

# St. Mark Shoreline

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**February 4, 2024**

## Weekly schedule

### Sunday - *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 am - Sunday Mass (*for Saint Pius X parish*)  
10:30 am - Sunday Mass (*for Saint Mark parish*)  
1:00 pm - Women's Group prayer, church support meeting, hall

### Monday

9:30 am - Daily Mass (*Antonio Cordon Gallardo, RIP*)  
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 (*Yvonne Carr*)  
11:30 am - Women's Group Rosary gathering, hall  
5:00 pm - Confessions  
6:00 pm - Confirmation preparation, hall

### Thursday

9:30 am - Daily Mass (*special intention*)  
4:00 pm - First Holy Communion prep class, hall  
6:30 pm - OCIA class, hall

### Friday

9:30 am - Daily Mass (*Ruby Mendoza, RIP*)  
11:00 am - Funeral Mass for Gail Kriley

### Saturday

7:45 am - Lion's Den meeting, hall  
9:30 am - ~~Daily Mass~~ (CANCELLED)  
3:00 pm - Confessions  
5:00 pm - Vigil Mass (*for Saint Matthew parish*)  
6:00 pm - Parents' Night Out, gym

## 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



## January 28, 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	\$13,037	(\$2,650)	\$5,587	86	75	161
Year to Date	\$486,297	\$433,711	(\$52,586)				

### St. Mark Women's Group

Please come to our **Sun. Feb. 4th meeting at 1 P.M. in Sullivan Hall.** We're fine-tuning for the Craft Fair, praying the Rosary, and sharing snacks and fellowship.

Please call Sherrill at (206) 432-7180 for details.

### St. Mark Women's Group

Our **Wed., Feb. 7th meeting at 11:30 A.M. in Sullivan Hall** is open to all interested Catholic women. Bring your prayer intentions, Rosary, brown-bag lunch, and good ideas.

Please call Sylvia at (206) 419-3115 for details.

# PARENTS

# NIGHT

**FEB 10**  
**SIGN UP TODAY!**

# OUT

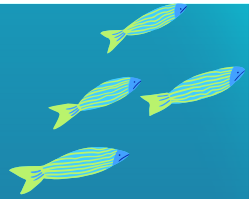
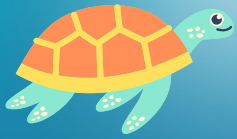
**WHO: ANYONE WITH SCHOOL KIDS**  
**WHAT: BABYSITTING/CHILDCARE**  
**WHEN: FEBRUARY 10 (6PM-9PM)**  
**WHERE: SCHOOL GYM/CAFETERIA**  
**COST: \$25 FIRST CHILD | \$8 ADD'L CHILD**  
**INCLUDES PIZZA, DRINKS AND SNACKS**  
**CONTACT: [STMSSEVENTS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:STMSSEVENTS@GMAIL.COM)**

### Please pray for

Yvonne Carr  
Josie Brooks, RIP

Ernesto Morga, RIP  
Michael Landick, RIP

Michaelynn Richardson  
Adams, RIP



# ST MARK CRAB FEED

**MARCH 2ND, 2024, 6:00 PM**

**18033 15TH PL NE, SHORELINE, WA 98155**

All you can eat fresh Dungeness crab

Pasta

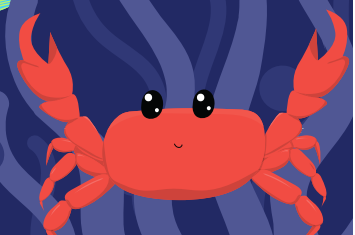
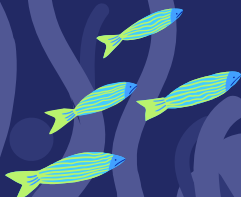
Ivar's Clam Chowder

\$45 per person

\$50 if purchased at the door



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# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



**Monday, February 5th at 7:00 PM in Sullivan Hall (after the Family Rosary) Friends of St. Francis** invite all parishioners to a **special video presentation** by Father Ron Rolheiser from the Oblate School of Theology, who will



explain how the theme of The Common Good within Catholic social teaching enables us to deepen our moral and spiritual lives.

