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Seattle, Washington

5th Sunday OF EASTER

"I am the true vine, and
my Father is the vine
grower." - Jn 15:1A

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

May 1 5:00 pm

May 2 8:30 am
10:30 am

Daily Masses

May 4- 6:00 pm

May 5- 8:45 am*

May 6- 8:45 am

May 7- 8:45 am

*Wednesday Masses closed
to public in May.
Livestream only.

Most Masses Livestreamed on [Facebook](#) & [Vimeo](#).
Watch [posted videos](#) at anytime.
Walk-ups only for Daily Mass.
[Click here](#) to register for weekend Masses
or call 206-937-1488 ext. 200.

Please arrive 10-20 minutes before Mass if you have a
reservation. Reserved seats are offered to walk-ups at
5 min. before Mass.

CHURCH HOURS

Mondays, Fridays - 2:00-4:00 pm

Wednesdays, Saturdays - 12:00 pm-2:00 pm

Masks mandatory, no exceptions.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays - 12:00 pm-1:00 pm

Tuesdays- 5:30-5:50 pm

By appointment. Call 206-937-1488 ext. 200

MASS UPDATE

During Phase 2 and 3, Governor Inslee expanded the
definition of a "household". With this guidance, at
Mass, a "household" can be up to 2 families (for a
maximum of 10 people) sharing a pew under a single
reservation. Names of all attendees must be listed at
the time of registration. Be sure to let your party
know which last name the reservation is under for an
easy check -in process.

MAY 2, 2021

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Journey of Faith with Father Matthew Oakland

While the rest of the world honors mothers for a single day, the Church honors our mother in Heaven for the entire month of May. Last year, Pope Francis reflected on who Mary is for us.

Let us allow ourselves to be gazed upon. Especially in times of need, when we are entangled in life's knots, we rightly lift our eyes to Our Lady, to Our Mother. Yet first, we should let ourselves be gazed upon by Our Lady. When she gazes upon us, she does not see sinners but children. It is said that the eyes are the mirror of the soul; the eyes of Mary, full of grace, reflect the beauty of God, they show us a reflection of heaven. Jesus himself said that the eye is "the lamp of the body" (Mt 6:22): the eyes of Our Lady are able to bring light to every dark corner; everywhere they rekindle hope. As she gazes upon us, she says: "Take heart, dear children; here I am, your Mother!"

This maternal gaze, which instills confidence and trust, helps us to grow in faith. Faith is a bond with God that engages the whole person; to be preserved, it needs the Mother of God. Her maternal gaze helps us see ourselves as beloved children in God's faithful people, and to love one another regardless of our individual limitations and approaches. Our Lady keeps us rooted in the Church, where unity counts more than diversity; she encourages us to care for one another. Mary's gaze reminds us that faith demands a tenderness that can save us from becoming lukewarm. Tenderness: the Church of tenderness.

Tenderness is a word that today many want to remove from the dictionary. When faith makes a place for the Mother of God, we never lose sight of the center: the Lord, for Mary never points to herself but to Jesus; and our brothers and sisters, for Mary is mother.

"God himself needed a Mother: how much more so do we! Jesus himself gave her to us, from the cross: "Behold your mother!" (Jn 19:27). He said this to the beloved disciple and to every disciple.

Our Lady is not an optional accessory: she has to be welcomed into our life." (March 22, 2020)



As we find ourselves now more than a year into this pandemic, Pope Francis invites us this year to pray for something in particular during this month of May as we turn to our Blessed Mother—an end to the pandemic. On May 1st and 31st, he will be leading the Rosary and it will be telecast around the world. Each day, the Rosary will be [broadcast](#) from a different major Marian shrine around the world.

Calling to mind that scene from the early Church in Acts 12, the theme for this initiative of the Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization is "The whole Church was fervently praying to God."

In turning to Mary, ask her to comfort us as only a mother can, and to take our prayers to her son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and King. We will be praying a decade of the Rosary before our Sunday Masses, and I encourage you to take up this devotion each day—to waste some time with the Lord and His Mother, imploring their help and salvation in our time of need. May we fervently pray to God together as the Church, united with our Holy Father in turned to our Blessed Mother.





PASSION FOR OUR FAITH



LOVE FOR OUR FAMILY

A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE

PROMISE FOR OUR FUTURE



CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITY



*Annual
Catholic
Appeal*

As Catholics we are called by our baptism to be missionary disciples, to
“go into the world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.” (Mk 16:15)

You can answer that special call through your generous giving to the Annual Catholic Appeal. As we kick off the Appeal in our parish this weekend, take some time now to decide how you will show your support, and what your gift will be this year.

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THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE



"The Eucharist strengthens
our interior life, while
transporting us beyond
ourselves into a profound
relationship with the Lord."

ARCHBISHOP ETIENNE
The Work of Redemption

While the dispensation from the Sunday obligation is still in effect, receiving Holy Communion at Easter is a privilege and obligation treasured by Catholics. The Archbishop strongly encourages all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Seattle to make an "Easter Communion" at any Mass, whether weekday or Sunday, during Easter Time, which continues through Pentecost, May 23, 2021.

