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SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." - Mk 14:23-25

PARISH INFORMATION



The Week Ahead

Sunday, June 6 *Corpus Christi*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*
10:30 am, Mass, Church (incense) (*Archdiocesan Clergy*)
11:30 am, Corpus Christi Procession following 10:30 am Mass
11:30 am, Coffee & Donuts Reception, Cafeteria
12:00 noon, Princess Angeline, Sullivan Hall

Monday, June 7

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

Tuesday, June 8

No Morning Mass
7:00 pm, Knights of Columbus, Sullivan Hall

Wednesday, June 9

5:00 pm, Confessions, Church
5:00 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church
6:00 pm, Benediction & Evening Prayer
6:30 pm, Mass, Church (Christopher Jensen)
7:00 pm, Faith Matters, Sullivan Hall

Thursday, June 10

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Richard Bruins, RIP)
5:00 pm, McTeacher's Night, Ballinger McDonald's
7:00 pm, Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark, Sullivan Hall

Friday, June 11

9:30 am, Mass, Church (William Green, RIP)

Saturday, June 12

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Elisa Diangco, RIP)
3:00 pm, Confessions, Church
5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (*St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff*)

Sunday, June 13 *Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*
10:30 am, Eighth Grade Baccalaureate Mass, Church (everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend)
12:00 noon, Eighth Grade Graduation Ceremony, Gym

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Stewardship as of May 30, 2021 for
Fiscal Year July, 2020-June, 2021:

Weekly amount needed: \$17,310
Last Week Collection: \$12,606
Year to date needed: \$830,880
Actual given year to date: \$708,704
Difference: (122,176)
Online Giving:
Total givers: 88
Amount given online: \$6,836



He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

Cf. Ps 81 (80): 17

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or Corpus Christi Sunday, is a fitting capstone to our entry into Ordinary Time. Though we have been in this season for a full two weeks, this celebration reminds us that we are sent into the world by God with the greatest of sustenance: Christ Himself.

There is a temptation to minimize the reality of the Eucharist, to say that it is ‘just’ a symbol or that it is primarily about communion. The crazy thing is that these dismissals are self-defeating!

Unlike a picture, which only represents and reminds us of what it portrays, a symbol makes actually present what is portrayed. Whenever we celebrate the Eucharist, Jesus is **actually** there! It’s not just a picture or a sign, its Him - we eat His Body and drink His Blood.

If that makes us uncomfortable, good! Were this anything other than a free gift given for an absolute necessity, it would be horrific. But it is a freely given gift. And we desperately need the nourishment that this gift alone can offer.

What does it mean that I eat, drink, and swallow the Body & Blood of Christ? How am I preparing myself to be properly disposed so as to receive Him worthily? This celebration invites us to take seriously the gift we receive, so that we might never take it for granted but instead receive the Lord with due reverence and thanksgiving.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a devotion that the Church heartily encourages in the lives of the faithful. Clerics and laity alike are called to spend time in prayer, and there is no better prayer than with the Lord Himself!

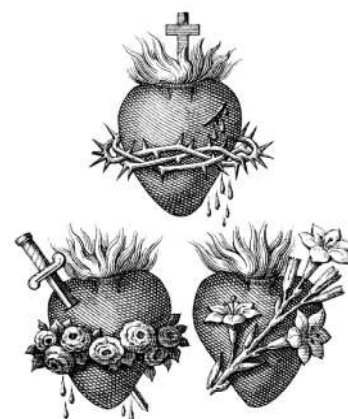


Although adoration may be formally done with exposition of the Eucharist in a monstrance (as pictured above), it may be offered where ever the Eucharist is reserved. At Saint Mark parish, our church is open every weekday from 9 am to 4 pm. Consider stopping in to spend a few moments!

This Friday & Saturday are the celebrations of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** (Friday) and the **Immaculate Heart of Mary** (Saturday).

Devotion to the heart of Jesus invites us to share in His love for all humankind - growing in charity such that we might love others as He loves them.

Devotion to the heart of Mary invites us to share in her love for Jesus, loving Him as she did. May we pray for more perfect love in our own hearts!



The sacred hearts of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



St. Mark Parish Faith Matters Program

Faith Matters will meet on Wednesday, June 9 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall just after the 6:30 pm Mass. The topic this week will be *Sin and Redemption*. Everyone is welcome! We can attend in person or join in on the live stream. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Kirk at kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org, or (206) 364-7900.

Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark

Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall. We are studying the Gospel of Mark with Deacon Kirk. This week's session on Thursday, June 10, is titled, "Faith not Fear." 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.

