

Saint Mark Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m., Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Contact the Faith Formation Office to schedule an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Registered Parishioners should contact Fr. Harris **six months in advance** of the proposed marriage.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Whenever someone is **seriously ill**, please call the *Parish Office*.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Mark is a **Perpetual Adoration Parish**. For 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, a member of our parish family is praying in front of the *Blessed Sacrament*. We invite all our parishioners to make **Adoration** a part of their prayer life. If interested, contact Dick Johnson (425) 821-6392.

St. Mark Catholic Church

September 27, 2009 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sept. 27 Missa Pro Populo
 Mon. Sept. 28 No Mass
 Tues. Sept. 29 Stephen Lohr+
 Wed. Sept. 30 Shayla Ulrich
 Thur. Oct.. 1 Harry Christian
 Fri. Oct.. 2 Matt Kure+
 Sat. Oct.. 3 John & Bernie Marusick+

PRAYERS

"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose
 under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:11

A time to be healed...

Christine Peterson

Andrew Anderson, father of Linden Anderson

Christine Estill, daughter of Wilma Snyder

Terry Radke, son of Leona Radke

Loren Parsons

A time to mourn...

Laura Sherrard, aunt of Janina Pacunski

Richard Pauley, father of Michael Pauley

Norma Carver, mother of Bill Carver

Candido Tomas, grandfather of Jocelyn Ramos

FREQUENTLY REQUESTED NUMBERS

Boy Scouts: Walt Carroll (425) 486-9290
Cub Scouts: Carmela Park (425) 806-1733
Knights of Columbus: Rufino Isip (206) 440-9239
St. Vincent de Paul: Duke Dungan
 (206) 364-7900 ext 150
Ladies' Guild: Lynn Waterson (206) 849-5546
Funeral Committee: Gini Harmon (206) 364-6834
 Suzanne Reed: (425) 778-1357 or (425) 361-6763
Senior Group: Judy Parsons (206) 367-1714
 Consuelo Frodsham (206) 361-2361
Holyrood Cemetery: (206) 363-8404
Beck's Funeral Home: (425) 771-1234
Hoffner, Fisher & Harvey Funeral Home: (206) 632-0100

CONTRIBUTIONS

	YTD	YTD Budget	Difference
7/1/09-9/20/09	167,114	183,920	(16,806)
	Actual	Goal	Difference
September-to-Date	42,807	49,920	(7,113)
Sept 6	17,494	19,200	(1,706)
Sept 13	12,944	16,000	(3,056)
Sept 20	12,370	14,720	(2,350)
Sept 27		14,080	
Sept. Total		64,000	

Parish children contributed \$.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ HOMEBOUND/HOSPITAL VISITS

Please call the parish office to inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a parishioner or family member. Privacy laws prohibit hospitals from releasing information to clergy about hospitalized church members without the specific consent and request of the patient or their immediate family.

Sun.	9/27/09	Faith Formation, Pre-school-K, 9 am, Pastoral Center
		Light Weigh Meeting, 12:30, Pastoral Center
Mon.	9/28/09	Boy Scouts, 7 pm, Gym
		Compassion Ministry Mtg., 7 pm, Pastoral Center
Tues.	9/29/09	Stewardship Renewal Planning Mtg., 6:30 pm, Gym
		Adult Discussion Group, 7 pm, Sullivan Hall
Wed.	9/30/09	RCIA 6:30 pm, Library
		Faith Formation Gr. 1-8, 6:30 pm, School
Thurs.	10/1/09	Choir Practice, 6:30pm, Church
		Social Justice Mtg., 7 pm, Pastoral Center

IN-PARISH NEWS

THE LIGHT WEIGH IS COMING!

The Light Weigh is coming to St. Mark Church. Would you like to learn how to eat the foods you enjoy while you lose weight? Would you like to get peace with food and get off the diet roller coaster? Give God a chance and rediscover the freedom from food you had as a small child! A Light Weigh Orientation Meeting will be held at 12:30 pm on **Sunday, Sept. 27** in the Pastoral Center. Come and find out about The Light Weigh Bible Study-Video Series and how this program has been a blessing for others. Contact Christine Gallagher 425-488-7264.

