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SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

PARISH INFORMATION



The Week Ahead

Sunday, May 2 *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*
10:30 am, Mass, Church (incense) (*Archdiocesan Clergy*)
12:30 pm, Princess Angeline, Sullivan Hall

Monday, May 3

No Morning Mass
6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria
7:00 pm, Grief Group, Sullivan Hall

Tuesday, May 4

No Morning Mass

Wednesday, May 5

11:30 am, Queen of Heaven Guild, Sullivan Hall
5:00 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church
6:00 pm, Benediction & Evening Prayer
No Daily Mass
7:00 pm, Faith Matters, Sullivan Hall

Thursday, May 6

No Morning Mass
7:00 pm, Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark, Session II, Sullivan Hall

Friday, May 7

No Morning Mass

Saturday, May 8

9:30 am, Morning Mass, Church, (Daniel Lynch)
12 noon, Games & Grace, Sullivan Hall
3:00 pm, Confessions, Church
5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (*St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff*)

Sunday, May 9 *Sixth Sunday of Easter, Mothers Day*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*
10:30 am, Mass, Church (incense) (*Archdiocesan Clergy*)

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St. Mark Parish Location

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Stewardship as of April 25, 2021 for
Fiscal Year July, 2020-June, 2021:

Weekly amount needed: \$17,310
Last Week Collection: \$8,450
Year to date needed: \$744,330
Actual given year to date: \$636,564
Difference: (107,766)
Online Giving:
Total givers: 82
Amount given online: \$5,239



WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

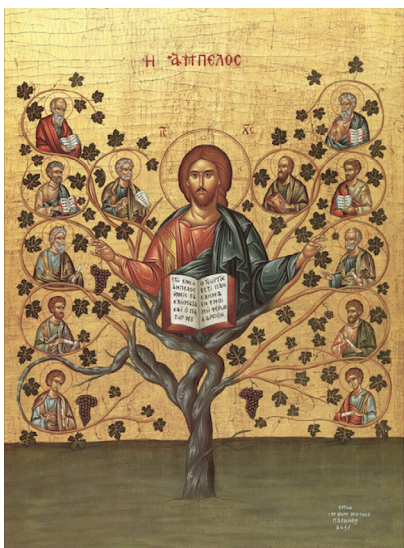
- Father Jacob Maurer

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

Cf. Ps 98 (97): 1-2

This week I was reading through the section of the Code of Canon Law (the law of the Church) on the responsibilities of a pastor. This section (CIC 529 §2) jumped out at me:

A pastor is to recognize and promote the proper part which the lay members of the Christian faithful have in the mission of the Church, by fostering their associations for the purposes of religion. He is to cooperate with his own bishop and the presbyterium of the diocese, also working so that the faithful have concern for parochial communion, consider themselves members of the diocese and of the



universal Church, and participate in and sustain efforts to promote this same communion.

It may be tempting to think of ourselves as the ‘us’ to the ‘they’ of the archdiocese, the archbishop, the pope, or even the Church at large.

‘They’ do things one way, ‘we’ do things our way. ‘They’ aren’t ‘us’, so we feel free dismiss ‘them’, going our own way.

Jesus reminds us that “Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me.” If we have rejected our connection to Christ, the Church and the successors to the Apostles who govern Her, we reject Christ! May we carefully work and faithfully pray for unity, that we may be one in the Lord.

This Monday, May 3rd, we celebrate the feast of two Apostles: Saints Philip and James (the lesser or ‘the Just’).



Philip was one of the first called by Christ and in his zeal invited Nathaniel - answering Nathaniel’s doubt simply: ‘Come and see’

After the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, James remained and served as bishop there. He was called ‘James the Just’ due to his purity, mortification, and prayer.

You may be aware that clergy are required by Church law (CIC 276 §2 4/) to take an annual retreat. Unlike vacation time, a retreat is an opportunity to withdraw from daily work and worldly distractions in order to focus on one’s relationship with the Lord. A typical clergy retreat involves time for holy hours, spiritual reading, and time in quiet prayer.

All this to say that along with a brother priest, I will be going on my annual retreat over this coming week. Rest assured of my prayers for you throughout.



PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



St. Mark Parish Faith Matters Program

Faith Matters meets on Wednesday, May 5 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall with the topic of: Sacred Scripture (part three in the Series of The Profession of Faith). Everyone is welcome! If you have any questions please contact Deacon Kirk at kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org, or (206) 364-7900.

Bible Study Returns to St. Mark

Bible study returned to St. Mark on Thursday, April 29 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall. We are studying the Gospel of Mark with Deacon Kirk. The Sessions are both live streamed and recorded but in person attendance is encouraged, if the participant is comfortable.

Session information can be found on the St. Mark Faith Matters calendar.

