



St. Matthew Parish

A Parish of Many Cultures But One Faith

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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.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 – FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him" (John 3:16-17)

Philippians 2:6-11 describes Jesus Christ's profound humility and exaltation:
 "who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God, something to be grasped at, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father"

SCRIPTURE READINGS—SEPTEMBER 14-21, 2025

Sunday : Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Tuesday 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5-6/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50
Mass Intention: For repose of the soul of Mari Ocampo
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13

STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIFE

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Over(Under)</u>
Week Ending September 7, 2025	\$ 8,393	\$ 12,000	(\$ 3,607)
Cumulative From July 1, 2025	\$ 96,221	\$ 120,000	(\$ 23,779)

EVENTS CALENDAR

Host	Event	Date/Day/Time	Venue
St. Matthew	Big Filipino Breakfast	9/14 Sun/9-12N	Comm Center
St. Matthew	Feast Day Reception	9/21 Sunday	Comm Ctr.
St. Matthew	Public Rosary Crusade	10/11 Sat/12N	St. Matthew Grotto
St. Mathew	World Mission Rosary	10/18 Sat/11am	Church/Comm. Ctr

PRAYERS INTERCESSIONS:

For the September intention of the Pope—For our relationship with all of creation

- That inspired by St. Francis, we may experience our interdependence with all creation who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

For our Parish Community

- That we may be united in faith and support one another, fostering a spirit of love and understanding.

For the Sick

- That they may find recovery, strength, support, and access to the care they need.

For the Deceased

- That they may gain entrance into your kingdom of light and joy and into the fellowship of your Saints.

School News

ENROLLING PRE-K TO GRADE 8

**ENROLLING
FOR 2025-2026**
PRE-KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 8



learn more at STMATTSSCHOOL.ORG

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.

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL

Do you love working with kids and enjoy working in a supportive, diverse environment?

We are now hiring a staff person for our before and after school care program (ESS for Extended School Service). 15 hours each week, from 7am until 8:10am and after school

3 pm (2 pm on Mondays) until 5 or 6 pm. Perfect for a parent or recent graduate. Contact **Mrs. Prepotente** at jprepotente@stmattschool.org for more information.

WE ARE
HIRING
St. Matthew School 206-362-2785 stmattschool.org
BEFORE & AFTER
SCHOOL CARE
JOIN OUR TEAM
APPLY NOW

SAVE THE DATE FOR A SPOOKTACULAR EVENT, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

Save the date for Trunk or Treat! It is a safe environment for trick or treating. You can

Host a Trunk - Set up the trunk of your car with a theme and decor and hand out candy or host a game for visiting guests. Contact the school office at **206-362-2785** to sign up to host a trunk; **OR**

Dress up in a Halloween costume and **go trick or treating** at each trunk. This event is open to the St. Matthew community, and we invite our surrounding neighbors as well. We love seeing trunks from our alumni and parish families!

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL
TRUNK OR TREAT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
5 TO 6 PM
St. Matthew School

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BREAKFAST**

**ON SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER
14, AT 9-12N**

This is it! A “**Big Filipino Breakfast**” coming your way on **September 14th, Sunday** to the St. Matthew Community Center from 9 –12 noon. Cost for a ticket is **\$25** per person.

Dishes are: chicken pork adobo, pork sausage, fried noodles, vegetable spring rolls, scrambled eggs, garlic fried rice, cakes and fruits, and a cool drink of zagu pearls and gelatins.

For tickets and reservation orders contact **Cris** at **206-363-6767**. All proceeds will go to the Knights’ community and church projects. Financial donation will be most appreciated.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR 7TH AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS, AND OLDER.

Archbishop Etienne has opened the Sacrament of Confirmation to students in 7th grade and older. We invite all baptized youth of St. Mark / St. Matthew Parish who meet this age requirement to participate in this year’s preparation program.

Classes starts on **Tuesday, September 17**, 6 to 8:30pm at St. Mark Library.

Please email either school for the registration form and return to: **Anne Lombard**, Faith Formation, email annel@saintmarkshoreline.org, or **206-796-9657**



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

SEPTEMBER 21ST —

FEAST DAY OF ST. MATTHEW AND THE 71ST ANNIVERSARY OF ST. MATTHEW PARISH.

