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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

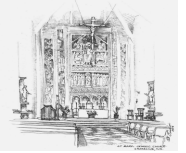
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



*"Every valley shall be filled
and every mountain and hill shall be made low.
The winding roads shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."*

- Lk 3:5-6

PARISH INFORMATION



The Week of December 5

Sunday, December 5 *Second Sunday of Advent*

8:30 am, Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*)
10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*)
12:00 noon, Princess Angeline, Library

Monday, December 6

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Helen Leary, RIP)
6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria
7:00 pm, Grief Group, Sullivan Hall

Tuesday, December 7

No Morning Mass
7:00 pm, St. Gianna Molla Reading Group, Sullivan Hall

Wednesday, December 8 *The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation*

9:30 am, Mass, Church
5:00 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church
5:00 pm, Confessions, Church
6:00 pm, Benediction & Evening Prayer, Church
6:30 pm, Mass, Church
No Faith Matters or RCIA

Thursday, December 9

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Romy Ramos, RIP)
2:00 pm, Bible Study, Sullivan Hall
4:00 pm, First Reconciliation Preparation, Sullivan Hall
5:00 pm, Confessions, Church
6:45 pm, Confirmation Preparation, Sullivan Hall
7:00 pm, Finance Council, Video Call

Friday, December 10

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Veronica Olson)
5:00 pm, Confessions, Church

Saturday, December 11

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Ray Fortney, RIP)
12:30 pm, Princess Angeline, Sullivan Hall
3:00 pm, Confessions, Church
5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (*St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff*)

Sunday, December 12 *Third Sunday of Advent*

8:30 am, Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*)
10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*)
11:30 am, Baptism, Church

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PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



New Grief Group Starts This Week

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 begin this week, Monday, December 6 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall.

Please call or email Laura in the office with any questions (206) 364-7900, laural@saintmarkshoreline.org.

Consecration to the Holy Family

In December our Knights of Columbus will once again support the parish in the Novena for the Holy Family as part of their continuing commitment of Faith in Action. How can we prepare? The word consecration literally means association with the sacred and as such it requires a much larger commitment than simply reciting a prayer. To receive the full benefit of intercession from the Holy Family one must cleanse the body, mind and soul. Some simple steps can help us intentionally prepare for the Novena.

- 1) Discuss the importance of this as a family.
- 2) Each member is encouraged, if appropriate, to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.
- 3) As a family, intentionally choose something to abstain from; this helps us discipline our minds and hearts to refrain from secular activities and be more focused on God.
- 4) Prepare for the commitment you are making. The family is *consciously choosing* to be a beacon of light of God's love through his Church.

Parish Prayer Intentions

For the ill...

Michael Dooly, Frank Lefaive, Katyra Frazier,
Elisa Teodoro

For the deceased...

Daily Mass Cancelations

- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, December 13
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Saturday, December 25
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, December 27
- † Daily Mass at 6:30 pm is canceled Wednesday, December 29
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Thursday, December 30
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Saturday, January 1
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, January 3

Returning to in Person Mass

The Archdiocese of Seattle became the first in the United States to suspend in-person Mass in March 2020. At that time, the coronavirus task-force was formed to develop guidance and safety protocols so parishes could safely return to in-person Mass.

We are blessed with not only a beautiful church but a large one: We have room for you.

We know that some people will not come back until they are vaccinated or that they have underlying conditions. Some folks will not come back because they are fearful. All of these reasons are legitimate and people should not feel forced or shamed for not yet returning to in person Mass before they are truly comfortable.

Parishes have a relationship with their parishioners. Like in any good relationship positive, consistent communication is critical. If you are back, we welcome you! If you have concerns, please tell us. You can find the staff here, <https://saintmarkshoreline.org/meet-our-staff/>

The Archdiocese has many social media sites we can use to help stay connected as well, please visit <https://archseattle.org/news-and-events/social-media-channels-for-archdiocese-of-seattle/>

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St. Mark Catholic Classical School Christmas Program

The St. Mark Catholic Classical School Christmas program this year will be Wednesday, December 15 at 7:00 pm in the church. Each grade will sing carols and the seventh and eighth graders will present the Nativity Program.