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## Women's Group Craft Fair on February 11th

Need a unique present, or are you just a super-early Christmas shopper? You'll find a wide assortment of affordable gifts on **Sunday, Feb. 11th in the Cafeteria after each Mass.** Proceeds benefit St. Mark's Catholic Classical School. Come and browse while you sip coffee.

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## Rachel's Corner *Hope & Healing After Abortion*

The Project Rachel ministry invites you to join us for our next healing retreat to free be of that burden, so you can finally live in peace and know with all certainty that you are forgiven.

### English Retreat:

**Friday, March 8-Sunday, March 10, 2024**

Visit us online at [www.ccsww.org/projectrachel](http://www.ccsww.org/projectrachel) or [www.facebook.com/projectrachelww](http://www.facebook.com/projectrachelww) or contact us at (206) 920-6413 (English), (206) 450-7814 (Español) or by e-mail at [projectrachel@ccsww.org](mailto:projectrachel@ccsww.org)

**Spring 40 Days for Life Kick Off Rally Thursday, February 8, 6:30 pm at St. Pius X in Mountlake Terrace, 22301 58th Ave W.** Sophia Di Piazza, NW Regional Director of Students for Life is our guest speaker. This is a joint event with the Lynnwood, Everett and Seattle (Northgate) vigils.

Come to share fellowship and gather in unity as we prepare to pray, fast and participate in this peaceful, prayerful, public witness for life during the Lenten season. Signs and sidewalk materials will be available. Light refreshments will be served. Consider bringing people who need to know more about 40 Days for Life. The more the merrier!

Contact Rebecca Anderson, 206-718-1205, [40DaysforLife.Lynnwood@gmail.com](mailto:40DaysforLife.Lynnwood@gmail.com)

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## Pray for Vocations with St. John Vianney

**These families will be praying for vocations with St. John Vianney in the coming weeks:**

Manni Family February 5 – 11  
Pereira Family February 12 – 20  
Tocco Family February 20 – 26  
Wondwossen Family Feb. 26 – Mar. 4



**Please call the school office to sign up to bring home the St. John Vianney statue and pray for vocations.**



+ February 2, 2024 – The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with each of you! Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast commemorates a milestone in the life of Jesus and the fulfillment of the hopes of two people, Simeon and Anna, who longed to see the Messiah. We know their hope and that of all Israel was fulfilled beyond their wildest dreams.

As I write to you today, I am aware of how we are reaching a milestone in our life together in the Archdiocese of Seattle. We have embarked on our own journey of hope and renewal as partners in the Gospel, centered on the same person of Jesus Christ.

After more than a year of careful planning and broad consultation, I am pleased to announce our final parish families today. You can see the [final list](#) on the Archdiocese of Seattle's website ([archseattle.org](http://archseattle.org)). These parish families will go into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup> under the leadership of a pastor and one or more parochial vicars. These pastors and parochial vicars will be announced this spring.

I am so grateful to the thousands of people who engaged in the consultation process by providing insights during the input phase, sharing new ideas and praying for this renewal effort. Together we are truly partners in the Gospel and this re-envisioning work could not be accomplished without you. Your input made a significant impact on how the parish families were configured. We took into consideration many factors including size, location, language needs, the presence of a school, key ministries and much more. We spent hours in deep discussions and prayer while listening to the Holy Spirit and discerning our path for the future.

The final step before promulgating these new parish families was to take the results of all the input once again to prayer. I made a retreat in early January keeping all of you in my heartfelt prayers, asking for the Lord's blessing and ongoing guidance in our efforts to carry out the mission of the Church more effectively today. I experienced a profound and sustained sense of consolation during this retreat, giving me the final confidence to make these decisions for implementation.

In baptism, the Risen Jesus shares his divine life with us, as well as a share in the responsibility for the mission of the Church – his mission. Because of the dignity of our baptism, all of us carry the responsibility to help others encounter Christ, to walk together on the journey of faith, to proclaim the Gospel and to glorify God by our lives. This mission is larger than any one of us – or any one



parish. This mission of Jesus, our mission, we fulfill together as members of the living Body of Christ, the Church.

My hope is that parish families will benefit from the shared gifts of people, time, finances, talents and more so that we, as partners in the Gospel, can truly renew parish life. We need every member of the Church to share their God-given gifts to build up the Body of Christ. Imagine more young people on fire with the faith, more people encountering Christ in the sacraments, more robust outreach ministries serving the marginalized, and churches that are full every Sunday and Holy Days to give praise and thanks to God. This is all possible, and I believe Partners in the Gospel is the key to making it happen.

