

### PARISH INFORMATION



#### The Week of May 29

Sunday, May 29 The Ascension of the Lord 8:30 am, Holy Mass, Church (Pro Populo) 10:30 am, Holy Mass, Church (Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy)

#### Monday, May 30

Parish Office is closed for Memorial Day No Daily Mass 6:30 pm, Boy Scouts, Cafeteria 6:30 pm, Family Rosary, Church

#### Tuesday, May 31

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

#### Wednesday, June 1

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, Memorial Mass for José Villegas, Church 7:00 pm, Faith Matters, Sullivan Hall

#### Thursday, June 2

No 9:30 am Daily Mass 11:00 am, Memorial Mass for Joseph Michael Burke, Church 2:00 pm, Bible Study, Sullivan Hall

#### Friday, June 3

9:30 am, Daily Mass, Church (Patty Stose Mills, RIP) 3:30 pm, End of School Year BBQ, Parking Lot & Cafeteria

#### Saturday, June 4

9:30 am, Daily Mass, Church (Atilnge F. Adabrer, RIP)
3:00 pm, Confessions, Church
3:30 pm, Bible Study, Sullivan Hall
5:00 pm, Vigil Mass, Church (St. Mark Parish & School Faculty & Staff)

#### Sunday, June 5 Pentecost

8:30 am, Holy Mass, Church (*Pro Populo*) 10:30 am, Holy Mass, Church (*Archbishop Etienne & all Clergy*) 12:00 noon, Princess Angeline, Library

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## WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

- Father Jacob Maurer

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

\*\*Cf. Acts 1: 11

Dear friends,

This Sunday we celebrate the solemnity of the Ascension - it is the last week of Easter and of our in-parish mission. As we prepare to conclude the paschual season, looking to the celebration of Pentecost next Sunday, we are invited to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit.

In our own struggles - both personally and communally - we may wonder as the Apostles did when the Lord is going to act. We may likewise ask when Jesus is going to reveal His glory, His authority. Today's account from Acts reminds us of Jesus' response to them and to us - a special affirmation from the Lord: "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8).

His victory over sin & death achieved, Jesus entrusts the proclamation of the Good News to His friends. Though ascending into heaven, He assures them that they will not be left without guidance or support -promising to send His Spirit to empower them!



As ones who share in the baptism of Christ, who have been sealed with the Holy Spirit at our confirmation, we are also recipients of the Holy Spirit and entrusted with the Lord's authority. Though in a different place or age from the Apostles, our commission remains the same: to be witnesses for Christ. Shoreline needs disciples no less than Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria!

How has the Lord responded to your prayer & discernment of the questions of our in-parish mission? And perhaps most importantly, how will you respond to Him?

yours in Christ, Father Maurer

#### Our in-parish mission questions for prayer & discernment:

- what does it mean to be a Catholic parish?
- how do we live out our role as a parishioner within a Catholic parish?
- how is God calling us to grow individually as parishioners and communally as a parish?

May 29, 2022 From the desk of the pastor

- Father Jacob Maurer

# YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A SAINT MARK PARISH LEADER'S LUNCHEON

Saturday, June 11 10:30 am (after Mass) to 1:00 pm Sullivan Hall

Come meet with fellow parishioners about creating new ministries & groups and/or renew old ones! Our goal is simple: to give like-minded parishioners an opportunity to connect, strategize, and be empowered to build up ministry & fraternity at Saint Mark parish.

Please bring drinks, a side dish, or a dessert Saint Mark parish will provide sandwich platters

**Sign-up is required** - this will help plan food needs and connect participants with shared interests. The sign-up link is available by clicking here, as well as on our parish website & Facebook page.

May 29, 2022 From the desk of the pastor

## PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



#### **Daily Mass Cancelations**

- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, May 30
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Monday, June 20
- † Daily Mass at 6:30 pm is canceled Wednesday, June 22
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Thursday, June 23
- † Daily Mass at 9:30 am is canceled Saturday, June 25

#### Wednesday Daily Mass Time Update

Effective July, 2022 our Wednesday daily Mass will move to 9:30 am from 6:30 pm. Confessions at 5:00 pm will remain as currently scheduled.

