St. Mark Shoreline



St. Mark Parish

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January 30, 2022

Reverend Jacob Maurer, Pastor

Parish Office

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm, Friday, 9:00am-12noon (206) 364-7900 (206) 367-3919 (fax) 18033 15th Place NE Shoreline, WA 98155

School Office

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

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 January 30

Sunday, January 30 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am, Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*) 9:30 am, Open House, St. Mark Catholic Classical School 10:30 am, Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*)

Monday, January 31

9:30 am, Mass, Church (James Nolan, RIP)6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria7:00 pm, Grief Group, Sullivan Hall

Tuesday, February 1

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

Wednesday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord ~ Blessing of Candles

11:30 am, Queen of Heaven Guild, Sullivan Hall 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 (James Costello, RIP) 7:00 pm, Faith Matters & RCIA, Sullivan Hall

Thursday, February 3 St. Blaise ~ Blessing of Throats 9:30 am, Mass, Church (Ray Fortney, RIP) 2:00 pm, Bible Study, Sullivan Hall

6:45 pm, Confirmation Preparation, Sullivan Hall

Friday, February 4

9:30 am, Mass, Church (Denis Daly, RIP) 12:00 noon, Protecting God's Children session, Sullivan Hall

Saturday, February 5

9:30 am, Daily Mass, Church (Dan Nolan, RIP) 11:00 am, Confirmation Meetings, Sullivan Hall 3:00 pm, Confessions, Church 5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff)

Sunday, February 6 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am, Mass, Church (Pro Populo) 10:30 am, Mass, Church (Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy) 12:00 noon, Princess Angeline, Library

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www.saintmarkshoreline.org

St. Mark Parish Location

18033 15th Pl. NE, Shoreline, WA 98155



- Father Jacob Maurer

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

Cf. 106 (105): 47

"Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." (Luke 4:27)

Jesus' words so enraged the people of Nazareth - of His hometown! - that they rose up together, drove Him out of town, and were intent on throwing Him off of the hill upon which their town was built. Why were they so furious? To understand, we need to look to the stories that Jesus references: of Elijah & the widow of Zeraphath (1 Kings 17) and of his successor Elisha & Naaman the Syrian (2 Kings 5).

What do both stories have in common? In both stories, the Lord's favor is bestowed not on His



Elisha refusing the gifts of Naaman, Ferdinand Bol

people Israel, but on those who would otherwise be the least among God's chosen people: the weak (widows & orphans) and foreigners. There is another thing that both the widow of Zaraphath and Naaman have in common: they open themselves to do the will of God, even if reluctantly or anxiously. The widow suffers from despair, believing that her life and the life of her son is over. Naaman suffers from presumption, believing that he is owed the healing he

desires. In the end, both undergo a sort of death to self, follow God's will, and are saved.

The ailments of despair and presumption are fruits of prideful self-reliance. In the former is the realization that we can't do something on our own, but we refuse to ask for help. In the latter, we may realize our powerlessness, but expect that help will be given without our asking. Jesus saw the pride of the people of Nazareth and called them out on it - and they were so furious that they attempted to kill Him.

Despair and presumption - and its root of pride - exist in us too. Perhaps we feel one more strongly than the other. Perhaps we vacillate between them! If we cling to pride, we will reject Jesus. Maybe not right away, but eventually. If we follow the example of the widow of Zaraphath and of Naaman, we can be supported in our powerlessness by presenting ourselves to the Lord, trusting in His will, and seeking, as Mary told us to "Do whatever He tells you" (John 2:5).

January 30, 2022 From the desk of the pastor

PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



St. Mark Parish is Hiring a Pastoral Assistant for Parish Involvement

Saint Mark parish is seeking an enthusiastic and experienced person to serve as Pastoral Assistant for Parish Involvement. This person should be an outgoing self-starter with a passion for engaging members of the community in the life of the parish and a clear understanding of relational ministry in equipping & empowering others to serve in liturgies, social outreach and fraternal programs.

