

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

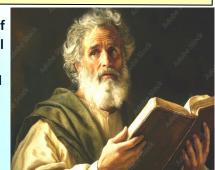
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Office Hours: 8:30am to 3:30pm Monday through Friday.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 – FEAST DAY OF ST. MATTHEW

Today is the feast day of Saint Matthew— one of the 12 Apostles of Christ and one of the 4 gospel writers who wrote about the life of Jesus. His full name is Matthew of Galilee but St. Mark and St. Luke called him Levi.

St Matthew's feast day is celebrated annually in the Catholic, Anglican, and Lutheran churches. The feast serves to reflect on Matthew's conversion, his role in transmitting the Gospel,



and his example of faith. His journey from a despised tax collector to apostle and evangelist is a living illustration of the power of divine grace and the possibility of redemption for all who accept God's call. Matthew's gospel leaves us a precious witness to the life and teaching of Jesus.

On this feast day of our Patron Saint, St. Matthew Parish invites everyone to the Community Center after the 8am and 10am Mass. Spend some time with friends and enjoy cake, donuts, desserts from our various cultures, and of course coffee!

SCRIPTURE READINGS—SEPTEMBER 21-28, 2025

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

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Mass intention: for the repose of the soul of Janice Zitz

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a amd 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIFE

 Actual
 Needed
 Over(Under)

 Week Ending September 14, 2025
 \$ 9,308
 \$ 12,000
 (\$ 2,692)

 Cumulative From July 1, 2025
 \$ 105,529
 \$ 132,000
 (\$ 26,471)

EVENTS CALENDAR

Host	Event	Date/Day/Time	Venue
St. Matthew	Public Rosary Crusade	10/11 Sat/12n	St. Matthew Grotto
St. Matthew	Wine and Cheese Social	10/11/2025 6pm	St.Matthew CC
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

- Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.
- For our Parish Community

That you make our parish community truly a communion of communities with a spirit of strong relationships and deep unity.

For the Sick

That the sick, especially Violy Ebilane through their strong faith and earnest prayer may experience the touch of God's healing hands bringing forth comfort and strength to their body and spirit.

For the Deceased

That those who have been called from this life to the next, may enjoy the peace and happiness in heaven.

Baptismal Preparation Class



Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 9:30-11:30am in the St. Mark Sullivan Hall

If you would like to have your child (under 7 years old) baptized in the next six months or would like to be a godparent, please email annel@saintmarkshoreline.org to register for this mandatory class.

SONIA CAMERO

5/12/1937-8/25/25

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



Funeral Mass, Burial & Reception Friday, 9/26, 11am, St. Matthew Church **Burial @ Holyrood Cemetery 1:30pm** Reception 2:30pm @ St. Matthew Community Center

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 learn more at STMATTSCHOOL.ORG 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 7 and until 8:10 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.

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!

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?

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. 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 along with several listening sessions over the 2+ year period. Please prayerfully consider your interest and pray for the work of this important council.



PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY SAT, OCTOBER 11, 2025

St. Matthew's Knights are inviting you to join this year's Public Rosary Rally on October 11th Saturday at St. Matthew Parish Grotto starting 12noon.

On this date, Parish Family # 12 parishioners will join more than 23,000 rosary rallies to be held around 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.

Partake of sandwiches, soups, and dessert after the rosary. For any question please call Cris, Parish Office **206-363-6767.**

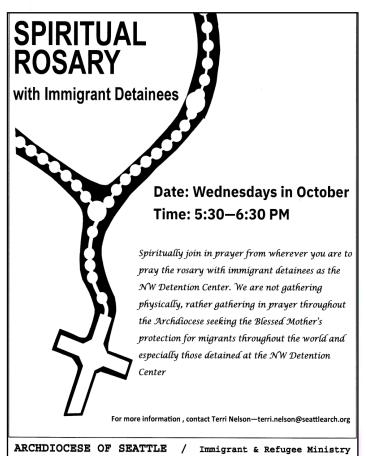
YOU ARE INVITED!

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 9 am to Noon.



- Stop by to pick up a Jubilee Rosary and
- Stay awhile to help assembling a gift 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!





WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL 10/11

Join us on October 11th, Saturday in the community center after the 5pm Mass. This is a time for our Saturday Mass goers to socialize. All ages are welcome. Bring yourself and meet new and already friends. See you.





PHOTOGRAPY SCHEDULE

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



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 album.

Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church. Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!

UNIVERSAL CHURCH DIRECTORY



An Evening of Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 15, 2025, at 6pm St. Matthew Parish Community Center 1240 NE 127th St. Seattle, WA, 98125

\$50 per ticket | \$55 at the door Beneficiary: St. Matthew Parish Greatest Needs



ATTIRE: SUNDAY'S BEST BUFFET DINNER (FLAME CATERING) DJ MUSIC 50/50 RAFFLE

FOR TICKETS, PLEASE CALL
PARISH OFFICE - (206) 363-6767

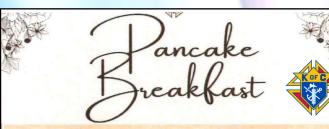
Check payable to: St. Matthew Parish (Dinner Dance ticket)



The Filipino Breakfast Fundraiser held on September 14th was a huge success, with more that 150 parishioners present in the event. All proceeds will go to the Knights

projects like, coat for kids, wheelchair program, pregnancy support and ultrasound initiatives and gift to church to help in its operating expenses. Thank you for being a lifeline in this challenging times. Your kindness and support brought us relief and great joy.

THANK YOU!



TODAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST
AT ST. MARK CAFETERIA
AFTER THE MORNING MASS
Suggested \$ 15 Per Person
\$ 40 Family rate

Proceeds benefit the ministries & programs of the St, Mark Knights of Columbus

ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE MINISTRY EVENTS CALENDAR/REMINDER Visit www.archseattle.com

9th ANNUAL CATHOLIC IMMIGRATION SUMMIT
September 27th, 9:30am-3:30pm, Seattle University

WORLD ROSARY DAY FOR HOPE & WORLD PEACE

October 7, 10:00AM US Pacific Time recited in real time led by Pope Leo XIV from Basilica of St. Mary Major, Rome. Join us in prayer.

AN EVENING W/PAX PEACE ECHANGE GROUP

With Yukihiro Ishikawa, Hiroshima survivor September 24, 6:30pm-8:30pm, Seattle University, Free Admission

JUBILEE YEAR – IMMIGRATION PILGRIMGE OF HOPE

(Mass & Walk to ICE Detention Site)
October 4th, 9:30am-noon, St Leo Parish, Tacoma
Free Admission

ANNUAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONVENTION, SAINTS IN THE MAKING (FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS)

November 15 @ 9am-6pm, St. Martin University, Lacey, Washington.

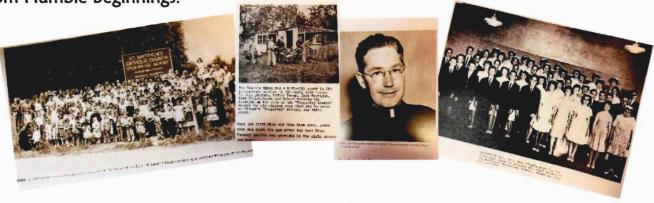
Saint Matthew Parish Patron Saint Feast Day—September 21,2025

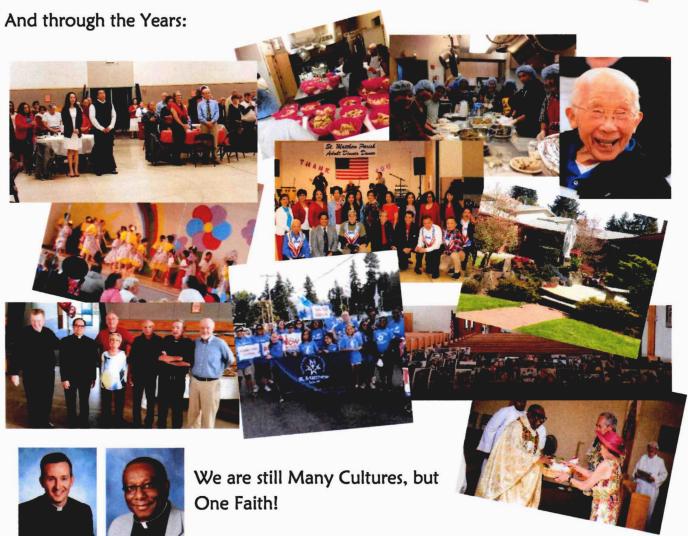
Saint Matthew was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus and is best known through the Gospel of Matthew. Before following Jesus, he was a tax collector, despised by many people. One

day, Jesus saw Matthew sitting at his tax booth and called him to follow. St. Matthew immediately left his job and became one of Jesus' closest followers. After death and resurrection of Jesus, St. Matthew continued to spread the message of Jesus and invited us to do the same. "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). Saint Matthew's life shows the power of answering God's call. He is the patron saint of tax collectors, bankers, and accountants.

We live the call of St. Matthew here at our church as we are a community of Many Cultures but One Faith.









YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED 5TH ANNUAL WORLD MISSION ROSARY



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2025 AT 11:00AM ST. MATTHEW PARISH – 1240 NE 127th AVE, SEATTLE, WA 98125

Please join us in the church to pray the World Mission Rosary in languages native to parishioners of our Parish Family. As a vibrant community that embodies Many Cultures but One Faith, let us come together to share our unique gifts and our love for God.

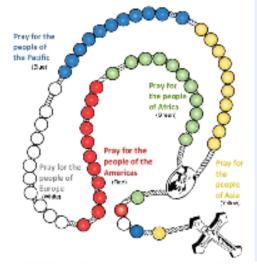
Would you be interested to recite one or more "Hail Mary" prayers in your native language or studied language? Please see below for sign-up info.

Following the prayer, join us for an International Potluck lunch at the Community Center.

"Peace will come only when the hearts of the world have changed. To do this we must pray, and not only for ourselves, but for the world. The world means everyone... we cannot change without prayer, and the power of the Rosary as a prayer is beyond description."

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

The World Mission Rosary was created by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen in 1951. This rosary honors the work of the missions, conversions and world peace with special emphasis on each of the Earth's regions, where prayers are needed. Its uniqueness is in the five colors represented in each of the decades which calls to mind an area where the Church continues her evangelizing mission.



Colors & Regions of the Mission Rosary

- Asia/Middle East: where the sun comes up and civilization began
- Oceania/Australia: for the ocean surrounding the Islands of the Pacific
- Europe: for the home of the Pope, clothed in white, shepherd of the world and his call for new evangelization
- The Americas (North & South America); for the fire of faith that brought missionaries to the Americas
- Africa: for its forests and grasslands

Archbishop Sheen said praying this Rosary, would "aid the Holy Father and His Society for the Propagation of the Faith by supplying Him with practical support, as well as prayers, for the poor mission territories of the world. When the World Mission Rosary is completed, one has embraced all continents and all people in prayer. You have given the world a great big hug! What a great gift to give your brothers and sisters in the missions!"

To participate in the World Mission Rosary, please visit St. Matthew Catholic Church's website https://www.stmatthewseattle.org or scan the QR Code to sign up or contact Prisca or Sao via St. Matthew Parish Office at (206) 363-6767.