

St. Mark Shoreline



St. Mark Parish

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March 14, 2021

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School Office

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm
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Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Sunday Mass

8:30 am & 10:30 am

Weekday Mass

Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 9:30 am
Wednesday: 6:30 pm

Confessions

Wednesday-Friday: 5:00 pm
Saturday: 3:00 pm

Appointments are welcome! Call Fr. Maurer.

PARISH INFORMATION



The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 14 *Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday*

8:30 am, Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*)

10:30 am Mass, Church (incense) (*Pastor's Intention*)

Monday, March 15

9:30 am, Daily Mass, Church (Kathleen Walker, RIP)

Tuesday, March 16

No Morning Mass

Wednesday, March 17 *St. Patrick's Day*

5:00 pm Confessions, Church

5:00 pm Adoration, Church

5:45 pm Benediction, Church

6:00 pm Evening Prayer, Church

6:30 pm Daily Mass, Church (deceased members of the Thaler and Mitchell families)

7:00 pm Faith Matters, Church

Thursday, March 18

9:30 am, Daily Mass, Church (Louise Kenzora, RIP)

5:00 pm Confessions, Church

6:30 pm Parent Club

Friday, March 19 *Solemnity of St. Joseph*

9:30 am Mass, Church (deceased members of the Third Order of Mary)

1:45 pm Stations of the Cross, Church

5:00 pm Confessions, Church

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross, Church

Saturday, March 20

9:30 am Daily Mass, Church (Ann Walker, RIP)

10:30 am Altar Server Training, Church

12 noon Games & Grace with Father Maurer, Sullivan Hall

3:00 pm Confessions, Church

5:00 pm Vigil Mass, Church (*St. Mark Faculty & Staff*)

Sunday, March 21 *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*

10:30 am Mass, Church (incense) (*Pastor's Intention*)

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St. Mark Parish Website

www.saintmarkshoreline.org

Stewardship as of March 7, 2021 for
Fiscal Year July, 2020-June, 2021:

Weekly amount needed: \$17,310

Last Week Collection: \$19,138

Year to date needed: \$623,160

Actual given year to date: \$535,514

Difference: (87,646)

Online Giving:

Total givers: 125

Amount given online: \$11,899



Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Cf. Is 66: 10-11

Providentially, this week combines two joyful moments in the life of the Church, **Laetare Sunday** and the **Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Husband of Mary**.

Taking its title from the antiphon (above) that starts with ‘rejoice’, Laetare Sunday marks the mid-way point of Lent. The penitential violet color is briefly replaced with rose as



we anticipate the white of Easter (the color rose is created by the blending of violet and white). We even get to finish off the week with Joseph’s solemnity, which happens to abrogate the normal Friday obligation to fast from meat (see Code of Canon Law 1251)!

With Saint Joseph, may we rejoice in the triumph of Christ over sin & death and ask his intercession that we may draw closer to Him.

March 19 is the **Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**.

Though this solemn celebration is honored every year, it holds special significance during this Year of Saint Joseph pronounced by Pope Francis on December 8 of last year.

In his letter *Patris corde* (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis speaks about the courage of Saint Joseph in agreeing to take on the role & responsibilities of being Jesus’ earthly father. He also highlights the largely quiet nature of Saint Joseph’s role in Scripture:

Each of us can discover in Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all.

There is a popular devotional that the pope also explores in his letter: the phrase “Go to Joseph”. How might we more consciously seek refuge in Saint Joseph’s care and entrust ourselves to his fatherly affection?

Concluding his reflection with the traditional ‘Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer’, Pope Francis reminds us that approaching Jesus’ earthly father is both simple and profound: “We need only ask Saint Joseph for the grace of graces: our conversion.”

Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Foster Father of Jesus, pray for us!

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



Shedding Light on Pornography, Part III

Pornography is a not-so secret dark issue for many. It damages the fabric of our society through damaging families and communities alike.

