

# St. Matthew Parish

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### Masses

**Monday & Wednesday:** NO MASS  
**Tuesday & Thursday:** 9:00 am  
**Friday:** 8:30 am

**Weekend Mass:**  
**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 8:00 am & 10:00 am

### Sacraments

**Confession:** Saturday at 4 pm or by appointment. Call 206-363-6767.  
**Marriage, baptism, funeral mass or confirmation.** Call 206-363-6767 Ext 200

**Office Hours:** 8:30am to 3:30pm  
 Monday through Friday.

### AUGUST 31, 2025 – 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*In a banquet given by a leading pharisee, Jesus said to them "when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host asks you to move up to a better place, then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests.*



*For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. ... And when you give a banquet, invite the poor instead, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." (Luke 14:10-14)*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS—AUGUST 31—SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

**Sunday :** Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14  
**Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30  
**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37  
*Mass intention: R.I.P. –Lourdes Nazareno & Irene Franada*  
**Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44  
**Thursday:** Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11  
**Friday:** Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39  
**Saturday:** Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5  
**Next Sunday** Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17(1)/Phim 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14-25-33

### STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIFE

	Actual	Needed	Over(Under)
Week Ending August 17, 2025	\$ 9,150	\$ 12,000	(\$ 2,850)
Cumulative From July 1, 2025	\$ 67,314	\$ 84,000	(\$ 16,686)

### EVENTS CALENDAR

Host	Event	Date/Day/Time	Venue
St. Mark	End of Summer BBQ & Picnic	9/7 Sun/9am	Gym & Parking Lot
St. Matthew	Wine & Cheese Social	9/13 Sat/6–8pm	Comm Center
St. Matthew	Big Filipino Breakfast	9/14 Sun/9-12N	Comm Center

## PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY:

### For the August intention of the Pope

- That societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

### For our Parish Community

- That our parish family may continue to bind together in faith and hope .

### For the Sick

- That God's restoring hand renews the strength and health of the sick, especially Mark Lunde.

### For the Deceased

- That they may share in the peace and happiness of eternal life in heaven with the Triune God.

## NEW LOGO Reflecting on Christ's Radical Love



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## PARISH FAMILY ADVISORY COUNCIL FORMING

Our parish family of St. Mark and St. Matthew is ready to begin a strategic pastoral planning process. We will be following the Partners in the Gospel process called the **One Parish Plan (OPP)**. The planning process will start in earnest in early 2026 and be completed in 2028. The One Parish Plan will address several questions:

- **Who are we?**
- **What do we want to become?**
- **How do we get there?**
- **What should we be called?**

To guide the process, Fr. Ross will be appointing a Parish Family Advisory Council. Think of it as the pastoral council for the parish family of St. Mark and St. Matthew. 9-12 parishioners will be selected to serve on the Council. If you are interested in serving on this Parish Family Advisory Council, an application is on the website and can be found also in the vestibule of each church.

Applications should be completed by the end of September with the selection of members in October. Monthly meetings will likely be held starting November 2025 along with several listening sessions over the 2+ year period. Please prayerfully consider your interest and pray for the work of this important council.

# School News

## ENROLLING PRE-K TO GRADE 8

We are now enrolling for 2025-2026! Share with your friends and family. St. Matthew School offers options like walk to math, big and little reading buddies, affordable before and after school care, sports, middle school service learning, and a spacious campus. Explore our diverse pre-k to grade 8 community by calling 206-362-2785 or schedule your tour at [stmattschool.org](http://stmattschool.org).



School is back in session for the 2025-2026 school year. As Pope Francis said, "To be a teacher is to live a mission." Please pray for our incredible teachers and staff as they live out our St. Matthew School mission: "in partnership with

the home and parish, promotes the Catholic faith and inspires academic excellence in an environment of cultural diversity, opportunity, service, forgiveness and love."

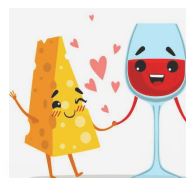
## MY OH MY!

Mariners Game on September 13, Saturday at 6:40pm. Ticket Orders due on September 2.

The Seattle Mariners are extending a discounted ticket offer to parishioners, students, parents, faculty, and staff at St. Matthew and St. Mark. Enjoy a special outing with your friends and family members! View level seats \$15 and main level seats \$25. Use the ticket order form enclosed in this bulletin and give it to the school office. **Ticket orders due September 2.** Please make check payable to St. Matthew School .

**MARINERS  
VS ANGELS**  
**SEPT 13**  
**ORDERS DUE  
SEPT 2**

## WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL ON SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> SAT.



