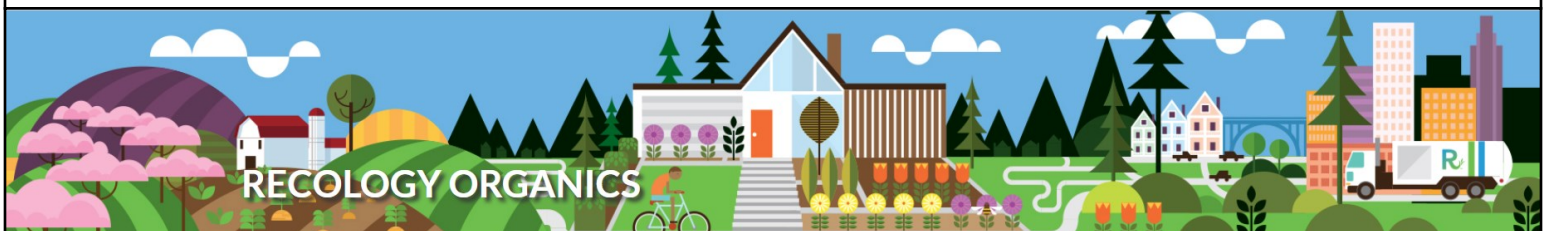
1 yard of compost per Aumsville household within city limits.

ONLY 4/19 + 4/20

Recology

Composting reduces landfill waste and enhances soil nutrients. The soil is a natural disease suppressant for flowers and plants, and compost helps the soil retain moisture. Composting does emit an Odor, but Recology recently received a grant to upgrade the composting beds in order to speed up the process, provide air circulation, and lower odors emitted from the composting process.

Year after year, Recology has been involved in the community by supporting community events so residents could enjoy these opportunities, but they also actively participate in the Spring and Fall Clean-Up initiatives. This year, Aumsville residents and staff can take advantage of a special offer: a coupon exclusively entitling them to one free yard of compost on April 19th and 20th. This event also presents an ideal opportunity for residents to drop off their yard clippings conveniently. Also, the Aumsville Public Works Department will facilitate the disposal of various items, with multiple bins available at the Public Works Shops located at 965 Olney Street.



First Saturdays
June - September



Porter-Boone Park
9am-2pm



Check Facebook
for updates!



facebook.com/Aumsville4U/

Do you have a small business or crafting hobby?

The Saturday Market is back for the 2024 season. There have been some recent changes for the 2024 season. This market will take place on the first Saturday of June, July, August and September with an additional date of June 29th. This special date is Superhero Carnival, and sets a great standard for what patrons can expect from the Aumsville Saturday Market.

The Saturday market has a new coordinator, Colleen Rogers. She was a Clerk for the City for many years, and has decided to come back and help with a passion project of hers— the market! You can find the vendor application at the QR code here, or you can email Colleen directly about the market at srr.colleen@yahoo.com



Budget Committee Needs You!

We have an opening on the Budget Committee.

Have you always wanted to serve your community but not for an entire year? Well, here's your chance! The budget committee meets only a few times between April and June.

No previous experience is necessary. We invite members of the city to serve a three-year term from 2024-2026. To qualify for either position, you must reside within the city and not be a city official or employee.



Budget committee members are appointed by the Aumsville City Council. The budget process starts in April and consists of weekly as-needed Tuesday night meetings beginning in May at 7:00 PM. These meetings may span from one to five weeks, until the budget is approved. If you are interested, please submit an application to the Aumsville City Council at 595 Main Street, 97325 or online at <https://www.aumsville.us/finance/webform/budget-committee-application-webform>. Please join our budget committee team!

If you have any questions, please contact city hall at 503 749-2030.

City officials have been working hard to reduce the costs of building the new wastewater facility as much as possible, and we have been working thoughtfully to keep the community informed of the process and progress.

City staff is proud of outreach efforts to keep the community up with the process in articles, surveys, and social media posts about the project over the years. Still, behind the scenes the council and staff have been strategizing how to reduce costs to residents whenever possible. Some of those approaches include acquiring as much grant funding as possible. Others include positioning the city for favorable federal funding.

During this years short legislative session, our representatives advocated to secure an additional 4 million dollars in state grants for the cities wastewater project, via Senate Bill 5701. This funding is awaiting Governor Tina Kotex’s signature and, if signed, will help reduce the amount of overall loans the city would have needed.

With the addition of this 4-million dollars, the city will have secured almost 20-million dollars in grants and city funds towards a project that has been projected to be over 28-million-dollars; 6-million dollars of those grants are contingent on getting 9-million dollars in loans, which is expected to be needed to complete the full construction stage of the project. “It sounds like a lot of money, but considering the alternative, we could have had a 28-million-dollar loan to cover the entirety of the project, knowing we have reduced that amount down to 9 million is a huge win for our community.” said Mayor Ceja.

