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February 2, 2025 Weekly schedule

Sunday, 2/2/25 - The Presentation of the Lord 8:30 am - Sunday Mass (for Saint Matthew parish) 9:55-10:25 am - Choir rehearsal, church 10:30 am - Sunday Mass (for Saint Mark parish) Welcome/Registration after each Mass, narthex 1:00 pm - Women's Group prayer, church support, hall

Monday, 2/3/25

9:00 am - Daily Mass (Paula Evans Shaw, RIP)

2:00 pm - Parish Prayer Team, church

6:30 pm - Family Rosary, church

7:00 pm - Boy Scout troop meeting, cafeteria

7:00 pm - Friends of Saint Francis meeting, hall

Tuesday, 2/4/25

No daily Mass

7:00 pm - Women's Group book study, hall

Wednesday, 2/5/25

11:30 am - Women's Group Rosary gathering, hall

5:00 pm - Confessions

6:00 pm - Daily Mass (Bob Burk, RIP)

6:30 pm - Confirmation prep class, library

6:45 pm - OCIA class, hall

Thursday, 2/6/25

9:00 am - Daily Mass (James Edward Ryan, RIP)

Friday, 2/7/25

9:00 am - Daily Mass (Tom Butler, RIP) "Day of Adoration", immediately following Mass

Saturday, 2/8/25

7:45 am - Lion's Den meeting, hall

9:00 am - Daily Mass (John Webb, RIP)

3:00 pm - Confessions

5:00 pm - Vigil Mass



Mass times

Mon, Thurs-Sat: 9:00 am

Wed: 6:00 pm Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Confession times

Wednesdays: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm **Saturdays**: 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

(appointments welcome - call Father)

For emergencies involving danger of death please dial (206)-364-7900 x9

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January 26, weekly stewardship report (fiscal year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025) St. Mark parish

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Online	# In Person	# Online	Givers
Income							
Last Week	\$15,572	\$10,810	(\$4,762)	\$5,486	82	69	151
Year to Date	\$467,155	\$457,181	(\$9,975)				

Welcome/Registration Sunday

Are you new to the parish?

Does your information need updating?

Do you have a question about parish ministries?

The FIRST SUNDAY of each month is Welcome/Registration Sunday. Please look for the table in the narthex.

After each Mass this weekend, volunteers will be available to assist you with registration, updating your information or just answering questions. It only takes a few minutes. We'd love to welcome you!

Catholic Schools Week 2025 Students had lots of fun

Students had lots of fun playing games in communities, going on a scavenger hunt to find facts about St. Mark the

Evangelist, hot dogs for lunch, and watching the eighth grade beat the faculty two games to one in volleyball.

Catholic Schools Week is a blast!







Please pray for

Annamae Horton

Gene Greenleaf, RIP

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St. Mark/St. Matthew Parish Family School Question and Answer January 2025

Q: Why now?

A: Today we face many realities that impact schools. We face an urgent — yet exciting — opportunity to transform our schools. Over the past few decades our schools have experienced a decrease of students, dwindling finances, and deteriorating campus conditions. Yet our Catholic schools remain a key ministry for the continuation of our faith. We must work together to ensure a sustainable future.

Q: How did this happen?

A: Enrollment has dropped in ten years from 350 to 200 in both schools. Over the past few decades our schools have experienced a decrease of students, dwindling finances, and deferred facility maintenance. This past year alone the deficit reached nearly \$450,000.00 combined.

Q: What is the recommendation?

A:

- While there is an urgent need to address the reality, the taskforce recommends slowing down to ensure there is ample time for prayer, discernment and study.
- As such, for the 2025-2026 school year, both schools will operate separately, but with slimmed budgets.
- During this time, we will develop a focused and intentional strategic plan for a sustainable Catholic school in the parish family.

Q: How will the decision be made regarding the strategic plan for a sustainable Catholic school in our parish family?

A: A strategic planning process will be put in place that is centered on prayer, drawing on the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit. There will be opportunities for input from parents and parishioners. The plan itself will be reviewed by the school commissions with a final set of recommendations made to the principals and pastor.

Q: What is the timing of the strategic plan and related activities?

A: Efforts to reduce costs for the 2025-26 school year will be identified this spring. The strategic planning work itself will begin this spring with key recommendations to be completed by the end of the calendar year 2025. Most recommendations would be implemented starting with the 2026-2027 school year.

Q: Will the school be a Catholic Classical School?

A: The strategic plan will be asking for your input and feedback on many elements, including curriculum. Our goal is for a plan to provide excellent Catholic education in a sustainable way, which may or may not include Catholic classical education.