The family is a foundation of society. Within the family children's values are formed. Parents are the first and most influential teachers a child has. The family is where children learn skills, morals and values that help shape who they are. The virtues a child learns within the family, supported by their school and their church, they then apply as adults to their interactions with their community, their work and to society both politically and socially.

Pornography can result in the devaluation of monogamy, marriage and child rearing. Prolonged exposure to pornography can foster dissatisfaction with a spouse's affection. In survey data collected from divorce lawyers in Chicago, it was observed that 56% of divorce cases involved one party having an obsessive interest in pornographic websites. Co-parenting is difficult enough for even the most dedicated divorced parents, but the added stress of any addiction can have disastrous effects for the children in the family.

Sexually oriented businesses - pornography stores, strip clubs, etc. - deleteriously affect their surrounding communities financially. A study in Centralia, Washington found that after a sexually oriented business opened the serious crime (violent crime, auto theft and arson) rate rose significantly in the vicinity of that address.

These businesses affect property values. The closer a property is to a sexually oriented business the more its value depreciates. A study of commercial property from Dallas, Texas found that property sales were significantly lower per square foot in areas in close proximity to sexually oriented businesses.

~The Effects of Pornography on Marriage & Community, 2009 & USCCB

Parish Prayer Intentions

For the ill...

Jim & Virginia Helbling, Margarita Andrijic,
Teresa Schoen, Michael Stevens, Bill and Maria Lersch,
Christopher John Kelling, Vicki Langlot

For the deceased...

Seamus Walsh

St. Mark Parish Faith Matters Program

Faith Matters will meet Wednesday, March 17, at 7:00 pm in the church right after 6:30 pm daily Mass. Our topic will be Virtues: Fortitude (we will save Temperance for the following week, because, well, St. Paddy's is the 17th!). We will take off Wednesday, March 31 and Wednesday, April 7 for Holy Week and Easter. Everyone is welcome, please come! If you have questions email Deacon Kirk at kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org, or call him at (206) 364-7900.

Games & Grace

Join Farther Maurer in Sullivan Hall on Saturdays from 12 noon until 3:00 pm for Games & Grace! Bring your favorite table top board or card game. This gaming group aims to build fraternity and create a space for fun and theological conversation. Everyone is welcome. Stop by Saturday to see what it's all about.

"Love is never something ready made, something merely 'given' to man and woman; it is always at the same time a 'task' which they are set. Love should be seen as something which in a sense never 'is' but is always only 'becoming', and what it becomes depends up on the contribution of both persons and the depth of their commitment."

~St. John Paul II, Love and Responsibility

St. Mark Church is Open

The church is open every day from 9:00 am until at least 4:00 pm. On Wednesdays and Saturdays it is open later and on Sundays earlier.

Mass is celebrated at St. Mark in the church, every day of the week except Tuesday, and requires no advance registration, just come! Times are listed in the calendar section of this bulletin. There is plenty of room, Covid protocols are observed (we must wear face coverings and maintain social distance) and there is frequent cleaning.

While perusing the calendar please notice extra confession times for Lent, on Wednesdays there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church, Benediction and evening prayers!

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



St. Mark Catholic Classical School Registration is Open for Fall 2021

Registration is open for preschool through eighth grade for Fall 2021. The first day of school is Tuesday, September 7, 2021 and we will all be in school the first day. All paperwork is online and can be accessed through the school website, www.stmss.org. Find the Admissions tab and scroll down to tuition and affordability.

All new families will be asked to meet with Mr. Kathryn Palmquist-Keck before finalizing their paperwork. Give your child the gift of a Catholic Classical education, creating saints for God.

St. Mark School Lion's Fund

The Annual Lion's Drive 300 X 500 Campaign is the primary fund raising endeavor of St. Mark Catholic Classical School this year. It's simple. If 300 families donate \$500 or more we will meet our goal of achieving at least \$150,000 for our school. This will help support basic needs of our school including teacher salaries.

