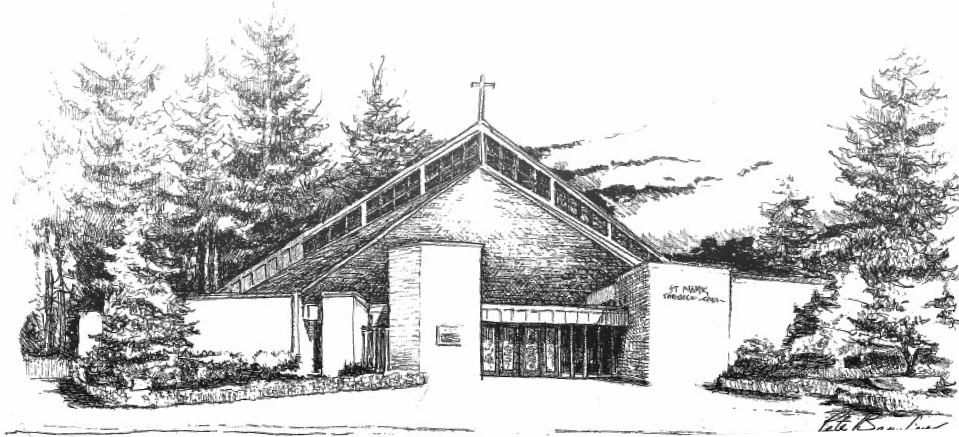


# St. Mark Shoreline



## St. Mark Parish

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[www.saintmarkshoreline.org](http://www.saintmarkshoreline.org)  
(206) 364-7900

June 20, 2021

Reverend Jacob Maurer, Pastor

### Parish Office

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm,  
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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

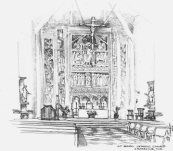
Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 9:30 am  
Wednesday: 6:30 pm

### Confessions

Wednesday: 5:00 pm  
Saturday: 3:00 pm

Appointments are welcome! Call Fr. Maurer.

# PARISH INFORMATION



## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, June 20 *Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Father's Day*

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

10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archdiocesan Clergy*)

### Monday, June 21

No Morning Mass

6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria

### Tuesday, June 22

No Morning Mass

### Wednesday, June 23

5:00 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church

6:00 pm, Benediction & Evening Prayer

No Daily Mass or Confessions

7:00 pm, Faith Matters, Sullivan Hall

### Thursday, June 24

9:30 am Mass is canceled

11:00 am, Funeral Mass for Bill Lersch, Church

7:00 pm, Grief Group, Sullivan Hall

7:00 pm, Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark, Church

### Friday, June 25

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Father's Day Novena)

### Saturday, June 26

No Morning Mass

10:00 am, Baptism, Church

3:00 pm, Confessions, Church

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

### Sunday, June 27 *Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archdiocesan Clergy*)

11:40 am, Community Rosary, Affirmation of Life Memorial

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## St. Mark Parish Location

18033 15th Pl. NE, Shoreline, WA 98155

Stewardship as of June 13, 2021 for  
Fiscal Year July, 2020-June, 2021:

Weekly amount needed: \$17,310

Last Week Collection: \$14,679

Year to date needed: \$865,500

Actual given year to date: \$739,726

Difference: (125,774)

Online Giving:

Total givers: 82

Amount given online: \$5,346



# WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

*Cf. Ps 28 (27): 8-9*

**“Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?”** With these words, Jesus speaks to the Apostles after rebuking the storm, telling it to be quiet and still.

Notice the difference between Jesus’ approach to the storm and His approach to the Apostles. For the storm, Jesus has a sharp rebuke but for the Apostles, questions. His questions pierce to the heart, but they are perhaps not the scolding they appear to be to us.



The thing is, the Apostles **are** terrified. We are too. The winds of the world throw us around with ease and we feel our powerlessness keenly - we will surely perish in the face of it all.

But powerlessness need not elicit fear: a child in its father’s arms may hear thunder and see lightning - and clap for joy! He knows that he is safe in the embrace of the one who will always protect and care for him. He has faith in his father, so fear has no power over him.

If we’re afraid, we’re already half-way there: we are recognizing our powerlessness. All that is missing is to recognize Whose care we are under, in Whose arms we are held. May we ask for the gift of faith, that we may fear no more.

