

# St. Mark Shoreline



## St. Mark Parish

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**October 25, 2020**

**Reverend Jacob Maurer, Pastor**

### Parish Office

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm  
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### School Office

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm  
(206) 364-1633 (206) 367-3919

### Sunday Mass

8:30 am & 10:30 am

### Weekday Mass

Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 9:30 am  
Wednesday: 6:30 pm

### Confessions

Wednesday: 5:00 pm  
Saturday: 3:00 pm

Or, call the parish office for reconciliation appointments

# PARISH INFORMATION



## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, October 25

*Sunday Mass, Pro Populo*

8:30 am, Mass, Church

10:30 am Mass, Church

### Monday, October 26

9:30 am Mass (Kirsten James)

### Tuesday, October 27

No Morning Mass

### Wednesday, October 28

5:00 pm Confessions, Church

6:30 pm Mass, Church (David Hayward, RIP)

7:00 pm RCIA, Sullivan Hall

### Thursday, October 29

9:30 am Mass, Church (Gene Hanson, RIP)

### Friday, October 30

9:30 am Mass, Church (Amparo Zabala Fernandez, RIP)

### Saturday, October 31

9:30 am Mass, Church (Bill Walker, RIP)

3:00 pm Confessions, Church

### Sunday, November 1

*Sunday Mass, Pro Populo, All Saints Day*

*Daylight Saving Time Ends*

8:30 am, Mass, Church

10:30 am Mass, Church

## Pastor

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## St. Mark Parish School

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## St. Mark Parish School Principal

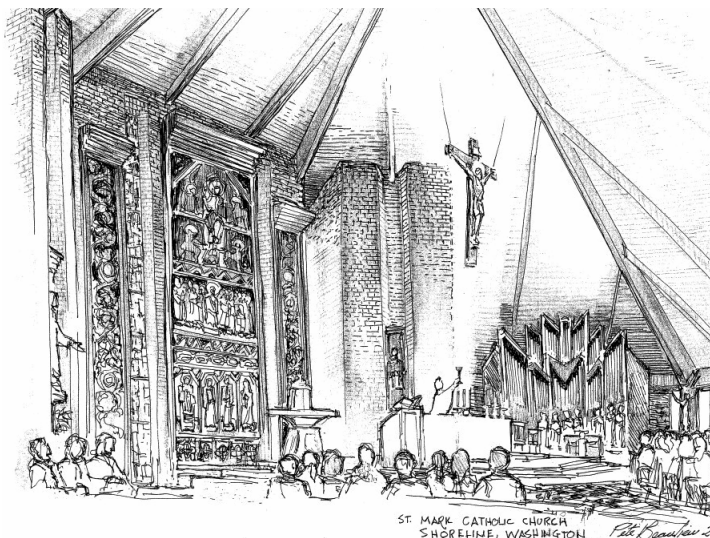
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(206) 363-7100

## St. Mark Parish Website

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Stewardship as of October 18, 2020 for  
Fiscal Year July, 2020-June, 2021:

Weekly amount needed: \$17,310

Last Week Collection: \$11,808

Year to date needed: \$276,960

Actual given year to date: \$233,482

Difference: (43,478)

Online Giving:

Total givers: 88

Amount given online: \$5,678



# WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

*Cf. Ps 105 (104): 3-4*

The first line from the reading from Exodus strikes me as particularly relevant lately:

*You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt.*

There has been a great deal of conversation about immigrants and migration over the last several years. Discussions of walls, detention centers, and separation of children from their parents rightly dominated headlines. A basic question regardless of political affiliation needs answering: what *should* we be doing?



*The Crossing of the Red Sea by Nicholas Poussin*

This weekend I shared the story of a heartbreaking conversation with some Mexican parishioners who invited me over for dinner at the height of the 2016 election: “Father, why do Americans hate us so much?”

Our legacy both as Americans and followers of Christ is as aliens in a foreign land: our true home is in heaven. While we are far from home, let us be sure that we always choose to be united with our fellow sojourners.

**How should Catholics feel about Halloween?** The question comes up nearly every year, with people of good will falling on either side of the debate.



Recall that the very name of Halloween is based upon the celebration of All Saints - ‘All Hallows’ Eve’, or the evening before all those who are hallowed (ie, saints). The dressing up as otherwise scary things was a declaration of their powerlessness in the face of God.