So far 134 donors have pledged \$76,088 which is just over 50% of our goal. Thank you! Our donations are tax deductible. Please consider donating the amount you would normally spend at the annual auction to the Annual Lion's Fund this year! Send a check made payable to St. Mark Catholic Classical School to either the school or the parish office or donate online directly at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/149/DirectDonate/2105>.

Thank you for your continued support of our school.



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Grief Ministry at St. Mark

Grief as a result of the loss of a loved one is not a journey we must take alone. We know that while God doesn't rejoice in our suffering, He is always present in it. Grief changes the way we see ourselves and the world around us and communion (fellowship) with others not only helps us heal but those we journey with as well. Please consider joining our upcoming grief group. We will meet once a week for about eight weeks. Meetings will begin the end of March.

Please call or email Laura in the office with any questions, to sign up or for more information (206) 364-7900, laural@saintmarkshoreline.org.

"Our grieving hearts say to us of our loved ones who have died, 'We Belong together!' and God says to us in response, 'You're right! You have all been made to be together forever in me. My grace is at work in this temporary separation, in this great mysterious symphony of being. Be at peace and know your loved ones are safely with me.'"
~Archbishop J. Peter Sartain

Forty Days for Life

During the National 40 Days for Life groups and individuals across the country prayerfully and peacefully gather to pray publicly for an end to abortion. The campaign runs through March 28. Locally, we will meet on 76th Avenue and 196th Street in Lynnwood.

For more information go to www.40daysforlife.com

"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

~Jeremiah 29:11

Frequently Requested Numbers

Boy Scouts: Dennis Halpin (206) 365-1971

Knights of Columbus: Greg Insley (206) 271-4599

St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: (206) 767-6449

Queen of Heaven Guild: Sylvia Ebert (206) 419-3115

Funeral Volunteers: Gini Harmon (206) 364-6834

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille (206) 706-2608

Holyrood Cemetery: (206) 363-8404

Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234

Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

Marian Caskets: (206) 463-6245



Novena to St. Joseph

Let us join in a novena of prayer to St. Joseph as we prepare to celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 19. Offer the prayer on the following page, on your own or with others. Along with your personal intentions, you are invited to focus on these special prayer intentions for each day of the novena.

March 10

For a greater openness to God's will for us and the courage to follow wherever God may lead

March 11

For the "unsung heroes" who have kept us going during the pandemic, especially health care workers, teachers and essential workers

March 12

For all who work, and for all who are unemployed or underemployed, that they may be treated with justice and dignity

March 13

For migrants and refugees, forced like the Holy Family to leave their homeland, that they may find safety and welcome

March 14

For our local Church, that we may proclaim the Gospel with integrity, and serve Christ in the poor and the afflicted

March 15

For the dying, that God may grant them the grace of a happy death and give comfort and peace to their families

March 16

For all who have authority over others-bishops and priests, elected officials, teachers, supervisors, and parents-that, like Joseph, they may be examples of gentleness and fidelity

March 17

For husbands and fathers, that they may learn from St. Joseph to be gentle, loving, faithful and courageous

March 18

For families, especially families in crisis, that they may draw strength from the example and intercession of St. Joseph and the Holy Family

March 19 – Solemnity of St. Joseph

Celebrate this Solemnity, and the beginning of the Year of the Family, by joining in Mass in your parish, in person or via livestream.

Novena Prayer

All make the sign of the Cross

Scripture Verse

“Where did this man get such wisdom and mighty deeds? Is he not the carpenter’s son?” (*Matthew 13:54-55*)

Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Pope Francis, *Patris Corde*

Litany

Leader: Joseph most just,

ALL: pray for us.

Leader: Joseph most strong,

ALL: pray for us.

Leader: Joseph most faithful,

ALL: pray for us.

All make the sign of the Cross

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