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A PARISH OF MANY CULTURES BUT ONE FAITH

We believe in Jesus Christ and welcome all who seek God's grace.

Our compassionate community embraces many cultures.

Through prayer, liturgy, our ministries and service to others,
we cultivate a lifelong journey of faith.

ST. MATTHEW PARISH

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Weekend Masses: 5:00 pm Saturday
8:00 am & 10:00 am Sunday

Fax: 206-440-9476
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Weekday Masses:

Confessions:

Infant Baptism:

Marriage:

School Office:

8:45 am - Mon., Wed., Thurs., Friday & Sat.

4 to 4:30 pm - Saturday or by appointment

Contact Parish Office

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**16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 21, 2019**

From the Pastor's Desk



The Gospel described Mary in a discomfiting, even scandalous, posture. She is seated at the feet of Jesus! To the Jews, no self-respecting woman would sit a man's feet, and Jesus is not even a blood relative.

Jesus' teaching Mary is proof that he views woman as equal man. Woman students of theology take this gospel portrait to heart, interpreting this encounter as encouragement to enter to a discipline of learning previously exclusive to men. In contrast to listening Mary, Martha is very practical and result-oriented. She represents the typical workaholic constantly saddled with workload, with nary a time left for introspection or personal leisure.

Jesus teaches Martha to confront and slay her "inner demons." He invites her to let go her anxiety and like her sister, listen to him speak. After all, he did not come for a grand meal; he came to be among dear friends, to enjoy their company one last time.

Jesus' loving "reprimand" of Martha can enlighten us when we get out of focus in the pursuit of our daily tasks and duties. We must learn to sit at the feet of the Divine Master and return to this posture when we are in the thick of our mission. It sounds simple, yet easily ignored. We all need a spiritual compass, otherwise we will keep running around like Martha, doing work for God but neglecting the God of work. If we can grow familiar with our friends or with our favorite celebrities, what is preventing us from getting familiar with the Lord?

Your Servant in Christ,
Fr. Khanh D. Nguyen
Pastor



CHRISTMAS IN JULY NEXT

WEEKEND Tags are available on the church altar steps for St. Vincent de Paul's "Christmas in July" event. Please

bring your gifts to Mass next weekend, July 27 - 28.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND ARE NEEDED

Our Homebound list has greatly increased. We need volunteers to bring out communion on Sunday to the sick and

elderly who cannot attend Mass. It would be very much appreciated for any time that you could give to this ministry. The joy you receive is immeasurable. Please call the Parish Office or Joanne Bowen 206 365-1292. Thank you and God Bless.

❖ DAILY MASS TIMES, READINGS & INTENTIONS ❖

Monday, July 22, St. Mary Magdalene, Song of Songs 3:1-4b; Gosp: John 20:1-2, 11-18 - Mass at 8:45 am – **for Cristito Valencia Sr. death anniversary**

Tuesday, July 23, St. Bridget of Sweden, Exodus 14:21---15:1; Gosp Matthew 12:46-50 – no morning Mass

Wednesday, July 24, St. Charbel Makhoulf, Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Gosp Matthew 13:1-9 – Mass at 8:45 am

Thursday, July 25, St. James, 2 Corinthians 4:7-15;

Gosp Matthew 20:20-28 – Masses at 8:45 am

Friday, July 26, Sts. Joachim & Anne, Exodus 20:1-17; Gosp Matthew 13:18-23 – Mass at 8:45 am – **for Cresciana Alinas death anniversary**

Saturday, July 27, Exodus 24:3-8; Gosp Matthew 13:24-30- Mass at 8:45 am

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 28, Genesis 18:20-32; Gosp Luke 11:1-13



OUR CORNER OF GRATITUDE

From our new School principal, Mrs. Julie Prepotente: "I am grateful to be here at St. Matthew and help this place grow and be a place where all are loved. One day/one step at a time and to trust in GOD!!"



ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES (AMS) COLLECTION will be taken at Masses next weekend, July 27 & 28. The AMS was established in 1985

by Pope John Paul II to provide priests, chaplains and a full range of pastoral ministries to those serving in the United States Armed Services; enrolled in U.S. military academies; undergoing treatment in VA medical facilities; federal civilian employees working outside the U.S.; and for families of these populations. The AMS collection is taken every three years to fund these much needed services. Thank you for prayerfully considering this worthwhile ministry. For additional details, please visit <https://www.milarch.org/who-we-are/>.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Friday's during summer we close at 3 pm. Be sure to remember this if you are checking out keys for the weekend.