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.

McTeacher's Night

After an unavoidable hiatus, the long-standing tradition of St. Mark McTeacher's Night returns!

Come to the Ballinger McDonald's, located at 20227 Ballinger Way, Thursday, June 10 between 5:00-7:00 pm and help support our school.

Not only will a share of the proceeds go to St. Mark Catholic Classical School but you might even be served by one of our teachers!

Parish Prayer Intentions

For the ill...

Bill and Maria Lersch, Ted Gormley, Zoe Rossetto,
George Helbling, Debi Newton, Ray Fortney

For the deceased...

Next Step Pregnancy Services

Annual Baby Bottle Campaign

Please help support Next Step Pregnancy Services in Lynnwood by participating in the upcoming **2021 Baby Bottle Campaign!**

Next Step Pregnancy Services offers pregnancy tests, early OB ultrasounds, prenatal care and baby, toddler and maternity supplies all free of charge.

Next Step representatives, including St. Mark parishioner Heather Vasquez, will be in the church vestibule after all Sunday masses on June 26, and the Saturday vigil on the 25th. They will supply information, instructions and answer any questions when we pick up our bottles.

Take a bottle home, fill it with cash or checks made out to Next Step Pregnancy Services (make sure to ask family and friends to participate, too), then return the bottle to Next Step located at 19526 64th Avenue West in Lynnwood anytime Monday through Friday 10:00 am until 5:30 pm by July 23 or bring your bottle back to St. Mark on July 25 only and drop it with one of the Next Step representatives in the church vestibule.

We can also donate online at Next Step's support site: <https://nssupport.org/> just look for the Baby Bottle Campaign tab and find St. Mark Baby Bottle Drive to support women and men choosing life for their unborn children.

Next Step Pregnancy Services believes in the sanctity of all human life and strives to protect our most vulnerable. We can help!

Visit <https://nssupport.org/> to also find information including news, events, blogs and volunteer opportunities at Next Step.

Next Step Pregnancy Services Gala

Next Step Pregnancy Services 2021 Virtual Gala will be Saturday, June 19 at 7:00 pm. To register for the gala please go to: nssupport.org/gala2021

If you would rather sign up directly, or if you have questions, please contact Heather by phone at (425) 329-4569 or by email at heather@nextstepnw.com.

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

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Eighth Grade Baccalaureate Mass

The Baccalaureate Mass for our graduating eighth grade class at St. Mark Catholic Classical School will be during our regular 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, June 13. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come to this joyous Mass and please join us in prayer for the class of 2021 as they continue to high school. Congratulations class of 2021!

Corpus Christi Procession

Thank you Father Maurer for bringing back the St. Mark parish tradition of the Corpus Christi Procession. The procession will immediately follow the 10:30 am Mass today, Corpus Christi Sunday, June 6. Please join the procession rain or shine!

Princess Angeline

Come and join our gathering Sunday, June 6 at 12 noon in Sullivan Hall. We will be planning our mini pilgrimage, praying and crafting together and planning all the activities we will do after the pandemic subsides. Sherrill can answer your questions at (206) 432-7180. New members are welcome!

Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial

The next Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial will be Sunday, June 26 after the 10:30 am Mass, about 11:40 am. Please come! Masks and social distancing are still required. If you do not yet feel comfortable attending in person please pray the Rosary on your own or with your family in support of pro-life efforts.

We can also pray the Rosary with Archbishop Etienne anytime convenient here: <https://vimeo.com/424251219>

St. Mark Catholic Classical School is Enrolling

St. Mark Catholic Classical School is enrolling students in preschool through eighth grade for the 2021-2022 school year. Classes are filling so please register now. Contact Kathryn Palmquist-Keck at principal@stmss.org for a tour. All new families need to meet with the principal.

Daily Mass Cancellations

- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, June 7
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Thursday, June 17
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, June 21
- † Daily Mass at 6:30 pm is canceled Wednesday, June 23
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Saturday, June 26

What is the Difference Between a Catholic and a Protestant Bible?

Have you ever wondered what is the difference between Catholic and Protestant Bibles? Both Bibles include 27 books in the New Testament. Protestant Bibles have only 39 books in the Old Testament, however, while Catholic Bibles have 46. The seven books included in Catholic Bibles are Tobit, Judith, 1 and 2, Maccabees, Wisdom, Sirach, and Baruch. Catholic Bibles also include sections in the Books of Esther and Daniel which are not found in Protestant Bibles. These books are called the deuterocanonical books. The Catholic Church believes these books to be inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Additional Lector Trainings

If you are a current lector, or would like to become a lector, and were unable to attend any of the recent trainings please contact Veronica Olson at (206) 364-7900 or veronicaol@saintmarkshoreline.org in the parish office.

