

# St. Matthew Parish

## A Parish of Many Cultures But One Faith

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### MARCH 8, 2026 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Today's Gospel recounts Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well. What begins as a request for water becomes a revelation of who Jesus is and what He offers.

When Jesus speaks of "living water," He points beyond physical thirst to the deeper spiritual longing within every person. The water He gives is not temporary relief but a lasting source of life. His conversation with the woman shows that God meets us in ordinary moments and invites us into transformation.

The discussion about worship shifts from focusing on sacred places to worshipping "in spirit and truth." True worship is not about location but about a sincere relationship with God. Finally, Jesus reveals himself as the Messiah, and the woman becomes a witness to her community. This passage reminds us that an encounter with Christ satisfies our deepest thirst and sends us out to share that hope with others.



### St. Matthew School

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### SCRIPTURE READINGS - MARCH 8 -15, 2026

**Sunday** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42  
**Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4/Lk 4:24-30  
**Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35  
*Mass Intention: for repose of the soul of Juana Burro Orias*  
**Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19  
**Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Lk 11:14-23  
**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34  
**Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b/Lk 18:9-14  
**Sunday:** 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41

### Masses

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

### STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIFE

### Weekend Mass:

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

	Actual	Needed	Over (Under)
Week Ending March 1, 2026	\$ 14,260	\$ 12,000	\$ 2,260
Cumulative from July 1, 2025	\$ 373,828	\$ 420,000	(\$ 46,172)

### Sacraments

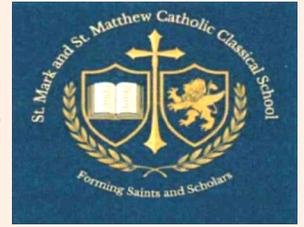
**Confession: Saturday at 4 pm or by appointment. Call 206-363-6767.**  
**Marriage, baptism, funeral mass or confirmation. Call 206-363-6767 Ext 200**  
**Office Weekdays: 8:30 -3:30pm .**

### EVENTS CALENDAR

Event	Date/Day/Time	Venue
Community Soup Supper	03/11/26 after Stn. of the Cross	Community Center
Wine & Cheese Social	03/14/26 at 6pm	Community Center
Community Soup Supper	03/18/26 after Stn. of the Cross	Community Center
Community Soup Supper	03/25/26 after Stn. of the Cross	Community Center

# School News

## ST. MARK & ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CLASSICAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR IS OPEN



We are deeply grateful for the trust you place in Catholic education and invite your family to continue your journey with our new unified school, St. Mark and St. Matthew Catholic Classical School.

This coming together strengthens what already exists—building a more vibrant, sustainable community rooted in our shared Catholic mission. Your children will continue to receive a classical education that forms faith, intellect, and virtue within a culture grounded in prayer, truth, and strong family partnerships. Your commitment helps share the future of our school, and we warmly encourage you to enroll or re-enroll as we move forward together—one community, united in Christ.

To learn more about enrollment, call us at 206-364-1633 or visit the Admissions and Enrollment section on our website. New students can complete the Inquiry Form available in the Admissions Links :

[https://stmss.fsenrollment.com/users/sign\\_in](https://stmss.fsenrollment.com/users/sign_in)

## INTERNATIONAL HERITAGE FESTIVAL DATE SET & HELP WANTED



It's time to start planning the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual St. Matthew International Festival (formerly Rainbow Heritage Festival). Save the date for Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from noon to 3 pm. Are you able to help organize this year's festival? Please contact the school at **206-362-2785** or email [spretti@stmattschool.org](mailto:spretti@stmattschool.org).

## COMMUNITY PRAYERS:

- **For Peace**, especially in the Middle East: that the Prince of Peace may end the violence of war, protect the innocent, and guide leaders of nations to seek justice, reconciliation, and lasting peace, we pray to the Lord.

### For our Parish Family:

- For all of us, clergy and lay, that we may prayerfully discern the will of God in every decision we make as individuals and as families of faith, we pray to the Lord

### For the Sick:

- For the sick and the frail, that God's presence may surround them with peace and restoration, we pray to the Lord

### For the faithful departed:

- That they may rejoice forever in the fulfillment of God's promises, we pray to the Lord.

## FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION

### CLASS, 4-5PM AT ST. MARK SCHOOL LIBRARY

- Mar. 5** Preparation for 1st Com.
- Mar.12** How to receive Communion
- Mar. 19** Parts of the Mass – Introductory Rites
- Mar. 26** Liturgy of the Word
- Apr. 23** Liturgy of the Eucharist/Concluding. Rites
- Apr. 30** Reconciliation review
- May 7** 1st Communion Practice
- May 9** 1<sup>st</sup>. Eucharist @10:00 am Mass- St. Mark.
- May 10** 2<sup>nd</sup>. Eucharist @ both at St Matthew and St. Mark.



Students wear their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion dress and sit with their families. Reception to follow at St. Matthew after the 10am Mass, and at St. Mark after the 10:30am Mass.

## EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS



Help decorate St. Matthew Parish for Easter by donating flowers and dedicating them in honor or in memory of your loved ones. The names of those being honored will be posted in the narthex

during the Easter season.

Dedication forms are attached in this Bulletin. Place your dedication form and donation in the collection basket or drop them off at the Parish Office. Thank you for helping make our altar a special part of our Easter celebration.



## LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS ON WEDNESDAYS!

Join us in observing the Lenten season with **Stations of the Cross**, followed by **Community Soup**

**Supper**, every Wednesday from February 25<sup>th</sup> through March 25<sup>th</sup>. All are invited to this year's **Lenten Soup Supper**, held at the Community Center after Stations of the Cross

If you are able, please consider sharing your favorite *family recipe* soup on any Wednesday. Drop off your soups before 6pm at the Community Center kitchen.