We can still sign up for the series. If you would like to sign up, or if you have questions, please contact Deacon Kirk at kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org or call him at (206) 364-7900 x105.

Pray the Rosary with Archbishop Etienne

We can pray the Rosary with Archbishop Etienne anytime convenient for us just by going to the Archdiocese of Seattle's Vimeo at: <https://vimeo.com/424251219>

Parish Prayer Intentions

For the ill...

Bill and Maria Lersch, Vicki Langlot, Ted Gormley, Zoe Rossetto, George Helbling, Debi Newton, John Favero

For the deceased...

Kay Buechler

Frank Cook

William Green

Conrado Zabala

Cesar Zabala

St. Mark Catholic Classical School News

Amazon Smile: Did you know we can shop on Amazon, buy the same products we would anyway, and earn money for our school with no additional cost to ourselves? We can!

- Open the Amazon app on your phone.
- Select the main menu (=) and tap "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features.
- Select "St. Mark Parish School" as your charity.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app.

That's it! It's such an easy way to support our school with no additional costs to us!

School Jog A Thon: The 2021 Jog A Thon raised \$21,671 for the school! Kindergarten and second grade each raised \$4,910 and won a movie party. The top earners were Izabela, Noah and Stella-congratulations to them and to all students who participated.



Annual Catholic Appeal, 2021

This year's Annual Catholic Appeal has us reflect on *A Future Full of Hope: Passion for our Faith, Promise for our Future, Care for our Community and Love for our Family*. Please prayerfully consider giving to the needs of our Archdiocese as we conduct the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal.

The ACA supports over 60 ministries and services throughout the Archdiocese.

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



Next Step Pregnancy Services Gala

Next Step Pregnancy Services 2021 Virtual Gala will be Saturday, June 19 at 7:00 pm. Save the date!

If you have items, baskets or experiences to donate to the Silent Auction please contact Heather at heather@nextstepnw.com.

The mission of Next Step Pregnancy Services is to protect the family in its entirety from conception to birth and beyond, providing compassionate service and knowledgeable advice on pregnancy, parenting, health and empowerment.

To learn more about Next Step and its mission please go to <https://nextstepnw.com/>

Saturday Games and Grace

Games and Grace will be held in Sullivan Hall on Saturday, May 1 at 12 noon. Father Maurer will be back so bring your favorite table-top or board game to play in a space for fun and theological conversation. Everyone is welcome.

Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 9 begins our Mother's Day Novena of masses for 2021. Father Maurer will offer these masses for all mothers living and deceased. If you would like to make a donation to the parish in honor of your, or any, mother (not a mass stipend) please just make a note on the memo line of your check.

Lector Training

Are you a current or former lector that desires to continue or return to lectoring in the future? Are you interested in becoming a new lector? If so, we invite you to attend our mandatory Lector Training with Fr. Maurer on Saturday, May 15 after the 9:30 am Mass in Sullivan Hall. It will be an informative session for all lectors whether you are brand new or have been lectoring for years and is required to be attended before continuing within this ministry. Please contact Veronica Olson at veronicaol@stmarkshoreline.org or (206) 364-7900 x108 to RSVP or with any questions.

Daily Mass Cancellations

- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, May 3
- † Daily Mass at 6:30 pm is canceled Wednesday, May 5
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Thursday, May 6
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Friday, May 7
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Saturday, June 26

St. Mark Parish Office Spring Hours

Please note our new office opening hours: The parish office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm and on Friday from 9:00 am until 12 noon.

Princess Angeline

Princess Angeline meets today, May 2 at 12:30 pm in Sullivan Hall. Bring crafts to share and your rosary.

Queen of Heaven Guild

The May meeting for the Queen of Heaven Guild will be Wednesday, May 5 at 11:30 am in Sullivan Hall. Please come and keep the momentum going in support of St. Mark. If you have questions, or need more information, please call Sylvia at (206) 419-3115.