Receiving a sum of 20-million dollars in grants is a significant achievement for any community, and particularly exceptional for

a community of our size. This accomplishment reflects the immense dedication and effort put forth by the council, staff, agencies, state and federal representatives, and our community in effectively conveying the community's narrative. The community's active involvement in signing the funding petition in 2022 played a crucial role in amplifying this narrative and enabling our state representatives to demonstrate the real-time impacts of such a project requirement. Moreover, the mayor and council personally engaged with residents by going door to door to discuss the project, while numerous residents also contributed by spreading the word among their neighbors and friends.

The city has collaborated with state agencies in a project task force for numerous years, resulting in our coordination with our state and federal counterparts.

The city is now focused on finalizing the design plans, securing construction fund loans, and managing the various funding sources we have obtained. Each grant necessitates a distinct contract and set of criteria to fulfill. Additionally, the city is also partnering with a consultant to create new rate projections in order to determine the necessary rate increase to cover the outstanding loans and increased O&M needed to operate the new facility. While this figure is no longer the worst-case scenario, a rate hike is inevitable.

Mayor Ceja has expressed her hope that the community takes pride in the collaborative work that has been achieved. “Bringing everyone together to align with the Vision Plan and working hand in hand with the community to bring about positive changes has been a significant achievement for us.”

-Ron Harding, City Administrator

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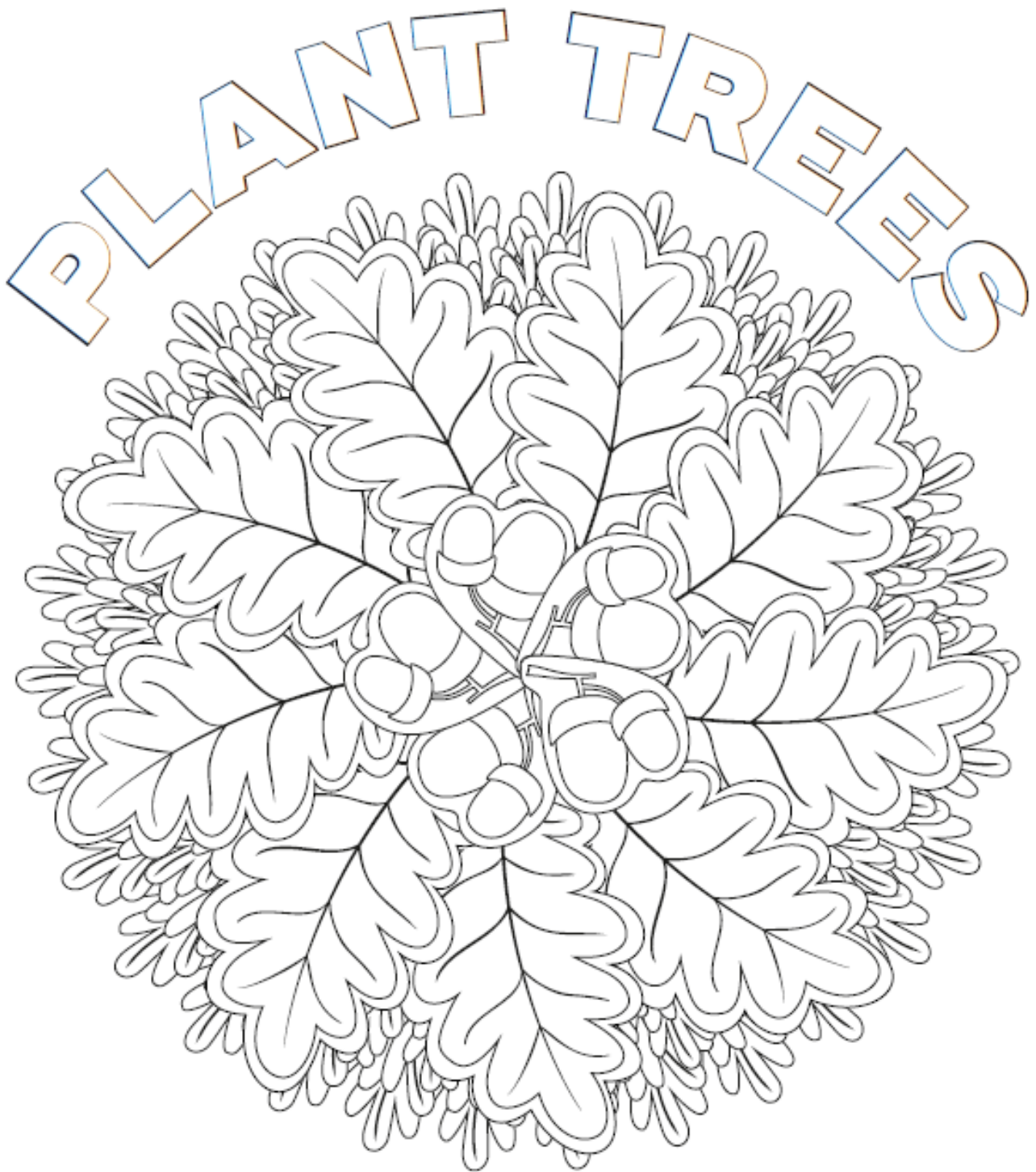


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Do you have a local business and want more of Aumsville to know?

