

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 21, 2016

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun.	Aug.	21	Sunday Masses
Mon.	Aug.	22	No Morning Mass
Tues.	Aug.	23	For the intentions of: Rose Marie Schmitt
Wed.	Aug.	24	For the repose of the soul of: George Barnett+
Thurs.	Aug.	25	For the repose of the soul of: Chuck Harkins+
Fri.	Aug.	26	For the intentions of: The Bachler Family
Sat.	Aug.	27	No Morning Mass
Sun.	Aug.	28	Sunday Masses
Mon.	Aug.	29	No Morning Mass
Tues.	Aug.	30	No Morning Mass
Wed.	Aug.	31	No Morning Mass
Thurs.	Sept.	1	No Morning Mass
Fri.	Sept.	2	For the repose of the soul of: Jerry Flajole+
Sat.	Sept.	3	For the repose of the soul of: Robert Scarpelli+

AFTER MASS HOSPITALITY IN SULLIVAN HALL

August 21—Knights are in full charge.
 August 28—School families are serving again before Labor Day.
 September 4—Labor Day Weekend—no donuts
 September 11—YLI (Princess Angeline) will be serving you royally.
 September 18—Knights will be here. Maybe they will do a pancake breakfast. We'll see.

FREQUENTLY REQUESTED NUMBERS

Boy Scouts: Dennis Halpin (206) 365-1971
Knights of Columbus: Sam Robles (425)-346-0183
St. Vincent de Paul: Mary Kay Snedden (206) 364-7900
Heaven Guild: Barbara Arnesen (206) 940-5010
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
Marian Caskets: (206) 463-6245; mariancaskets.com

STEWARDSHIP 2016-2017 The Sunday Collection through 8/14/2016

Weekly Amount Needed	Last Week's Collection	Needed Year to Date	Actual Given Year to Date	Shortage Year to Date
\$ 16,155	\$ 15,314	\$ 113,085	\$ 108,807	\$ (4,278)
Online Giving	# Online Givers	Amount Collected Online:		
	All Funds: 41	\$ 3,033		

CALENDAR

Mon.	8/22/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
		Light Weigh, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Tues.	8/23/16	KofC Officer Meeting, 7 pm
		St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, Library
Sun.	8/28/16	Respect Life Rosary, 10:10 am, Affirmation of Life Monument n/o church
Mon.	8/29/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
		Light Weigh, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Sat. & Sun	9/3/16 & 9/4/16	St. Vincent de Paul Food Collection Weekend
		YLI (Princess Angeline), 12:30 pm, Library
		Life Chain, 2-3:30 pm, 220 St SW & Hwy 99
Mon.	9/5/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
Wed.	9/7/16	Heaven Guild, 11:30 am, Sullivan Hall
		St. Gianna Molla Women's Reading Group, 7 pm, Parish Center
Sat.	9/10/16	Baptism Prep Class after 9 am Mass
Sun.	9/11/16	Third Order of Mary, 1 pm, Parish Center
Mon.	9/12/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Cafeteria
		KofC 4th Degree, 7 PM
Tues.	9/13/16	KofC General Meeting, 7 pm
		St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, Library
Wed.	9/14/16	St. Gianna Molla Women's Reading Group, 7 pm, Parish Center
Mon.	9/19/16	Family Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church
		Light Weigh, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall



Pastor's Letter:



Blessed (soon Saint) Teresa of Calcutta

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Last week, many of our parishioners made a consecration to Jesus through Mary on the Solemnity of the Assumption. To do that, we prepared our hearts for 33 days, using a retreat format from Fr. Michael Gaitley. As part of the retreat, we reflected on a beautiful letter Mother Teresa wrote to her sisters. I've posted it before but I think it makes for good reading in these last days of summer. Enjoy!

"My dearest Children -

Jesus wants me to tell you again, how much is the love He has for each one of you - beyond all that you can imagine. I worry some of you still have not really met Jesus - one to one - you and Jesus alone. We may spend time in chapel - but have you seen with the eyes of your soul how He looks at you with love?

Do you really know the living Jesus - not from books, but from being with Him in your heart? Have you heard the loving words He speaks to you? Ask for this grace, He is longing to give it. Never give up this daily intimate contact with Jesus as a real living Person - not just an idea.

How can we last - even one day living our life without hearing Jesus say "I love you" - impossible. Our soul needs that as much as the body needs to breathe the air. If not, prayer is dead - meditation is only thinking. Jesus wants you each to hear Him - speaking in the silence of your heart.