Join us in the community center after our 5pm Saturday Mass. This is a time for our Saturday Mass goers to socialize. All ages are welcome. Bring yourself and meet new and already friends.

# JOIN US FOR A PARISH END OF SUMMER

ST. MARK



**Sunday, September 7**  
11:30 to 2:00PM

Please sign up to bring a salad, side dish, drinks, or dessert for our end-of-the-summer BBQ using the QR Code below.

The parish will provide condiments, hamburgers and hot dogs grilled by our Knights of Columbus. Join the fun, and meet new families and fellow parishioners.

We will also have a bouncy house for the kids.

**WE HOPE TO SEE  
YOU THERE!!**



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18033 15th Pl. NE Shoreline, WA [www.saintmarkshoreline.org](http://www.saintmarkshoreline.org)



**Knights of  
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## BIG FILIPINO BREAKFAST ON SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup> !

St. Matthew K of C will hold its first fund raising event for 2025 - A Big Breakfast on

September 14th, Sunday at the Community Center from 9-12 noon. Cost of ticket is \$25/pax.

Dishes are cpa (chicken pork adobo), langonisa (pork sausage), fried noodles (pansit sotanghon), vegetable lumpia (spring rolls), scrambled eggs, garlic fried rice, cakes and fruits, and a cool drink of sago and gulaman (zagu pearls & gelatins). For tickets and reservation orders, contact Cris, 206-363-6767.

100% of the proceeds will go to the community, family, and faith projects of the Knights.

## HELP FAMILIES AFFECTED BY CONFLICT ACROSS THE HOLY LAND



Gaza's families are enduring conditions of collapse as hostilities escalate and basic elements for survival vanish. Starvation and malnutrition have been rising daily. Families are grappling with death, injury, and forced displacement.

The USCCB is encouraging parishes to donate to Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) to provide humanitarian relief to the affected families in the Holy Land including Gaza. Your prayers and support will make so much difference. Please give a vital gift today! To donate: <https://www.crs.org> >donate or <https://cnewa.org>

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION SIGN-UP ON SEPTEMBER 6-7

Sessions are now being planned for our Parish Family of St. Mark/St. Matthew for those preparing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation, and to participate in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) "Becoming Catholic". Parents, Godparents, children, and adults who are interested may register using the Sacraments Sign-up Sheet available at both St. Matthew and St. Mark on September 6-7. We also need volunteers to assist with teaching the classes. For more information please contact:

Linda Haptonstall at [paa@stmatthewseattle.org](mailto:paa@stmatthewseattle.org) or Anna Lombard at [annel@saintmarkshoreline.org](mailto:annel@saintmarkshoreline.org)

## DINE & DANCE



We are excited to announce that the St. Matthew *Dinner Dance* will take place on Saturday **Nov. 15, 2025**, 6 pm, @ the Community Center. Stay tuned for more details. The event will be co-chaired by Mariela Fletcher and Kara Herber.

**SAVE THE DATE**

# Parish Family #12

## Operations Update

Parish Family #12,

Our Parish Family's search for a Director of Operations (DOO) was a smashing success! I'm thrilled to announce that **Julianna D'Angelo** has accepted the position of DOO. The DOO is a new position for our Parish Family- a position which will be critical in helping us come together as one Parish Family in the Partners in the Gospel initiative.

Julianna is a familiar face with 2 daughters attending St. Mark Classical School, as well as serving as the CYO Athletic Director for St. Mark & St. Matthew. She brings extensive professional experience in accounting and business practices.



In Julianna's own words:

"As a financial executive and strategic consultant, I have built my 20-year career around helping companies and business owners solve problems and get their companies to a place of financial stability and optimized operations. To be able to use what I've learned from my professional background to aid in getting our Parish Family to a place of operational and financial strength and bringing our Parish Family together is a humbling endeavor I am most honored to participate in. With the help of God- I know we will get there."

We will be introducing Julianna (in person) at St. Mark/St. Matthew (back & forth) the weekend of August 30/31st. Her first official day on site will be September 15.

At the same time, I want to profoundly thank our Parish Administrators (PA)- **Todd Chapman** and **Linda Haptonstall** for serving many faithful years in their roles as Parish Administrators. The DOO position will take on many of the administrative duties as the PA positions come to an end. We are grateful for Linda & Todd's service and look forward to celebrating them individually in this transition. Linda's final day is still to be determined. Todd's final day will be September 18, 2025.

Please join me in welcoming Julianna to our Parish Family as well as thanking Linda and Todd for their years of service!

+Fr. Ross

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