



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.

JANUARY 11, 2026 –THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



In the baptism of Jesus, we witness a powerful moment of humility and revelation. Though sinless, Jesus comes to John at the Jordan, choosing to stand among sinners. In doing so, He fully enters the human condition and shows us that God's way is not domination, but loving solidarity.

As Jesus rises from the waters, the heavens open, the Spirit descends like a dove, and the Father's voice is heard: ***"this is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."*** This moment is a Trinitarian moment: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit present together affirming Jesus' mission of salvation.

For us this Gospel invites reflection on our own baptism. Through baptism, we are claimed as God's beloved children, washed in grace, and empowered by the Holy Spirit. We are called not only to remember our baptism, but to love it—by choosing humility, seeking righteousness, and reflecting Christ's love to our neighbors. May the baptism of the Lord renew our awareness that we are deeply loved by God.

SCRIPTURE READINGS - JANUARY 11-18, 2026

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-4, 9-10/ Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Monday: Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Sm 1:9-20/Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8d/Mk 1:21-28

Mass intention: Birthday, Thanksgiving of Luz Feddersen

Wednesday: Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Mass Intention: R.I.P. souls of Ramon & Socorro De Leoz

Friday: Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-19/Mk 2:1-12

Mass intention: For the repose of the soul of Wilma Preston

Saturday: Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1/Ps 21:2-7/Mk 2:13-17/Eph 6:13, 18/ Mt 19:16-2.

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5, 6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10/(1) Cor 1:1-13/Jn 1:29-34

STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIFE

Week Ending Jan. 4, 2026	Actual	Needed	(Under)
	\$ 16,314	\$ 12,000	\$ 4,314

Cumulative from July 1, 2025 \$ 278,912 \$324,000 (\$ 45,088)

EVENTS CALENDAR

Host	Event	Date/Day/Time	Venue
St. Matthew	Crab Feed	03/07/26 6pm	Community Center

OUR COMMUNITY PRAYERS

Pope Leo's January prayer—Pray with the Word of God.

- That praying with the Word of God be a nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

For our Parish Family:

- That guided by the Holy spirit, our Parish Family will be completely woven, united in faith, and committed to walking together as one Body in Christ.

For the Sick & Suffering:

- For all who are burdened by illness and weakness that Christ may touch them with his mercy, restore their strength, grant them comfort and peace and renewed hope.

For the Deceased

- That God, rich in mercy, may welcome them into the light of his presence, grant them eternal rest, and cloth them in the peace and joy of the resurrection, especially Joanne Deligan.



An in-person marriage encounter experience is a heart haven that helps you listen, share, and connect more deeply. No group discussion. It's just about the two of you to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can. Make the best decision this year for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience!

Sign up today: Marriage Encounter Experience on

February 13-15, 2026 at La Quinta Inn, Tacoma, Wa.

Please contact **Jeff & Sandy Cornel 360-903 2321**

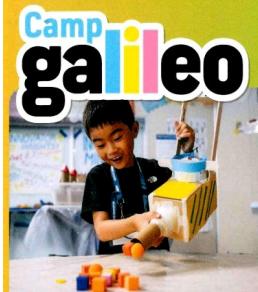
or visit our website at <https://www.wwme.org>.



CAMP GALILEO SUMMER CAMP AT ST. MATTHEW

Camp Galileo will once again use the St. Matthew campus to host their **STEAM***-based camp this summer for grades K to 8. All local families are welcome.

More info at galileo-camps.com.



*Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math

School News

Thank You



WITH GRATITUDE

THANK YOU for the many ways that you have supported St. Matthew School during the past year. We appreciate the time, talent and support of the many people who have volunteered and donated for our school, and we appreciate your gifts and generosity.

VOLLEYBALL REGISTRATION GRADES 4--8

CYO Volleyball

Registration is open for girls and boys in grades 4 to 8.

Visit <https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/seattlecyo/home> to register.



Please note that 4th grade is co-ed. There are boys teams within the CYO for 5th-8th grade.

SAVE THE DATE FOR BINGO NIGHT!

Save the date for a fun evening of BINGO!

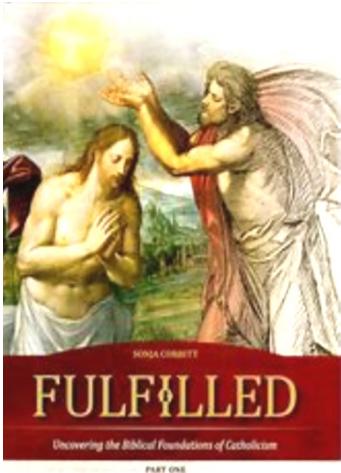
On **Saturday, February 28th** in the Community Center, join your friends for a fun-filled game of Bingo and win prizes!

Doors open at 6 pm and Bingo starts at 7 pm. Tickets will be available for sale later this month.

BINGO!
Saturday, February 28



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Want to learn more about your faith?
Join our Bible Study starting Tuesday, Jan 6th.

Doors open 9:15am.
Class is held from 9:30am-10:45am in Sullivan Hall.

We will be covering Ascension Press's
Fulfilled-Part One –
“Called into His Presence”.

Fulfilled explores the biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. Learn how the Old Testament Tabernacle can be used as a blueprint for the Catholic Faith and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament. Part One focuses on the elements found in the outer sanctuary.

ORDER YOUR MATERIALS NOW!

<https://ascensionpress.com/products/fulfilled-part-i-study-set-bundle>

WAIT....WHAT'S A SACRAMENT?!

Great question!