Contact City Hall to chat about purchasing an ad space in next months Newsletter or visit the QR code below for more details on your future 1/4 page ad.





Bring completed coloring sheets to City Hall to be displayed for the month of April!

SAVE THE DATES

Cascade Family Resource Center

Upcoming Events

February
 8 - Kit Car Races
 15 - Parent Cooking Class
 22 - Estate Planning

May
 9 - Self Defense for Students grades 6-12
 23 - Jam Making & Food Preservation

March
 7 - Parent Paint Night
 14 - Parent Cooking Class
 21 - Cell Phones & Children - Best Practices

June
 20 - Pool Party

April
 11 - Kid's Craft
 18 - Parent Cooking Class
 25 - Advocating For Your Child



Scan here for link to FRC webpage

Mark your calendar! Most classes will have limited space so watch for a flyer each month.

Please Note: You must be a student or have a student enrolled in Cascade School District to attend these events.

For more information please contact:
 Cheryl Harmon, FRC Director
 email: charmon@cascade.k12.or.us
 Office: 503-749-8040 ext 4950
 Cell/Text: 971-707-1158



ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS & THREATS SURVEY

How have heat waves, severe storms, wildfires, poor air/water quality, and/or drought affected you?

TELL US YOUR STORY!

Details:

- Enter to win a \$50 gift card!
- 15-20 minutes
- Anyone 18+ who lives or works in Marion/Polk County
- In English | Spanish | Russian



Scan the QR-Code or visit www.co.marion.or.us/HLT/PH/PS

Presented by:



A Note from Public Works

We all prefer healthy streams and lakes...but most of our local waters are somewhat polluted. When it rains, pollution is carried directly into streams by runoff from parking lots, streets, and lawns. Here's what YOU can do to reduce pollution: (one) pick up after your pet, (two) don't over-fertilize your lawn, and (three) capture the water from your rooftop in a rain barrel...or in a rain garden. Do your part to keep our streams clean and healthy.



COMMUNITY PLAY GROUPS

FREE WITH FAMILY BUILDING BLOCKS



A FREE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEND TIME WITH YOUR CHILDREN, SOCIALIZE WITH OTHER FAMILIES, AND BUILD SUPPORT WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY!

INCLUDES A COMPLIMENTARY SNACK!

JOIN US FROM 10:00-11:30 AM

2nd and 3rd Friday of each month (excluding holidays)
 2nd Friday at 574 N 11th St, Aumsville
 3rd Friday at 440 5th St, Lyons

- SUPPORT child development
- BUILD relationships and community
- INTERACT with other families
- ESTABLISH positive and fun routines



For families with children 0-5 years of age

Questions? Contact FBB's Doris's Place, 574 N 11th St, Aumsville or 503.769.1120



Historical Society presented a Pop-Up Museum event at Pioneer Hall in Turner. Owners of small articles of historic interest described the origin of the items. Later, everyone could discuss the items with the owners. Five AHS members attended the event.

There was an 1866 land deed signed President Andrew Johnson. A 33-star US flag was shown. An early Turner volunteer fireman's hat was displayed. There were also everyday items, such as hand-made, square metal nails and kitchen crockery.

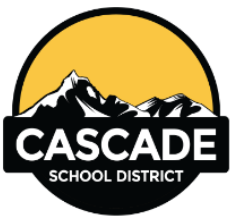
Aumsville and Turner have a kinship. Henry Turner and family had come over the Oregon Trail in 1852. Mr. Turner built a flour mill in Turner. He also built one in Aumsville, when Aumsville was an unnamed settlement. Eventually, the village was named Aumsville in honor of Turner's

deceased son-in-law, Amos Davis. The Turners are fondly remembered. Daughter Cornelia Turner Davis was a very charitable lady, who donated money to advance both communities. These projects included schools in Turner and Aumsville and the Tabernacle in Turner

The Aumsville Historical Society Museum at 6th and Main, will be open from 11 am -2 pm on Saturdays beginning April 6th. To visit by appointment, please contact Ted Shepard at 503-749-2744. The next AHS meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14th in the community center. The events begin at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome.