June 24 is the **Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist.**

The birth of the prophet who announces Christ is one of the most important moments in the life of the Church. So important that She prays the joyful words of praise of Zechariah, Saint John’s father every day at *Lauds* or Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours.

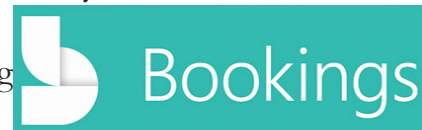


“Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel” - with these words Zechariah and we who echo him proclaim the goodness of the One whose plan for us is full of mercy and peace.

Introducing a new way to scheduling a meeting! Courtesy of Microsoft Booking, it is now possible to make an appointment online. For the time being, this portal can only be used to make appointments with me (Father).

We’ve put up a page on the parish website - you can find it via the pastor page, the staff listing page, or by navigating directly to <https://saintmarkshoreline.org/fathermaurer>

It is my hope that this will provide another way to enable us to meet without too much trouble. As always, you may also call the office or leave a message at my voicemail. Whatever the means, I look forward to hearing from you!



# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## St. Mark Parish Faith Matters Program

Faith Matters will meet on Wednesday, June 23 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall, although **there is no 6:30 pm Mass**. The topic this week will be *God Sends His Son*. 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](mailto:kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org), or (206) 364-7900.

## Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark

**Bible Study will meet on Thursday at 7:00 pm in the church this week.** We are studying the Gospel of Mark with Deacon Kirk. This week's session on Thursday, June 24, is titled, "*The Way of Discipleship*" 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](mailto:kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org) or call him at (206) 364-7900 x105.

## Associated Catholic Cemeteries

The Associated Catholic Cemeteries are Holyhood in Shoreline, (206) 363-8404; Calvary in north east Seattle, (206) 522-0996; Gethsemane in Federal Way; (253) 838-2240; and St. Patrick in Kent (253) 838-2240.

St. Mark parishioners can receive a prearrangement discount of 10% through June 30 when a new burial property is secured.

If you have questions, or need more information, please go to [www.mycatholiccemetery.org](http://www.mycatholiccemetery.org)

### Parish Prayer Intentions

#### For the ill...

Ted Gormley, Zoe Rossetto, George Helbling,  
Debi Newton, Ray Fortney, Sam Kirk, James Ryan,  
John

#### 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 27, and the Saturday vigil on the 26th. 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 Sunday, 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.

## St. Gianna Molla Women's Reading Group

Please join the St. Gianna Molla Women's Reading Group. We will meet initially June 28 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall. We will begin reading *The Light of Christ* by Thomas Joseph White, OP. The book can be purchased on Amazon or at your local Catholic bookstore. It's been a year off but we hope to see you there! For more information please contact Ursula Glancy at [uglancy@hotmail.com](mailto:uglancy@hotmail.com) or Esther Harris at (206) 417-3995.

# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## Funeral Mass Announcement

A funeral Mass for

**Bill Lersch**

Thursday, June 24 at 11:00 am  
Rosary preceding at 10:30 am

Rosary & Mass both will be live streamed on Facebook

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.*

## Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial

The next Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial will be Sunday, June 27 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.

## Support Our School on Amazon Prime Day

Amazon Prime Day will run June 21 & 22 this year. If you are already signed-up for AmazonSmile and have selected our school as your charity, thank you! If not please go to [smile.amazon.com/ch/91-0635560](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-0635560) and select St. Mark Parish School (even though it is now St. Mark Catholic Classical School) as your preferred charity. Then shop for all the same products you would normally on Amazon but our school will get a portion of money spent with no extra cost to you.

## Father's Day

A very happy Father's Day to all fathers from all of us at St. Mark parish!

The very first Father's Day was celebrated right here in the state of Washington on June 19, 1910. It was not until 1972 - 58 years after president Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official - that Father's Day became a nationwide holiday in the United States.

## Daily Mass Cancellations

- † 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 Thursday, June 24
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Saturday, June 26
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, July 5

## Peter's Pence Collection June 27

*"Jesus journeyed from one town and village to another, preaching and proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom of God. Accompanying Him were the twelve...and many others who provided for them out of their resources." ~Luke 8:1,3*

The concrete participation in the needs of the universal ecclesiastic community has taken different forms throughout history. Collections and donations by the individual faithful, or entire local churches, raise awareness that all the baptized are called to materially sustain the work of evangelization and, at the same time, to help the poor in whatever way possible. By doing so, they build up the Church so that it will continue to minister to all for generations to come.

