

**DIVINE**

**MERCY**

*Sunday*

*St Mark*

# PARISH INFORMATION



## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, April 11 *Divine Mercy Sunday*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*

10:30 am, Mass, Church (incense) (*Pastor's Intention*)

### Monday, April 12

No Morning Mass

7:00 pm, Grief Group, Sullivan Hall

### Tuesday, April 13

No Morning Mass

### Wednesday, April 14

5:00 pm, Confessions, Church

5:00 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church

6:00 pm, Benediction & Evening Prayer

6:30 pm, Daily Mass (Joseph Anthony Armstrong, RIP)

7:00 pm, Faith Matters, Sullivan Hall

### Thursday, April 15

9:30 am, Morning Mass, Church (Aidan Horvath)

6:45 pm, Confirmation Retreat Presentation, Church

### Friday, April 16

9:30 am, Morning Mass, Church (Georgene Ulrich)

### Saturday, April 17

9:30 am, Morning Mass, Church (John Wagner, RIP)

10:30 am, Lector Training, Church

12 noon, Games & Grace with Fr. Maurer, Sullivan Hall

5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (*St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff*)

### Sunday, April 18 *Third Sunday of Easter*

8:30 am, Mass, Church *Pro Populo*

10:30 am, Mass, Church (incense) (*Pastor's Intention*)

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## St. Mark Parish Location

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Stewardship as of April 4, 2021 for  
Fiscal Year July, 2020-June, 2021:

Weekly amount needed: \$17,310

Last Week Collection: \$21,348

Year to date needed: \$692,400

Actual given year to date: \$596,764

Difference: (95,636)

Online Giving:

Total givers: 93

Amount given online: \$12,528



# WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

*Cf. 1 Pt 2: 2*

Happy Easter! I hope that this octave of Easter has been filled with joys and blessings - and that the remaining Easter season continues to bear fruit for you and your loved ones.

As we conclude the octave of Easter, we celebrate Sunday of Divine Mercy and I have a bit of a confession to make: I've never been terribly fond of this celebration. The image of Christ is not one that I find particularly appealing - Jesus seems far too soft, not at all the ideal of strength & glory that I expect.



Moreover, the phrase at the base of the image is one that I find incomplete. More accurate to my experience is a small, but critical edit: "Jesus I trust in You.... most of the time....sometimes....

kind of."

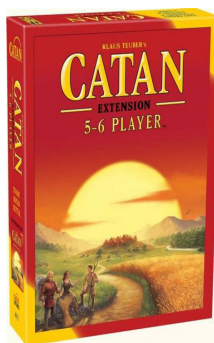
I am consoled in the knowledge that this is the struggle of most Christians, even from Jesus' early ministry. He wasn't the conquering hero nor the scrupulous lawgiver they expected - He was meek towards sinners, bold in His mercy.

And that's what we celebrate today: that Christ is patient and merciful! He will gently build us up so that we might - little by little - truly trust in Him, without caveat or hesitation.

**A plenary indulgence** is available for the occasion of Divine Mercy Sunday. Although we will not be holding any formal event this year for the occasion, it is nonetheless still possible to receive this grace for yourself, a deceased person or all the souls in purgatory.

Simply recite the Our Father and the Creed in the presence of the Eucharist (exposed in a monstrance or reserved in the tabernacle) adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus such as, 'Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!'

The usual conditions for plenary indulgences also apply (confession & holy communion within 20 days, praying for the Holy Father's intentions and no attachment to sin).

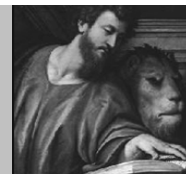


Games & Grace begins again this Saturday, April 17th! From cribbage to Catan, any game is welcome. If you'd like to spend some time enjoying fun company, tabletop games, and conversations that ranges from the silly to the solemn, this is the place for you! We'll begin around noon and conclude around 3 pm in Sullivan Hall.

(Some folks mentioned that they thought this was a guys-only affair - please rest assured that **all are welcome**. If you like games - or just some time together - please come!)



# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## St. Mark Parish Faith Matters Program

Faith Matters returns on Wednesday, April 14 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall with The Theological Virtues. Everyone is welcome, please come! If you have questions regarding any Faith Formation program please contact Deacon Kirk [kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org](mailto:kirka@saintmarkshoreline.org), or (206) 364-7900.

## Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference

The 2021 Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference will be Friday evening, April 23 and all day Saturday, April 24 at St. Brendan Parish in Bothell.

Due to state and Archdiocesan guidelines in person attendance is limited and prior registration is required. The conference's mission is to form, challenge and encourage men of the Seattle Archdiocese in their Catholic faith, spirituality and morality.

Men of all ages and backgrounds are invited to build up their families through prayer and sacrificial action.

For more information, and to register, please go to:

<http://www.seattlemensconference.org/>

## Queen of Heaven Guild

The Queen of Heaven Guild supports our members and parish through prayer and fellowship. We support the greater community through endeavors like providing food baskets and supporting parish campaigns and charities.

We invite all interested and daring ladies to come to our next meeting, **Wednesday, April 14 at 11:30 am in Sullivan Hall**. Bring your prayer intentions, rosary, creativity and a brown bag lunch to enjoy outside.

Welcome back! Please call Sylvia at (206) 417-3115 with any questions.

### Parish Prayer Intentions

#### For the ill...

Teresa Schoen, Michael Stevens, Bill and Maria Lersch,  
Vicki Langlot, Ted Gormley, Zoe Rossetto,  
George Helbling

#### For the deceased...

## Proclaiming the Year of the Family Part II

Pope Francis established the Year of the Family to help strengthen faith and live God's joy more fruitfully in family life. The Year of the Family began on March 19, 2021, on the Solemnity of St. Joseph and will conclude on June 26, 2022, on the occasion of the tenth World Meeting of Families in Rome with the Holy Father.

We can celebrate without traveling to Rome!

### Pope Francis' five goals for The Year of the Family

1) Share the content of the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* more widely.

2) Proclaim that the sacrament of marriage is a gift that contains in itself a transforming power of human love.

3) "Evangelize and catechize inside the family" (AL 200).

4) Foster awareness to young people about the joy of family life.

5) Broaden the vision and scope of the family, including married couples, children, young people, the elderly and situations of family fragility. In response to this, Pope Francis instituted a Church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Beginning in 2021, it will be held on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

### Year of the Family Prayer

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
in you we contemplate  
the splendor of true love;  
to you we turn with trust.

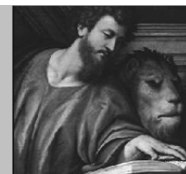
Holy Family of Nazareth,  
grant that our families too  
may be places of communion and prayer,  
authentic schools of the Gospel  
and small domestic churches.

Make us mindful  
of the sacredness of the family,  
and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
Graciously hear our prayer.  
Amen.



# PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## Games and Grace Returns

Games and Grace returns to Sullivan Hall with Father Maurer on Saturday, April 17 at 11:00 am. Bring your favorite table-top or board game to play with Father Maurer in a space for fun and theological conversation. Everyone is welcome. Come Saturday and join the fun.

## Divine Mercy Sunday

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. We are familiar with the message and devotion: That God loves us and He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins.

**A**-Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy upon us and upon the world.

**B**-Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

**C**-Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with our trust the more we can receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, a young Polish nun with little formal education and from a poor family. Because of her background, and having only had three years of formal schooling, she was given the humblest tasks in the convent, usually in the kitchen or the garden. She received extraordinary revelations-or messages-from our Lord Jesus. In obedience to her spiritual director, she wrote a diary recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread throughout the world.

Saint John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina in 2000 making her the first saint of the new millennium. Speaking of Sr. Faustina and the importance of the message contained in her diary, the Pope called her "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time".

Today, we continue to rely on St. Faustina as a constant reminder of the message to trust in Jesus' endless mercy and to live life mercifully toward others. We can turn to her in prayer and request her intercession.

## Prayer Service for Child Abuse Prevention

Join Archbishop Paul Etienne, virtually, for a Prayer Service for Child Abuse Prevention Month, Wednesday, April 21 at 7:00 pm via livestream @ArchdioceseofSeattle on either [Vimeo](#) or [Facebook](#).

Throughout the Gospel Christ calls upon His followers to care for the most vulnerable among us, especially the children. Our faith calls for us to uphold the value of human life and the dignity of the human person.

## Sacred Heart Radio

Sacred Heart Radio, 100.3 FM and 1050 AM, is listener supported local Catholic radio. You have likely listened to the Mass at 9:00 am on weekdays, but have you explored any of the programs?