The school Christmas program returns to our beautiful church this year immediately following Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Evening Prayer.

One Time Daily Mass Time Change

On Wednesday, December 15 only, daily Mass will move from 6:30 pm to 9:30 am due to the school Christmas program at 7:00 pm in the church.

Confession (beginning at 5:00 pm), Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (beginning at 5:00 pm) and Benediction and Evening Prayer (beginning at 6:00 pm) will all happen as normally scheduled that day.

There will be no Faith Matters or RCIA on December 15.

Sunday Ladies Guild Meeting

Princess Angeline will meet today, Sunday, December 5 at 12 noon in the portable library just north of the school. Post pandemic plans and projects will be discussed. Please bring your rosary, current craft project and prayer intentions. New members are welcome! Sherrill can answer your questions at (206) 432-7180.

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
 Marriage Help: Retrouvaille (206) 706-2608
 Holyhood Cemetary: (206) 363-8404
 Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234
 Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

Annual St. Mark Parish Giving Tree

There is no colorful Christmas tree in the church vestibule adorned with stars once again this year. Many of us loved taking a star or two and had fun shopping for the items but Covid restrictions still make that difficult.

Our usual partners are still in need of our help:

Shoreline Health and Rehab, Park Ridge Care Center, Next Step Pregnancy Center, our dear Carmelite sisters and Providence Regina House all have staff or volunteers who can shop and be elves for us!

Please help if you can: drop a check made out to St. Mark with a notation on the memo line of 2021 Giving Tree, or put cash into an envelope marked 2021 Giving Tree and drop either in the collection baskets on Sunday, or drop either into the slot next to the parish office door, or mail either to the parish office.

You can also make a donation through online giving, just choose **2021 Giving Tree**, here's the link <https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds/christmas-giving-tree-2021>.

The elves will do the rest!

Donations are due to the parish office by Monday, December 13

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters, you did for me."

USCCB Website Resources & Events

The USCCB, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, has a website rich in Catholic resources and news. We have the daily readings at our fingertips at <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/051621-Sunday.cfm> but much more.

Click on the Resources tab at <https://www.usccb.org/resources> and find the USCCB's take on legislation, book recommendations, videos to view for free and the archive of USCCB reports going back many years.

November 28, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 2021-June 2022) St. Mark parish

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Online	# In Person	# Online	Givers
Income							
Last Week	\$16,555	\$14,381	(2,174)	\$8,941	97	90	187
Year to Date	\$334,210	\$306,837	(27,373)				

Mass Schedule for the Christmas Season



The Nativity of the Lord

Friday, December 24th Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 25th Masses: 12:00 Midnight, 10:30 a.m.

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 25th Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 26th Masses: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Friday, December 31st Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 1st Mass: 10:30 a.m.

