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WELCOME!

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30pm Adoration
6:00pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30pm – 4:50pm
Sunday 8:00am – 8:20am
Also by Appointment

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed
Tuesday & Friday: Please Call for Appointment
Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

Donation	\$375600
Donation Online	\$1452.00
Maintenance Fund	\$5.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Children's Donation	\$0
Total Donation	\$5,213.00

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

2021 Appeal Goal: \$23,246

Received as of 7/15/21: \$34,995

*please note this total includes cash, pledges received & pledges still to be collected)

Actual Collected: \$32,610



Get to Know Saint Mark

He may have helped even in preaching the Word. When Paul and Barnabas resolved to push on from Perga into cMany of our Gospel lessons are from the Gospel of Mark. Here is some information about the young man whose life and work is reflected in the Gospels we read every Sunday.

Mark is called the Evangelist. Mark's mother was a prominent member of the infant Church at Jerusalem; it was to her house that Peter turned on his release from prison. The house was a meeting-place for the Christians, "

When, on the occasion of the famine of A.D. 45-46, Barnabas and Saul had completed their ministrations in Jerusalem, they took Mark with them on their return to Antioch (Acts, xii, 25). Not long after, when they started on St. Paul's first Apostolic journey, they had Mark with them as some sort of assistant in Asia Minor, Mark departed from them at Paphos, and returned to Jerusalem (Acts, xiii, 13). What his reasons were for turning back, we cannot say with certainty. The incident was not forgotten by St. Paul, who refused on account of it to take Mark with him on the second Apostolic journey. This refusal led to the separation of Paul and Barnabas, and the latter, taking Mark with him, sailed to Cyprus (Acts, xv, 37-40). At this point (A.D. 49-50) we lose sight of Mark in Acts, and we meet him no more in the New Testament, till he appears some ten years afterwards as the fellow-worker of St. Paul, and in the company of St. Peter, at Rome.

The Latin and Greek Churches celebrate his feast on April 25.

Sunday Readings

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Ephesians 2: 13-18

Mark 6: 30-34



He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."

Mark 6: 31

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year B

Homily by Father Peter Doan

A very important and central theme to the readings of this Sunday is, the redemption, reunification and the restoration of God's people. So, this Sunday, the church invites us to celebrate Christ, the true king and compassionate shepherd who redeems and restores his people to the Father.

The first reading is from the Prophet Jeremiah. He tells us that the leaders of the people mislead them. The leaders have scatter them and driven them away. For us who live today, at times we wonder what type of things these leaders have done. If we read the Scriptures, it is clear that the leaders were doing then what so many leaders do at all stages of history. The leaders begin to look for their own good, for their own power, for their own importance. Our humanity seems to remain constant throughout all of history. The number of leaders who have been great because of their true and deep concern for the people are very few.

Hence, this first reading bears a serious warning against all rulers, priest or pastors, parents, directors, governors, presidents and indeed, anyone in leadership position who out of negligence and indifference has allow his people to go astray and suffer.

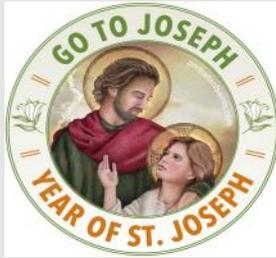
Second and most important, there is good news. It is a message of the hope of the redemption and restoration of God's people. Christ is *from the line of David*. He is the true Davidic king who has come to find and save the lost people of God. In other words, this prophesy has been fulfilled in Christ.

In the second reading, Paul reminds us that: “...*You that used to be so far apart have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ.*” This simply means that Christ is the fulfillment of the messianic prophecy. He is our peace and has broken down the barrier which used to keep us apart. Through his sacrifice, he has reunified us with God.

The Gospel today is from the Gospel of Saint Mark. Jesus clearly wants to have time for Himself, time to pray, time to be alone. Yet when Jesus sees the people, His heart is moved to be with them. “When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.”

As a compassionate and wise king, Jesus knows our situation. He is doing something about it and, will not rest until we are redeemed and restored to God. He does not keep quiet over our situations. He sees and knows that we have been abandoned by negligent shepherds. Is this one of our strongest images of Jesus, of God? A God full of tenderness and compassion? We will keep the commandments because we are saved by God's compassion and grace and not in order to earn salvation. That is indeed Good News. Of course, it means that we too are expected to show tenderness and compassion to others in our turn.

It is more important to be with the people and to show them the road to life than to be off by oneself, even in prayer to God. On the other hand, we know that Jesus always seeks out time for prayer. Even if Jesus does not get the time that He was hoping for, nevertheless, He always is praying. We are not usually so consistent and far too often we push people out of our lives so that we can pray. We are invited to become more and more like Jesus: never pushing the people out of our lives but always finding time to pray.



December 8, 2020 –December 8, 2021
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A DAILY PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father and
guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.



Prayer to Our Lady of Seattle

O Holy Mary, we come before you as spiritual
children in great need, seeking your
intercession, and asking that your mantle of love
surround us to console, protect, and lead us to your
son Jesus.

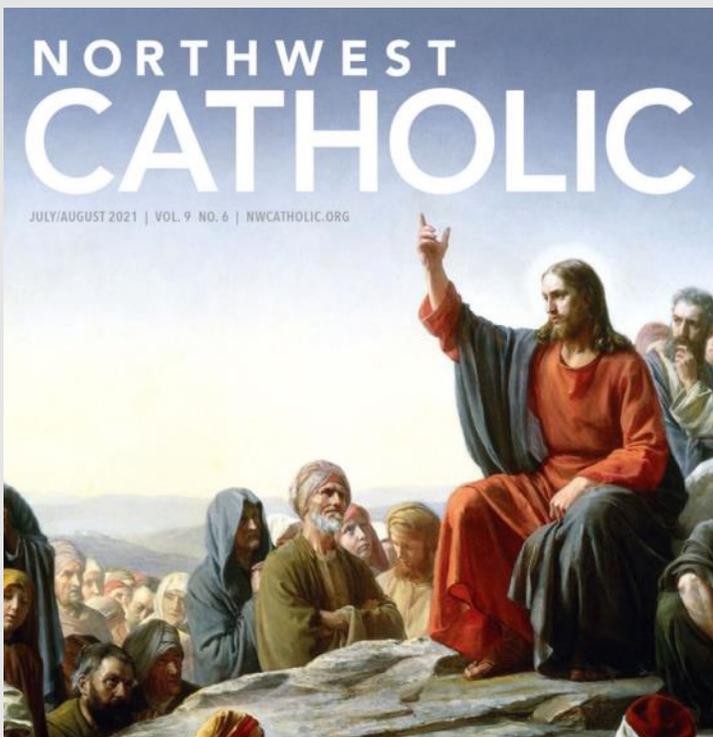
We entrust all of God's family, especially the church
in Western Washington, into your immaculate hands.
With your son Jesus' gentle power you can *undo any
knot* in our church, and in the lives of believers who
entrust themselves to your care.

Today I especially entrust to you *[mention request/
Coronavirus here]*, and I ask that — through your
intercession, and that of St. James, our guardian
angels, and the faithful in our archdiocese — we may
be free from every spiritual and temporal ill, and be
safely led to encounter your son's merciful, sacred
heart.

Our Lady of Seattle, Undoer of Knots, pray for us!

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