



## ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

# PARISH INFORMATION



## The Week of January 9

### Sunday, January 9 *The Baptism of the Lord*

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

10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*)

### Monday, January 10

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Frank Forsythe, RIP)

6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria

7:00 pm, Grief Group, Sullivan Hall

### Tuesday, January 11

No Morning Mass

7:00 pm, Knights of Columbus, Sullivan Hall

### Wednesday, January 12

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 (Deac Keenan, RIP)

No Faith Matters or RCIA

### Thursday, January 13

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Eugene Ngai, RIP)

No Bible Study

6:30 pm, Usher Training, Church

6:45 pm, Confirmation Preparation, Sullivan Hall

### Friday, January 14

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Kelly Ramaekers, RIP)

10:30 am, Rosary Preceding Funeral, Church

11:00 am, Funeral Mass for John "Skip" Patrick King, Jr., Church

### Saturday, January 15

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Paz Posadas, RIP)

9:45 am, Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship, Gym

10:30 am, Usher Training, Sullivan Hall

1:00 pm, Princess Angeline, Sullivan Hall

3:00 pm, Confessions, Church

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

### Sunday, January 16 *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*)

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## WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

*Cf. Mt 3: 16-17*

Dear friends,

As you may recall, we recently formed a parish pastoral council. This was something I intended to do when I first arrived at Saint Mark, but then, well, the world lit itself on fire. Fun times. 😞

Happily, the last several months have seen things even out enough that after prayer & discernment, six parishioners said 'yes' to the invitation to form our pastoral council. We started meeting monthly in September.

Pastoral councils are important. They're an opportunity for parishioners to be able to share their concerns, ideas, and hopes for the parish. They're also an opportunity for the leadership and decisions of the pastor to be discussed & shared more widely.

However, a pastoral council is most effective when engaged with the parish. We have some ideas of how to do that (stay tuned over the next several weeks!), but one of the ways **you** can start engaging is by knowing who is on the council, getting to know them, and by reading the minutes of the pastoral council.

That's right: we publish our minutes online! Since minutes must be reviewed and approved, the turnaround is about five weeks, but you can read them at our parish website using the link below. Moreover, you can subscribe to our parish website using RSS to receive updates whenever minutes are uploaded (as well as other updates, including bulletins and parish-wide announcements). The RSS feed address is: <https://saintmarkshoreline.org/feed/>

I hope you'll visit our parish leadership page and check out the minutes. We're proud to be able to serve you and hope that you'll take advantage of the opportunity a pastoral council affords to together discern God's will for our parish.

Peace,  
Father Maurer

Get to know our parish leadership and read the latest minutes here:

<https://saintmarkshoreline.org/parish-leadership/>



# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## Archbishop Etienne's Invitation to Encounter

That sounds very nice but what exactly is Encounter? Jesus invites all of us to have a personal relationship with him.

Encounter is about entering into this relationship through real, authentic experiences and recognizing his presence in our lives and in other people.

Just as the woman at the well accepted herself because of her encounter with Jesus (John 4), we will also find the same love, mercy and acceptance from a relationship with Jesus.

What can you do today to *encounter* Jesus in a more meaningful way?

What step can you take today to grow in your personal relationship with Jesus?

Watch and listen to local Catholics answer this question in these brief videos linked below.

<https://archseattle.org/about-the-archdiocese-of-seattle/archbishop-etienne/pastoralplanning/pastoral-plan/encounter/>

## Upcoming Ladies Guild Meeting

**Princess Angeline** - Our next crafting day will be Saturday, January 15 at 1:00 pm in Sullivan Hall. Call Sherrill at for more information at (206) 432-7180.

## 2022 Calendars Have Arrived

The 2022 calendars have arrived courtesy of Beck's Tribute Center. They are available in the parish office Monday-Thursday from 8:30 am until 4:00 pm.

After Mass, parishioners can also pick up a calendar in the church vestibule for as long as they last.