The musical instrument called an autoharp was patented in Germany in 1882. It is a stringed instrument with a wooden frame. It can be placed flat on a table, laid across the musician's lap or held upright against the player's shoulder. A 1930 Cartola autoharp was recently given to AHS by Chuck and Cynthia Wing of Welches, OR. It originally belonged to William Fuson. In 1954 William gave it to Chuck Wing. Now the instrument has come home to Aumsville. Recently, Yesterday-In-Turner

Cascade School District



Career Fair

We want every student to find the right path for them to a career. On May 2, representatives from many businesses and career opportunities will be at a regional career fair at Cascade High School. Would you or your company be willing to help our students?

-Gregg Koskela, Cascade School District

REGIONAL CAREER FAIR

HOSTED BY CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL

MAY 2, 2024 - 9AM-3PM

JOIN US WITH MULTIPLE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO:

- Allow students to explore various career and college opportunities.
- Allow students to have hands-on experiences.
- Build a stronger community.

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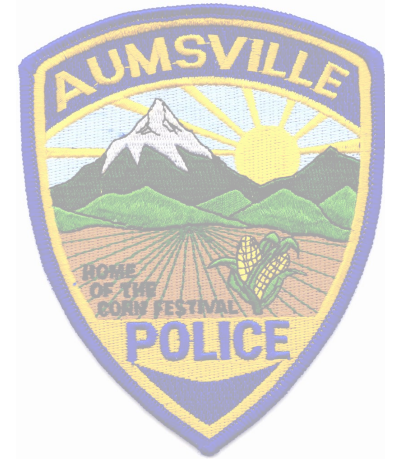
WHERE:
CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL
10226 MARION RD SE,
TURNER, OR

CONTROL TOWER the Willamette Promise Student centered. Future focused.

DEPARTMENT MESSAGE:

02-14-24 Chief Flowers was invited again to have a formal luncheon at Aumsville Elementary School.

02-29-24 Officers Robinson, Rebello, and Mack attended the Pre-Kindergarten Day at the Elementary School. They handed out Aumsville PD swag and other Safety supplies and information.



Calls for Service		#
Assist Other-Turner PD		5
Assist Other-Fire		5
Assist Other-DHS		9
Assist Other-MCSO		4
Assist Other-Stayton PD		8
Assist Other-Other		1
Citizen Contact		17
Area Check		2
Welfare Check		4
Death		1
Prowler		1
Suicide / Attempt / Threat		0/0/1
Traffic Complaint		5
Civil Dispute		5
False Alarm		1
Noise Complaint		5
Traffic Stops		64
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Circumstance		23
Animal Complaint		9
Open Door		2
Ordinance Violation		10
Property: Found/Lost/Seized		3
Person: Missing/Found/runaway		2
911 Hangup		1
Total	Total	188

Traffic Violation	City	County
Driving While Suspended	10	0
Driving Uninsured	4	0
No Operator's License	3	0
Fail to Obey Traffic Cont. Dev.	2	0
Fail to Install Ignition Interlock	4	0
Fail to Stop for Bus Safety Lights	1	0
Fail to Drive Within Lane	2	0
Illegal Window Tinting	3	0
Fail to Carry Proof of Insurance	2	0
Fail to Renew Veh. Registration	4	0
Fail to Register Vehicle	1	0
Total	36	0

Crime	#	Arrested
Assault	1	Pend
Hit and Run Crash	3	0
Criminal Mischief	3	0
DUII	3	3
Driving While Susp. Misd.	2	2
Reckless Driving	1	1
Probation Violation	1	1
Warrant	1	1
Harassment	1	1
Total	16	9

Why We Ask You to Apply for a “Type A” Permit with the City

The Purpose of Building Permits :

No matter what kind of job you're completing, it's important that you have the right building permits to do it.

The city offers a free “Type A” permit, but if a permit involves electrical, mechanical, or structural work, a Marion County Building Permit may be required. The city helps facilitate this process.

Permits are required:

It's easy to get an idea for improvements to your home or property and get excited to start right away, but most projects require a permit from either the city or county. Not getting the permit can cost the homeowner time and money. One of the reasons the city now requires a type A permit is to make sure the homeowner doesn't violate an ordinance or building code before the project gets started. Making sure the plan meets all the codes will save the homeowner and city staff a lot of issues later.

Safety:

Another purpose of any building, structural or electrical permits is to ensure safety. By enforcing proper safety standards, you and other occupants of a space have a better chance to avoid any accidents or issues during the construction process.

Save You Money:

Many people are swayed away from proper residential building permits because of the lengthy process, but it could cost much more in the long run. We can process a “Type A Permit” usually in a day or two. Below are examples of what the city checks for:

- There may be a utility easement on your property you are not aware of.
- Setbacks from property lines.
- Size and height restrictions for accessory structures and fences.
- Number of structures allowed.
- Architectural requirements.

If you build a shed, add concrete, or add on to your house and it does not meet the city development code, you will have to move or remove the project.