Be carefully of all that can block that personal being in touch with the living Jesus. The hurts of life, and sometimes your own mistakes - [they] make you feel it is impossible that Jesus really loves you, is really clinging to you. This is a danger for all of you. And so sad, because it is completely opposite of what Jesus is really wanting, waiting to tell you.

Not only He loves you, even more - He longs for you. He misses you when you don't come close. He thirsts for you. He loves you always, even when you don't feel worthy. Even if you are not accepted by others, even by yourself sometimes - He is the one who always accepts you.

My children, you don't have to be different for Jesus to love you. Only believe - you are precious to Him. Bring all you are suffering to His feet - only open your heart to be loved by Him as you are. He will do the rest.

You all know in your mind that Jesus loves you - but in this letter Mother wants to touch your heart instead. Jesus wants to stir up our hearts, so not to lose our early love...

Why is Mother saying these things? After reading [Pope John Paul II's] letter "I Thirst", I was struck so much - I cannot tell you what I felt. His letter made me realize more than ever how beautiful is our vocation. How great is God's love for us in choosing [us] to satiate that thirst of Jesus, for love, for souls - giving us our special place in the Church. At the same time we are reminding the world of His thirst, something that was being forgotten.

I wrote to Holy Father to thank him. [His] letter is a sign... to go more into what is this great thirst for Jesus for each one. It is also a sign for Mother that the time has come for me to speak openly of the gift God gave [on] Sept. 10th - to explain fully as I can what means for me the thirst of Jesus.

For me, Jesus' thirst is something so intimate - so I have felt shy until now to speak to you of Sept. 10th - I wanted to do as Our Lady who "kept all these things in her heart." Jesus' words on the wall of every MC chapel, they are not from the past only, but alive here and now, spoken to you. Do you believe it? If so, you will hear, you will feel His presence. Let it become as intimate for each of you, just as for Mother - this is the greatest joy you could give me. Jesus Himself must be the one to say to you "I Thirst." Hear your own name. Not just once. Every day. If you listen with your heart, you will hear, you will understand.

Why does Jesus say "I thirst"? What does it mean? Something so hard to explain in words - if you remember anything from Mother's letter, remember this - "I thirst" is something much deeper than just Jesus saying "I love you." Until you know deep inside that Jesus thirsts for you - you can't begin to know who He wants to be for you. Or who He wants you to be for Him. Before it was Our Lady pleading with Mother, now it is Mother in her name pleading with you - listen to Jesus' thirst.

How to approach the thirst of Jesus? Only one secret - the closer you come to Jesus, the better you will know His thirst. "Repent and believe", Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor - He knows your weakness, He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you. He is not bound by time. Whenever we come close to Him - we become partners of Our Lady, St John, Magdalen. Hear Him. Hear your own name. Make my joy and yours complete.

Let us pray,

God bless you,

M. Teresa MC."

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

Louise Heinrichs (mother of Jane Heinrichs)

Frank Hopfinger

Talea & Rod Lulay

Maria Lumbera, sister of Vivian Gomez

Thérèse Chapman, daughter of Todd and Cherie

Isabel Glancy; Diane and Lee Lutovsky

Dennis Gustafson, brother-in-law of Vicky Russell

Emmelia Olvena (1st grader)

Allen Thorne; Natalie Hogan, friend of Veronica Olson

Jeffrey Insley, brother of Greg Insley

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

CTT3 Alexander Thorne, USN, son of John and AnnaLise
Thorne

1st Lt. Owen Stratton, USA, 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

LCPL Isaiah Thorne, USMC, son of John and AnnaLise Thorne

David Leitzen, SPC, USA, 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...

John Mercil, brother-in-law of Lee Lutovsky

"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

Parish Mission Statement

"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

Parish Vision Statement

"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

**As a parish, we will fulfill the Mission and
live the Vision by...**

- ***Becoming a worshiping people...*** who give praise and glory to God by keeping the Lord's day Holy, by celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday, and by encountering the Lord Jesus in the sacramental life and daily prayer.
- ***Becoming a missionary people...*** who live our Catholic faith on a daily basis in witness of the Lord Jesus to the world; to our family, our neighbors, our friends, and our co-workers. In this way Jesus is known by the fruit of our lives and in our love for others; this is at the heart of evangelization and catechesis.
- ***Becoming a merciful people...*** who put our faith into action by practicing the spiritual and corporal works of mercy:

The Spiritual Works of Mercy: instructing, advising, consoling, and comforting

The Corporal Works of Mercy: feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead

REGISTRATION BEGINS HERE

FAMILY FORMATION SUNDAYS

FIRST RECONCILIATION

FIRST COMMUNION

CONFIRMATION

RCIA

SIGN UP AFTER MASSES ON SEPTEMBER 10-11 AND SEPTEMBER 17-18

CONTACT LAURIE MCCLOSKEY; ASSISTANT FOR FAITH FORMATION

206-364-7900 X 105

OR EMAIL

lauriem@saintmarkshoreline.org

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The St. Vincent de Paul Helpline has a very serious need for volunteers to take calls from neighbors needing assistance. We must reduce Monday and Tuesday wait times—now in the 30-40 minute range, and additional staff will help mitigate this problem. Our goal is to offer compassionate connections to swiftly refer people to the appropriate SVdP Parish Conference where they can get help. We invite anyone who has an interest in helping those in need over the phone to consider spending a few hours a week serving as a Helpline volunteer.

This is the perfect way to offer service, to give back and to help make a difference in people's lives. Training and support will be provided. Join us to help make a difference! If you are interested please contact Thomas Wagner at (206) 767-9975 Ext 1121 or thomasw@svdpsattle.org

LIGHT WEIGH ONE KING PROGRAM

God has the answers for our weight, food struggle and all temptations. Take your struggles to the King our Lord Jesus. Light Weigh One King meets at St. Mark on Mondays from 7 – 8: 30 pm in Sullivan Hall. Plan now to join our next session which will start begin September 19.

This is a 12-week Catholic Bible Study DVD program recommended by priests, doctors, nurses & Prevention Magazine for weight-loss and health. There are no weigh-ins. View the Light Weigh Orientation video at: www.lightweigh.com and click on the Orientation Video on the right side of the screen, halfway down the page. If you are interested in joining our parish group call Rebecca at 206-718-1205 or email her at becsterbear@gmail.com to order your program materials and join this life changing program. We need to order in order to arrive for our next session beginning on **Monday, September 19**.

STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE

Do you long for a more loving and caring relationship? Do you have feelings of disillusionment in your marriage? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-v) can help by providing the relationship-healing skills needed to build a stronger marriage. No matter the source of conflict in your marriage, Retrouvaille can help you. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning Sept 23-25, 2016 call 360-671-6479 or visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

PROLIFE WASHINGTON-The Billboard People

- † In October, billboards will going up in and around Seattle to PROCLAIM the GIFT of LIFE of the UNBORN.
- † August 27 - August 28 will be the time to bring the filled bottles back to Mass.

Thank you for supporting the Culture of Life with your contribution for the billboards!

Matt and Georgene Ulrich

HELP MADELEINE RUSSELL ENTER THE CONVENT!

I have been accepted to the religious community, the Sisters of Life. Please pray for me as I respond to this call! If you would like to financially support me in paying off my student loans so I can enter the convent sooner, please send me an email at mcrussell8@gmail.com or call me at 425-750-7202. If you have particular intentions you would like me to pray for daily, please also send those my way!

I invite you to visit my online fundraising page to read more of my story:

www.youcaring.com/madeleine-russell-595557

ST. MARK CONFERENCE

July 2016 St. Vincent de Paul MONTHLY PARISH REPORT

of families/individuals helped by St. Mark St. V de P..... 41/126

of families/individuals referred by St. Mark St. V de P... 5/10

Cash Expenditures

Rent	\$ 500
Light.....	1,404
Utilities	580
Banking Fees	17
Gas Cards	100
Safeway food & Rx	1,550
Automobile Insurance	52
Bed	121
Total Expenses:	\$ 4,404

Income Received

Meeting collections.....	\$ 85
Poor Box Donations.....	84
Envelope Collection.....	4,145
Anonymous donor.....	150
Total Income	\$4,464

Net Income

In-kind Assistance

Boxes/bags of food & supplies	10/38
Religious Pamphlets, etc.	27
Bags of diapers.....	2
Reference Sheets.....	11

You are helping us to carryout the mission to serve the poor. Jesus reminds us that the help you provide to the least of your brethren, that you do unto Him.

WE HAVE RECEIVED DONATIONS

to our School Endowment Fund in memory of Tom Friedel, Jerry Jensen, Souls in Purgatory, Dick Philips, Pauline Arquillano, Charles Combe, Donh Van Vu, Rollie Blanchette, Celso Abellana, Bob Amundsen, Dorothy McCool, Margaret Osgood, The Ramos Family; Maribel Santos, Robert Scarpelli, Dan & Doris Staber, Mike Harb, Robert & Winona Waringer. And for the birthdays of Mark Anthony Silang and H.S. O'Neal. We want to acknowledge and *thank* everyone who regularly contributes to the Endowment Fund at St. Mark Parish School.