

Second Sunday in Advent • December, 6 2015

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun.	Nov.	6	Sunday Masses
Mon.	Nov.	7	No morning Mass
Tues.	Dec.	8	Immaculate Conception Masses at 9 am & 7 pm
Wed.	Dec.	9	Deceased Members of 3rd Order of Mary+
Thurs.	Dec.	10	Lamberto Loyola+
Fri.	Dec.	11	Matthew Rothstein+
Sat.	Dec.	12	Roy Lawton+
Sun.	Dec.	13	Sunday Masses
Mon.	Dec.	14	No morning Mass
Tues.	Dec.	15	Maria & Enrico Crisafulli+
Wed.	Dec.	16	Kelly Ramaekers+
Thurs.	Dec.	17	Matt Reddy+
Fri.	Dec.	18	Art & Donna Rothstein
Sat.	Dec.	19	Arsenio Camacho+

HOSPITALITY IN SULLIVAN HALL

December 6—Yikes! Get your shoes off and leave them in Sullivan Hall for the School Families to fill them with donuts! It's St. Nicholas Day.

December 13—Scouts serving donuts at 7:30 and 9:00 Masses. Simbang Gabi Mass at 11 a.m. with reception following in Gym

FREQUENTLY REQUESTED NUMBERS

Boy Scouts: Dennis Halpin (206) 365-1971

Knights of Columbus: Jim O'Sullivan (206) 832-7231

St. Vincent de Paul: Mary Kay Snedden (206) 364-7900

Heaven Guild: Barbara Arnesen (206) 940-5010

Ladies Guild: Lynn Waterson (206) 849-5546

Funeral Reception Volunteers: Gini Harmon
(206) 364-6834

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille (206) 706-2608

Seniors & Friends: Judy Parsons (206) 367-1714

Holyrood Cemetery: (206) 363-8404

Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234

Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

STEWARDSHIP 2015-16 The Sunday Collection through 11/29/2015

Weekly Amount Needed	Last Week's Collection	Needed Year to Date	Actual Given Year to Date	Surplus Year to Date
\$ 15,137	\$ 12,116	\$ 333,014	\$ 341,956	\$ 8,942
Online Giving	# Online Givers	Amount Collected Online:		
	All Funds: 36	\$ 2,646		

CALENDAR

Sun.	12/6/15	Second Sunday in Advent Religious Ed, 10/10 am, School
Mon.	12/7/15	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
Tues.	12/8/15	Immaculate Conception Masses at 9 am & 7 pm St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, Library
Wed.	12/9/15	First Penance Meeting, 6:15 pm, School RCIA, 6:30 pm, Sullivan Hall St. Gianna Molla Women's Reading Group, 7 pm, Parish Center
Sat.	12/12/15	Simbang Gabi set up
Sun.	12/13/15	Third Sunday in Advent Simbang Gabi at 11 am Mass with reception afterwards in the Gym 3rd Order of Mary, 1 pm, Parish Center
Mon.	12/14/15	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
Tues.	12/15/15	Finance Council, 6:30 pm, Parish Center Respect Life, 7 pm, Parish Center Confirmation, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Wed.	12/16/15	School Christmas Program, 7 pm, Gym St. Gianna Molla Women's Reading Group, 7 pm, Parish Center
Thurs.	12/17/15	First Penance Meeting, 6:15 pm, School
Sun.	12/20/15	4th Sunday in Advent KofC Santa Breakfast after all Sunday Masses



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Christmas schedule

A TIME TO HEAL...physically, emotionally, or spiritually

Brenda Cordero, daughter of Stella Bischel; **Sacha Arreola**, friend of Amy Saylor

Allan Meier, son of Virginia Meier

Jim Salmonsens, brother of Doug Salmonsens; **Jacque Ingram and Mary Devlin-Sage**, friends of Rose Buckley

Charles Asiedu

Jim Roufs and Isaiah Schmitz, cousins of Nadette Yarbrough

Herald Householder and Brian Abbott, friends of Steve Abele; **Anna Marie Epps**, grandniece of Rose Buckley

Janice Valdez, friend of Diane Bunce **Carol Bettinger**, mother of Rebecca Anderson