The position is part time (20 hrs/week) with flexible hours, offering \$19-\$23 per hour (depending on experience). Responsibilities include developing and coordinating parish programs and volunteers, with special emphasis on liturgical ministries, as well as managing the online presence of the parish. A full job description is available upon request.

Please submit application as well as cover letter and resume at https://www.catholicjobs.com/job/4866149164. Or, alternatively, send a cover letter and resume to St. Mark Catholic Church, 18033 15th Place NE, Shoreline, WA 98155.

St. Mark Parish Prayer Team

Our St. Mark parish Prayer Team is committed to daily intercessory prayer for others. Do you feel called to prayer and would enjoy being part of an active prayer community? The Prayer Team meets Mondays at 2:00 pm to pray the Rosary and spend 15-20 minutes in silent meditative prayer in front of the Tabernacle in the church nave to pray for our Archdiocese, lay involvement and parish intentions. For more information please call Esther at (206) 417-3995.

Parish Prayer Intentions

For the ill...

Jim Miller, Lita Abelon, Juan José Castillo Oms, Becky Duncan, Mary Amundsen, Maxine Dion

For the deceased...

Annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal What is a Home Mission Diocese?

Home mission dioceses are those Catholic dioceses in the US, its territories and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass, the sacraments, religious education and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters and laypeople. Nearly 40 percent of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered home missions. For more information, or to help CHM with its mission, go to www.usccb.org/home-missions

Call - A - Thon Volunteer Opportunity

The Pastoral Council is excited to invite any interested parishioners to join in a parish-wide Call-A-Thon. The plan is simple: to call every registered household to connect and invite them to join us at Mass, to answer questions & concerns and to pray together. If you are interested in joining as a volunteer, please call the parish office at (206) 364-7900 to be included. We're looking at a group orientation on Thursday February 10 (6:30pm-7:30pm) and then begin calling in two-hour evening shifts in the following weeks. Whether you join in for one shift, some, or even all of them, together we can reach out to members of our community who have been affected by or even isolated by the pandemic.

Upcoming Ladies Guild Meetings

Queen of Heaven's Guild - Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 2 at 11:30 am in Sullivan Hall. Our guild prays the Rosary and supports St. Mark parish in other ways together along with sharing fun activities. Please bring your rosary and baby items for Next Step Pregnancy Services. Call Sylvia at (206) 419-3115 with any questions or for more information.

Princess Angeline - Our next meeting will be Sunday, February 6 at 12 noon in the library north of the school. Would you like to get to know other Catholic women of St. Mark? We would love to have new sisters to share prayers, activities and friendship with. We are currently collecting baby items to benefit Next Step Pregnancy Center.

Call Sherrill for more information at (206) 432-7180.

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St. Mark School Annual Lion's Drive

St. Mark Catholic Classical School opened on time this year with a full staff and a growing student body. There are 112 students preschool through eighth grade which is 13 more students than last year.

New faculty joined the staff this year! Students are in person for learning every day, the pandemic is still a reality, but the school has remained open and continues to thrive. Thank you to all who contributed to the Annual Lion's Drive last year. The drive raised over \$125,000 towards last year's overall budget.

Sadly, once again the St. Mark Catholic Classical School Auction cannot happen. This event traditionally provides necessary funds to pay our teachers, help students facing hardship and meet the general operating expenses of our school. Without these funds our school would be in an extremely challenging situation.

To fill the gap left behind by not having an auction we will again hold the **Annual Lion's Drive 300 X \$500 Campaign!** It's simple - if 300 people donate \$500 or more we will meet the goal of achieving at least \$150,000 for our school! Any amount gets us closer to our goal. Our support is needed for the viability and continued growth of our school. We can donate securely online at https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds/annual-school-drive-lion-s-drive or a check made out to St. Mark Catholic Classical School with "Lion's Fund" on the memo line can be mailed to or dropped by the office. Thank you for your continued support and Go Lions!

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

Catholic Schools Week at St. Mark Catholic Classical School

This year Catholic Schools Week starts today, Sunday, January 30 and runs through Saturday, February fifth. This is an opportunity to celebrate the gift of a Catholic education.