MEN SEEKING CHRIST

Last Friday was the first meeting of the new men's group at St. Mark, "Men Seeking Christ." There was a great turnout of over 40 men looking to relate the truths of their faith to everyday circumstances. If you are interested in living your faith more deeply, please consider coming to the next meeting on **October 9**.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Sat. Oct 3 5:00 pm	Sun Oct 4 7:30 am	Sun Oct 4 9 am	Sun Oct 4 11 am
EM's	Ellen S.	Rey A.	Evelyn A.	Glenn D.
	Jean H.	Vina A.	Nelson A.	Becky D.
			Steve A.	Bill S.
			Paul B.	Maribel S.
Reader	T. Martin	Gerry S.	Zsolt D.	Debbie D.
Servers	Courtney T.	Isaiah T.	John McV.	Chris P.
	Rose Marie H.	Alexander T.	Tim McV.	David P.

	Sept. 29-Oct 3
Servers	Carl B.
	Daniel D.

PRAY THE ROSARY

*Families meet at 6:30pm
in Church.
Please come!*

WHAT IS

SAINTMARKSHORELINE.ORG?

Have you visited the St. Mark web page? It is located at saintmarkshoreline.org. You can find information about upcoming events, copies of the latest bulletins, and an especially exciting new feature: Father Harris' homilies are available if your computer has sound capabilities. If you heard something in Mass and want to replay it, you can now do that at home; or maybe you were out of town and don't want to miss a St. Mark homily. Or maybe you want to share one of our homilies with your family in another state—now you can do it all! On last week's bulletin, over 210 people looked at our website—that is a third of the people who received the bulletin at Mass. Don't be left out—send your email to Rick Altenhofen at stmarkfinance@gmail.com to get on his mailing list and have the weekly email sent to you; or sign up online at saintmarkshoreline.org

HOSPITALITY

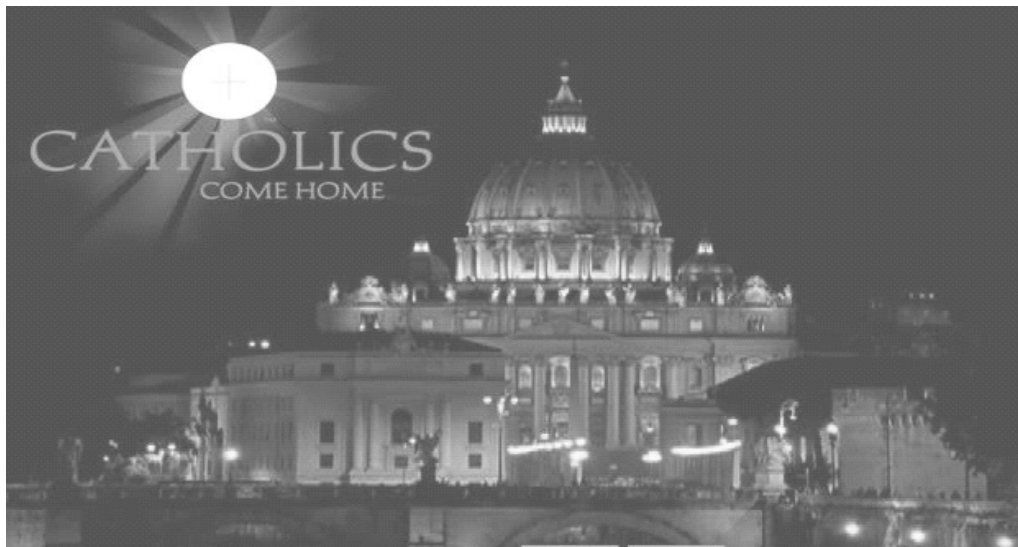
September 27—Faith Formation Families are hosting doughnuts.

October 4—St. Mark School Families will be hosting doughnuts.

CATHOLICS COME HOME

Early in 2010, the Archdiocese of Seattle plans to run a media "saturation" campaign of radio and television advertisements produced by CatholicsComeHome.org. When a similar campaign was run in the Diocese of Phoenix, Arizona, more than 90,000 lapsed Catholics returned to regular Mass attendance in the parishes of the diocese. What would we do if 200 new families showed up at Saint Mark full of questions and yearnings to belong to our community? Are we ready to welcome them? Please contribute to the advertising fund so that you can be a part of this great movement. An average contribution of \$10 per family will be enough to meet our parish goal of \$6000..





Catholic Evangelism is coming to St. Mark

1. CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAMPAIGN

Now that you have previewed the commercial at Mass, you know that this will make a difference in people's lives. Please contribute to the advertising fund so that you can be a part of this great movement. An average contribution of \$10 per family will be enough to meet our parish goal of \$6000..