"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

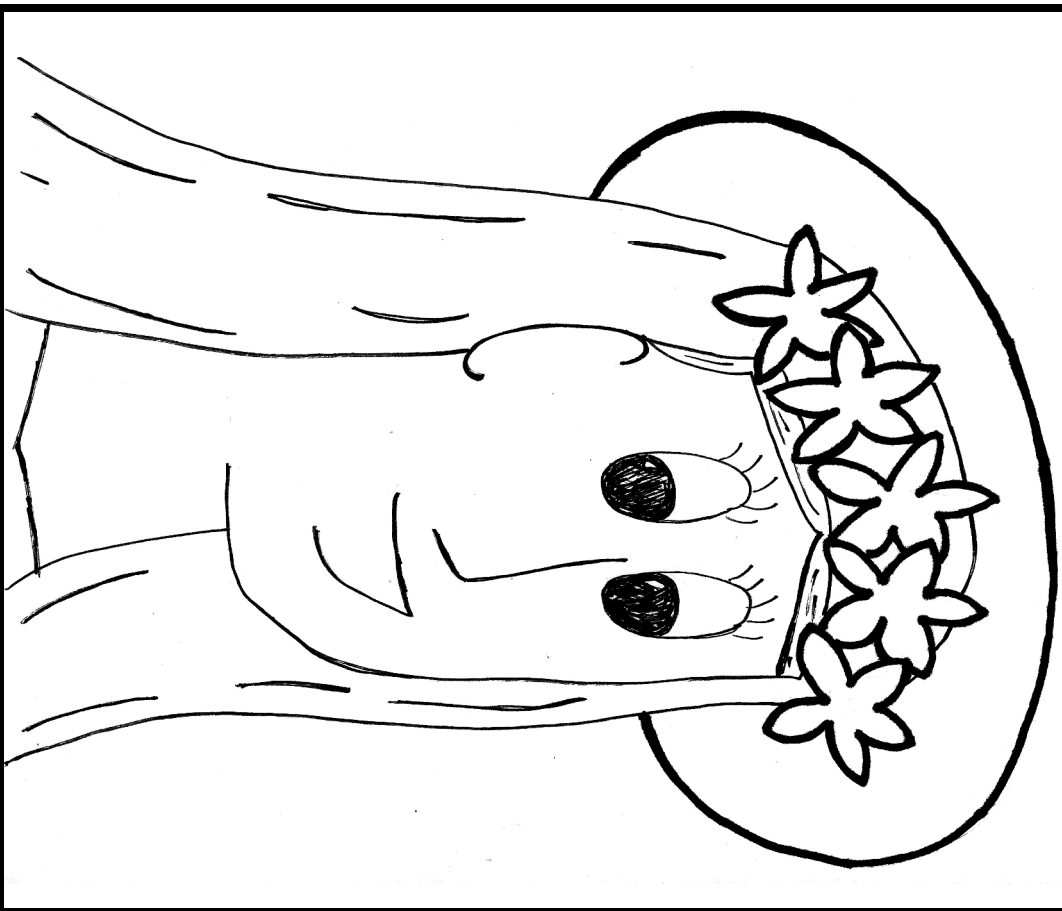
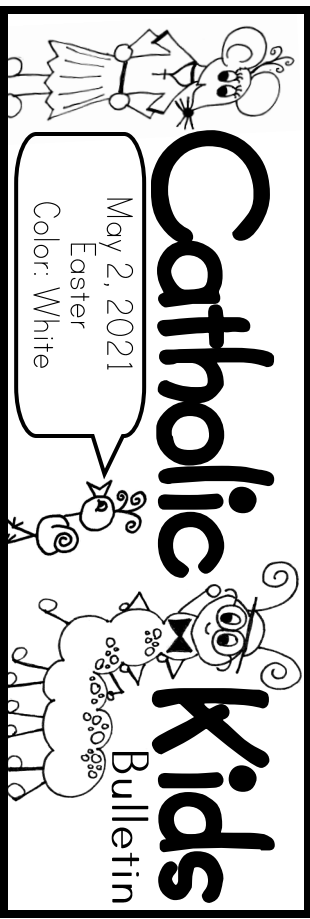
Frequently Requested Numbers

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 Cemetary: (206) 363-8404
Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234
Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100
Marian Caskets: (206) 463-6245

Mary, Mother of God

Mary is in Heaven with God. We can ask her to pray for us!


Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Catholic Kids
Bulletin

May 2, 2021
Easter
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<p>I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.</p>	
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Look for symbols of Mary
in your church.

Sun Moon Stars Snake Lily Rose Apple Globe

Welcome to THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY

- What is the Year of the Family?
- Why did Pope Francis establish it in addition to Year of St. Joseph?
- What is *Amoris Laetitia*, and why is it important to you and your family?
- How can your family start living the joy of God's love more deeply?



What is the Year of the Family?

Pope Francis established the Year of the Family on March 19, 2021, the solemnity of St. Joseph. This also marks the fifth anniversary of the publication of his apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* ("The joy of love"), which explores the beauty and joy found in family life. The Year of the Family will conclude on June 26, 2022, which is the start of the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome.

Why did Pope Francis establish it in addition to Year of St. Joseph?

When he announced the Year of the Family, Pope Francis said, "Let us entrust this journey with the families of the whole world to the Holy Family of Nazareth, in particular to St. Joseph, attentive spouse and father." Both the Year of the Family and the Year of St. Joseph are ways for families and parents to grow in love with God and each other, with the Holy Family as their example.

Why is *Amoris Laetitia* important to you and your family?