SACRED STORY RESOURCES - WEEK 40 This week we are concluding St. Ignatius' rules on spiritual discernment with special discernment advice for time of deeper conversion. Sacred Story Resources can be found on the Sacred Story Institute's website –free membership (sacredstory.net). To subscribe to the parish weekly email outreach, contact marycross@aol.com. The next Sacred Story Gathering is August 12, 7 pm (2nd Monday) in the Parish Office Library. All are welcome.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Please consider the requests below, and, if interested, please contact Linda Haptonstall, ext. 205, at the parish office:

▶▶ Do you have a green thumb? Would you like to contribute to the beauty of the parish campus? We need volunteers to adopt various flower beds around the grounds. This involves planting and weeding. We take care of the watering. In the east entrance parking lot, we would like to place some large flower pots to help people better see the curbing. Pots, soil, and flowers will be provided.

▶▶ We are looking for additional volunteers to help with counting the Sunday collection on Monday mornings at 8:30 am. We rotate teams so a commitment is not every month.

JOB OPPORTUNITY Healing the Culture, an international pro-life organization in Snohomish WA, is seeking a pro-life and experienced Bookkeeper For more information please visit <https://www.healingtheculture.com/about/job-opportunities/>

RACHEL'S CORNER - HOPE AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION *"No matter how dark it gets, when you light a candle, the darkness can never overpower the light of Christ. We need to be a people of hope and recognize that God's love in that light overpowers our darkness."* - Fr. Larry Richards. Is it hard to imagine what it would be like to escape the darkness you have known since your abortion decision? Would you be willing to invite God in, so He can show you the way with His light? Join us for a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat. Now registering for Fall Retreats!

▶August 16-18, Stanwood (English)
 ▶October 25-27, Stanwood (Español)
 ▶November 8-10, Seabeck
 ▶Call for a compassionate, confidential conversation. *English:* 206-920-6413 *Español:* 206-450-7814. Visit www.ccsww.org/projectrachel or email projectrachel@ccsww.org. Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

◆ Take the best summer vacation you could have by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

◆ Spend quality time with the person you vowed to love for a lifetime. ◆ Sign up today to renew and enrich your marriage on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on August 9-11, 2019. For additional information please visit our website at www.wwme.org or call 2016-772-2344.



St. Matthew School News

Julie Prepotente, Principal, 206-362-2785, ext. 102, jprepotente@stmattschool.org
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"Excellence – Diversity – Community"



Lake City Parade and Festival - August 3 Come to the Lake City Seafair Festival on August 3! Visit the St. Matthew School booth with free face-painting at the festival from 10 am to 4 pm and see St. Matthew School march in the Grand Parade at 7 pm. Come cheer on our school!

Fall Job Opportunity We are currently seeking high energy, caring people to work in our before-and-after-school care program starting in the Fall. We especially love St. Matthew parishioners and alumni. For more information, please contact Mrs. Prepotente at jprepotente@stmattschool.org or stop by the school office.

Summer Tours Available St. Matthew School is now enrolling for Pre-K, Kindergarten, Elementary School and Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year. St. Matthew School provides academic excellence and diversity in a community of faith. Come see what we have to offer! Summer tours are available. Please contact Stacy Pretti at spretti@stmattschool.org or 206-362-2785, ext. 103.

SCHEDULING USE OF PARISH FACILITIES

Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible in advance of a date being requested in order to be accommodated for use of parish facilities. We need to make sure that we fit everyone in as much as possible.

CURRENT JOB OPPORTUNITIES can be found at www.seattlearchdiocese.org/jobs

JULY 14, 2019 – SUNDAY COLLECTION

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Basket	\$ 5,725	\$ 9,557	<\$ 3,832>
Online	\$ 2,352	\$ 2,519	\$ 167
Total	\$ 8,077	\$12,076	<\$ 3,999
Year-to-date:	\$17,445	\$ 24,153	< \$6,707 >
(from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020)			



Today's readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire---a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality, but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I a cheerful or a grudging giver?