



Pastor's Letter:

Jubilee of Mercy



The Epiphany of the Lord

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The precious gifts of the three kings to the child Jesus manifest the reality of who this little baby is: the Christ; the anointed savior of the world. The gifts highlight the fact that the Christ child is Himself a gift to all humanity. May we continuously offer thanks to God for His gift to us!

Speaking of gifts, I want to thank all of you who offered gifts to me during Christmas; gifts of "green," homemade treats, gift cards and cards of greeting. I so appreciate your kind generosity!

One of the most important gifts you can all give to me and to all priests is the gift of prayer. Next week, I will be with 20 other priests for my annual priest retreat. I will be at the John Paul II Healing Center for the coming week and would love your prayers for a time of renewal and spiritual growth. Four other priests and 2 seminarians from Seattle will be joining me...pray for all of us please! While in Florida, I will also pay a visit to Fr. Mike Sommers at our sister parish of Saint Thomas the Apostle. While I am away, Fr. Bill Peterson will celebrate daily Masses on Tuesdays and Fridays. Next weekend, please welcome Fr. Rob Evenson to our parish.

Blessings to you all in the week ahead,

Fr. David Mulholland

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sun.	Jan.	3	Sunday Masses
Mon.	Jan.	4	No morning Mass
Tues.	Jan.	5	Kathi Hunter
Wed.	Jan.	6	No Morning Mass
Thurs.	Jan.	7	No Morning Mass
Fri.	Jan.	8	Barbara Arnesen
Sat.	Jan.	9	No Morning Mass
Sun.	Jan.	10	Sunday Masses
Mon.	Jan.	11	No morning Mass
Tues.	Jan.	12	Dusty Dornay
Wed.	Jan.	13	No morning Mass
Thurs.	Jan.	14	No morning Mass
Fri.	Jan.	15	Bechy Nesteby+
Sat.	Jan.	16	No morning Mass

HOSPITALITY IN SULLIVAN HALL

January 3—In preparation for returning to school tomorrow, the **School Families** will be serving you today.

January 10—Read in the bulletin about the Baby Shower that will be going on today. The Respect Life group will be serving.

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

Holyhood Cemetery: (206) 363-8404

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

Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

STEWARDSHIP 2015-16 The Sunday Collection through 12/27/2015

Weekly Amount Needed	Last Week's Collection	Needed Year to Date	Actual Given Year to Date	Surplus Year to Date
\$ 15,137	\$ n/a	\$ n/a	\$ n/a	\$ n/a
Online Giving	# Online Givers	Amount Collected Online:		
	All Funds: n/a	\$ n/a		

CALENDAR

Sun.	1/3/16	Religious Ed, 10:10 am, School
Mon.	1/4/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
		Light Weigh, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Tues.	1/5/16	Confirmation, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Wed.	1/6/16	Heaven Guild, 11:30 am, Sullivan Hall
		First Penance Meeting, 6:15 pm, School
		RCIA, 6:30 pm, Sullivan Hall
		St. Gianna Molla Women's Group, 7 pm, Parish Center
Thurs.	1/7/16	Bible Study, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Sun.	1/10/16	Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower after all Sunday Masses, Sullivan Hall
		Third Order of Mary, 1 pm, Parish Center
Mon.	1/11/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
		Light Weigh, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Tues.	1/12/16	School Accreditation Mtg, 7 pm, Gym
		St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, Library
Wed.	1/13/16	First Penance Meeting, 6:15 pm, School
		RCIA, 6:30 pm, Sullivan Hall
		St. Gianna Molla Women's Group, 7 pm, Parish Center
Thurs.	1/14/16	Bible Study, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Sun.	1/17/16	KofC Pancake Breakfast after all Sunday Masses

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

Anna Marie Epps, grandniece of Rose Buckley; **Allan Meier**, son of Virginia Meier
Jim Salmonsens, brother of Doug Salmonsens; **Charles Asiedu**
Jim Roufs and Isaiah Schmitz, cousins of Nadette Yarbrough
Herald Householder and Brian Abbott, friends of Steve Abele
Janice Valdez, friend of Diane Bunce **Carol Bettinger**, mother of Rebecca Anderson

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...

Sister Anne Cornelia, sister of Cornelia Miller

"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."

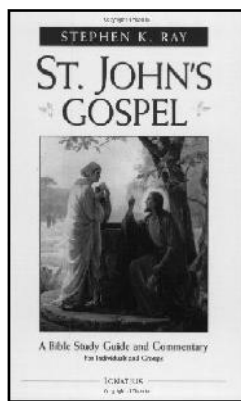
J. H. Cardinal Newman

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.

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, claudgolden@gmail.com, or call 206.362.2105.

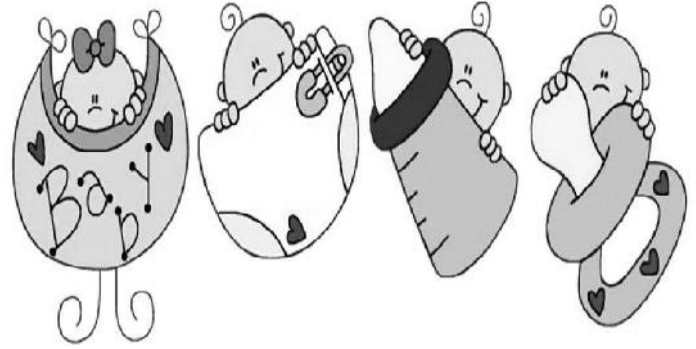
SAVE THE DATE – MARCH FOR LIFE 2016

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.

LIGHT WEIGH MEETING - AN INVITATION TO A TRANSFORMATION!

Are you interested in finding out about Light Weigh, our parish Bible Study Weight-loss group? We meet weekly on Monday evenings and would love to have you join us! Our next session starts in January. For more information call Rebecca at 206-718-1205.

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 newborn items: sleepers/jammies, bibs, booties, blankets, etc., for a local pregnancy center. Cash will be given to Pro-life of Washington (the billboard people)

MONDAY NIGHT ROSARY

Beginning January 4, 2016, the Monday night Rosary at St. Mark will include the recitation of The Divine Mercy Chaplet which will be a prayer we will say during the Year of Mercy.

Please join us for the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet every Monday night at 7:00 pm. Families are encouraged to attend.

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.

ST. MARK PARISH SCHOOL STAKEHOLDER MEETING

Join us Tuesday, January 12, 2016 for a community discussion about our school. Every six years the school is accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA) and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accrediting Commission for Schools (ACS WASC) and during this process input from the community is used to shape goals for the future. Please join us for this important meeting.

January 12, 2016

7:00 – 8:30 PM

St. Mark Parish Gym

**ST. MARK RESPECT LIFE
COMMITTEE'S**



**ANNUAL TRIP TO
OLYMPIA
FOR THE
**MARCH FOR
LIFE****

Prayerfully ride to Olympia with fellow parishioners and friends as we join thousands of other people from across the state in standing up for the Gift of Life! We will attend the Mass for Life at St. Martin's University prior to the rally.

**Two buses will leave
St. Mark Church at 7:30 AM
Tuesday, January 19, 2016**



This will be the 43rd Anniversary of Roe v. Wade. If you have any questions or to reserve seats call Michelle Dotsch at (425)776-0320***

Mass Schedule for the Christmas Season 2015



Sunday, January 3 - Epiphany of our Lord

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. (no incense)

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a.m. (no incense)

9:00 a.m. (incense) & 11:00 a.m. (incense)

Sunday, January 10 - Baptism of our Lord

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. (no incense)

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a.m. (no incense)

9:00 a.m. (incense) & 11:00 a.m. (incense)