

St. Mark Catholic Church



Third Sunday of Easter
May 01, 2022

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Sacraments

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: The RCIA is open to all those interested in becoming Catholic. Contact the Parish Office 216-226-7577.

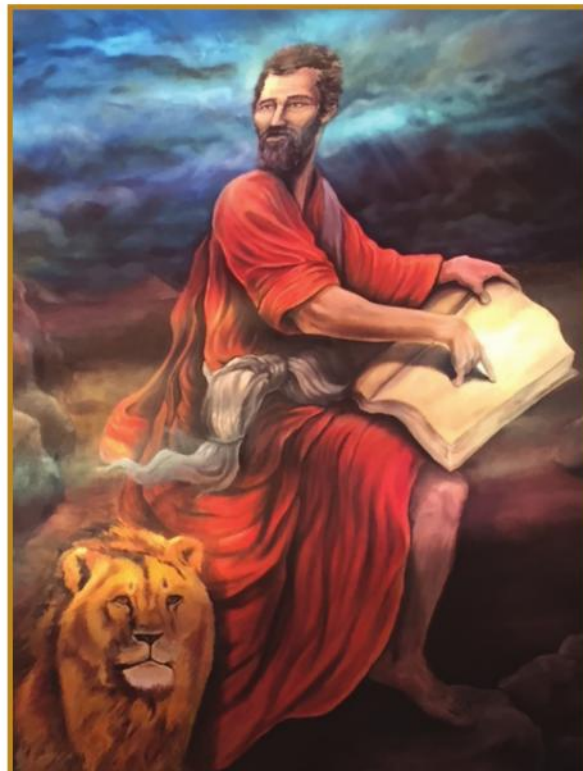
Baptism: Available at 12:30 p.m. the fourth Sunday of the month and at Masses by arrangement. Parents must attend a Pre-Baptism class and Godparents must have sponsor certificates.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance with a priest or deacon.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office.

Communion Calls: If you are unable to participate in the celebration of Mass and would like to receive Communion, please contact the office.



New Parishioners: All are welcome to join us by calling the office or visiting the website to schedule an appointment.

Bulletin Deadline: Bulletin Articles and Copied Items need to be in the Parish Office by 11:00 a.m. on Friday the week before the bulletin to print.

"Then, taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; he also divided the two fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied."

Mark 6: 41-42

Mission Statement

St. Mark is a Catholic parish committed to fostering discipleship through the Word of God and the Sacraments. We are dedicated to providing Catholic education to our youth, to bringing a deeper relationship with Christ to our adults, and to supporting those in need through the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. We encourage all parishioners to participate in the shared responsibility of worship, prayer, study and service.

Liturgy Readings for the Week

Saturday,	April 30
4:00 p.m.	Shane Bartek
Sunday,	May 1-Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41	Rv 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19
8:30 a.m.	The Parishioners of St. Mark parish and St. Mel parish
11:30 a.m.	Dolly Tinnirello
Monday,	May 2-St. Athanasius
	Acts 6:8-15 Jn 6:22-29
	No Mass
Tuesday,	May 3-Sts. Philip and James
	Cor 15:1-8 Jn 14:6-14
	No Mass
Wednesday,	May 4
	Acts 8:1b-8 Jn 6:35-40
Thursday,	May 5
	Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51
	No Mass
Friday,	May 6
	Acts 9:1-20 Jn 6:52-59
	No Mass
3:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday,	May 7
	Acts 9:31-42 Jn 6:60-69
4:00 p.m.	Maryann Scampitilla
Sunday,	May 8-Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:14,43-52	Rv 7:9, 14b-17 Jn 10:27-30
8:30 a.m.	Jody Tousley
11:30 a.m.	Madelyn Smith

Pope's Intention April: For health care workers. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Pope's Intention May: For faith-filled young people. We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Liturgical Ministers May 7 & 8

Saturday, May 7 @ 4:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Katie McAdams, Tim Schmidt, NOT FILLED

Lector: Lisa Mullins

Altar Servers: Mary Kugler-Blayney, Grace Schmidt, Kathryn Sowul

Cantor: Patty Joyce

Sunday, May 8 @ 8:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Cocita, Sheila Gallagher, Terry Henning

Lector: Barb Paynter

Altar Servers: Evan Lentz, Albert McGervey

Cantor: Bill Todia

Sunday, May 8 @ 11:30

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Dave, Rosanne Kelley, NOT FILLED

Lector: Mary Lewis

Altar Servers: Joseph Andolina Alexandria Cromer, Eoin Mueller

Cantor: Lilian Esparra

**Luke McGraw Memorial Candles
Weekly Intention
May 1
Special Intention**



Banns of Marriage

Wedding Bann I

Christopher Damico & Madeline Svajger

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, and surround them with Your peace. In Jesus' name, Amen!