Thank you for making this journey with me. I know the road ahead will have its twists and turns, and may seem long and rugged at times, but the Lord will always be there as our companion and guide.

My friends, our future is filled with hope – the same hope that filled Simeon and Anna and the Holy Family that day in the temple. I pray the Holy Spirit continues to grace us with openness, strength, and courage to live into our future together. Please be assured of my continued prayers for you, and please pray for me and for our Catholic Church in Western Washington. As always, I remain,

In the Heart of Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul D. Etienne". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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



## PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL

# Final Parish Families

**A**fter significant prayer and discernment, Archbishop Paul D. Etienne promulgated the final parish families for the Archdiocese of Seattle on February 2, 2024 – the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. A parish family is two or more parishes under the leadership of one pastor. Over time, the parish family will determine how it will share resources such as staff, ministries and outreach and grow into one canonical parish over a period of about three years.

This final list of families comes after a year of consultation with the archdiocese's Presbyteral Council, the Partners in the Gospel Oversight Committee, priests, deacons, parish and school staff, lay leaders and the public. Parish families were developed based on parishes' size, geography, cultural and ethnic makeup, financial health, school presence and other considerations. Some parishes stand alone because they are run by a religious order or serve a specific cultural community.

Each parish family has been assigned a number by the archdiocese. In order to present the families by geographic location, this list is not in numerical order.

### WHATCOM/SKAGIT/SAN JUAN ISLAND COUNTIES

- 1** St. Francis (Friday Harbor), Lopez Island Station (Lopez Island), Eastsound Station (Orcas Island), St. Paul (Swinomish), St. Mary (Anacortes)
- 2** St. Joseph (Ferndale), St. Joseph (Lynden), St. Anne (Blaine), St. Peter (Deming), St. Joachim (Lummi), Assumption (Bellingham), Sacred Heart (Bellingham), WWU Newman Center (Bellingham)
- 3** Immaculate Conception (Mount Vernon), St. Charles (Burlington), Sacred Heart (La Conner), Immaculate Heart of Mary (Sedro Woolley), St. Catherine (Concrete)
- 4** St. Augustine (Oak Harbor), St. Mary (Coupeville), St. Hubert (Langley)
- 5** St. Cecilia (Stanwood), Immaculate Conception (Arlington), St. John Vianney (Darrington), St. Mary (Marysville)

### SNOHOMISH COUNTY/NORTH KING COUNTY

- 6** Our Lady of Hope (Everett), St. Anne (Tulalip)
- 7** St. Mary Magdalen (Everett), St. John (Mukilteo)
- 8** Holy Cross (Lake Stevens/Granite Falls), St. Michael (Snohomish), St. Mary of the Valley (Monroe)
- 9** St. Brendan (Bothell), St. Teresa of Calcutta (Woodinville)
- 10** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (Bothell), St. Pius X (Mountlake Terrace)
- 11** Holy Rosary (Edmonds), St. Thomas More (Lynnwood)
- 53** North American Martyrs (Edmonds)

### SEATTLE METRO

- 12** St. Mark (Shoreline), St. Matthew (Seattle)
- 13** St. Luke (Shoreline), Christ the King (Seattle)
- 14** St. John the Evangelist (Seattle), St. Alphonsus (Seattle), St. Benedict (Seattle)
- 15** Our Lady of the Lake (Seattle), St. Bridget (Seattle), Assumption (Seattle), St. Catherine of Siena (Seattle)
- 16** Our Lady of Fatima (Seattle), St. Anne (Seattle), Sacred Heart of Jesus (Seattle)
- 17** St. James Cathedral (Seattle), Immaculate Conception (Seattle), Christ Our Hope (Seattle)
- 18** St. Therese (Seattle), St. Joseph (Seattle)
- 19** Holy Rosary (Seattle), Our Lady of Guadalupe (Seattle)
- 20** Holy Family (Seattle)