Thank you to the following groups who volunteered to host the remaining Soup Suppers: :

Date	Host
• March 11	St. Vincent de Paul & Liturgy Committee
• March 18	School Commission & Parent Club
• March 25	Knights of Columbus & Parish Life Committee

We look forward to praying, sharing, and breaking bread together this Lenten season.

## MISSED THE NEXT STEP BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN ?

You can scan this **QR code** to make your donation for the **St. Mark Baby Bottle Campaign**.



Next Step Pregnancy Services loves our bottles, full or empty, so please remember to return the bottles either at St. Mark church on Sunday (please see an usher) or better yet, stop in and visit the clinic at:



**Next Step Pregnancy Services**  
19526 64th Ave. W, Lynnwood, WA

American Heritage Girls Troop 0821 will be retiring flags on March 10th. **If you have a COTTON flag that you would like to have retired, please bring them to the parish office BY MONDAY, MARCH 9th!!!**



For synthetic or plastic flags, find out more info here at <https://starspangledflags.com/proper-disposal-american-flag/>

## NOW THAT LINDA IS GONE—WHERE DO I GO?

Linda left behind big shoes to fill and we are grateful for her services. As we move forward our team is working together to ensure a smooth transition for our parish. Here are the team members and their immediate point of contact. Kindly note that this does not encompass the individual's full responsibilities:

- Facilities, Parish Operations, Administration & Parish Family Leadership - **Julianna D'Angelo**  
To request an appointment, please email: [DOO@stmps.org](mailto:DOO@stmps.org)
- Faith Formation, Liturgy Support, and Pastoral Ministries - **Anne Lombard** -  
To request an appointment, please email [Anne@stmps.org](mailto:Anne@stmps.org)
- Stewardship and Accounting - **Susan Rivera-bookkeeper@stmatthewseattle.org**
- Priest appointment requests, bulletin and mass announcements, facility scheduling - **Cris Rivera - parishoffice@stmatthewseattle.org**

We appreciate your patience and prayers as we move through this transition together as one Parish Family.

## NORTHWEST CATHOLIC/CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

We need the Good News now more than ever



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Want to know more about your faith?

Our parish offers a wonderful online resource called **Formed.org**. It provides reliable Catholic content for all ages.—about faith and sacraments, stories of the saints, and guidance to help deepen your prayer life. We encourage you to explore and take advantage of this on-line resource.

Signing up to use our parish subscription is quick and easy. Just follow this simple instructions:

1. Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)
2. Search for your parish by Zip Code/ Postal Code. Click on your parish
3. Register with your first and last name, and email address
4. Your account will be created, and you will automatically be signed in.

## CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION MARCH 14-15



Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the

collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief). **iGiveCatholic** also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.



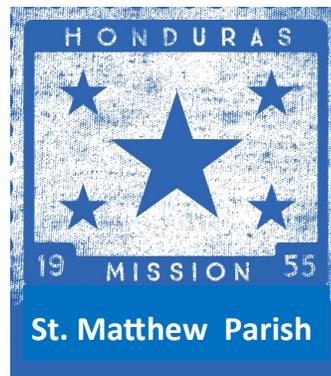
## WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL ON SATURDAY 3/14/26

Join our **Wine & Cheese** social on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> after the 5pm Mass. This is a time for you to

socialize. All ages are welcome. Bring yourself and meet new and already friends.

## HONDURAS CHILDREN'S HOME FUNDRAISER DINNER AND JUNE MISSION TRIP

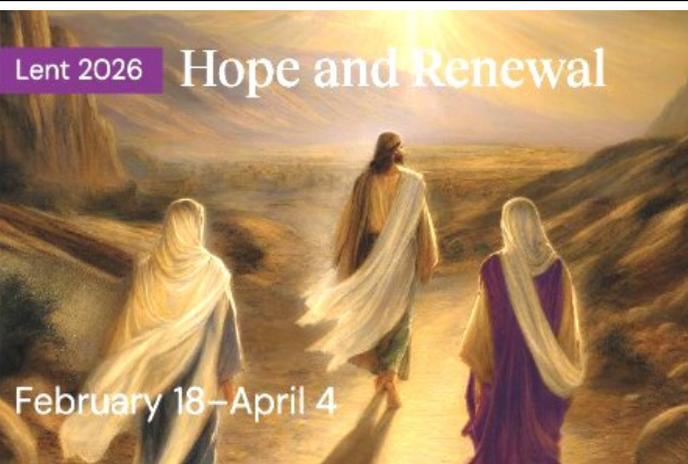
Tickets for the annual **St. Matthew Honduras Mission Team** fundraiser go on sale the weekend of March 20. Tickets will be available in the Community Center during coffee hour or at the Parish Office.



The dinner will be held on **Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at

**6pm** in the Community Center and will feature a taco bar, wine, home brew, and a dessert frenzy. All proceeds support the team's project in Honduras to improve the lives of children there.

Cost of ticket is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children ages 5–10. A few spots remain for the **June Mission Trip** (June 19–28). For more information, contact Colleen Flanigan at 206-778-0132 or [colleenflanigan@gmail.com](mailto:colleenflanigan@gmail.com)



Lent derived from the word "springtime", is a time of hope and spiritual renewal as we prepare to enter more fully into the Paschal Mystery of Christ' passion, death and resurrection.

Go to [archseattle.org/lent](http://archseattle.org/lent) for Lenten inspiration from Archbishop Etienne, engaging stories from Northwest Catholic and more. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @archdioceseofseattle to get local Lenten inspiration.

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