#### Heroic Men Summit: The True Presence

A Pew Research Center survey found most self-described Catholics do not believe that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist and almost 70% say they personally believe that during Mass the bread and wine used in Communion "are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ." To counter this, the USCCB is calling for a revival of devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Our parish men's fellowship is promoting this event. If you would like information contact Paul Sundberg at pmsundberg@comcast.net or by phone at (425) 275-6359. On Saturday, June 4 all men are invited to attend, virtually, The Heroic Men Summit: The True Presence from 9:00 - 11:00 am Pacific Daylight Time. By registering in advance you can watch the presentation live or watch the recording later, https:// www.eventbrite.com/e/heroic-men-summit-the-truepresence-tickets-297369519237?utm\_source=Heroic+Men&utm\_campaign=1fd00ac6bb-EMAIL\_CAM-PAIGN 2022 03 22 02 17 COPY 02&utm medium=email&utm\_term=0\_3433b9a55d-1fd00ac6 bb-1387777944

Visit Heroic Men at <a href="https://heroicmen.com/">https://heroicmen.com/</a>

#### **Parish Prayer Intentions**

#### For the ill...

Jim Miller, Daniel Kaopuiki, Sherrill Dungan, Christine Kimmel Jovanovich, Maxine Dion, Dennis Knight, Claudio Bermundo, Ron McDonald

For the deceased...

#### **Memorial Mass Announcement**

Memorial Mass for

#### Joseph Michael Burke

Thursday, June 2 11:00 am

Mass will be in person only; no live stream.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## Upcoming Ladies Guild Meetings Princess Angeline

Please come to our Sunday, June 5th meeting in the portable library just north of the school.

Bring your rosary, enjoy planning for the future with us and stay for snacks and conversation after the meeting. Esther can answer your questions at (206) 417-3995.

#### Queen of Heaven Guild

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 1st at 11:30 am in Sullivan Hall. We will begin with the Rosary and then enjoy our brown bag lunches and share in fellowship while we plan our upcoming endeavors. New members are welcome and invited to attend.

Sylvia can address your questions at (206) 419-3115.

#### St. Mark St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Our St. Vincent de Paul conference works hard to support the most vulnerable in our community through rental and utilities assistance, food deliveries and more. **Pantry supplies are needed!** If you can, please donate canned fruit or vegetables, cereal, pasta, tomato sauce, rice, toilet paper, personal hygiene items and cleaning supplies. Donations may be left in the basket in the church vestibule or dropped-by the parish office - if after hours just leave the donations on the bench by the front door. **SVdP will host coffee and donuts on Sunday, June** 

5th and will have boxes available for donations in the church vestibule and in the cafeteria.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity with both pantry items and money donations.

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### PARISH EVENTS & NEWS



## Mistaken Empathy, or Don't Tell Me How I Feel! Part Two

As outlined in the first part of this article (see May 22 bulletin), "empathy" is the skill of being aware of other people's feelings and understanding how other people view the world because of their feelings.

Empathy is a grand human moral as well as an important attribute, at home, in our community and professionally. Most people like to be on the receiving end of kindness, surrounded by empathetic friends and family.

Last week we discussed that "empathy" is harder to practice than many realize. Empathy requires that we get a great deal of information about the other person or situation. How else can we really understand a person's concerns or feelings? To be empathetic, we must set aside our desire to connect with the other person; otherwise we might be tempted to use our feelings as proxy for theirs, and draw similarities that may or may not really exist.

Could we be more empathetic in the most useful ways? Sure. Could we help the people in our lives develop empathy, as well? Absolutely.

Let's hone our empathy skills. It's not about us. Being truly empathetic requires confidence in ourselves and an outward focus. To understand someone else, we have to set ourselves aside for the moment and focus entirely on the other person's facts, concerns, ideas and feelings.

Article continues at the top of the next column.