**The Journey Home** (Monday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 2:00 & 10:00 pm) the host and guests address the personal obstacles, doctrinal objections and the irresistible attraction to the church Jesus founded 2,000 years ago.

**Women of Grace** (Monday through Friday at midnight) is part of a Catholic apostolate whose mission is to transform the world, one woman at a time, by affirming women in their dignity and vocation as daughters of God and in their gift of authentic femininity.

## Daily Mass Cancellation

† Monday, 9:30, am April 12 Daily Mass is canceled

## St. Mark Parish Office Spring Hours

The parish office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm and on Friday from 9:00 am until 12 noon for the spring.

### 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

Queen of Heaven Guild: Sylvia Ebert (206) 419-3115

Funeral Volunteers: Gini Harmon (206) 364-6834

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille (206) 706-2608

Holyrood Cemetery: (206) 363-8404

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

Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

Marian Caskets: (206) 463-6245

April 1, 2021



The students of St. Mark Catholic Classical School collected money for Lifewater International in March after being taught how the organization helps those who need clean water and good sanitation. The students also prayed for Lifewater's efforts.

God Bless,

*Kathryn Palmquist-Keck*



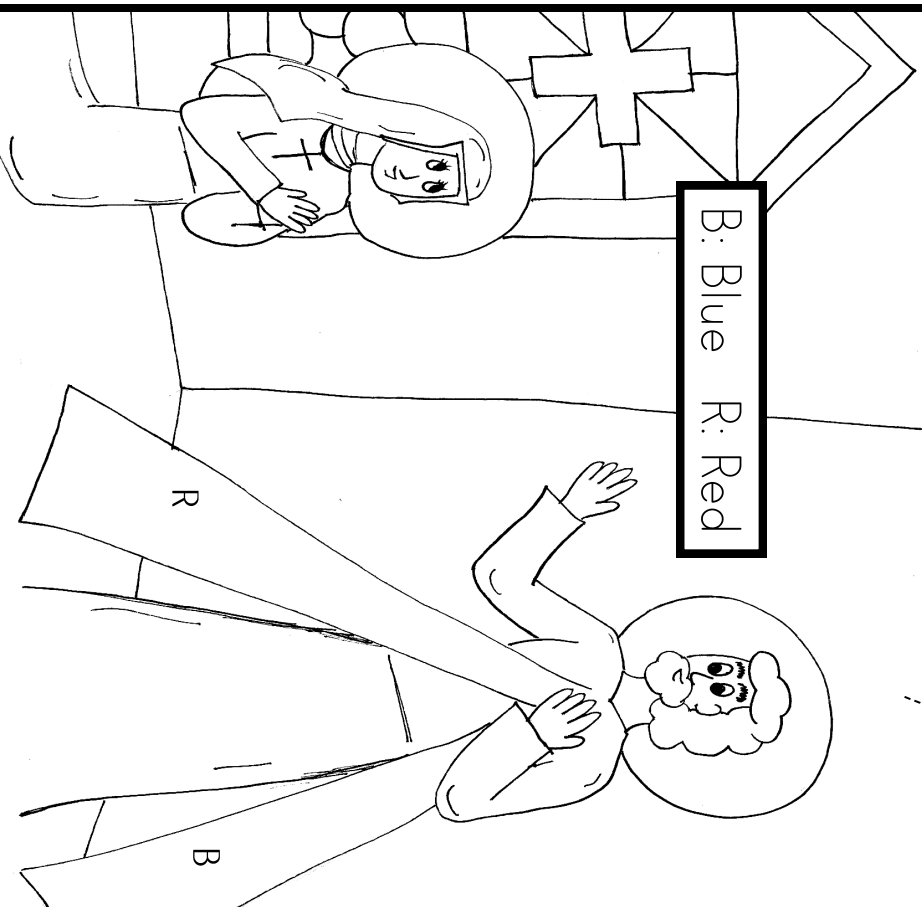
# Saint Faustina

Jesus appeared to Saint Faustina and asked her to paint a picture of Jesus with the words, "Jesus, I trust in You."

She taught people about Divine Mercy. Divine means God. Mercy means forgiveness.

## Divine Mercy

B: Blue R: Red



# Catholic Kids

April 11, 2021  
Sunday of Divine Mercy  
Color: White

Bulletin

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Give thanks to  
the Lord, for he  
is good,  
his love is  
everlasting.

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Learn part of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.  
"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion,  
have mercy on us and  
on the whole world."

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