Keeps Your Insurance Valid:

If you build something without a permit and make a mistake or sustain an injury, your insurance may not cover it. However, building with a permit verifies that you understand the risks involved and that you have received permission to move forward with your project.

Value When Selling Your Home :

If you perform renovations on your home without a permit, a potential buyer will find out. If you are selling your home, you should be able to provide legal proof that you performed all renovations with the proper permits. The county maintains a database of prior building permits and the status of that permit. You can download the permit application at www.aumsville.us

-Steve Oslie, Aumsville Public Works Director

Monitoring period January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023

City of Aumsville

PWS ID # 41-00065

This 2023 Water Quality Report is a requirement of the FEDERAL SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT and provides the results of the latest tests of the quality of the City's drinking water. This report provides information on the quality of water the City delivers to you every day. Our goal is to provide a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want all our citizens to understand the efforts we take to continually improve the water treatment process, ensure our water is safe to drink, and protect groundwater resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

LAST YEAR, AUMSVILLE WATER SYSTEM AND DRINKING WATER MET ALL U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) AND STATE DRINKING WATER HEALTH STANDARDS. THE CITY VIGILANTLY SAFEGUARDS ITS WATER SUPPLIES AND WE ARE PROUD TO REPORT THAT OUR SYSTEM HAS NOT VIOLATED A MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL OR ANY OTHER WATER QUALITY STANDARD.

Violations

The Oregon Health Authority oversees our water system. The City provides regular water quality test results to the state. The testing of our water is performed by an independent lab. If you would like to see all the water testing performed, you can look it up online. Go to: www.yourwater.oregon.gov Click on Water System Search, and enter ID number 41-00065. Check it out!

The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report was delivered to customers on May 1, 2023, but a copy of the report was sent late to the Health Division, resulting in a violation. All water tests and results were within the reporting limits.

WHERE OUR WATER COMES FROM

Aumsville's water comes from five groundwater wells located within the city limits. Boone Well #1, Tower Well #2, and Reservoir Well draw from the Eugene formation, which is a deep marine sedimentary rock aquifer. Boone Well #2 and the Church Well draw from the Columbia River Basalt formation, one of the most productive aquifers in the region. Groundwater is drawn from all wells and pumped through a water filter, treated with chlorine then into the one-million-gallon reservoir, then sent directly into the water distribution system. Boone Well #2 and the Church Well water are from Basalt formations and are our biggest water producers. Basalt rock has a high sulfur content that can cause taste and odor problems.

In 2004, the State Health Division prepared a Source Water Assessment of the city wells. This tells us where our water comes from and identifies potential contaminant sources. This Source Water Assessment has been recently updated in also available to view at city hall or copies are available for purchase.

Ground Water Protection

Groundwater recharge provides water to our streams, lakes, ponds, rivers, and wetlands. Our city uses groundwater for drinking water and the groundwater beneath the homes in our community may travel great distances, eventually surfacing at springs or wells being used as ours or someone else's drinking water source. Animal waste, septic systems, pesticides, fertilizers, motor vehicle fluids, and many other substances can contaminate our drinking water if it is not maintained, used, or disposed of properly. Please do your part to make the effort to make sure our groundwater does not get contaminated. Once groundwater is polluted, it is very difficult and expensive to clean up. It is best to prevent groundwater pollution in the first place. The future quality of our groundwater and environment will depend upon well-informed and caring citizens.

Taste and Odor

Sometimes we get complaints that there is so much chlorine in the water that it smells like a swimming pool. It may smell like a swimming pool, but we are not adding additional chlorine. That strong chlorine smell is usually because there is not enough chlorine. What you smell is called Chloramines. This is caused by the reaction of chlorine, organics, and minerals in the water. I know it doesn't seem right, but that's usually it. This problem is usually found on dead-end lines and at the farthest reaches of the distribution system. If you have water quality problems, call us and we'll come out and see what we can do to make the water better. Our water does have a fair amount of iron and manganese. These minerals can settle to the bottom of our water lines. When this happens because of high water demand, such as a fire hydrant being opened, this sediment can get stirred up in the lines and you see dirty water. Again, call us so we can get that cleared up as soon as possible.

We, at the City of Aumsville, are working very hard to provide top-quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future. Please email me at soslie@aumsville.us with ideas, suggestions, and comments (good or bad). Also, talk to your city council members; they are the governing body that represents you.

IRRIGATION SYSTEMS AND BACKFLOW ASSEMBLIES

As a water user in Oregon, you are required to follow the laws about irrigation systems and the installation of backflow assemblies. If you have an irrigation system, you are required to have a backflow assembly correctly installed and tested every year to protect the public water system from contamination. Failure to obtain a plumbing permit, install, and test these assemblies can result in having your water service turned off. The City does not charge for the inspection, but a Marion County plumbing permit is required, and the owner is required to pay for the annual testing costs. For further information on backflow assembly requirements, contact Public Works Director Oslie at 503-749-1185.