An informal Open House is today, Sunday, January 30 from 9:30 am until 12 noon at St. Mark Catholic Classical School. Students and families can walk through the building on self-guided tours to see classrooms and the students' work.

Our principal will host a Virtual Open House for prospective new families on Tuesday, February 1 from 2:45 until 4:00 pm. Please pass the word! For more information, and the link, call the school at (206) 364-1633.

St. Mark Parish Online Giving

Thank you for your continued support of St. Mark parish. Your generosity benefits the many vital programs and ministries of our parish.

To sign-up, or change your giving, please visit: https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds

Safe Environment Training

As our volunteer ministries spring back to life, and new ministries form, we need to be sure our background checks and Safe Environment trainings are up to date. If you are interested in volunteering but have yet to create an account just go to, https://www.virtusonline.org/core/index.cfm?tab=1 to create one.

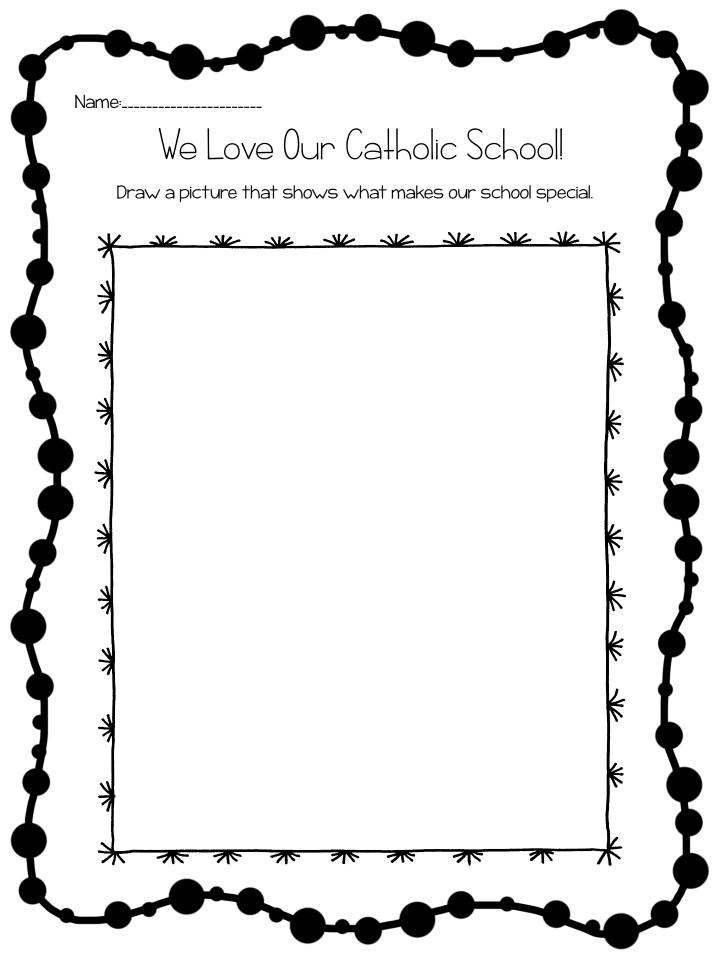
We are holding a **Protecting God's Children** session (needed for many ministries in both the parish and the school) on February 4. Space is limited so if you are interested, but have not yet signed up, you can do so here, https://www.virtusonline.org/csa/training_registration_year.cfm

Thank you for all you do to support St. Mark!