Q: What will happen to teachers and staff?

A: For the 2025-26 school year, there may be a need to reduce teachers and/or staff to mitigate the deficit in the near term. Through the strategic planning process, the principals will determine the best complement of teachers and staff needed to operate a vibrant, sustainable school. Included in this will be a review of the salaries of teachers and staff to help create a just, fair and sustainable workforce.

Q: Why don't we do more marketing to help grow the schools?

A: The strategic plan will include recommendations regarding approaches to growing the parish family school. Consideration will be given to marketing efforts to gain more students for school year 2025-2026 as well. The gravity of the current situation and history does not allow the parish family to solely rely on marketing efforts to create a sustainable school.

Q: What new opportunities does combining the schools provide from a curriculum or program perspective?

A: The specific new opportunities for curriculum or program will be part of the strategic plan and will be informed by parent input. The ability to add specialists, electives and other enrichment opportunities will be more feasible with a combined parish family school.

Q: What would the new parish family school be called and where would it be located?

A: Both of these questions would be answered in the strategic plan for the parish family school. Consideration would have to be given to the long term needs of the overall parish family as we go through the One Parish Plan that will be done as part of Partners in the Gospel.

Q: What can we do now?

A: We ask everyone to pray for this renewal effort. Together as one community of brothers and sisters, we will rely on the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit as we continue to reach for our goal of providing excellent Catholic education in a sustainable way.

You will be asked to participate in sessions to provide input to the strategic planning process. Taking advantage of these opportunities provides you best way to help define the future of the parish family school.

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ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT CRAB PASTA IVAR'S CLAM CHOWDER

GIFT BASKET RAFFLE AVAILABLE DURING DINNER MAR 2025

6 PM

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TICKETS: \$50

\$60 IF PURCHASED AT THE DOOR





St Mark Women's Book Study Join us Tuesday, February 4th, 18th, and 25th for the St Mark Women's Book Study in Sullivan Hall at 7pm.

We will begin reading Stories of the Eucharist—A Family Treasury of Saints and Seekers, by Heidi Hess Saxton.

Come for discussions, prayers, and snacks. We meet every Tuesday of every month except for the 2nd Tuesday, when we don't meet. New people are welcome! For more information, contact Esther at (206) 417-3995 or email Ursula at uglancy@hotmail.com.

"Day of Eucharistic Adoration" update At last we will begin our weekly "Day of Eucharistic Adoration"! It will begin on Friday, February 7th, following the 9am morning Mass.



If you have not signed up for an hour, but would like to stop in for a visit, you may do so, between the start of Adoration on Friday morning, until the church is locked at 4pm.

If you would like to sign up to for a weekly hour of Adoration, contact the parish office.

Congratulations, Mr & Mrs Wagnon



Kristine
Barcelona
&
Bradley
Wagnon
Jan. 25,
2025

May God bless you and grant you joy. May He deepen your love for each other. May He bless you and your family & friends, and lead you to unending happiness in Heaven. Amen

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2024 Year-end Giving Statements

If you receive parish emails, please look for your secure link for your online access to your 2024 Giving Statement, which serves as a receipt of your donations to be used for tax purposes. (If you don't currently receive emails, please contact the parish office so you receive communications you desire and to help save the parish in postage costs).

1. Access Your Giving Statement:

- Click on the **Giving Statement hyperlink** in your email to view or download your statement without logging into the full system.
- 2. If you would like to log in to the system to see more detailed information, click on "Sign in to your account" and follow the instructions below:
 - Enter your **mobile number** (please use the cell number on file with the parish) and click "Next." An access code will be sent to you via text message. Then Enter the **code sent to you via text** and press "Continue." Access your Giving Statement:

For Desktop Logins: Once logged in, select "Giving Statements" from the left menu bar. On the right, you can choose to "View" or "Download" your statement.

For Mobile Logins: Once logged in, select the dropdown menu by tapping the three lines in the top-left corner. Select "Giving Statements" from the left menu bar. Tap "View" to open your statement.

Note: Downloading your statement from a mobile device may vary depending on your operating system and device model. Most phones and tablets display a **down arrow icon** or a **save/download button** when viewing the statement.

If you're unsure about the cell number we have on file or need to update it, please complete a **Registration Form** here https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/form_detail.php?form_id=1351

If we do not have an email address on file for you, we will be mailing out Giving Statements next week.

If you have any questions or need assistance accessing your giving statement, please contact Jeannette Acheson at <u>jeannettea@saintmarkshoreline.org</u> or 206-364-7900 Ext 100.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish community.

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