The feast of Saint Matthew is celebrated annually on September 21st in the Catholic, Anglican, and Lutheran churches. This day commemorates Matthew, (also called Levi), Jesus's apostle and evangelist. Known for his transformation from a despised tax collector to a follower of Christ and the traditional author of the Gospel of Matthew, which tells the story of Jesus's life. The feast serves to reflect on his conversion, his role in transmitting the Gospel, and his example of faith. This day highlights Matthew's profound spiritual change and the power of Jesus's call to redemption



LET'S CELEBRATE ON 9/21— You are invited to celebrate **St. Matthew Parish 71st anniversary** with a reception of cake, pastries and fruits at the Community Center during the coffee hours after the 8am and 10am Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to bring a special dessert representative of your culture as we are a parish of Many Cultures but one Faith!

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY!

Join fellow parishioners for the following events:

• PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

The annual Public Square Rosary Crusade at **St. Matthew Parish Grotto** will be held at **12 Noon** on **Saturday, October 11th**. On this date, St. Matthew Parish will join more than 23,000 rosary rallies to be held at noon across the entire country, commemorating the Miracle of the Sun, by Our Lady near Fatima in 1917. This is our chance to stand for faith, pray for peace, and be part of something greater. With over 23,000 Rosary Rallies nationwide, we will send a powerful message and draw down God's grace upon America.

• ST MATTHEW'S 5TH ANNUAL WORLD MISSION ROSARY

Date : Saturday, October 18

Time: 11:00 am

Location: St. Matthew Church

(Followed by an International Potluck lunch at the Community Center)



The World Mission Rosary is a unique opportunity to pray together and honor our global community. We recite the "Hail Mary" prayers in many different languages, celebrating the rich diversity of our faith and the worldwide mission of the Church.

This inspiring event will bring together parishioners from our Parish Family 12 of St. Mark and St. Matthew as we unite in prayer and solidarity. We encourage everyone to participate and be part of this meaningful gathering. More information to follow.

Would you be interested to recite one or more "Hail Mary" prayers in your native language or studied language? Please contact Prisca or Sao through the Parish Office at 206-363-6767 for any question.

YOU ARE INVITED!

Join us for the final **ROSARY JUBILEE MAKING** event as part of St.

Matthew's Feast Day celebration on **Sunday, September 21** at the St.

Matthew Community Center from 9am to Noon.

- Stop by to pick up a Jubilee Rosary and
- Stay awhile to help assembling agift package rosary, or
- Come a bit early and learn the joy of Rosary Jubilee making.

Come share in this special activity of faith, community, and celebration!



Dear Parish *Family 12,* It's time for OUR FIRST Directory!



PHOTOGRAPHY SESSIONS

October 22-24	St. Mark (2pm-8:30pm)
October 25	St. Mark (10am-4pm)
October 28-31	St. Matthew (2pm-8:30pm)
November 1	St. Matthew (10am-4pm)
November 3-6	St. Mark (2pm-8:30pm)

*Living our faith.
Connecting families.
Becoming one parish.*

As we begin our journey together in the Partners In the Gospel, all Parish Family 12 parishioners are invited to participate in our new Directory.

"There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all." Eph 4:4-6

Directory Committee

All are invited!

Our Parish Family 12 directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*



— *IN MEMORIAM* —

SONIA CAMERO

5/12/1937—8./25/25

Her life is a blessing, her memory is a treasure.

Please join us in honoring the life of beloved wife, mother, sister, Lola, relative and friend.

- **Visitation & Rosary**
Thursday 9/25, 5pm at Evergreen Washelli
- **Funeral Mass, Burial & Reception**
Friday, 9/26, 11am, St. Matthew Church
Burial @ Holyrood Cemetery 1:30pm
Reception 2:30pm @ St. Matthew Community Center .



27TH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE—"AN EVENING OF THANKSGIVING"

Saturday, November 15,
2025 at St. Matthew

Community Center

Doors open: 6:00 PM

Catered buffet: Flame

Attire: Sunday's Best

Tickets: \$50 presale · \$55 at the Door

Come enjoy a joyful evening of dining, dancing, and fellowship as we celebrate together! Tickets available during coffee hour and at the parish office at **206 363-6767**.