Helpful Tips for Reducing Outdoor Water Use:

- A lawn only needs approximately one inch of water during the week to stay healthy and green.
- Like the color brown? Let your lawn go to sleep (dormant) for the summer. There are certain cases where you should water your lawn. If you have new sod or grass, excessive thatch buildup, poor soil conditions, or if it has been damaged by insects or disease, your lawn may not survive a period of dormancy.
- Water your lawn efficiently by properly maintaining and adjusting your irrigation system regularly.
- Look for broken sprinkler heads and misdirected spray.
- Be sure to check how much water you are applying weekly by adjusting your watering schedule. Some controllers will run irrigation water more than once a day.
- Set your watering schedule for early in the morning or late in the evening to avoid water loss from evaporation.
- Add a weather sensor to your irrigation system that shuts off your system when it is raining outside to help conserve water.
- Plant native plants that use less water once established.

• Encourage healthy root growth by watering deeply and infrequently. It is better to give your lawn a healthy dose of water a few times a week rather than a little bit of water every day. Conserving Aumsville's drinking water is easy to do and can save you money on your water bill. You can help conserve water in two ways. You can make behavioral changes to your everyday activities or you can replace older, inefficient fixtures in your home with newer, low-flow fixtures. Behavioral changes include things like taking shorter showers, using a hose nozzle to wash your car, sweeping off patios and decks instead of washing them off, and running full loads in your dishwasher or clothes washer. Behavioral changes can save water without any additional costs. Retrofitting or replacing your older fixtures can cost you money upfront, but should immediately help you save water and see savings on your next water bill.

WHAT THE EPA WANTS YOU TO KNOW ABOUT CONTAMINANTS IN SOURCE WATERS

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas

production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and which can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure tap water is safe to drink, the EPA establishes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations set limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

LEAD AND COPPER

New rules coming for lead reduction in our drinking water. To start, all water systems are required to inventory all water service lines, both city and customer sides of the water meter. We want you to know that Aumsville's water system does not have lead service lines and the chemistry of the water does not corrode and leach lead out of the pipes as easily. Every 3 years, the City samples water from some homes that have copper water lines, with lead-soldered joints, built during the years of lead-based solder. When replacing home fixtures, buy quality lead-free brands. Federal Legislation has brought about the Reduction of Lead in the Safe Drinking Water Act. (SDWA) This amended SDWA requires the reduction of the allowable lead content in brass products from 8.0% to 0.25% (weighted average). It requires water systems to use lead-free water meters and fittings, to reduce the chances of lead in our water. With these changes, water fittings cost the city more for meters, valves, and other various parts. This is partially the reason for the increase in water rates. The City and EPA want you to know the following: "If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Aumsville is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead."

Water Quality Data Table**Do I need to take special precautions?**

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. If this applies to you, seek advice about drinking water from your healthcare provider. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

FLUORIDE - There is no fluoride being added to your water. There are no requirements to add fluoride to our water at this time and there are no plans to do so.

Aumsville Water System Test Results

The City tests its drinking water as required by EPA and the Oregon Health Division's Drinking Water Program. Here are the results of some of the testing completed during the past year.

Unit Descriptions:

Term	Definition
ppm liter (mg/L)	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb liter (ug/L)	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/L)
NA	NA: Not applicable
ND	ND: Not detected
NR	NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended

Important Drinking Water Definitions

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. Extra Note: MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million

chance of having the described health effect.

TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

MRDL: Maximum residual disinfection level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for the control of microbial contaminants.

MRDLG: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

MNR: Monitored Not Regulated

MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level

Variations & Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

TEST RESULTS

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants						
Total Coliform Bacteria	N	ND	Present Or Not Present	0	No more than 1 positive monthly sample	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal coliform and <i>E.coli</i>	N	ND	Present Or Not Present	0	a routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or <i>E. coli</i> positive	Human and animal fecal waste

Total coliform testing was also performed at each of the 5 wells that the city operates; the results came back with no coliforms detected

TEST RESULTS

Lead and Copper Contaminants (2023)

20 samples taken at home sites that were built in the years when lead solder was used for connecting copper pipes.

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing.

If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2

minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an

infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.

Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	MCL/MRDL Violation Y/N	Highest average (AVG)	Range Low-High	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
TTHM (ppb) [Total Trihalomethanes]	N	13.9	na	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5 (ppb) [Total Haloacetic Acids]	N	ND	na	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine (ppm)	N	0.8	0.50 to 1.0	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Site Sample Results	Unit Measurement	# of sites found above the AL	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm) (90 th percentile)	8/30/2023 To 9/5/2023	ND	ppm	0	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb) (90 th percentile)	8/30/2023 To 9/5/2023	ND	ppb	0	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits

Inorganic Contaminants(2021)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	N	.275 (2023)	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Arsenic	N	ND	ppb		10	
Barium	N	9.38	ppb		2000	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	N	293	ppb		4000	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories

Radioactive Contaminants

Combined radium	N	ND	pCi/l	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
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There were many other water tests performed this year and tested below the detection limits. These are not included in this report. If you would like to see how our and other water systems are doing, visit the DHS Drinking Water Program website at www.yourwater.oregon.gov. Our water system (ws) name is the City of Aumsville; our PWS ID number is OR4100065. Click on the latest chemical results. The toilet is the least noticeable water waster you have in your home. Coming in close behind is your teenager with 45-minute showers. If you still have the old 5 or 3.5-gallon flush toilets, consider replacing them with a new 1.5-gallon flush toilet. They are much better than they used to be. We try to let you know when we think you are using more water than you normally use. In our experience, the biggest culprit by far is a leaking toilet. Check to see that the water in the tank is ¾ to an inch lower than the overflow. Chlorine tablets in the tank can deteriorate the rubber parts and cause leaks.

Congratulations, if you've read everything up to this point, thank you for being interested in your drinking water. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Steve Oslie, Public Works Director, at (503) 749-1185, or soslie@aumsville.us. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. Please attend any of our regularly scheduled City Council meetings. They are held on the second Monday of every month, at 7 pm, in the Community Center.

The following may not be complete minutes from these meetings. You can find the full approved minutes from all City Council meetings on our website at www.aumsville.us/city-council.

Mayor Angelica Ceja called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. The meeting was video recorded to be released later.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Councilor Seney moved to approve the agenda as amended, adding items 3C and 3D as presented by staff. Councilor Lee seconded. Council present voted unanimously to approve the amended agenda. Amended agenda approved.

PRESENTATIONS: A) Marion County Youth Tobacco and Substance Use: Marion County Tobacco Education and Prevention Program Coordinator Conor Foley and Marion County Substance Abuse Coordinator Diana Dickey presented on the recent trends in youth substance abuse. They presented data collected via surveys from schools within Marion County. B) Aumsville Historical Society: Aumsville Historical Society President Ted Shepard presented a yearly report on the Museum and the Aumsville Historic Society. C) Employee Awards Presentation: Chief of Police Damian Flowers presented the Officer of the Year award to Officer Phillip Wright and the Reserve Officer of the Year to Officer David Hagen. CA Harding presented Employee of the Year to APWD Matthew Etzel. CA Harding then presented 10-Year Longevity Awards to APWD Matthew Etzel, Finance Officer Joshua Hoyer, and a Five-Year Longevity Award to Public Utility Worker III Matthew Winans. Mayor Ceja thanked all staff for their dedication and hard work. **VISITORS:** Conor Foley, Phoebe Barker, Diana Dickey, and Ted Shepard.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilor Seney moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilor Lee seconded the motion. Council present voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING: A) Resolution 01-24, Adopting a Supplemental Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and Making Supplemental Appropriations for the Street Fund and Public Works Equipment Fund: Mayor Ceja opened the public hearing at 7:33 on 01-24 Adopting a Supplemental Budget for

Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and Making Supplemental Appropriations for the Street Fund and Public Work Equipment Fund. CA Harding explained that the City approved a couple of projects that were budgeted before the bids were received and the bids were higher than the approved budget. For the Public Works Building, Fund 16, the bid came back higher than the budget and the City got a fill-in loan. Now, the budget needs to be amended to reconcile the difference between the amount originally budgeted for and the amount of the loan. CA Harding then discussed the Street Fund budget, Fund 14, also needed to be amended as the City has received a \$250,000 grant and the engineers have estimated the cost of street improvements to be about \$400,000. The street improvements have not been sent out for bid yet. There were no public comments. Mayor Ceja closed the public hearing at 7:36pm. Councilor Seney moved to approve Resolution 01-24, to modify Budget Appropriations as presented by staff. Councilor Wick seconded the motion. Council present voted unanimously to pass the motion. Motion passed.

