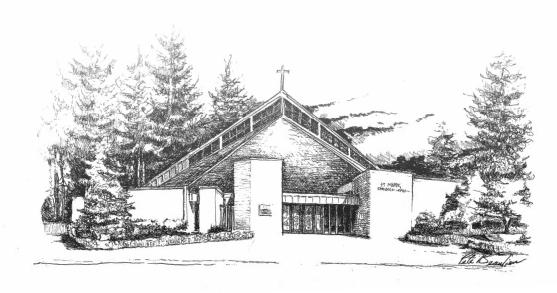
St. Mark Shoreline



St. Mark Parish

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November 14, 2021

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Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

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

Appointments are welcome! Call Fr. Maurer.

PARISH INFORMATION



The Week of November 14

Sunday, November 14 Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am, Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*) 10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*) 11:30 am, Baptism, Church

Monday, November 15

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Suzy Moore, RIP) 6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria

Tuesday, November 16

No Morning Mass 7:00 pm, St. Gianna Molla Reading Group, Sullivan Hall

Wednesday, November 17

5:00 pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Church 5:00 pm, Confessions, Church 6:00 pm, Benediction & Evening Prayer, Church 6:30 pm, Mass, Church (Earlene Firth, RIP) 7:00 pm, Faith Matters, Sullivan Hall 7:00 pm, RCIA, Sullivan Hall

Thursday, November 18

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Romy Ramos, RIP) 2:00 pm, Bible Study, Sullivan Hall 4:00 pm, Sacramental Prep, Sullivan Hall 6:30 pm, Pastoral Council, Rectory 6:45 pm, Confirmation Prep, Sullivan Hall

Friday, November 19

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Perla Suasi, RIP)

Saturday, November 20

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Michael Kelly, RIP) 3:00 pm, Confessions, Church 5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff)

Sunday, November 21 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 8:30 am, Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*) 10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*)

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WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Cf. er 29: 11, 12, 14

This last Wednesday Archbishop Etienne issued a letter to the archdiocese announcing the restoration of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays & holy days of obligation and the obligation to receive the Eucharist at least once a year. You can read his letter and watch his recorded message online - both are included on our parish website. The restoration of obligation takes effect on December 8, 2021, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

In addition to returning to the regular practice of Mass and reception of the Eucharist, we



are presented with a special opportunity and challenge: to not only respond ourselves to

the call, but to reach out to those who need our assistance, to connect in a tangible and personal way to the members of our community, especially the homebound.

This can not be an effort that lands solely on the shoulders of former volunteers, of parish staff, or the priest - we must all engage in this work, with unity of purpose and effort.

In the coming days and weeks, I will ask for your help to identify & address needs in our community - most especially those who remain homebound. Let us prayerfully consider how we all can make the most of this opportunity!

The first reading at Mass today from the book of the prophet Daniel speaks of Michael, guardian of God's people. We here at Saint Mark are especially familiar with the prayer to Saint Michael, as we have prayed it after Mass for many, many years! (As an aside, we will



be resuming that practice at the end of the Year of Saint Joseph [December 8, 2021].)

Of course, we can always individually seek the protection of Saint Michael the Archangel. Let us do so often, for ourselves and others.

November 18 is the memorial of the dedication of the basilicas of Saint Peter (below) and Saint Paul (right).



Last week we celebrated the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, which is the also the cathedral of the pope.

There are four major or papal basilicas, all



located in Rome.
The final basilica
is the basilica
of Mary Major,
dedicated to the
Mother of God.

November 14, 2021 From the desk of the pastor

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



St. Mark Fall Faith Formation Programs

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Wednesdays, 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall, runs concurrently with Faith Matters.

RCIA is for adults who have not been baptized, or were baptized in another Christian church, and want to become Catholic.

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist preparation classes are on Thursdays at 4:00 pm in Sullivan Hall. First Sacrament Classes are for St. Mark parishioners and St. Mark Catholic Classical School students.

Confirmation preparation classes for baptized youth are on Thursdays at 6:45 pm in Sullivan Hall. Confirmation is for baptized youth of the parish who are in 7th grade or older.

Faith Matters, Adult Continuing Education, continues Wednesday, November 17 at 7:00 pm in Sullivan Hall with **Anointing of the Sick**, and runs concurrently with RCIA.