2. GO TO THE MINISTRY FAIR

On November 1, we will have our Saint Mark Ministry Fair, "Calling All Saints," giving all of us a chance to find out about the various opportunities at St. Mark. Become more active in your parish!

3. GET INVOLVED

Become a greeter at Mass, join one of our hospitality apostolates, or get active in the "Returning Catholics" ministry to welcome newcomers. *It takes one practicing Catholic volunteer for each returning Catholic to make them feel welcome and part of the community.*

PERPETUAL ADORATION



There is a definite chill in the night air, despite the prediction of a few more warm days. The season is definitely changing. All that means is that we have to add a few more layers of flannel topped with Gore-Tex in order to keep warm and dry in the chapel.

I always marvel at the colors hidden in the leaves all summer until autumn reveals them to us. Whether you just appreciate the beauty God provides for us by the turning of the leaves, or wonder at the way God includes the red, yellow and orange pigments in the leaves so as to collect as much energy from the sun as possible for photosynthesis, we can all enjoy the miracle...on our way to the chapel for Adoration. There is room in many convenient hours, and inconvenient as well.

Give us a call. We will accommodate your schedule as best we can; remember, the hours that are a little more inconvenient are also the most available. Give us a call.

God bless,

Your Adoration Staff (425) 821-6392



RESPECT LIFE

(Continued)

And, finally, stop by the Respect Life table in Sullivan Hall in October. Wonderful pro-life items and brochures are available. Many are free. Some are offered for a suggested donation to cover cost. Items include: "Precious Feet" pins, bumper stickers, bookmarks and the baby model (12 week fetal model) offered this summer as part of our Spiritual Adoption project.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Rachel's Vineyard™ is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can reconcile past abortion pain and begin the process of restoration. If you are hurting from the effects of abortion, find healing on the next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ Nov. 13 -15, 2009.

Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)

You are loved with an everlasting Love! Project Rachel



RESPECT LIFE

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

To celebrate and to educate, activities and events are happening at St. Mark and in our community. Here are just some of the ways you and your family can get involved:

The national 40 Days for Life Campaign continues from now until November 1. It's a peaceful prayer effort in front of local abortion clinics. This effort includes more than 170 communities across the United States including Seattle and Everett. To get involved contact Ed Mohs 360-658-0969 (Everett) or go to the 40 Days for Life website.

True Compassion Advocates has a new brochure available online /- A Simple Guide for Medical Care and Decision Making./ We are working on getting it printed out for distribution to the parish in October. If you are a printer or know of a printer who could give a discount to support this vital work, please call Elenor Schoen at 206-542-3257.

October 3-4 after all Masses, the Knights of Columbus will be handing out Rosaries and Lollipops to get the word out about Respect Life.

October 4 is Respect Life Sunday. Come out and stand (or sit) for life. Participate in a local Life Chain from 2 pm – 3:30 pm on the corner of Hwy 99 and 220th . This is a prayerful, peaceful way to defend the lives of the unborn and bring awareness to the general public and the need to support life. Please arrive at the church by 1:30 pm if you'd like to carpool to the location. Signs will be provided. After the event there will be a gathering in Sullivan Hall for light refreshments and social time.

The weekend of October 10-11 there will be a guest speaker from Project Rachel at all Masses.

October 21 is the monthly meeting for the parish Respect Life group. It starts at 7 pm in Sullivan Hall. Call Rebecca Anderson at 425-776-5069 for more information or with any questions.

October 24 is the Healing the Culture "Mission Possible" Gala Dinner held at the Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall in downtown Seattle. Call 425-481-6563 for information.

INSPIRATION

WHEN WE TEACH OUR CHILDREN

...to be good, to be gentle, to be forgiving, to be generous, to love others, to regard this present age as nothing, we instill virtue in their souls, and reveal the image of God within them. This, then, is our task: to educate both ourselves and our children in godliness; otherwise what answer will we have before Christ's judgment seat? St. John Chrysostom

Today, may there be peace within you. May you trust God. You are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use the gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us. Saint Theresa

YOUTH NEWS

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS

Did you know that you can satisfy your high school "Community Service" hours by playing or singing with our 5:00 Saturday Contemporary Music group? The program is designed to complement busy teen schedules with a rehearsal on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 followed immediately by Mass. For more information, contact Greg Teeter at gregoryteeter@comcast.net.

MUSIC

ST MARK SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES

The first concert in our new concert series will be offered on

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 at 3 PM.