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
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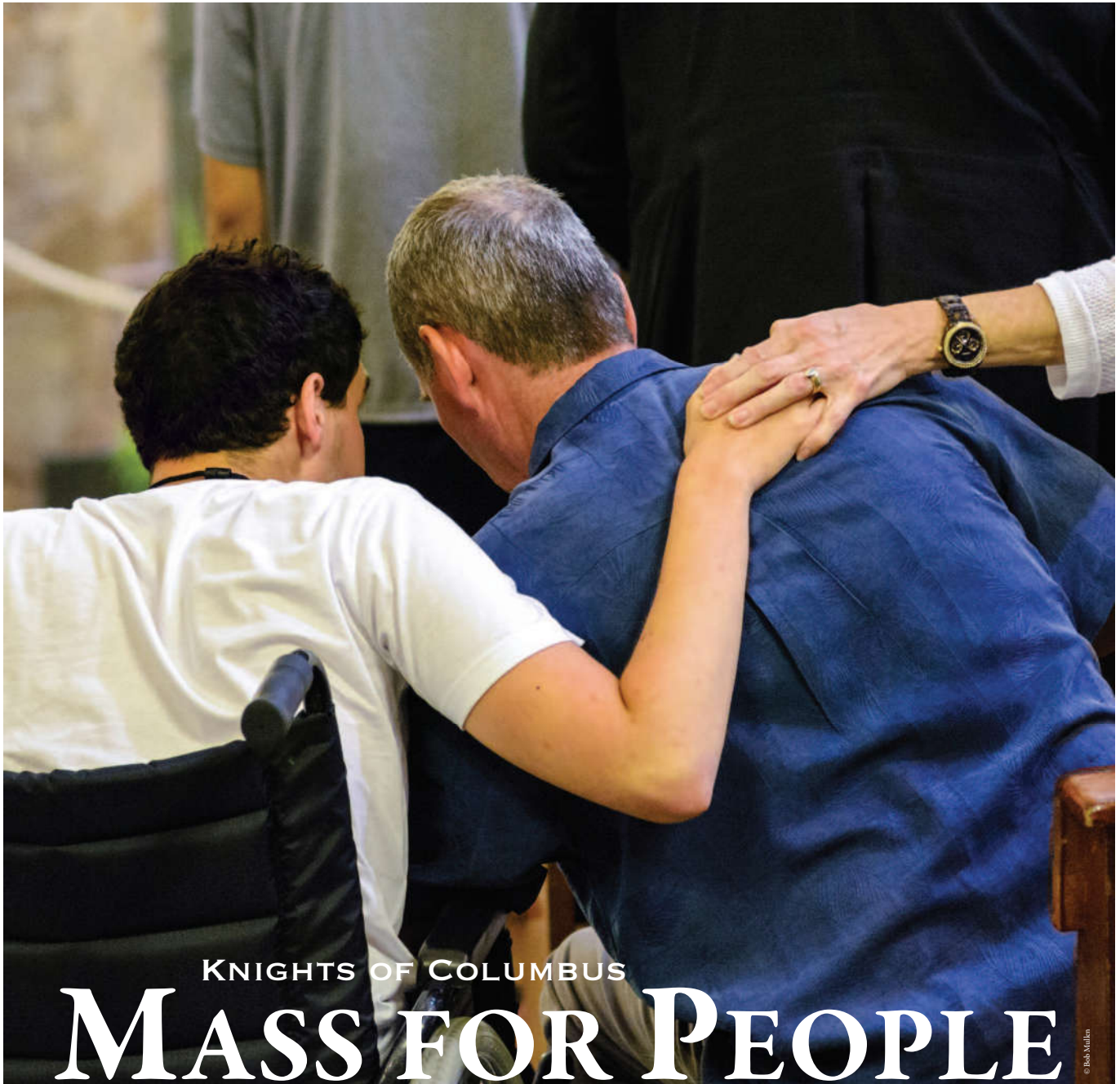
Help Celebrate Mrs. Pinard's Retirement



Today, Sunday June 6, come to the cafeteria immediately following the 10:30 Mass for coffee, donuts and the celebration of Mrs. Pinard's retirement after 24 years of dedicated teaching at St. Mark Catholic Classical School!