Faith Matters is an adult formation program for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic faith.

St. Mark Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 2:00 pm in Sullivan Hall.

For Registration Forms, or for more information, see the Sacraments and Faith Formation tab on the Parish website at https://saintmarkshoreline.org/faith-formation/ or contact Deacon Kirk Altenhofen at (206) 364-7900 or https://saintmarkshoreline.org.

Parish Prayer Intentions

For the ill...

Michael Dooly, Frank Lefaive, Katyra Frazier, Cindy Thorne

For the deceased...

Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial

The next Community Rosary at the Affirmation of Life Memorial will be Sunday, November 28 immediately following the 10:30 am Mass.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Even though we will be outside, those attending will need to wear masks.

"Whenever we do something together, something good, something beautiful, everyone changes. All of us change in some way and this does us good."

~Pope Francis

The Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas

A thanksgiving prayer for after Mass "Lord, Father all-powerful and ever-living God, I thank You, for even though I am a sinner, your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth but in the kindness of your mercy, You have fed me with the Precious Bod& Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring me condemnation and punishment but forgiveness and salvation.

May it be a helmet of faith and a shield of good will. May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my evil passions.

May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and growth in the power to do good.

May it be my strong defense against all my enemies, visible and invisible, and the perfect calming of all my evil impulses, bodily and spiritual.

May it unite me more closely to you, the One true God, and lead me safely through death to everlasting happiness with You.

And I pray that You will lead me, a sinner, to the banquet where you, with Your Son and holy Spirit, are true and perfect light, total fulfillment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, and perfect happiness to your saints. Grant this through Christ our Lord, Amen"

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St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Gift Card Program for Our Neighbors in Need

The need for many in our community for basic necessities continues to be great and our St. Vincent de Paul Society is already getting calls for help with Christmas. Due to ongoing health concerns our conference members have decided to deliver Fred Meyer gift cards to our neighbors in need. The number of families they can help, and the extent to which they can help them, will depend on the generosity of St. Mark parish. If you can contribute to the Christmas fund, checks can be dropped in the collection baskets or mailed to or dropped-by the parish office. Please be sure to write SVdP Christmas Card Program on the memo line.

Give online anytime using our secure site: https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds use the "notes" section to comment that your gift is for the Christmas Card Program.

Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry.

Most of all, please pray for our neighbors in need. Thank you for all you do for the most vulnerable in our community.

"We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love." ~Saint Teresa

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

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille (206) 706-2608

Holyrood Cemetary: (206) 363-8404 Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234 Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

Annual St. Mark Parish Giving Tree

It's true. There will be no colorful Christmas tree in the church vestibule adorned with stars once again this year. So many of us, your humble editor included, loved taking a star or two and had fun shopping for the items listed. Covid restrictions still make that difficult. Our usual partners, Shoreline Health and Rehab, Park Ridge Care Center, Next Step Pregnancy Center, our dear Carmelite sisters and Providence Regina House all have staff or volunteers who can be our elves!

This is what we can do: drop a check made out to St. Mark with a notation on the memo line of 2021 Giving Tree, or put cash into an envelope marked 2021 Giving Tree and drop either in the collection baskets on Sunday, or drop either into the slot next to the parish office door, or mail either to the parish office. You can also make a donation through online giving, just choose

2021 Giving Tree, here's the link https://www.os-vhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds/christmas-giving-tree-2021.

The elves will do the rest!

All donations are due to the parish office by Monday, December 13

Thank you for all you do to support our community.

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters, you did for me."

2021 Boy Scout Wreath Sale

Let's help support scouting in our parish and get a start on our Christmas decorating at the same time! Scouts will be outside the church after all Sunday masses on November 27 (after the 5:00 Vigil Mass) and November 28 (after the 8:30 & the 10:30 Masses) selling their beautiful wreaths for only \$25 each.