#### 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

#### Mistaken Empathy, Continued

Chances are, whatever they are dealing with has very little, or nothing, to do with us! When listening to someone else, don't make any "I" statements for the first 10 minutes. This sounds formulaic but it reminds us to put the other person first.

Seek to understand rather than to connect. Taking the focus off of us we realize it is impossible to be empathic when we don't know much about the other person or their situation. When we know only little, our intuitive powers will fill in the blanks, often incorrectly. Ask more and better questions.

Here are three possible approaches:

not just simply connect our life to theirs.

1) Ask open-ended questions. "Tell me more..." is a great way to get a person to talk about what is important.
2) We want to make sure we have the relevant data to understand. After we hear the basics, check-in with our view of the facts, "So, to make sure that I understand..."
3) Ask directly how the individual is thinking and feeling about the issue, "So, how do you feel about this?"
Adopt different responses. To be empathetic, we must seek to understand the other person's circumstance and

Empathy is not about saying, "I know how you feel." So, how to be comforting? Perhaps saying something like, "What you are describing makes me think you might feel, want, believe..." Let them either confirm or correct us. Being empathetic is about understanding rather than connecting. Empathetic people do not say, "I know how you feel..." but, rather, "Tell me more about that..." Be confident and focus on the other person.

We need to ask more and better questions, and we need to be able to respond with compassion and helpfulness, even when we haven't had a parallel experience.

~Synopsized from Virtus and The Workplace Resource

May 22, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 2021-June 2022) St. Mark parish

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Online	# In Person	# Online	Givers
Income							
Last Week	\$15,660	\$9,087	(6,573)	\$4,371	96	73	169
Year to Date	\$736,020	\$642,405	(93,615)				

## SCHOOL EVENTS & NEWS



## St. Mark Catholic Classical School Lion's Fund Updates

As of May 26, the Annual Lion's Fund was just over \$121,500. There was a donor willing to match, dollar for dollar, for every dollar donated over the \$100,000 mark up to a maximum gift of \$10,000, and St. Mark, you did it! Thank you so much.

We are getting closer to our goal.

Please, if you have not already and are able, donate to the Annual Lion's Fund. **Any amount brings us closer to our goal of \$150,000**. Checks can be made out to St. Mark School Lion's Fund and sent to the parish office or dropped off at the school. We can donate securely online at <a href="https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds/annual-school-drive-lion-s-drive">https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarkshoreline/funds/annual-school-drive-lion-s-drive</a>.

#### St. Mark Catholic Classical School is Enrolling for the 2022-2023 School Year in Grades Pre-K Through 8th Grade

Consider giving your child the gift of a Catholic Classical education. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.stmss.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?u-REC\_ID=1512952&type=d&pREC\_ID=1651836">https://www.stmss.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?u-REC\_ID=1512952&type=d&pREC\_ID=1651836</a>, or go to <a href="https://www.stmss.org">www.stmss.org</a> and click on the admissions tab for registration information or the Catholic Classical Curriculum tab for more information on what makes our school unique.

#### St. Mark Catholic Classical School

The members of the staff of St. Mark Catholic Classical School are committed to helping each child develop to his/her full potential. Staff members are resolved to work with families to build the best possible environment to meet the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical needs of the students. This spirit of cooperation is necessary to achieve the goal of meeting the needs of the whole child. To meet these needs, the emphasis is on the sacramental, spiritual, and prayer life of the students. The teachers and staff pledge:

- +To provide a religious education that develops a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through participation in the sacraments, daily prayer, and knowledge of church doctrine.
- +To build a community of faith, rooted in the Eucharist, which is active, caring, and conscientious.
- +To practice stewardship in the Catholic community and in the entire world.





#### Keep Christ in Christmas

In November of last year our St. Mark parish Knights of Columbus held a parish-wide Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. One of our contestants, Caleb, won the 8-10 yearold age group for the state of Washington.