Sister Anne Cornelia, sister of Cornelia Miller

A TIME TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY IN THE MILITARY

SN Alexander Thorne, USN, son of John and AnnaLise Thorne

1st Lt. Owen Stratton, USA, deployed overseas, son of Tom and Cory Stratton;

Andrew T. Kerrick, Airman 1st Class USAF, grandson of Connie Hanson

Ensign Dylan Thomas Jessum, USN, grandson of Tom and Mary Pat Lord

PFC Isaiah Thorne, USMC, son of John and AnnaLise Thorne;

David Leitzen, SPC, US Army, nephew of Teresa and Elenor K. Schoen

Annika Jensen, IT3, USN, daughter of Paul and Maryjane Jensen

Taylor Amundsen, USAF, grandson of Mary Amundsen; **John E. Eaton, S/Sgt USMC**, grandson of Evelyn Combe

Bryant McDaniel, USAF, nephew of James and Lynn Ronald; **Michael Angelo Silang, USN**

Mark Anthony Silang, USMC; Matthew Johnson, USAF, grandson of Helen Bradley

Christopher Abele, ITC (SW/IDW) USN, son of Steven and Janet Abele

Nathan Keiffer, Airman 1st Class, USAF, son of Nigel and Cheryl Keiffer

Zachary Sharp, USAR, grandson of Nigel and Cheryl

A TIME TO MOURN...

Adelaida Chichoco, mother of Noemi Castillo

Margaret Hatten

"May He support us all the day long, till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in His mercy may He give us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last."

J. H. Cardinal Newman

CHANGES IN THE PRAYER LIST

We now have a Prayer Intention book in our parish. It can be found in the church on the podium to the left of the Pieta statue (which is just to the left of the main exit doors). This will be a place where you can write down the concerns of your heart, either for your loved ones or for the world at large. We will continue to have the prayer sheet in the bulletin, but the names will appear for a shorter time. If there is an immediate need for prayer that you want in the bulletin, please continue to call or email your request.

Even if you do not have a prayer request, please stop by and see what prayers are needed by your parish family.

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ADVENT WITH THE ST. GIANNA MOLLA WOMEN'S GROUP

Join us for two evenings of scripture reading, advent reflections and prayer on Wednesday, December 2nd and Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00 in the Parish Center room located in the Pre-School Building. Bring your Bible and rosary – no other materials required.

December 9th – The Nativity

Questions please contact Mikki Altenhofen at altenhofen.mikki@gmail.com



Mission Statement

for our parish:

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” - Matthew 28:19-20

Vision Statement

for our parish:

“They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles... they ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.” - Acts 2:42

ANNUAL YEAR-END PAYMENTS AND DONATIONS

Want to make your Church donation by year-end for tax purposes?

Any payments or new gifts you want credited to the 2015 calendar year for tax purposes need to be in the church office by December 31st. Ways to contribute?

- Sunday collection basket or Parish Office mail box
- www.osvonlinegiving.com/149
- mail to St. Mark Parish, 18033 15th Place NE, Shoreline 98155 (*postmark must be stamped* by Dec 31, 2015 in order to be applied in the calendar year).

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Perpetual Adoration, ongoing at St. Mark parish for over 25 years, is the practice of praying in front of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. It is a meaningful way to strengthen your prayer life and deepen your personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Please consider sacrificing one hour of your week to be with our Lord and Savior. We currently have the following hours open:

Tuesday: 6-7 am, noon-1pm, 2-3 pm

Thursday: 7-8 pm

Friday: 11 am –noon

Saturday: midnight-1 am

**PLEASE TURN IN YOUR
STEWARDSHIP
COMMITMENT CARD!**

SAVE THE DATE – MARCH FOR LIFE 2016

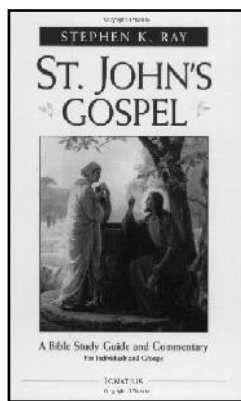
Get ready to join us in Olympia on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 for the Washington State March for Life. We will have buses leaving from St. Mark on that morning. Join us for a faith-filled experience as we stand with others who support the dignity of all human life and encourage our state elected officials to do the same. Sign ups will start next month.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Knights will be selling Christmas-themed cards after all Masses. Please support them as they put Christ back in Christmas.