January 23, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 2021-June 2022) St. Mark parish

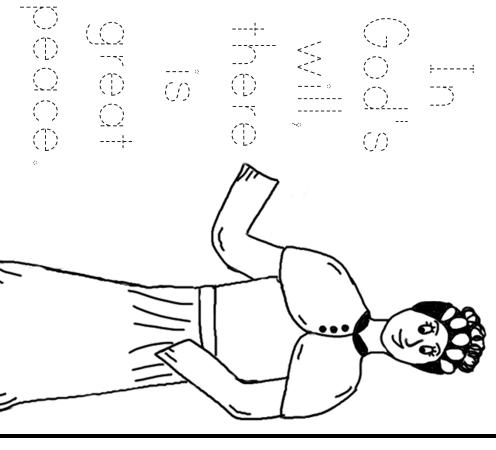
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Last Week	\$16,555	\$8,708	(7,847)	\$4,347	84	74	158
Year to Date	\$496,650	\$413,386	(83,264)				

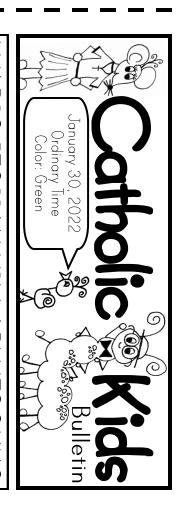
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Saint Josephine Bakhitc

Saint Josephine grew up in the Sudan and was kidnapped and enslaved when she was seven. She was sold to an Italian family that lived in Sudan. They were kind to her so when they moved to Italy, she asked to join them. In Italy, she was a babysitter for a young girl and attended a Catholic school with her. As she grew up, she realized that slavery was illegal in Italy, so she was free! She became Catholic and joined a convent. She spent the rest of her life praying for others and showing her trust in God.





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When the priest says, "The Lord be with you," you say, "And with your spirit."

PREPARES Valentine Appeal



A Life Affirming, Life Changing Promise of Support

Prepares Pregnancy & Parenting Support

Prepares is an endeavor of Catholic Community Services and will "walk the journey" with pregnant and parenting women, men and families who find themselves lacking a healthy support network. Families will be able to access mentors and holistic wrap-around services from the time of awareness of pregnancy to the child's fifth birthday. Once fully realized, the Prepares network will provide meaningful, professional and sustainable support to vulnerable Washington mothers, fathers and families as they nurture their children through pregnancy and early childhood.

Volunteer with Prepares

Volunteers can share experiences and give insight to young parents and demonstrate heathy and functional parenting styles. Volunteers will celebrate their successes and provide a healthy environment to discuss what's going on in their lives. Most importantly, volunteers can be an attentive and caring figure in a parent's life.

Volunteer opportunities

Volunteers can collect and distribute donated items, or volunteer to liaison between their parish and Prepares staff including recruiting, supporting and communicating with volunteers, or mentor by providing emotional support for a parent in our parish community or many more volunteer functions

Training & support for volunteers and Prepares

All volunteers need to attend a volunteer orientation to learn about Prepares as well as receive important rules and information about working with families. In addition, Prepares may provide supplemental trainings on various topics such as mentoring throughout the year. Staff members are available to answer volunteers' questions.

Interested?

Email Prepares@ccsww.org or call (206) 737-9264

Please Donate to the Prepares Valentine Appeal

PREPARES - Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington (ccsww.org)

Open Your Heart...**9** To Infants & Children in Need

www.preparesforlife.org



Upcoming Archdiocese Events



Join Archbishop Etienne for this special Mass on Sunday, February 6 at 5:30 pm in St. James Cathedral to celebrate and pray for members of the healthcare community including doctors, pharmacists, nurses, nursing aids, caregivers, first responders and all other members of the healthcare profession.

This Mass is held in February to coincide with the World Day of Prayer for the Sick, instituted by Pope John Paul II in 1992 as "a special time of prayer and sharing, ...and of reminding everyone to see in his sick brother or sister the face of Christ."

All are welcome. Please pass this on to your family and friends who are part of the healthcare community.

Also live streamed on Facebook @ArchdioceseofSeattle or on Vimeo.



Join hundreds of high school youth on a day-long experience Saturday, March 12 for an opportunity to encounter God and deepen their understanding and love of our faith.

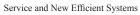
Due to COVID safety, we are pleased to have this event at Camp Don Bosco, which will allow for many outdoor activities, including keynotes from national speakers. For more information or to sign up go to: <u>Upcoming Events</u> — <u>Archdiocese of Seattle (archseattle.org)</u>



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