**Congratulations Caleb!** 

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Join Fr. Justin Ryan for a Holy Hour for Vocations

Friday, June 3, 2022 at 7:00 pm at St. Benedict in Seattle.
St. Benedict is located at 1805 North 49th Street in Seattle. Their phone number is (206) 632-0842. More information can be found here, <u>St. Benedict Church & School - Seattle, WA (stbens.net)</u>

Let's all pray together for vocations!

#### **Vocations Prayer**

God our Father,
You call each of us
to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.
Inspire your people
with desire to know you,
the grace to understand your will,
and, with the strength of the Holy Spirit,
the courage to respond
with love and freedom.
Send workers into your great harvest
so that the Gospel is preached, the poor
are served with love, the suffering are comforted,
and your people are strengthened by the sacraments.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## JUNETEENTH

DAY OF FREEDOM



# JUNE 19 DAY OF RECOGNITION DAY OF RESTORATION DAY OF CELEBRATION

Let Juneteenth be a time when people of Christian faith, especially white Christians, recommit to, evoke, stand on, and live out the promises of God to deliver all people everywhere from bondage and oppression. Just as God walked the Israelites to freedom and flourishing, God stands on the side of oppressed people in this moment. God's people are called to roll down justice (Amos 5:24), to model & champion righteousness continuously.

~The Archdiocese of Seattle

As writer Jess McIntosh writes, "We are still in the process of ending slavery, and nowhere near ending its effects."

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

**Jeffrey Yale,** USN, nephew of Janet Yale **Demetrios Kolitsos**, CPT, USA, son of Kathy Kolitsos Christopher J. Hamblett, USN, grandson of Deac Keenan Owen Stratton, CPT, USA, son of Tom & Cory Stratton **Dylan Thomas Jessum,** LT, USN, grandson of Tom & Mary Pat Lord **Annika Jensen,** IT2, USN, daughter of Paul & Maryjane Jensen Cade Powers, IT2, USNR, son-in-law of Paul & Maryjane Jensen **Taylor Amundsen,** USAF, grandson of Mary Amundsen Michael Angelo Silang, USN, Mark Anthony Silang, USMC **Matthew Johnson,** USAF, grandson of Helen Bradley Christopher Abele, ITC (SW/IDW), USN, son of Steven & Janet Abele Nathan Keiffer, S/Sgt, USAF, son of Nigel & Cheryl Keiffer Zachary Sharp, USAR, grandson of Nigel & Cheryl Keiffer **Alexander Thorne,** CTT2, USN, grandson of Kenneth & Dorothy Eline Isaiah Thorne, CPL, USMC, grandson of Kenneth & Dorothy Eline Mikhaila Thorne, USA, granddaughter of Kenneth & Dorothy Eline



### **Next Step Pregnancy Services**



Next Step Pregnancy Services is dedicated to serving with compassion and dignity the immediate and long-term needs of those facing unplanned pregnancies. We promote the sanctity of human life in a non-judgmental atmosphere filled with love and compassion. It is our goal to empower those we serve to make healthy lifestyle choices now and in the future.



Confidentiality is one of our guiding values (the "client" is a clinic volunteer).

Our nurses offer free pregnancy tests and ultrasound exams



Next Step Pregnancy Services opened in I998 in Shoreline as a pregnancy support center offering counseling on alternatives to abortion and providing an array of material goods to new mothers. In 2010 we moved to Lynnwood and became a medical pregnancy clinic adding early ultrasound exams to our other services. We serve women and families throughout the greater Seattle area.

#### In 2022 so far...

135 women came to our clinic for a free **pregnancy test**, 50 women came to us for a free **ultrasound exam**, we had 1,200 visits to our offices for **material goods**, including maternity clothes, diapers and wipes, blankets, baby clothes through age two, formula, and when we have them, toys, strollers, highchairs and other baby furniture. We gave away an average of 5000 **diapers** per month.



SCAN ME

Thank you for your continued support!

#### St. Mark Baby Bottle Campaign for Next Step

Please support our ministry by visiting our support site <u>nssupport.org</u> then look for St. Mark under the <u>Bottle Campaigns</u> tab, then <u>Current Campaigns</u> tab for the month of June 2022!

We can also use the QR code to the left.



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