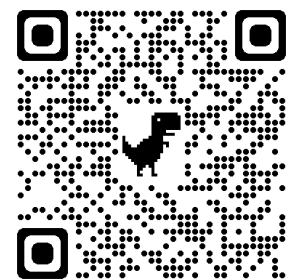
CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: CA Harding discussed the City's audit report and stated the report looked good and the City is doing well financially. CA Harding presented the State of the City presentation to Council. CA Harding showed slides with the Council's goals and highlighted repairs; improvements; grants; and new projects including drilling for a new well, new public works building, and street improvements the City has made to accomplish them. In closing, CA Harding discussed the progress and hard work City staff does as they implement Council's goals to improve the City. CA Harding detailed the City has two bills in the Oregon legislature asking for aid in funding the sewer project and potable water project. CA Harding highlighted that staff is tracking bills that will affect Aumsville and how the City is still implementing legislative changes from the last two sessions. Mayor Ceja commented, referencing the slide on grants received since 2018, how much work applying and working on grants is and that it's a

community effort. Mayor Ceja stated it shows how far Aumsville has come and she is very proud of staff.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS AND INITIATIVES: Councilor Seney stated there is a SKATS meeting on February 27 where she will be giving a presentation. Mayor Ceja will also be attending in support of Councilor Seney. Mayor Ceja commented the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments (MWVCOG) dinner is February 28th and the Spring Conference is coming up. Mayor Ceja also mentioned she will be participating in a radio interview with Stayton, Sublimity, and Turner mayors on the "If I Were Mayor" contest. Mayor Ceja encouraged Councilors to attend any meetings they thought would be beneficial or relevant to the community. Councilor Seney explained that the South Marion County Community Meetings are where Councilors can go meet with the commissioners to talk about community needs, wants, and what they appreciate from the commissioners. Both Mayor Ceja and Councilor Seney have attended meetings in the past.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Councilor Seney stated last week at the food pantry they had 62 families representing over 174 individuals.

Mayor Ceja adjourned the meeting without prejudice at 8:27 PM.



April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Planning Commission @ 6pm as needed	5 Blood Drive 10-3:30pm AFD	6
7 AA Meeting 5:30pm	8 City Council 7pm	9	10	11 Aumsville Food Pantry 12-4PM Historic	12 Volunteer Dessert Social 6-8pm	13
14 AA Meeting 5:30pm	15	16	17	18 Planning Commission @ 6pm as needed	19	20 Bethel Clothing Closet 9-12PM
21 AA Meeting 5:30pm	22 TAG DAY City Council 7pm	23	24 SHUT OFF DAY	25 Meter Read Aumsville Food Pantry 12-4PM	26	27
28 AA Meeting 5:30pm	29	30				

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Bethel Baptist Church Clothing Closet: Clothing from newborn through 2X, open the 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM through Noon at Bethel Baptist Church.

Aumsville Community Food Pantry: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, 645 Cleveland Street in the Ministry Center. Noon-4pm @ Bethel Baptist

Awana Club: Preschool-6th grade. Meets every Wednesday 6:30 PM at Bethel Baptist Church, 645 Cleveland St.

Aumsville Museum: The museum is open Saturdays, 11-2pm. To visit by appointment outside scheduled hours please phone Ted Shepard @ 503-749-2744.

AA Meetings: Every Sunday, 5:30pm at Bethel Baptist

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City of Aumsville Event Volunteers
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<https://www.facebook.com/AumsvilleExchangeClub/aumsvilleexchange@gmail.com>

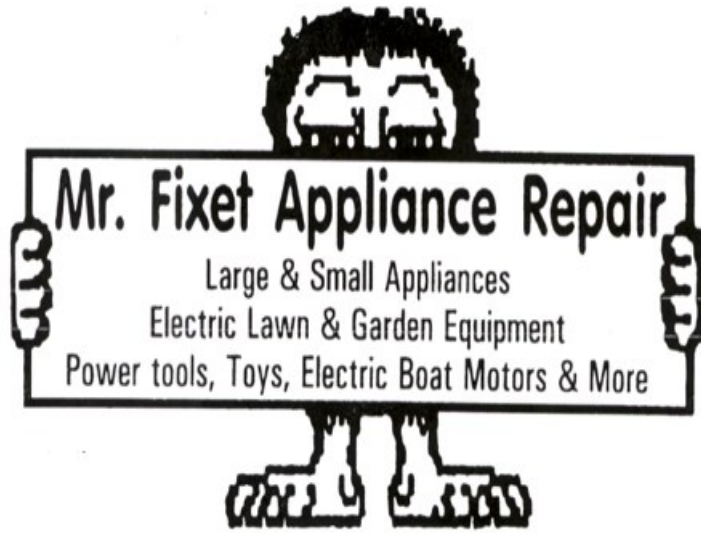


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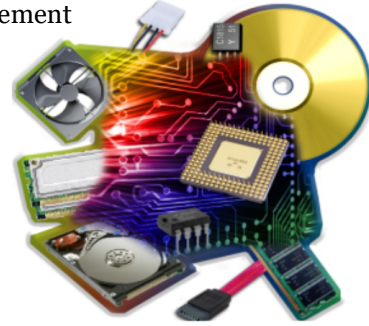


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 Friday-April 26, 2024 Only
 8:30 am Mass

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1st —3rd—& 5th Saturdays
 3:30 pm — 4:30 pm

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