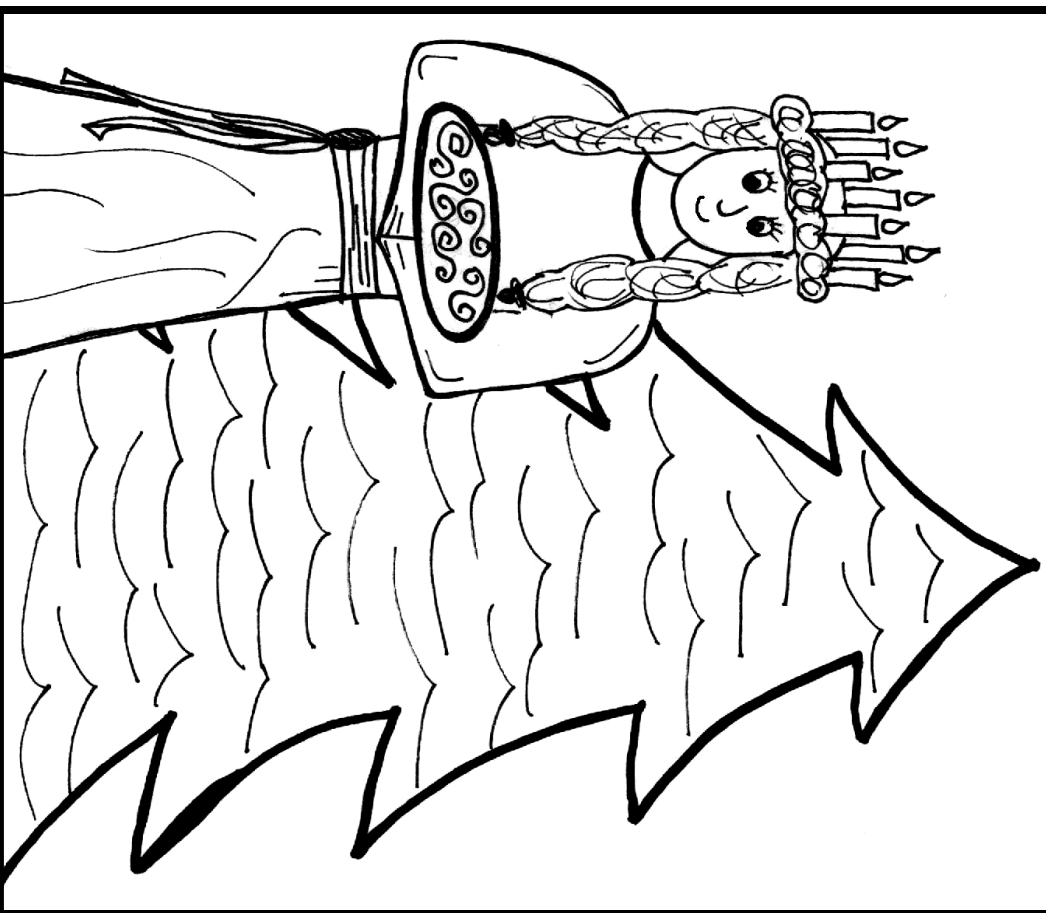
Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 1st Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

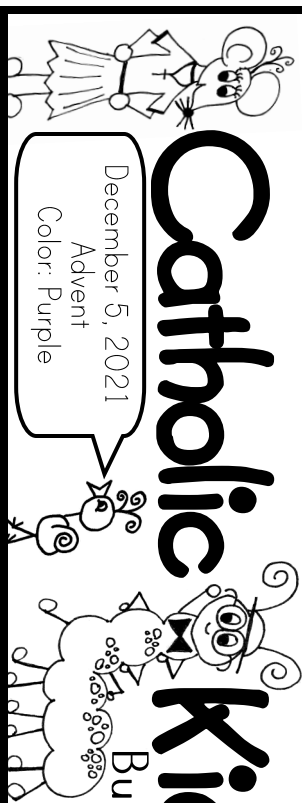
Sunday, January 2nd Masses: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Saint Lucia

To celebrate Saint Lucia, girls around the world wear wreaths with candles on their heads. They wake up their families with special treats and sweets to celebrate the Christmas season. What nice thing can you do to help your family get excited for Christmas?



Catholic Kids Bulletin



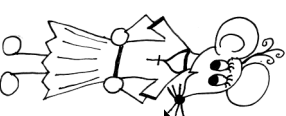
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Advent
Color: Purple

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The Lord has
done great
things for us;
we are filled
with joy.

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Find the advent wreath in your church. Which candles are lit today? Color the wreath and the candles.



Christmas Benefit Concert

Presented by Lyric Opera Northwest
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Holy Names Academy Sopranos

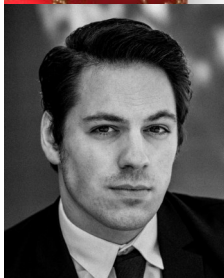
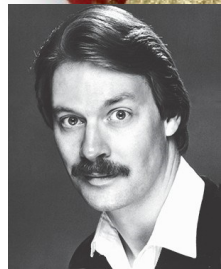
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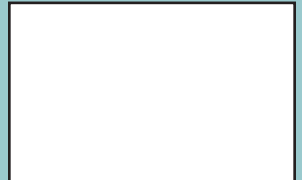
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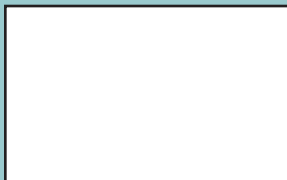


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