We have celebrated tens of thousands of Masses without any known spread of COVID-19 as we follow all the best practices to mitigate risk. Give yourself, and Jesus, the gift of Communion with Him through His Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, this Easter season.

Daily Masses on Tuesdays and Fridays are the least populated with only 20-30 people present. Wednesday and Thursday have one or two classes of students so the church is fuller. On Sunday, we are usually at 80-90% of capacity – defined by social distancing households, which works out to 75-120 people depending on household size. Come and join us in the worship of God!

RETURNING TO MASS

This year-long (and counting) pandemic has forced us all to change how we do almost everything. Mass has been no different. Thankfully, the changes we have made have allowed the tens of thousands of Masses across the Archdiocese of Seattle to remain outbreak-free since June of 2020 when we reopened. Risk mitigation works!

Here are some of the changes you will see (or have seen already) upon your return.

- Masks required regardless of immunization-status.
- Physical distancing. Our church remains at less than 50% capacity in order to maintain 6 feet of social distancing.
- No kiss of peace. No holding of hands.
- No holy water.
- No passed baskets.
- Communion is given in the hand.
- Dedicated Hospitality Ministers at every Mass to help maintain protocols before, during, and after Mass.
- Ventilation system in operation to bring in fresh air.
- Cleaning and sanitation of all common surfaces between all Masses.

Livestreaming has continued to be a much-welcomed part of living the faith for many of our homebound and medically-fragile parishioners.

If you are enjoying a mask-free meal in a restaurant setting or traveling through airports while still staying out of church, consider prayerfully reflecting upon this. There is a safe way to return to Mass, and we look forward to welcoming you back.



The liturgy is not something the priest does and the people passively receive.

Through the Paschal Mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, God has redeemed us. This is the very heart of the Good News which the apostles proclaimed and which the Church proclaims today. This free gift of God gives meaning to our lives: Indeed, "our birth would have been no gain, had we not been redeemed" (from the Easter Proclamation, Roman Missal). And through the liturgy, this great work of redemption is ongoing. In the liturgy, Christ continues to act on our behalf. When the Church gathers to celebrate Eucharist, something happens: Christ, truly present, acts through, with, and for us, continuing the work of redemption.

The faithful express the mystery of Christ. The liturgy is not something the priest does and the people passively receive. As Catholics, liturgy is the very language we speak. Gathering to celebrate the liturgy Sunday after Sunday is our primary means of coming to know Christ and of expressing that mystery through the offering of our time and devotion. Our gatherings in turn reflect the mystery of Christ, who acts through us in the world today. Through our conscious participation in the Eucharist, we learn to live in closer communion with Christ.

Archbishop Paul D. Etienne
The Work of Redemption: Eucharistic Belief and Practice in the Archdiocese of Seattle
 Read the whole pastoral letter at NWCatholic.org

The Saints and the Eucharist

Go, then, to Communion, my children; go to Jesus with love and confidence; go and live upon Him, in order to live for Him! Has not the Divine Savior said, "Come to Me, all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you"? Can you resist an invitation so full of love and tenderness? Do not say that you are not worthy of it. It is true, you are not worthy of it; but you are in need of it. If Our Lord had regarded our worthiness, he would never have instituted His beautiful Sacrament of love: for no one in the world is worthy of it.... Do not say that you are sinners, that you are too miserable, and for that reason you do not dare to approach it. I would as soon hear you say that you are very ill, and therefore you will not take any remedy, nor send for the physician.



St. John Vianney
 (1786-1859)

For Reflection

What really happens at Mass?

Do I participate in the Mass with my whole being—mind, heart, voice, and body?

Does my participation in the liturgy make a difference in my life?

#YearoftheEucharistSeattle

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Vaccination Appointments

**COVID IS NOT OVER!
PLEASE VACCINATE
YOURSELF AND YOUR
LOVED ONES TODAY.**

IMPORTANT UPDATE

REGISTRATION OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

To register for your first and second doses at the City of Seattle vaccination clinics including West Seattle go to the registration website at: seattle.signetic.com/home. They are also accepting walkups!

Need a second dose only? You can register for your second dose [here!](#)

Holy Rosary is still available to anyone who would like to make an appointment but needs assistance navigating online registration. Please call Libby at the parish office at 206-937-1488 ext. 209 or email at parishoffice@holyrosaryseattle.org.



Holy Rosary Pre-K Openings!

A few rare spots are available in our half day Pre-Kindergarten program for next year. If you have a Pre-K aged child (age 4 by August 31st), please visit [our website](#) to learn more about our preschool program and contact our Admissions Director Jennifer Kokkonis (jkokkonis@holyrosaryws.org) to schedule a tour.

Hurry, these spaces will go fast so we wanted to get the word out again to our parish families quickly. We'd love to have your special children join our wonderful program!