During his apostolic visit to Africa in 2015, Pope Francis visited a city's pediatric hospital with a donation of medicines and a promise to not forget the children. Through contributions raised to support Peter's Pence, the Holy Father kept that promise to the children.

Support for papal efforts has its roots in the scriptural message to take care of the poor and is an expression of unity in two ways: through the ongoing activities of the Holy See and through the charitable works of the Holy Father on behalf of those most in need.

## 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

# Theology on Tap

Enjoy an evening outdoors with food, drink and meaningful conversations as we **explore our faith together.**



**June 23**

**6:30-8:30pm**

Discussion: Making Visible the Invisible!

Join us at 5:30 for Mass



**Calling young adults 18-39!**

Come to Theology on Tap, June 23, 6:30 ~ 8:30 pm at St. Francis parish,  
15236 21st Ave SW  
in Burien.

Participants must register in advance online at [Theology on Tap 6/23/21](https://constantcontact.com) ([constantcontact.com](https://constantcontact.com)) price of admission is \$10 for over 21 and \$5 (non alcoholic drinks) for under 21. Admission includes the event and two drink tickets.

This fun, kick-off the summer event (there will be more!) is brought to us by Western Washington Catholic Young Adults. Learn more at <https://archseattle.org/living-catholic/young-adults/>

Courtesy / St Vincent de Paul Parish

# Marriage is a gift

One of the goals of the Year of the Family is to proclaim that the sacrament of marriage is a gift that contains in itself a transforming power of human love. Pope Francis writes:

Marriage is a precious sign, for “when a man and a woman celebrate the sacrament of marriage, God is, as it were, ‘mirrored’ in them; he impresses in them his own features and the indelible character of his love. Marriage is the icon of God’s love for us. Indeed, God is also communion: the three Persons of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit live eternally in perfect unity. And this is precisely the mystery of marriage: God makes of the two spouses one single existence.” (*Amoris Laetitia* 121)

Married life is a gift. It is a lifelong journey of love, friendship and faith. It is a beautiful mystery wherein two individuals walk together side by side, each fully unique but joined as one.

Our worldly culture tends to paint the picture of love through the lens of romance. Yet we know that romance is just one small part of married life. Romance may be the kindling that sparks the flame of love, but the true beauty of a lifelong commitment lies much deeper and is the greater gift.

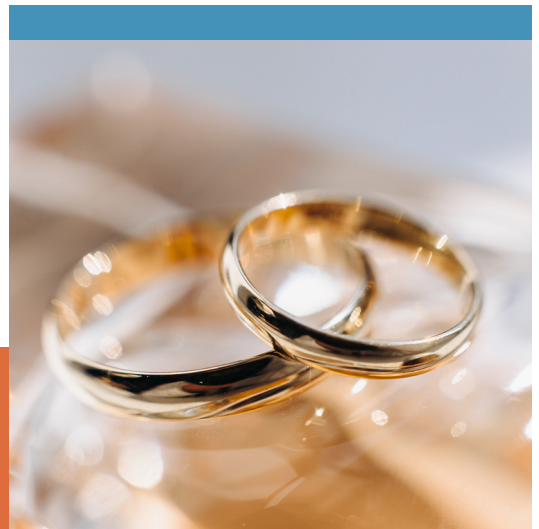
## The Greatest Form of Friendship

Pope Francis writes:

After the love that unites us to God, conjugal love is the “greatest form of friendship.” It is a union possessing all the traits of a good friendship: concern for the good of the other, reciprocity, intimacy, warmth, stability and the resemblance born of a shared life. (*Amoris Laetitia* 123)

When two individuals enter into the sacrament of marriage, they commit to be true and steadfast companions: to care for and support one another and to be faithful for the rest of their lives. In a world that is constantly changing, this kind of stability can be a source of great comfort and strength. Especially in this time that is so full of uncertainty, married life can offer a sense of peace that can be hard to find in the world.

What sets the great friendship of marriage apart is how the sacrament sanctifies the passion between husband and wife. In *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis describes this passion as “always directed to an ever more stable and intense union.” The fire of marital passion is a life-giving force. It galvanizes the friendship between husband and wife, until it “acquires an all-encompassing character” that is unique to the marital union.