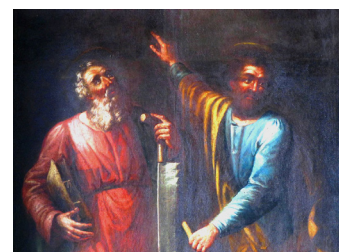
So while we should avoid the ultra-gory or immodest, we are free to join in the festivities!

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This Wednesday (**October 28**) is the feast day of saints Simon and Jude. Though they died separately, they came together in Persia during their apostolic ministry.

More is known about Saint Jude - also known as Jude Thaddeus. He is the patron saint of hopeless causes, a choice inspired by the exhortation he writes in his letter to persevere in difficult circumstances.

Little is documented about the life of Saint Simon, though he is said to have been martyred with a saw (thus his common depiction holding a saw).



# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## Daylight Saving Time Ends

Please remember that Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 1.

## Into the Breach

Our Knights of Columbus invite all men to join them in viewing the 12 part series *Into the Breach: An Apostolic Exhortation to Catholic Men* which identifies the crisis of faith facing the Church today and presents a vision of the role of Catholic men in combating it. Each episode focuses on a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity, such as brotherhood, fatherhood, love and family life, and features interviews with well-known Catholic commentators and follows the personal story of a man whose life illuminates each theme.

The program can be found at <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html> once there you will find the links to the videos and the downloadable study guide. Normally our Knights would host viewings and have group discussions but that is not currently possible.

The Knights would like know you are participating and when you finish. Please contact John Anderson at [jmrand@msn.com](mailto:jmrand@msn.com) or Mike Cowan at [cowan kirda@aol.com](mailto:cowan kirda@aol.com) or Greg Insely at [cristero2012@gmail.com](mailto:cristero2012@gmail.com).

If you would prefer a hard copy of the study guide please contact John Anderson at (206) 235-2181 or [jmrand@msn.com](mailto:jmrand@msn.com).

*"Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you."*  
~Saint Augustine

### Parish Prayer Intentions

#### For the ill...

Kirsten James, Janet Kramer, Joanne Tall,  
Antoinette Cox, Maxine Dion, Jean Tiberio, Tom Lord

#### For the deceased...

## What does the Catholic Church say about Election Issues?

**The Catholic Church does not endorse any candidates or political parties.**

The Church does advocate for public policies that serve the common good and are aligned with Church teachings. To guide us in considering election issues and political candidates' views the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) publishes [Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility](#) Some highlights:

◇ Paragraph 31 begins a discussion of Making Moral Choices in relation to voting.

◇ Part 2 gives an overview of the Church's position on a number of political issues including human life, the death penalty, religious freedom, migration, care for creation and more.

### The USCCB & WSCC

For further detailed information about the Catholic Church's stance on national public policy issues refer to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops <https://www.usccb.org/>

Consult the [Washington State Catholic Conference \(WSCC\)](#), the public policy voice of the bishops of Washington state, for information about state and local policies.

### Other "Catholic" Sources

We may encounter websites, emails, sources or mailers that label themselves "Catholic". However, they may not be officially aligned with or sanctioned by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). During this election season, some parishioners have received mailers that claim to be Catholic and promote specific candidates. These mailers (or emails) did not come from diocesan mailing lists. **If a source instructs you to support a specific candidate or political party, it is most likely not an official organization of the Catholic Church.**

## Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial

This month our community Rosary opportunity will be today, Sunday, October 25 after the 10:30 am Mass at the Affirmation of Life Memorial. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

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## It's Okay Not to be Okay: Part II

So far 2020 has been a year like no other. One in five American adults will experience some mental health issues in their lifetime. These issues may take the form of significant changes in thinking, emotions, behavior or a combination of these and can be associated with difficulty functioning in social, work or family activities.

Mental health conditions are treatable and improvement is possible. Many people experiencing mental health issues return to full functioning.

Mental health treatment is based upon an individualized treatment plan developed collaboratively with a mental health professional and an individual (and family members if the individual desires). It may include psychotherapy (talk therapy), medication or other complementary treatments.

Self-help and support, including the individual's church community, can be very important to coping, recovery and long-term well-being. A comprehensive plan may also include individual actions (for example, lifestyle changes, support groups, exercise, changes in diet, etc.) that enhance recovery and well-being.

