

# St. Mark Shoreline

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**November 19, 2023**

## Weekly schedule

**Sunday** - *Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:30 am - Sunday Mass (*for Saint Matthew parish*)  
10:30 am - Sunday Mass (*for Saint Mark parish*)  
K of C Breakfast after each Mass, cafeteria

## Monday

9:30 am - ~~Daily Mass~~ (CANCELLED)  
10:30 am - Rosary for Joanne Weller  
11:00 am - Funeral Mass for Joanne Weller  
2:00 pm - Parish Prayer Team, church  
6:30 pm - Family Rosary, church  
7:00 pm - Boy Scouts troop meeting, cafeteria  
7:00 pm - Friends of Saint Francis meeting, hall

## Tuesday

*No daily Mass* (Father's day off)  
7:00 pm - Women's Group book study, hall

## Wednesday

9:30 am - Daily Mass (*John Zimmerman, RIP*)  
5:00 pm - Confessions  
6:00 pm - ~~Confirmation preparation~~ (CANCELLED)

## Thursday - Thanksgiving Day

*Parish office closed today*  
9:30 am - Thanksgiving Day Mass  
Blessing of food (immediately after Mass), hall  
Cinnamon Rolls (after blessing of food), hall  
6:30 pm - ~~OCIA class~~ (CANCELLED)

## Friday

*Parish office closed today*  
9:30 am - ~~Daily Mass~~ (CANCELLED)

## Saturday

7:30 am - Lion's Den meeting, hall  
9:30 am - Daily Mass (*Bill Joyce, RIP*)  
3:00 pm - Confessions  
5:00 pm - Vigil Mass (*for Saint Catherine parish*)

## Mass times

**Mon, Wed-Sat:** 9:30 am  
**Saturday:** 5:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 8:30 am & 10:30 am

## Confession times

**Wednesdays:** 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
**Saturdays:** 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
(appointments welcome - call Father)

**For emergencies involving danger of death please dial (206)-364-7900 x9**

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# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## November 12, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 2023 - June 2024) St. Mark parish

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Online	# In Person	# Online	Givers
<b>Income</b>							
Last Week	\$15,687	\$12,942	(\$2,745)	6,337	94	67	161
Year to Date	\$313,740	\$282,059	(\$31,681)				

**Saint Mark parish is seeking a part time bookkeeper (12-18 hours per week).** The qualified candidate will be detail orientated and experienced with QuickBooks Desktop, Microsoft Excel, accounts payable, account reconciliation and budgeting.

Apply here please: [Bookkeeper - Hourly \(paycomonline.net\)](https://www.paycomonline.net)



**St. Mark Catholic Classical School is looking for a Catholic sixth/seventh grade teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.**

At St. Mark Catholic Classical School, our educational approach is centered around enabling our students to pursue and achieve academic excellence through a classical model, while immersing them in an authentically Catholic environment in which they will be exposed to the goodness, the truth, and the beauty of God. Successful educators at our school will not only be those who can employ the classical approach well and encourage each child to achieve their full God-given potential, but who are themselves living witnesses of their Catholic faith who desire to hand down to our students the faith which they have received.

### K of C Breakfast

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 11217

**Sunday, November 19th, after both Masses**  
**Great food: Pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, roasted potatoes, biscuits and gravy, coffee, tea, orange juice, apple juice.**



The Knights will also have information on the Knights of Columbus for Catholic men who are interested in becoming a Knight of Columbus.

Interested candidates should learn more about our unique school by visiting [www.stmss.org](http://www.stmss.org) Please complete an application with the Archdiocese of Seattle and send resume to Kathryn Palmquist-Keck, [principal@stmss.org](mailto:principal@stmss.org)

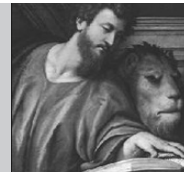
### Please pray for

Ellen Sherman  
 Kyle Oliphant

Jeanette Dion  
 Ann Carlson

Joanne Weller, RIP

# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## CINNAMON ROLLS ARE BACK!

Join for fellowship, delicious cinnamon rolls, & blessing of the food

**Thursday, November 23rd in Sullivan Hall after 9:30am Thanksgiving Day Mass.**



Bring something you will serve at your Thanksgiving meal and/or food to donate to our Saint Vincent de Paul pantry to be blessed.

Tables for food will be in Sullivan Hall; the blessing will take place after Mass.

Christmas Wreaths will be on sale

**November 25-26 after all of the Masses.**

Each wreath is handmade, florist quality, about 24" in diameter. They have three kinds of boughs and pine cones.

The cost is \$30 and helps support St. Mark Boy Scout Troop 309 which has been here since 1956.



## Bake a Second Batch COOKIE EXCHANGE AND BAKE SALE

### DECEMBER 2 & 3

Finish your Christmas Baking in one day!! Bring a dozen cookies, take a dozen cookies. Not a baker? Not a problem! Baked goods also available for purchase.



Questions? Contact Vicky at [STMSSEvents@gmail.com](mailto:STMSSEvents@gmail.com)

Join us for the **Seattle Archdiocesan Young Adult Christmas Formal** (21+) on **December 9th!** Gather for a festive and classy celebration of the Christmas season with live music, dancing, appetizers & seasonal cocktails, and connect with Catholic young adults across the region. Tickets on sale now: scan the QR code or go to [frassatiseseattle.org](http://frassatiseseattle.org)





+November 16, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Peace of our Lord be with each of you!

After a month in Rome for the global synod I was energized, yet eager to return home. Sitting at tables praying and listening to people from around the world was a very intense, prayerful and exhilarating experience. What struck me most was that we were living out a synodal experience of truly listening to understand – not to respond or build upon – but to truly listen to each other and ultimately to listen for the Holy Spirit.