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS IN JANUARY

The beloved disciple, St John, was a special witness to the greatest events in history. He was the only person present at all three of the key events in the life of Christ: the Transfiguration, the Crucifixion, and the Resurrection. In addition to this, he cared for Holy Mother Mary for the remainder of her earthly life, giving him countless opportunities to glean from her wisdom. Further, he was the only person ever taken up in the spirit into heaven, before the throne of God, and shown the coming victory of good over evil at the end times. Finally, he was the only author in the New Testament who was proclaimed a prophet by an archangel according to the Word of God. All this makes the Gospel of St John a true blessing... the inside-story of Jesus Christ as revealed by God to His prophet, the beloved disciple. Please join us as we study this most profound, yet mysterious, of all the Gospels.



Our bible study of the Gospel of St John will begin on Thursday, January 7, from 7 to 9 pm in Sullivan Hall, and will meet each Thursday until early June. For the first class, you will need to bring your bible and order our study guide: *St John's Gospel, A Bible Study Guide and Commentary* by Stephen K. Ray. You can order this from Amazon or through your local Catholic bookstore. Please read Chapter One of the Gospel and Chapters 1a & 1b from the Stephen Ray book before the first class. The book is currently selling

for under \$15 from Amazon (under \$12 for the Kindle version), and appears to be in high demand, so you should order soon. The retail list price is \$19.95.

For more information, contact the class leader, Claude Golden, claude.golden@gmail.com, or call 206.362.2105.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE IN TROUBLE?

Are you considering separation or divorce? Are you losing hope? There is hope – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-v) can bring reconciliation and healing to seemingly hopeless marriages. You are not alone. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning Jan 22-24, 2016 call 360-671-6479 or visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

GABRIEL PROJECT

Please continue praying for our parish's Gabriel Project. This four-year-old apostolate ministers to women facing crisis pregnancies. We are all called to be Christ to others. Pregnant women can request assistance by calling 888-926-2643.

WE HAVE RECEIVED DONATIONS to our School Endowment Fund in memory of Kelly Ramaekers, Edward A. Rogner, Robert Amundsen, Rene Pineda, Charles Combe, Bill, Dorothy, and Jeremy Ogle, Serapion Arquillano, Father Norris, Margaret Osgood, Dorothy McCool, Rollie Blanchette, Dan & Doris Staber, Robert & Winona Wartinger, Wanda Jensen, Kenny Jensen, Maribel Taguba Santos, And in honor of the 3 & 4 year olds in preschool, and in celebration of the anniversary of Rufino and Dory Isip. We want to acknowledge and *thank* everyone who regularly contributes to the Endowment Fund at St. Mark Parish School. (Each month you have the opportunity to increase the St. Mark School Endowment through the gold envelope included in your parish envelope pack.

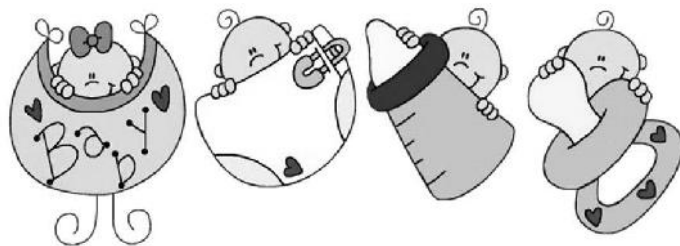
“Do not indulge in dreams of having what you have not, but reckon up the greatest of the blessings you do possess, and then thankfully remember how you would crave for them if they were not yours.”

Marcus Aurelius, *Meditations*

GIVING TREE

Giving Tree items are due no later than December 13. The gifts are delivered to the homes during the next week, and any packages that come in late may not see the person for whom the gift was purchased. St. Vincent de Paul gifts will be sorted at noon on December 13! Remember to bring all Gift Cards to the Parish Office.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION BABY SHOWER – SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2016



Please join the Respect Life Committee after all the Masses on Sunday, January 10 in Sullivan Hall at a baby shower to celebrate the conclusion of our 2015 Spiritual Adoption prayer. We will be accepting baby shower gifts and donating goods to a local pregnancy center

PRECAUTION 101

While doing your holiday shopping...or even when you are in Mass, please consider taking the remote to your garage door opener with you. If someone breaks into your car, your remote just gave them the keys to the house.

Simbang gabi