Please Pray for Our Sick

William Adams	Irene Gurchensky	William Schmitz
Gianna Andolina	Gerri Joecken	Mildred Schmitz
Sam Auble	David Kurth	Sr. Mary Ann Spangler
Katy Brent	Catherine Kutsick	Mary Stark
Ann Eames	Loree Leasure-Poirier	Nora Sudetic
Margaret Fadrowski	Mary Maloney	George Surovec
Nicole Foerstner	Jim McIlwee	Herb Tippie
Helen Forlini	Mary Miller	Joe Wantz
Mary Frantz	Maisie Nowlin	Charlotte Whiting
Teresa Fridrich	Sr. Josette Obodzinski	Lillian Zahara
Cecilia Frischauf	Ryan Puzzitiello Jr.	
	Bill Retzer	



Last Week's Collection

Sunday Envelopes:\$2,636.00
Faith Direct:..... \$ 5,976.00
Total Sunday Collections:\$ 8,612.00
Faith Direct ~ Number of Donors = 301

Thank you for your generosity!

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From Fr. Adam...

I have bittersweet news to share with you that two important people on our staff have decided to focus on their families and step away from their jobs here at St. Mark.

Terri Prokop has been with us for more than thirteen years and has done a wonderful job providing music for our parish. Many parishioners have told me that one reason they like being here is because people sing! Terri recently became a new grandmother, and has decided that she wants to be more available to her family. As you can imagine, being the music director for the parish means being here every weekend and every major holiday, not to mention the funerals and weddings, the work with all of our music ministers, and the hours of preparation. Terri will be leaving us at the end of May, once the school year has ended.

Briana David has been a tremendous help as our pastoral minister. She has helped to bring about new activity in the parish, and has been my right hand person that I could trust to get important pastoral work done in my place. As you know, almost a year ago we were excited for her first child to be born. Her work as a pastoral minister requires a lot of unpredictable hours, sometimes here in the evenings and weekends for parish programs and sometimes here during the day to prepare and take care of the office work that comes with everything else. That's not easy to juggle while having an almost one-year-old, and we certainly hope that the gift of more children might be in their future. Briana will be leaving her position early in May, after our second graders make their first communions.

I am grateful for the work of both of these women, and am glad that their families are a priority in their lives.

In Christ,



Fr. Adam

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Altar Servers

Please notify in writing or by email of any dates that you are not available to serve for the next schedule, which will be from **June 2022 - September 2022**. We need this information so that all Ministers are available to fulfill their scheduled Mass times. We appreciate your continued service. The deadline to submit dates is **Friday, May 13, 2022** by 4:30pm to cbirchfield@stmarkcleveland.com. Please be mindful of holidays and vacations. Thank you for your help.

If you are interested in becoming a Minister please contact the Parish Office at 216-226-7577.

Religious Education News (PSR)

St. Mark PSR Program 2022 - 2023

Our St. Mark PSR program is on Monday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 in the school building. We serve students in Grades 1 – 8. Students in grades 2 and 8 are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist (grade 2) and Confirmation (Grade 8), as part of our curriculum. **For a student to receive these Sacraments they MUST be enrolled and attend PSR the previous year.**

You can register in a number of different ways for the 2022 – 2023 school year:

Registration is due with payment by June 5, 2022

1. Current PSR families will receive a packet with the registration materials. The packet will be sent home with your child.
2. The materials can be downloaded from the St. Mark Church website www.stmarkcleveland.com, under heading FAMILIES (at the top of the page) and by clicking the PSR tab.
3. Registration materials can also be picked up at the Parish Office.

Registration forms and payment can be dropped off at the Parish Office or put in the Sunday collection, marked to the attention of PSR.

Classes will begin in September.

For any questions or additional information, you can contact Jeannette Puckett at the Parish Office at 216-226-7577 or through email at jpuckettpsr@stmarkcleveland.com

Office of Catechetical Services Collection:

Each year in the Diocese of Cleveland, a special collection is taken up in all the parishes to support the ministries of the Office of Catechetical Services. This Diocesan Secretariat focuses on providing guidance and support that promotes the evangelizing mission of the Church through the catechetical efforts of all parishes and Newman Campus ministries in the Diocese. Ministries which will benefit from this collection include: faith formation for adults, teens and children, and family-based faith formation, as well as the ongoing formation of Parish Catechetical Leaders and catechists as missionary disciples. Newman Catholic Campus Ministries provides opportunities for students to deepen a relationship with Christ through prayer and worship, community, faith and Bible studies, retreats and service. This year the collection will be held on the weekend of May 7 & 8. A contribution to the Office of Catechetical Services is an investment in the faith formation of people of all ages throughout the Diocese of Cleveland. Please encourage giving to this very special collection.



DONUT SUNDAYS ARE BACK!

APRIL 30 & MAY 1
HOSTED BY THE YOUTH GROUP

After 4pm Mass on Saturday, pizza will be provided in lieu of donuts. Following the 8:30 and 11:30 Sunday Masses, donuts will be provided.