November 7, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 2021-June 2022) St. Mark parish

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	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Online	# In Person	# Online	Givers
Income							
Last Week	\$16,555	\$19,124	2,569	\$610,255	113	106	219
Year to Date	\$314,545	\$266,105	(48,440)				

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Cantors Needed for St. Mark Masses

Are you interested in cantoring at Mass? We are looking for cantors to sing at weekend Masses. Cantors are ministers who lead the community in prayer through the sung parts of the Mass, particularly the antiphons, responsorial psalm and dialogues. There are several pre-requisites to being a cantor: be a baptized and confirmed Catholic in good standing with the Church, be a member of St. Mark parish, to have some ability to sing alone and as a member of a choir, read music and be open to learning new music. Our goal is to have three cantors at each Mass. We will first focus on the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Interested? Wonderful. Please contact our music director, Greg Teeter after Mass, or at gregoryteeter@comcast.net or by calling the parish office (206) 364-7900 and your message will be relayed.

St. Pius X Holiday Bazaar

Come to the St. Pius X parish ladies guild Holiday Bazaar Saturday, November 20, 10:00 am until 5:30 pm or Sunday, November 21, 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Over thirty tables of homemade items will provide a creative start to Christmas shopping. If all that shopping makes you hungry, snacks and beverages will be available for purchase.

Location: St. Pius X school gym, 22105 58th Avenue West, Mountlake Terrace.

Support for Families

As part of Catholic Community Services, **PREPARES** is a nurturing response of our Catholic community, open to all, to provide meaningful, local and sustainable support to vulnerable Washington mothers, fathers and families as they care for their children through pregnancy and early childhood.

For more information please visit <u>www.ccsww.org</u> or in King County please call (206) 323-6336 or in Snohomish County please call (425) 257-2111.

Grief Ministry at St. Mark

Grief as a result of the loss of a loved one is not a journey we must take alone. We know that while God doesn't rejoice in our suffering, He is always present in it. Grief changes the way we see ourselves and the world around us and communion (fellowship) with others not only helps us heal but those we journey with as well. Please consider joining our upcoming grief group. We will meet once a week for about eight weeks. Meetings will begin in early December, appropriately, as Advent is a time of waiting and hope.

Please call or email Laura in the office with any questions, to sign up or for more information (206) 364-7900, laural@saintmarkshoreline.org.

Archbishop Etienne Invites All to Come Back to Mass

Dispensation will be lifted on December 8, 2021, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Watch Archbishop Etienne's message here, https://vimeo.com/644069847

"Make the Lord's Day a true celebration of the Resurrection, and a great celebration of being renewed in his life, mercy and love."

Support for our Community

If you, or someone you know, needs help with utility bills, rent or food please contact

St. Vincent de Paul helpline at (206) 767-6449. The greater Shoreline/Lake Forest Park/Lynnwood/ Mountlake Terrace area is blessed with many food banks: **North Helpline Food Bank,** 12736 33rd Ave NE Suite 100, Shoreline (206) 367-3477.

Hopelink, 17837 Aurora Ave. North, Shoreline (206) 440-7300.

Concern for Neighbors Food Bank, 4700 228th SW, Mountlake Terrace (425) 778-7227.

Lynnwood Food Bank, 5320 176th St SW, Lynnwood (425) 745-1635.

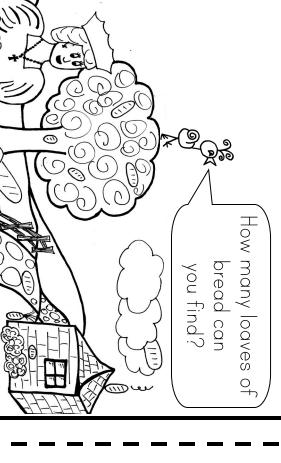
Automotive repairs can be prohibitively expensive. **Cedar Park Church** located at 16300 112th Ave NE in Bothell has an auto repair ministry. Call (425) 939-1347 for more information.

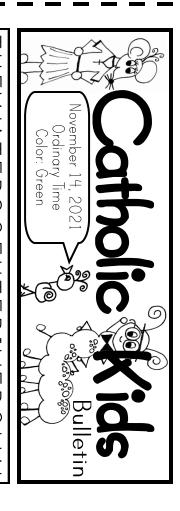
Year B: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

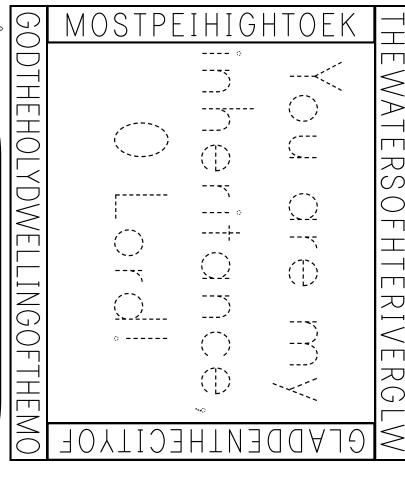
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary was a princess. She spent the royal money to buy bread for the poor. Some people were mad because she was giving away bread

When they came to yell at her, she opened her coat to show them that she didn't have any bread—it had turned into a bouquet of flowers!