In this Year of the Family, Pope Francis invites us to listen to the invitation he offered in *Amoris Laetitia* again: "an invitation to Christian families to value the gifts of marriage and the family, and to persevere in a love strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity and patience." *Amoris Laetitia* is important to all families as it emphasizes the family's vocation and mission of love and explains what this means in everyday life. It also addresses the challenges families face in today's world, the day-to-day reality of family life, and how to accompany and care for each other with Christ's mercy and healing.



Hope after a difficult year

A little over a year ago, standing alone in an empty St. Peter's Square, Pope Francis addressed a frightened and anxious world describing the emerging coronavirus pandemic as a storm.

"The storm exposes our vulnerability and uncovers those false and superfluous certainties around which we have constructed our daily schedules, our projects, our habits and priorities. It shows us how we have allowed to become dull and feeble the very things that nourish, sustain and strengthen our lives and our communities. The tempest lays bare all our prepackaged ideas and forgetfulness of what nourishes our people's souls; all those attempts that anesthetize us with ways of thinking and acting that supposedly 'save' us, but instead prove incapable of putting us in touch with our roots and keeping alive the memory of those who have gone before us. We deprive ourselves of the antibodies we need to confront adversity."

As the storm of the coronavirus begins to abate, Pope Francis knows that we must return to what truly nourishes our souls: encounter with God. He is calling us to meet the Lord in the Eucharist and in our families.

How your family can live the joy of God's love more deeply

1. Return to in-person Mass.

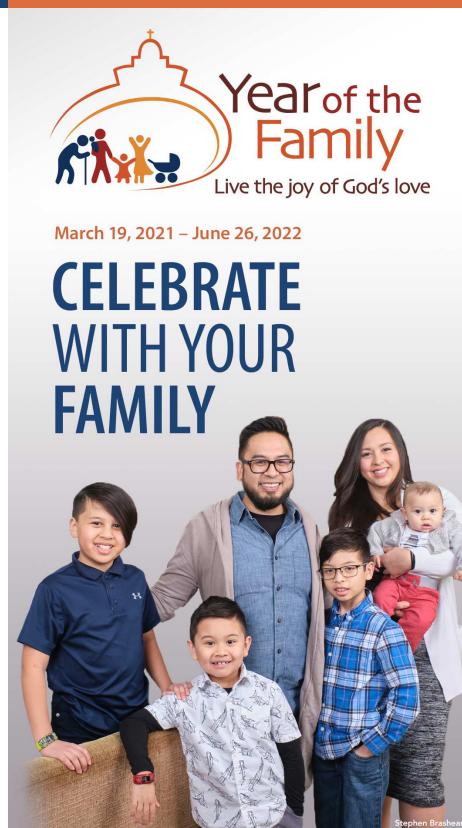
Consider attending Mass in person so you can receive the real presence of Jesus.

2. Let your children know Jesus is really there.

If your children wonder why should they go to Mass rather than watch it online, let them know that when we receive the Eucharist, we really receive Jesus in the host and it helps us grow closer to him and love him and others better.

3. Sign up for At Home with Faith.

This weekly email from Marriage and Family Life provides parents practical tips on how to share the faith with our children in two minutes or less. Go to AtHomewithFaith.org to sign up.



Our food and our fuel is the Eucharist

When COVID prevented him from attending his grandfather's funeral and kept his family away from the Eucharist, it broke Aires Patulot's heart. But he and his wife Aleah responded by focusing more on helping their children grow in faith and worship at home ([read article at NWatholic.org](http://NWatholic.org)). When they returned to the Eucharist, they did so with a renewed appreciation, realizing "our food and our fuel is the Eucharist."

Not all of us responded as well as the Patulots during this time. But all of us can seize this opportunity to return to the Eucharist with a renewed openness to Jesus' power to strengthen us and renew us in faith, hope and love.

For more information and resources on the Year of the Family:

Go to archseattle.org/YOF

For weekly issues of At Home with Faith:

Go to AtHomewithFaith.org

For more information and resources on the Year of St. Joseph:

Go to archseattle.org/StJoseph



DID YOU KNOW?



A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE



The Annual Catholic Appeal is a combined effort of 169 parishes that supports a vibrant Catholic community in Western Washington! It funds Catholic social ministries, programs for youth and young adults, Catholic schools, and faith formation, plus administrative support for parishes such as liturgy guidance, evangelization, human resources, and much more.

73 Catholic schools educating more than 20,000 students • Catholic Newman Centers • Catholic Youth Convention
CYO athletics and camps • Faith formation • Hospital ministry • Immigrant ministry • Mental health ministry
Multicultural ministry • Northwest Catholic magazine • Parish support services such as human resources and liturgy guidance
Prison ministry • V Encuentro • Youth and young adult ministry and retreats

As you can see, your gift makes a big impact on the lives of others, and gifts of any amount are welcome! Please consider a gift of \$1 a day (\$365), or 5% more than your gift last year.

THANK YOU

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