Everyone is welcome. Both indoor and outdoor seating will be available to help maintain social distancing.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MASS FOR PEOPLE

WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Location: St. Brendan Church, 10100 NE 192nd St, Bothell, WA 98011

Date: Wednesday, June 16 Time: 6:00 PM

Contact: Bill Nash: (206) 999-7767 or billnash307@gmail.com



ST. JOSEPH

Unconditional Acceptance



Even through Joseph's fears, God's will, his history and his plan were at work. Joseph, then, teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. He also teaches us that amid the tempests of life, we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course. At times, we want to be in complete control, yet God always sees the bigger picture....

Joseph accepted Mary unconditionally. He trusted in the angel's words.... Often in life, things happen whose meaning we do not understand. Our first reaction is frequently one of disappointment and rebellion. Joseph set aside his own ideas in order to accept the course of events and, mysterious as they seemed, to embrace them, take responsibility for them and make them part of his own history. Unless we are reconciled with our own history, we will be unable to take a single step forward, for we will always remain hostage to our expectations and the disappointments that follow.

The spiritual path that Joseph traces for us is not one that *explains*, but *accepts*. Only as a result of this acceptance, this reconciliation, can we begin to glimpse a broader history, a deeper meaning.... Joseph is certainly not passively resigned, but courageously and firmly proactive. In our own lives, acceptance and welcome can be an expression of the Holy Spirit's gift of fortitude. Only the Lord can give us the strength needed to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments.

—Pope Francis, *Patris Corde*, Apostolic Letter for the Year of St. Joseph



"St. Joseph the Worker" Photo by Matt Marzotati

The Saints on St. Joseph:

"I ask you to obtain from St. Joseph for us all, and especially for me who feels myself most in need of his aid, the grace of not hampering in any way the work which God has been pleased to entrust to us; rather, I ask that we may cooperate in every way with His designs by refusing no sacrifice to His grace."

—Blessed Basil Moreau

A prayer to St. Joseph:

Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who implored your help and sought your intercession were left unassisted. Full of confidence in your power I fly unto you and beg your protection. Despise not O Guardian of the Redeemer my humble supplication, but in your bounty, hear and answer me. Amen.

(The "Memorare to St. Joseph")

FOR REFLECTION:

- Put yourself in Joseph's shoes. What were his expectations for his life and his future? Do you think it was difficult for him to let go of those ideas? What gave him the strength to do so?
- Are there times in my life where I have had to let go and trust God unconditionally, as Joseph did? What happened when I did?
- Am I held "hostage" by expectations about what my life should be, or should have been? Have the disappointments in my life embittered me, or am I able to "accept life as it is"?



But the Liturgy of the Word is not about the past.

The Church never celebrates the Eucharist without first opening the Scriptures, the revealed Word of God. On most Sundays, the readings take us through the unfolding of God's plan, from its promise in the Old Testament, through its fulfillment in the New Testament. Through the Old Testament narratives and prophetic writings, we see God's love and care for humanity as he prepares the way for the coming of Christ. The Psalms are the prayer book of the Hebrew people, and they are our prayer book as well. The Second Reading, from the New Testament, tells of the struggles of the early Church to proclaim the saving work of Jesus. And the Gospel reading is "the high point of the Liturgy of the Word," for in the Gospel Christ himself speaks, and the Church hears in the Gospel "the very voice of her Bridegroom."

But the Liturgy of the Word is not about the past. It is about the present. When the Scriptures are proclaimed in the Church, "God speaks to his people, opening up to them the mystery of redemption and salvation, and offering spiritual nourishment; and Christ himself is present through his word in the midst of the faithful." When we allow ourselves to listen, really listen, to what the Scriptures are saying to us in our own lives and to the reality we are living in, extraordinary things can happen. When we honestly reflect on our lives and the challenges we face as a society in light of the Scriptures, we open ourselves up to God's transforming power.

Archbishop Paul D. Etienne
The Work of Redemption: Eucharistic Belief and Practice in the Archdiocese of Seattle
Read the whole pastoral letter at NWCatholic.org

The Saints and the Eucharist

On Sundays there is an assembly of all who live in towns or in the country, and the memoirs of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read for as long as time allows.

Then the reading is brought to an end, and the presider delivers an address in which he admonishes and encourages us to imitate in our own lives the beautiful lessons we have heard read.

Then we all stand up together and pray.



St. Justin Martyr
(c. 100-165)

For Reflection

What Scripture passages do I treasure most? How have they made a difference in my life?

What is my relationship with Scripture? Do I read, study, and pray with the Bible on my own?

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