While I was listening for the Holy Spirit at the global synod, the people in the Archdiocese of Seattle were encountering each other and the Holy Spirit during the Partners of the Gospel public input sessions. Using a synodal listening model, these input sessions invited people to pray, listen and share their hopes, fears and ideas related to the proposed parish families.

I am incredibly grateful for the input we received – and humbled by the engagement from the people of God. In all we received over 3,000 pages of feedback from more than 700 input session reports and 800 online responses.

Despite what some may think, we are truly listening. The proposed parish families are in no way “a done deal.” In fact, the opposite is true. Your feedback was reviewed extensively. Because of your input, proposed changes emerged for 25 parish families. The parishes that have a possible change will have a second round of consultation in December on the newly proposed parish family configuration.

We pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide our discernment so that we can follow where God is leading us in this process. Our goal is to encounter Christ, accompany each other and live the joy of the Gospel. As we restructure and renew our parishes, may we be compelled by our Baptismal dignity to live our faith more fully and carry Christ into the world.

I am grateful to everyone who played a role in this historic process – from planning the sessions, training volunteers, leading the small groups, writing the reports and more. Thank you for sharing your time and talents, which are a true gift to your parish community and the local Church.

Again, I give thanks to God for the incredible participation in the consultation process. Thank you for your engagement and continued prayers for this effort. Please keep praying for this renewal effort. As always, I remain,

In the Heart of Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Paul D. Etienne'.

Most Rev. Paul D. Etienne, DD, STL  
Archbishop of Seattle



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# WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

Dear friends,

In late September we had two fruitful gatherings related to Partners in the Gospel - our Saturday Q&A session and the formal input session the following Thursday. Over one hundred parishioners spread across thirteen groups offered thoughtful feedback coming in at about twenty-one pages. Foremost, I want to share how proud I am of our community's thoughtful and charitable feedback on the proposed family. **Thank you** for taking part in this process so far.

As you heard this weekend - and you can read in the archbishop's letter (attached) - the feedback given by parishioners around the archdiocese has not only been received but carefully considered ([click here to read the archdiocesan Feedback Report](#)). The result has been significant changes in more than a third of the parish families, including ours. **The new proposed configuration for parish family 12 (a new number!) is Saint Matthew, Saint Mark, and Saint Pius X parishes.** The archdiocese has kindly provided [a summary of their reasoning, available online \(click here\)](#).

And our part in this discernment isn't done; the archdiocese would like us to go through a round of feedback for this new proposal. To give the archbishop and his team time to consider the results, they must be submitted by the middle of December. Mindful of both that and upcoming events, we will hold our parish-wide feedback session on **Saturday, December 9th from 11 am to 1 pm in the school gymnasium**. Please plan on attending - as we have seen, your feedback matters!



**PARTNERS  
IN THE GOSPEL**

You can prepare by reviewing [the feedback questions & process from the archdiocese](#):

- **Round one:** What concerns do I have about the proposed family grouping? What challenges might this pose?
- **Round two:** What hopes do I see in the proposed family grouping? What opportunities or possibilities might this offer?
- **Additional feedback:** What does or doesn't work with the proposed parish family configuration? What alternatives might the archdiocese consider (and why)?

The archdiocese will also have an online form available for those who can't come to the in-person session. For those who so desire (especially if you can't come on December 9), [you may provide feedback directly to the archdiocese \(click here\)](#). In the meantime, let us continue to pray for each other, the people of the archdiocese, and our archbishop - that we may together discern the call and will of the Lord.

yours in Christ,

Father Maurer



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The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

*Cf. Jer 29: 11, 12, 14*

Today's reading from Proverbs is hands down one of my favorites. To modern ears, it may seem chauvinistic, diminishing, or just jarring.

But, if you'll permit me the space of this page, I invite you to consider this passage in a more encouraging light. The first key - as always! - is found in Jesus and His teaching. He proclaims Himself the bridegroom and us (the Church) His. In this light, this passage becomes not a measuring stick for others but ourselves! And



who among us *doesn't* want to be worthy to be forever with the Lord?

That said, despite being fascinated by my mother at her spinning wheel, I'm not particularly good with wool, flax, a distaff, or a spindle. Happily, these

are simply material examples of the true point: that the husband (Jesus) finds himself able to entrust his (Jesus') heart to her (us!) - because she (we) bring him (Jesus) good, and not evil.

And lest we get tripped up about being one who 'fears' the Lord, remember that this is a reference to fear of causing offense, as we would for anyone whom we call 'beloved'.

We ought to desire to be found worthy - not out of a need to prove ourselves, but because we desire to return (even in small part!) the love He gives. May we ask Him to help us join Him in that work of being made worthy.

November 22 is the **memorial of Saint Cecilia**, virgin and martyr. Patron saint of musicians, she is often depicted with an organ - a reference whose origins have been lost to time. Nonetheless, some depiction of Saint Cecilia can often be found in Catholic parishes around the world - usually strategically placed near the choir - with her and an organ!



Like her, may we hold fast to our faith and praise the Lord in prayer & song. [Read more about Saint Cecilia from the Vatican News.](#)

This week we celebrate the American holiday of **Thanksgiving**. Though not (liturgically speaking) a feast of the Church, we nonetheless take this opportunity to praise God for his kindness and ask Him to open our hearts to every person so that we might share His gifts with all.

This strikes me as a wonderful occasion to remind ourselves to make not just a once-a-year offering but a *daily* offering of ourselves to the Lord and each other. The Church has a wonderful tradition called **the Morning Offering**. [Check it out at the USCCB website](#), and consider making it part of your daily prayers!