Thank you Beck's!

### Parish Prayer Intentions

#### For the ill...

Michael Dooly, Frank Lefaive, Katyra Frazier,  
Anne Gregory, Jim Miller, Lita Abelon

#### For the deceased...

Doré Jaeger

## Why is the Baptism of the Lord a Feast?

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the Baptism of the Lord has been celebrated on a separate feast for many centuries. Originally it was the primary mystery celebrated on January 6 (Feast of Epiphany), but over time it was separated and assigned a different day.

In 1955 it was assigned the octave day of Epiphany, January 13, but soon after the Second Vatican Council was moved to the Sunday after Epiphany.

In this context it has always been a "Christmas" feast, celebrated within the Christmas cycle. However, it may seem a little strange to still have the baby Jesus in the manger and celebrate a moment during his adult life.

Yet, it is entirely fitting when reflecting on the central mystery being commemorated.

Both the feast of the Nativity and the Baptism of the Lord highlight the humility of Jesus Christ. In both instances Jesus clearly displayed his desire to become one with us, so that he can raise us up with him.

Pope Benedict XVI explains this eloquently in his homily on the Baptism of the Lord in 2013:

*"Jesus shows his solidarity with us, with our efforts to convert and to be rid of our selfishness, to break away from our sins in order to tell us that if we accept him in our life he can uplift us and lead us to the heights of God the Father. And Jesus' solidarity is not, as it were, a mere exercise of mind and will. Jesus truly immersed himself in our human condition, lived it to the end, in all things save sin, and was able to understand our weakness and frailty. For this reason he was moved to compassion, he chose to "suffer with" men and women, to become a penitent with us. This is God's work which Jesus wanted to carry out: the divine mission to heal those who are wounded and give medicine to the sick, to take upon himself the sin of the world."*

Jesus not only assumed our flesh at the Nativity, but became like us in all things except sin. He even was baptized by his cousin St. John the Baptist, even though he had no need for baptism.

~From <https://aleteia.org/2019/01/13/why-the-baptism-of-the-lord-is-a-christmas-feast/> & <https://archseattle.org/event/feast-of-the-baptism-of-the-lord/>

# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## The Bible in a Year with Father Schmitz

In The Bible in a Year podcast, Fr. Mike Schmitz walks us through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension's Bible in a Year podcast follows a reading plan inspired by The Great Adventure Bible Timeline, a ground-breaking approach to understanding salvation history developed by renowned Catholic Bible scholar Jeff Cavins. For each period in the timeline Jeff Cavins joins Father Mike for an episode to help us understand the context of each reading. With this podcast we don't just read the Bible in a year, we can finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story that continues in our lives today.

As we listen we: Read the entire Bible; feel more confident about our understanding of Scripture; experience the transformative power of God's Word in our daily lives and start seeing the world through the lens of Scripture.

Please note, the Bible contains adult themes that may not be suitable for children, parental discretion is advised.

Each 20-25 minute episode includes two to three scripture readings, a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz and a guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word.

Listen at <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-bible-in-a-year-with-fr-mike-schmitz/id1539568321> or wherever you get your podcasts.

### 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  
 Holyrood Cemetary: (206) 363-8404  
 Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234  
 Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

## Funeral Mass Announcement

Funeral Mass for

### John "Skip" Patrick King, Jr.

Friday, November 14 11:00 am  
 Rosary preceding at 10:30 am

Mass & Rosary will be live streamed.

*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.*

## St. Mark Parish Online Giving

Thank you for your continued support of St. Mark parish. Your generosity benefits the many vital programs and ministries of our parish.

If you have not yet, please consider online giving. It's safe, secure and weather-proof!

To sign-up, or change your giving, please visit: <https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds>

If your family has yet to complete your 2022 pledge card we can do so easily online as well! Just go to, <https://saintmarkshoreline.org/online-stewardship-pledge/> Thank you for your gifts of time, talent and treasure to your parish.

## Prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my entire will, all I have and call my own. You have given all to me. To you, Lord, I return it. Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace; that is enough for me.

### January 2, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 2021-June 2022) St. Mark parish

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Online	# In Person	# Online	Givers
<b>Income</b>							
Last Week	\$16,555	\$11,667	(4,888)	\$6,595	74	72	146
Year to Date	\$446,985	\$380,688	(70,278)				

# GROWING Gospel

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## PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

- JOHN
- WATER
- HOLY SPIRIT
- MESSIAH
- POWERFUL
- FIRE
- BAPTIZING
- SANDALS
- JESUS

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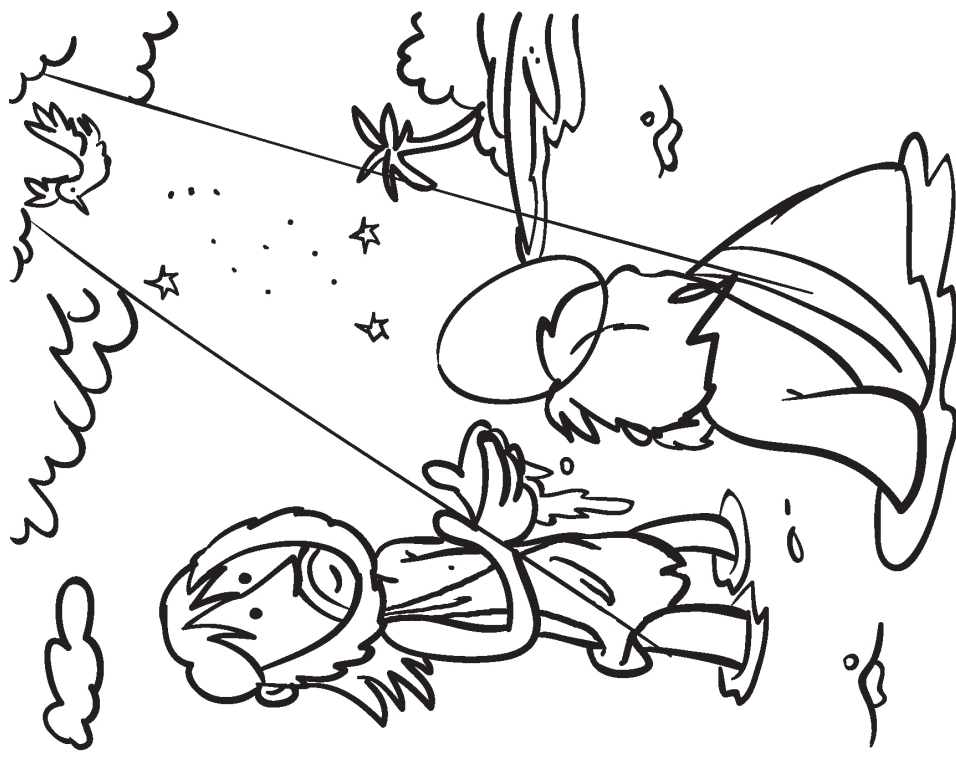
## MISSION

Find out what makes God happy. As a family, read John 15:9-12.



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.





## GOSPEL

Your Dad says, "Wash your hands, please. It is almost time to eat." After you wash your hands really well, your Dad smiles. He says, "That's my boy. You did a good job!" In today's Gospel, it was time for Jesus to be baptized. After his baptism, Jesus talked to God his Father in prayer. Jesus did everything his Father asked. God was happy with his Son and said, "I'm pleased with you."



## PRAYER

God, I want to make you and my parents happy.



## DRAW

Draw a picture of God telling you, "Good job!"

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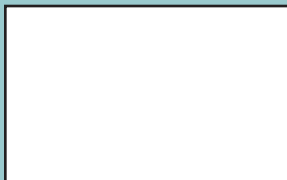
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