- 21** St. Francis of Assisi (Burien),  
St. Bernadette (Seattle),  
Our Lady of Lourdes (Seattle)
- 22** St. Edward (Seattle), St. Paul  
(Seattle), St. George (Seattle),  
St. Peter (Seattle)
- 55** Blessed Sacrament (Seattle) +  
UW Newman Center (Seattle)
- 56** St. Andrew Kim (Seattle)
- 59** St. Margaret (Seattle)

### EASTSIDE

- 24** St. John Vianney (Kirkland),  
Holy Family (Kirkland)
- 25** St. Jude (Redmond), Holy  
Innocents (Duvall), St. Anthony  
(Carnation)
- 26** Sacred Heart (Bellevue),  
St. Monica (Mercer Island)
- 27** St. Louise (Bellevue),  
St. Madeleine Sophie (Bellevue)
- 28** Mary, Queen of Peace  
(Sammamish), St. Joseph  
(Issaquah), Our Lady of Sorrows  
(Snoqualmie)

### SOUTH KING COUNTY/ PIERCE COUNTY

- 23** St. Stephen the Martyr (Renton),  
St. Anthony (Renton)
- 29** St. Philomena (Des Moines),  
St. Thomas (Tukwila)
- 30** Holy Spirit (Kent), St. John the  
Baptist (Covington)
- 31** St. Vincent de Paul (Federal Way),  
St. Theresa (Federal Way)
- 32** St. Barbara (Black Diamond),  
Sacred Heart (Enumclaw),  
St. Aloysius (Buckley)
- 33** Holy Family (Auburn),  
St. Andrew (Sumner)
- 34** All Saints (Puyallup),  
St. Martin of Tours (Fife),  
Sacred Heart (Tacoma)

- 35** St. Charles Borromeo (Tacoma),  
St. Leo (Tacoma)
- 36** St. Patrick (Tacoma), Holy Cross  
(Tacoma), St. John Vianney  
(Vashon Island)
- 37** St. Frances Cabrini (Lakewood),  
St. John Bosco (Lakewood),  
Immaculate Conception  
(Steilacoom)
- 38** Pope St. John XXIII (Tacoma),  
St. John of the Woods (Tacoma)
- 39** Our Lady Queen of Heaven  
(Tacoma), Holy Disciples (Puyallup),  
Our Lady of Good Counsel  
(Eatonville), Ss. Cosmas and  
Damian (Orting)
- 54** St. Joseph (Tacoma)
- 57** St. Paul Chong Hasang (Fife)
- 58** Vietnamese Martyrs (Tukwila)
- 60** Ss. Peter and Paul (Tacoma)

### THURSTON/LEWIS/MASON COUNTIES

- 40** Sacred Heart (Lacey), St. Columban  
(Yelm), St. Peter (Tenino)
  - 41** St. Edward (Shelton), St. Michael  
(Olympia)
  - 42** St. Joseph (Chehalis), St. Mary  
(Centralia), St. Francis Xavier  
(Toledo), St. Yves (Harmony)
- Note:** Prince of Peace (Belfair), also  
in Mason County, is with parish  
family 52.

### SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON

- 43** St. Rose de Viterbo (Longview),  
Immaculate Heart of Mary (Kelso),  
St. Mary (Castle Rock),  
St. Catherine (Cathlamet),  
St. Joseph (Kalama)
- 44** St. Mary of Guadalupe (Ridgefield),  
St. Philip (Woodland), St. John the  
Evangelist (Vancouver), Sacred  
Heart (Battle Ground), St. Joseph  
the Worker (Yacolt)

- 45** Our Lady of Lourdes (Vancouver),  
St. James (Vancouver), St. Joseph  
(Vancouver)
- 46** Holy Redeemer (Vancouver),  
St. Thomas Aquinas (Camas),  
Our Lady Star of the Sea  
(Stevenson)
- 47** St. Joseph Parish at Holy Family  
(Frances), St. Mary (Seaview),  
St. Lawrence (Raymond),  
McGowan Station (Chinook)