Mental health professionals help individuals and their families understand mental illnesses and what they can do to control or cope with symptoms in order to improve health, wellness and functioning.

While medication can be an important part of treating some mental health conditions, it is not enough.

Medication cannot heal damaged relationships or give insight into challenges. These are things that require reflection, thinking, talking and prayer. Therapists can be extremely helpful in this vital part of recovery; they are trained to help with these problems in a non-judgmental way. Talk therapy involves a series of meetings with a trained therapist. Since mental health conditions often cause complicated problems affecting many parts of a person's life, relationships may suffer and it may be difficult to work, think clearly or make good decisions. Talking openly to a trusted person can be comforting and can help an individual see problems, situations and solutions more clearly.

Find more at the National Catholic Partnership on Disability at [www.ncpd.org](http://www.ncpd.org) and Mental Illness Ministry of the Chicago Catholic Archdiocese [www.miministry.org](http://www.miministry.org).

## St. Mark RCIA 2020 Program

If you haven't attended yet, but are interested in participating, please call or email Kirk Altenhofen at (206) 364-7900 x105 or [kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org](mailto:kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org). Please contact Kirk for information regarding all Faith Formation programs here at St. Mark.

## Caring for Our Community

As physical distancing and social isolation continues at a time of year when the weather gets cooler, fewer people are outside. Let's all check on those individuals we know to be home bound or elderly. We can call and offer to grocery shop, run errands or just listen. We are social isolating physically but we can still reach out to each other.

## The Rosary Online & Seattle Archdiocese Resources

The Rosary is a beautiful prayer that can bring a sense of peace and hope.

Map of Hope connects us with people around the world praying the Rosary. You can add prayer intentions, check the map and share it with friends and family. For more information and to find the map go to: <https://themapofhope.com/>

Catholify offers the Rosary live every hour on the hour at [www.catholify.com](http://www.catholify.com).

Did you know that you can pray the Rosary with bishops, priests and deacons of the Archdiocese of Seattle anytime you want to? Just go to <https://vimeo.com/424251219> and hit "play"!

### Frequently Requested Numbers

Boy Scouts: Dennis Halpin (206) 365-1971  
Knights of Columbus: Greg Insley (206) 271-4599  
St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: (206) 767-6449  
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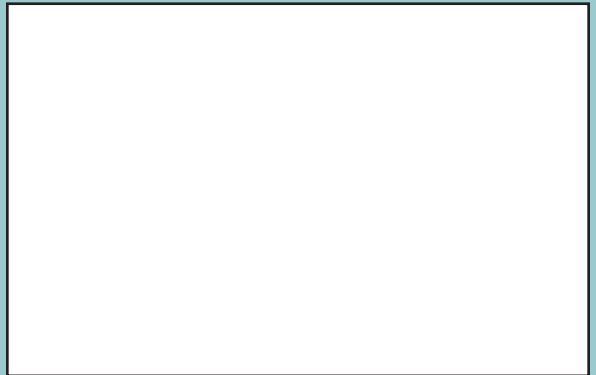
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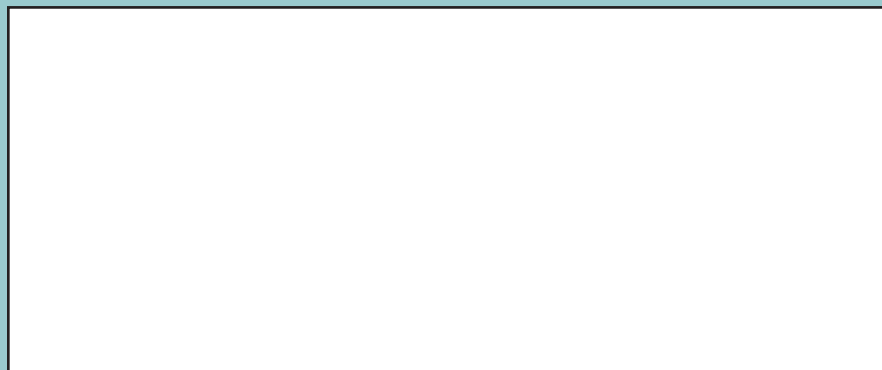
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