The program, sung by St. Mark's own Schola Cantorum, is entitled A EUROPEAN MUSICAL TRAVELOGUE and features sacred music from England, The Netherlands, France, Germany, Spain and Italy. The program features glorious Renaissance polyphonic motets by Palestrina, Morales and Byrd as well as music composed by Schutz, Brahms, and Messiaen. St. Mark's new Leeftang organ will be heard in selections by Sweelinck, D'Grigny and Frescobaldi.

Admission to the concert is free; there is a suggested \$10 Donation to help retire the debt on the organ. A Reception will follow in Sullivan Hall.



LITURGY & FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

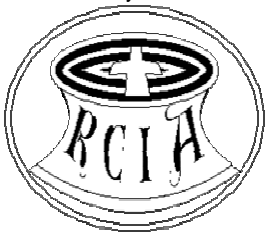
Enrollment is continuing for Faith Formation Classes. **Four and five year olds meet on Sunday mornings during the 9 am Mass in the Pastoral Center, and grades 1-8 meet on Wednesday evenings in the school..**

Registration is also open for First Penance, First Communion, and Confirmation classes. Contact: Marylee Schaeffer or Ellen Sherman at 206-364-7900 or stmarkfaithformation@gmail.com.

You are Invited!

Whether you are un-baptized or baptized in another Christian denomination and are interested in joining the Catholic faith, or you just want to gain a deeper understanding of the Church's teachings, we encourage you to try out our RCIA classes on Wednesday nights.

Please call the Parish Office at (206) 364-7900 if you would like more information. We welcome your inquiries and look forward to speaking with you.



LOST AND FOUND

A very lovely charm bracelet was turned in to the Parish Office. If you think it is yours, please call the office at 206.364.7900 and identify it.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

"Our parish communities are measured by how they serve "the least of these" in our parish and beyond its boundaries-the hungry, the homeless, the sick, those in prison, the stranger (cf. Mt 25:31). Our local families of faith are called to "hunger and thirst for justice" and to be "peacemakers" in our own communities (cf. Mt 5:6,9). A parish cannot really proclaim the gospel if its message is not reflected in its own community life. The biblical call to charity, justice, and peace claims not only each believer, but also each community where believers gather for worship, formation, and pastoral care."

If this passage from "Communities of Salt and Light", a Social Justice document by the USCCB, speaks to you; if it stirs in you a desire to make a difference in your community; then please come to a **Social Justice Team meeting on Thursday, October 1**, in the Parish Center at 7 pm. We welcome new members and interested parishioners to join us as we look for ways to live the Gospel values in our parish of St. Mark and in the wider world. If you have any questions, call Tami Martin at 363-3227 or Lucinda Pearson at 365-1862.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES

Catholic Community Services is looking for prospective adoptive parents who are interested in learning more about infants who are available for adoption from South Korea. For more information about our South Korean and other adoption programs, please call the Adoption Unit at 206-328-5921 or our website: www.ccsww.org.

WE ARE ALL PROPHETS OF GOD'S LOVE

We are all called to be prophets: to announce the good news of God's deep love for each one of us. How wonderful it would be if we could be so clear in the announcement of this message, particularly in the behavior we manifest toward others. The first reading from Numbers provides insight into the working of God's Spirit through us. The reading highlights our tendency to try to clearly define who is a prophet and who can speak on behalf of God. Yet the suggestion in the readings from Numbers and Mark is that it is the effect we have on others that is meaningful and not whether we are part of some inner group. So who can speak on behalf of God? We live in times where the rich and famous are often portrayed as the blessed. The letter from James suggests that it is what we do with these riches that is most meaningful. Do we use our riches for the benefit of others? When we examine Jesus' words, we realize that our actions are more important than a simple claim to follow Him. As followers of Jesus, we are called to bring blessing to others. The life and love we receive from God is intimately connected to our call to be prophets and our life of service in the Body of Christ.

Raphael Amato

FIRST FRIDAY MASSES, OCTOBER 2 8 A.M. & 10 A.M.



There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10 a.m. Mass, culminating at Benediction prior to the 9 a.m. Saturday Mass on October 3. This is an all-night vigil offered in atonement for the sins of mankind grievously offending the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The concept of the "Alliance of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary" is a term first coined by Pope John Paul II in 1985, and underscores the fact that the "heart" is a shorthand way of speaking about the whole person with special emphasis on his or her interiority. Thus, the "Alliance of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary" is a way of speaking about their intimate association and union with one another for the sake of our redemption.

The Adoration Chapel is closed during this time, but please come to the church for time with Jesus.