### WEST OF PUGET SOUND

- 48** St. Mary (Aberdeen), Our Lady  
of Good Help (Hoquiam),  
St. Jerome (Ocean Shores),  
St. Paul (Westport), Our Lady  
of the Olympics (Amanda Park),  
St. Joseph (Elma), St. John  
(Montesano)
- 49** St. Joseph (Sequim), Queen of  
Angels (Port Angeles), St. Mary  
Star of the Sea (Port Townsend),  
St. Anne (Forks), St. Thomas the  
Apostle (Clallam Bay)
- 50** St. Cecilia (Bainbridge Island),  
St. Olaf (Poulsbo), St. Peter  
(Suquamish)
- 51** Our Lady Star of the Sea  
(Bremerton), Holy Trinity  
(Bremerton)
- 52** St. Nicholas (Gig Harbor),  
St. Gabriel (Port Orchard), Prince  
of Peace (Belfair)





# WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

O come, let us worship God  
and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

*Cf. Ps 95 (94): 6-7*

“He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.” (Mark 1:31)

In a recent conversation with some parishioners, we were discussing the intimacy of physical touch - something that is often taken for granted. Sometimes being hugged or held is exactly what we need, while at other times even a slight touch (say, a hand on the shoulder) is too much for the moment. Either way, that contact is something deeply personal.

With all of this in mind, we can perhaps better appreciate what the Lord is offering here. Certainly, He is offering healing to Peter’s mother - of a kind that is neither alien nor remote but rather deeply personal: Jesus grasps her hand and helps her up.



Across the prayers of today’s Mass are words of the Lord’s unfailing care sustaining us in our frailty so that we may be one with Christ and joyfully bear fruit for the world’s salvation. All of this is possible by the power of God - but it starts with our willingness to receive His help!

It may be especially helpful for us to consider: ‘when was the last time I asked for assistance personally - the last time I *accepted* help from someone else without resistance or pride?’ Recognizing our need for Jesus, let us ask and receive, for our good and that of the world.

This Saturday, February 10, is the memorial of Saint Scholastica, sister to Saint Benedict and founder of the Benedictine nuns



[One of my favorite stories of her is repeated in today’s Office of Readings.](#) She wanted her brother to stay and continue talking about holy things. When he wouldn’t, she prayed - and God sent a thunderstorm! When he complained, she replied “you would not listen; so I asked my God and he did listen.” May we imitate her trust in and love of God!

This coming weekend (February 10-11) I will be away for the annual Doxacon Seattle - a Christian convention exploring faith & fandom. Though there are many fan conventions - quite a few right here in Washington state! - there are not so many *Christian* fan conventions. I am happy to report that Doxacon Seattle is both faith-filled and very, very geeky. If you enjoy science fiction and fantasy, you’ll enjoy them!

Check out their website ([www.doxaconseattle.com](http://www.doxaconseattle.com)) for more information. And if you’d like, buy a ticket and come to the convention on Saturday, February 10! It looks to be a blast.





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Dear friends,

This weekend the archbishop officially announced his final decisions on the parish families across the archdiocese - the fruit of the process that was formally begun almost exactly a year ago. In addition to our own internal reflection & prayer, we now enter into a period of consideration and preparation. Already our staff and councils are considering what areas of focus might be most helpful to our community and the incoming priests - more on that in the coming weeks.

One of the things that can be done **now** is to continue to both *discern* and *respond* to the more immediate needs of Saint Mark community. This week I would like to draw your attention to the invaluable role of **volunteer coordinators**.

For most folks, the idea of being 'in charge' elicits a strong reaction: either deep excitement or deep anxiety. In the life of the Church, this need not be the case! The principles of solidarity (sharing in common our burdens, sorrows, and joys) and subsidiarity (working at the most local level possible) guide the work of the Church universal and individual parishes. In short, we help each other out and keep things as simple as possible!

Volunteer coordinators - working with the pastor and within his vision for a given ministry - are generally responsible for communication between volunteers (scheduling, primarily) and the occasional training, where necessary. For instance, the main work of a volunteer coordinator in charge of lectors would simply be to draft a schedule, send it out to the lectors, and adjust it according to their feedback before finalizing it. As new lectors volunteer, they would walk them through how to read at Mass, use the microphone, and make sure they have a lector guidebook.

In short, volunteer coordination is fairly simple work - but extraordinarily helpful! **Saint Mark parish is in need of this kind of help in three areas:** lector coordination, daily Mass sacristans coordination, and social hour supplies coordination.

By the way, these are all areas that are currently being done by yours truly - a sign of how desperately we need help! Please prayerfully consider if you - or even a few of you! - might assist in one of these areas.

yours in Christ,

Father Jacob Maurer