## An Expansion of the Heart

As two individuals live out their marital vows, they come to know one another in fullness. Years of married life have a way of removing our filters and pretenses. This process is an inevitable part of marriage and intimacy. Pope Francis writes:

Saint Thomas Aquinas said that the word “joy” refers to an expansion of the heart. Marital joy can be experienced even amid sorrow; it involves accepting that marriage is an inevitable mixture of enjoyment and struggles, tensions and repose, pain and relief, satisfactions and longings, annoyances and pleasures, but always on the path of friendship, which inspires married couples to care for one another: “they help and serve each other.”

(*Amoris Laetitia* 126)

Married couples have the benefit of sharing life’s journey with another person. This is not always easy, but it can be uniquely rewarding and empowering. Fortitude grows as two people grow closer to God and one another through adversity. Virtues are magnified and shared as one person’s strength complements the other’s weakness. In short, married life is an expansion of the heart as the couple come to share in a love that reflects the divine life of the Trinity and blossoms into new life.

# Honor the Gift of Your Marriage

- 1. Make a commitment to be in each other's company outside the daily routine.** Spend time together in ways that allow you to experience each other, whether in conversation, in recreation, in prayer, or even in silence.
- 2. Take time to "see" one another, both with your eyes and with your heart.** Be conscious of observing and appreciating your spouse. Make eye contact during conversation. Allow each other to speak without interruption or judgment. Reignite your curiosity about one another.
- 3. Cultivate the joy in your married life.** Find ways to make your spouse smile, or better yet, laugh! Gifts, humor, acts of kindness, even a little silliness from time to time, can go a long way.
- 4. Pray together.** Make a commitment to pray regularly as a couple. Attend Mass and encourage one another in your individual faith journeys. Use At Home with Faith to reflect on the weekly Mass readings. Enrich your marriage through retreat experiences.



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

Go to [archseattle.org/YOF](http://archseattle.org/YOF)

## For weekly issues of At Home with Faith:

Go to [AtHomewithFaith.org](http://AtHomewithFaith.org)

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

Go to [archseattle.org/StJoseph](http://archseattle.org/StJoseph)







**"...by our mutual love and, in particular, by our concern for those in need we will be recognized as true followers of Christ."**

**T**he Eucharist commits us to the poor. Recent popes have made the link between Eucharist and charity abundantly clear. Pope St. John Paul II reminded us to keep our spirituality grounded, to "reject the temptation to offer a privatized and individualistic spirituality which ill accords with the demands of charity." In his letter for the Year of the Eucharist, he wrote: "We cannot delude ourselves: by our mutual love and, in particular, by our concern for those in need we will be recognized as true followers of Christ. ... This will be the criterion by which the authenticity of our Eucharistic celebrations is judged." Pope Benedict XVI reiterated the essential link between worship and service, between Eucharist and charity: "'Worship' itself, Eucharistic communion, includes the reality both of being loved and of loving others in turn. A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is intrinsically fragmented."

As we work to strengthen our Eucharistic celebrations and to deepen our Eucharistic spirituality during the months to come, let us also commit ourselves to truly authentic Eucharistic celebrations, which overflow in the concrete practice of love through service to the poorest and most vulnerable.

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](http://NWCatholic.org)

## The Saints and the Eucharist

What is the use of loading Christ's table with gold cups while he himself is starving? Feed the hungry and then if you have any money left over, spend it on the altar table. Will you make a cup of gold and withhold a cup of water? What use is it to adorn the altar with cloth of gold hangings and deny Christ a coat for his back! What would that profit you? Tell me: if you saw someone starving and refused to give him any food but instead spent your money on adorning the altar with gold, would he thank you? Would he not rather be outraged? Or if you saw someone in rags and stiff with cold and then did not give him clothing but set up golden columns in his honor, would he not say he was being made a fool of and insulted?



St. John Chrysostom  
(c. 347-407)

## For Reflection

In what ways does the celebration of the Eucharist overflow in the concrete practice of love in my parish community—in my own life? Looking back over the past week, where have I failed in love? Looking forward to the coming week, what opportunities might God be offering me to live with greater love?

Who are the poor whom God is calling me to serve?

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