Share the joy of family life



Joy amid the struggle

When Jesus tells us to "keep my commandments" and "love one another as I have love you," he adds, "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete" (John 15:10-12). Jesus' plan for family life is designed to give us joy.

And yet family life can be a struggle. We work so hard to feed, transport and care for our loved ones, and sometimes it feels like all we get is tired. Joy does not come on our terms, but flows to us as a gift of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22). We receive this gift best when we invite God more into our family life.

Open your family to more joy with the joyful mysteries of the rosary

The Holy Family experienced extraordinary struggles such as starting out in a barn and then fleeing to Egypt. Amid these trials, and the ordinary challenges of family life, the Holy Family experienced profound joy through their intimacy with God and one another.

Reflect on the five joyful mysteries of the rosary and ask our Lord to send the Holy Spirit upon your family that you may grow more deeply in love with God and one another.

1. The angel Gabriel announces God's call to the Virgin Mary Reflect and Act: Listen to God

Mary is deeply aware that her relationship with God gives her life meaning. So when the angel Gabriel tells her she will give birth to Jesus, she responds, "May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38). Encourage your family to be open to God's call. Clear unnecessary distractions that can make it hard to listen to God's word. Work hard to listen to God and to one another in your family.

Action: Make dinnertime sacred, keeping screens away from the table and starting with grace. Share how you have heard God's call in your life.



2. Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth

Reflect and Act: Invest in extended family

After receiving the news from the angel Gabriel, Mary travels right away to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who is pregnant with John the Baptist. Our extended family can be a source of help, wisdom and encouragement. Grandparents can play a critical role in encouraging parents and strengthening the faith of grandchildren.

Action: Connect with your extended family, making time for grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Investing time to remain close to your extended family pays off in a more vibrant and joyful family life.

3. The nativity of Jesus

Reflect and Act: Recognize the sacred in your family

The Lord of heaven and earth humbled himself to become incarnate to us as a newborn child. God chose to make the human person sacred by becoming one of us. In the ordinary experiences of family life, we encounter the sacred in surprising ways by humbly caring for our spouses, our children and our elderly family members.

Action: Let your spouse, children and parents know that they are a gift from God to you. Take time in your evening prayer to thank God for placing these people in our lives.

4. Mary and Joseph present Jesus in the Temple

Reflect and Act: Participate in the sacraments

Mary and Joseph journeyed to Jerusalem to present the child Jesus to God in the Temple. This presentation reflected their gratitude to God and brought joy to Simeon and Anna when they encountered Jesus. When we commit to participating in the sacraments and parish life, we discover a community of support and, most importantly, receive Jesus in the Eucharist.

Action: Take a step to go deeper in your engagement with your parish.

Participate in the Eucharist weekly and reconciliation monthly. Engage with your parish.

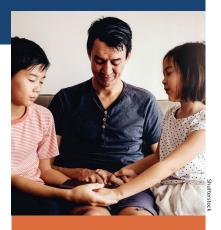
Participate in the Eucharist weekly and reconciliation monthly. Engage with your faith formation or youth ministry program. Join a small faith sharing group.

5. Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple

Reflect and Act: Communicate and reconcile as a family

When Mary and Joseph lost Jesus in Jerusalem, they were frightened. Though Jesus obediently returned to Nazareth, Mary and Joseph discovered that, even in the Holy Family, parents and children are not always in complete harmony. Conflict and challenges are part of family life. Joy means encountering one another with love that is obedient to God's will and open to the needs of the ones we love.

Action: Look for opportunities to say "Please," "Thank you," and "I'm sorry" to your spouse and children. Participate in the Eucharist weekly. And throughout it all, continually say "Please," "Thank you," and "I'm sorry" to God.



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'Thank you,'
'Sorry.'
Three
essential
words!"
Pope Francis



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