A sacrament is not just a rite of passage—it is a great gift enabling us to deepen our relationship with God and live for Him. Each sacrament has an outward sign that illustrates the spiritual transformation happening internally.

Haven't been Baptized or Confirmed yourself but want to? Interested in getting your marriage blessed? Come talk to us! We have Faith Formation programs as well as sacrament pathways for teens and adults!

Email annel@saintmarkshoreline.org or call 206-796-9657



DON'T HAVE A CHURCH FAMILY?

Join ours!

Yes even if you have been away from the Church, or you're not baptized. Even if you have a complicated past, Even if you don't remember all the prayers. Even if your kids are loud or have special needs,

At St. Mark and St. Matthew Catholic Church, we are sinners trying to, "work out our salvation in fear and trembling (*Phil 2:12*), while at the same time striving to grow in our faith, as we serve each other and our community. We'd love you to join us!

Learn more at <https://saintmarkshoreline.org/returning-catholics>.



SUPPORT THE COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA



The Bishops of the United States established the annual collection for the Church in Latin America as a practical expression of unity and love for the brothers and sisters in Central and South America and the islands of the Caribbean. For more than 60 years, Catholics in the United States have answered the invitation to "share your faith" by supporting pastoral ministries that strengthen the Church in the present day and help it pass on the Gospel to future generations.

For more information about how donation helps the Church in Latin America, visit:

www.usccb.org/Latin-america

Or help with an online donation by clicking on the QR code below:



Collection for the Church in Latin America
Office of National Collections
4th St. NE, Washington DC.



www.usccb.org/national collections



LOCAL SOCIAL JUSTICE IN ACTION STOPPING THE CYCLE OF INCARCERATION

The Social Justice Committee in the Northeast Seattle Catholic Community invites you to a presentation on the **IF Project**, a collaboration between incarcerated and formerly incarcerated women and law enforcement which is helping to change the lives of individuals and their families. A documentary will be shown and the IF Project's founder, Seattle Police Detective **Kim Boguki** and the current director, **Felisa Grant**, will be present for discussion. This is an extraordinary story!

The presentation will be on **Thursday, January 22nd**, 7pm at **St. Bridget Catholic Church**, 4900 NE, 50th St. Seattle 98105. Visit theifproject.org

[HTTPS://bit.ly/3MVgzyl](https://bit.ly/3MVgzyl)



ST. MATTHEW 20TH ANNUAL ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT CRAB DINNER SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026 AT 6PM

Join us for one of St. Matthew Parish's most beloved traditions—our Annual All-You-Can-Eat Crab Dinner! Started in 2006, this cherished parish event was created to support the parish in its greatest needs while helping raise funds for our graduating 8th graders' Graduation Retreat, a meaningful milestone in their faith journey.

Come enjoy a delicious crab feast, fellowship with parishioners, and be part of a tradition that has brought our community together for two decades.

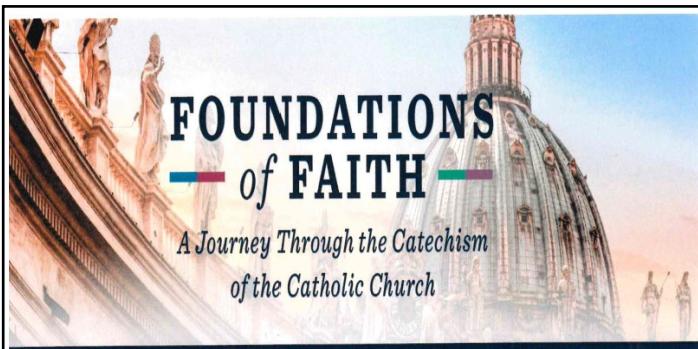
We look forward to celebrating with you!

Date: Saturday, March 7, 2026, @ 6PM

Where: St. Matthew Community Center.

Tickets: \$65 pre-sale; \$75 at the door, unless sold out!

Tickets will be sold during coffee hour every Sunday after Mass at the Community Center or at the Parish Office (206-363-6767).



FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH—A JOURNEY THROUGH THE CATECHISM

Discover the heart and soul of your Catholic beliefs as we continue the **Foundations of Faith: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church**.

On January 7, we will begin a 4-week study of what the Catechism teaches about "How we Worship." There will be two more series before we close the year that will focus on "How we Live" and "How we Pray." You are welcome to join us for one or all these series. We will meet on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the St. Matthew Community Center Conference Room to view dynamic video presentations followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. Here is the schedule:

- **January 7, 14, 21, & 28** 4 Weeks on "How We Worship" - Focus on the liturgy and sacraments
- **February 4, 11, April 8 & 15** - 4 Weeks on "How we Live" – Focus on the call to freedom and happiness, the Human Community, and the Ten Commandments
- **April 29, May 6 & 13** – 3 weeks on "How we Pray" – Focus on the call to prayer, the Christian life of prayer and the Our Father.

Learn from some of the most renowned Catholic educators of our time, including Dr. Edward Sri, Jeff Cavins, Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, and Fr. Mike Schmitz to explore the *Catechism*, unpacking its rich theological insights and helping you apply them to your everyday life. Strengthen your connection to the truth, beauty, goodness, and fullness of the Catholic Faith!

For more information or to register for the study, contact Sara Lane, slane5@comcast.net, Jolene Lynch, jnslynch@comcast.net, or Mike & Maureen Sloane at mnmsloane@gmail.com. The cost to participate is as low as \$6.95 for online materials. An optional workbook can be purchased for \$39.95, and scholarships are available. You can preview and/or purchase online access to materials for the class at: <https://acensionpress.com/collections-foundations-of-faith-a-journey-through-the-catechism-of-the-catholic-church>.