First Communion



**Congratulations to our
students who received their
First Holy Communion on
April 24 & April 25, 2021**

Ava Apostol	Marco Giacani
Jason Ardales	Evan Koengeter
Simon Berger	Matthew Koengeter
Aidan Bodmer	Connor Meagher
Rory Buchanan	Henry Roberts
Serena Colagrossi	Eleanor Smith
Conor Crisera	Sydney Soderquist
Paige DeVita	Kirra Sotheron
Oliver Elmer	Nora Torcasi
Keira Eytzen	Emily Vickers
Drew Fuller	Julianna Webster



What's Next

- All Wednesday school Masses will be closed to the public for the month of May. Livestreaming available at holyrosaryseattle.org.
- May 5– May Crowning; livestream only
- May 9– Mother's Day
- May 10-14 – No Daily Masses
- May 10-14 – No Confessions
- May 31– Memorial Day
- June 3– 8th grade Graduation
- June 11– Last day of school

RESOURCES FOR PRAYER AND GROWTH

Statement of U.S. Bishops' Chairman for International Justice and Peace on Armenian Genocide

WASHINGTON - In commemoration of Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day on April 24, Bishop David J. Malloy of Rockford, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on International Justice and Peace highlighted the tragic loss of so many Armenians in what has been called the first genocide of the 20th century.

Bishop Malloy's full statement follows:

"April 24 is Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day, marking the 1915 start of a campaign that resulted in the death of as many as 1.2 million Armenian Christians -- victims of mass shootings, death marches to distant camps, torture, assaults, starvation, and disease. Thousands of Armenian children were torn from their families and forcibly converted. This horrific tragedy was intended to eliminate the Armenian people and their culture in what has been called the 'first genocide of the 20th century.'

"But Armenia and the Armenian people survived and endured despite their suffering and persecution. I echo the prayers of our Holy Father, Pope Francis when he offered his prayers for justice and peace following a [trip to Armenia in 2016](#): 'A people that suffered so much throughout its history, and faith alone, faith has kept this people on its feet. The fact that [Armenia] was the first Christian nation is not enough; it was the first Christian nation because the Lord blessed it, because it had its saints, it had its holy bishops and martyrs...'

"As we rejoice in the Resurrection during this Easter season, may all people of good will join together on this solemn day of recollection to pray and work for justice and peace and remember anew that eternal life in Christ reigns supreme and forever."

Bishop Malloy's statement echoes the concern and solidarity the Catholic Church has long held with the Armenian Church. In a November 2000 [joint statement](#), Pope John Paul II and His Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, affirmed their common faith and mutual respect for one another.

The U.S. bishops have provided support for pastoral renewal projects and through Caritas Armenia for social services to assist children and the vulnerable as well as to encourage parish social ministry programs. In 2003, Cardinal William Keeler led a delegation of U.S. bishops and staff to Armenia at the invitation of the Catholicos. The delegation came away deeply impressed and inspired by the resilience of the Christian faith of the Armenian people in the face of adversity.

Online Resources for Prayer & Reflection

[At Home with Faith](#)

Each week the Archdiocese of Seattle publishes a new guide for ways to grow in faith at home and as a family.

[Thy Kingdom Come](#)

This book contains an large collection of prayers rooted in our Catholic faith tradition.

[Magnificat](#) and [MagnifiKid!](#)

Magnificat is offering its website with excellent daily readings, prayers, and reflections free of charge.

[The Word Among Us](#)

Another prayer resource being offered free of charge, similar to Magnificat.

[Sacred Heart Radio](#) Pray the Rosary

General Resources

[Find resources](#) about prayer, mental health, and more from the Archdiocese of Seattle.

[St. Vincent de Paul](#) is available help with food, rent, bills and other immediate needs. 206-937-1488 ext. 300.

Crisis Lines

[National Domestic Violence Hotline](#)

1-800-799-7233

Teen Line: 1-888-375-8336

Text : 273TALK to 839863

Mental Health Hotline (for ages 18+)
(800) 710-7083

[National Suicide Hotlines](#) 800-273-TALK/800-273-8255

800-SUICIDE/800-784-2433

[Crisis Clinic 24-Hour Crisis Line](#)
866-427-4747

[Nat'l Runaway Switchboard](#)

800-RUNAWAY/800-786-2929

[National Child Abuse Hotline](#)
800-422-4453

Stress, Anxiety, & Depression

[Understanding Children and Teens with Anxiety and Depression](#) –

Depression Association of America

[Methods for Discerning Anxiety and Depression in Teens](#)

[Anxiety and Depression](#) Articles from Life Teen



Online Giving

Thank you to those who already give online. If you wish to support our ongoing labors, please select the 'Create an Account' button at www.osvonlinegiving.com/4255.

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Request: When mailing or dropping off your parish tithes, you do not need to send in multiple weekly or monthly envelopes with cash or a check in each. One parish envelope with one check or total cash is sufficient. Please continue to send separate envelopes/money for SVDP, Shoulder to Shoulder, the Endowment, etc. as separate funds. Thank you.

Drop Off

Please use the south parish door mail slot when dropping off checks and/or envelopes.

Thank you for continuing to support us in carrying out the mission of Christ.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



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Fr. Oakland is available for indoor or outdoor meetings, homebound visits, and the Sacraments by appointment. Please call 206-937-1488 ext 200 or email Melissa at MTuthill@holynosaryseattle.org to schedule.



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