If the weather is nice, we will be gathering outside at the pavilion. If not, donuts will be in the Social Hall. We hope to see you then!



Join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, May 6th from 3:30pm-7:00pm. Please come to spend some time in prayer and thanksgiving before the Lord. If you would like to sign up for a specific 1/2 hour of prayer, please contact Deacon Dave at the Parish Office 216-226-7577.

Adopt a Spot

Thank you to all the parishioners that currently have an Adopt a Spot and do a beautiful job at maintaining these areas of our Parish. If you are unable to continue please contact the office.

If you are interested in an area to adopt please contact Cheryl at the Parish Office 216-226-7577.

Markers! Join us for Kentucky Derby Day at St. Mark Social Hall Downs on Saturday, May 7th following the 4pm Mass. This is the 148th running of The Greatest Two Minutes in sports. The official race time is 6:57pm.

It's a Potluck, so bring your favorite appetizer, entrée, side dish or dessert to share.

Pop, water, beer and wine will be provided. Please RSVP to Dave Adams at adams@stmarkwestpark.com or 216-509-4147

And Ladies and Gents, don't forget to don your favorite Derby hat!



ST. MARK YOUTH GROUP

MAY-JUNE EVENTS

Sunday, May 15th 7pm-8:30pm
Youth Group Olympics

June 5th, 6:30pm-8:30pm
New Member Introduction
Night

June 12th, 11:30am
Mass Meet Up

June 26th 8am-1pm
Car Wash Fundraiser

**WE WILL PLAN TO MEET
OUTSIDE IN THE PAVILION
DEPENDING ON WEATHER.**

Please email Michael Kay at
mkay@stmarkcleveland.com
with any questions or concerns

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THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

Saturday,	April 30	
9:00 am	Jesus Day	CH/SH/SCH
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
Sunday,	May 1	
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	CH
11:30 am	Mass (LS)	
Monday,	May 2	
8:30 am	Mass	
6:30 pm	PSR Class Gr. 1-8	CR
7:00 pm	Athletic Assoc. Mtg.	SH
Tuesday,	May 3	
8:30 am	Mass	
Wednesday,	May 4	
7:00 pm	Bereavement	CC
Thursday,	May 5	
8:30 am	Mass	
9:00 am	Spelling Bee	G
6:00 pm	Pack #268 Den Mtg.	SH
6:30 pm	1st Communion Prac.	CH
7:00 pm	Troop #293	SH
Friday,	May 6	
	School Closed	
8:00 am	Faculty Mtg.	SH
8:30 am	Mass	
3:30 pm	Eucharistic Adoration	CH
Saturday,	May 7	
9:00 am	Markers Set-up	SH
10:00 am	First Communion	CH
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
5:00 pm	Markers Kentucky Derby Party	SH
Sunday,	May 8	
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	CH
11:30 am	Mass (LS)	

Note: (LS)=Livestreamed



Save the Date!

St. Mark Rummage Sale
A Fundraiser to Benefit the
Community Center & Gymnasium Improvements
June 6 & 7- Drop off/Pick-up from 9 am-6 pm
June 8- Early Bird Sale \$10 Admission/person
June 9 & 10 - Sale 8 am-6 pm
Friday, June 10—\$5.00 bag sale starts at 8 am
June 11 - Sale 8 am-3 pm
June 12 - 12:30 pm-3:00 pm

Start saving items you would like to donate to this exciting fundraiser.

Donations Wanted:

Collectibles, Books, Antiques, Furniture, Household items, Musical Instruments, Contemporary Computers/Electronics, DVD's, Toys, Sports Equipment, Tools, and Infant (only) clothing.

Donations NOT Wanted:

Adult clothing, Food, Stuffed animals, live animals, Obsolete Computers/Electronics, VCR/Beta/Audio cassette tapes, and/or Junk.

Volunteers needed:

Setup, Cleanup, Advertising/Publicity, Security, Cashiers, Collection, Pricing, Charity Pick-up, etc. Parish/school groups, organizations and individuals are encouraged to help. Please contact Dave Adams at adams@stmarkwestpark.com or 216-509-4147 to volunteer or arrange for donation pickup.

St Mark Parish Cleveland &

St Mark School Cleveland is now on Facebook!

"Like" our page to stay up-to-date on all our parish events and opportunities



Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

Dear Neighboring Parish,

Our Lady of Angels is inviting the ladies of your parish to share an evening with our Guild on Thursday, May 5th in Linus Hall (across the parking lot from the church) at 7 pm. Deacon Mark will be our speaker. His topic is "Mary, our Model for Discipleship." We will also share how some plants are related to Mary. There will be door prizes, split the pot and refreshments. Please come and bring a friend RSVP to NikkieLegler@aol.com

Thank you.

PRINCIPAL NEWS

The transformative power of education, invention, and innovation make education alluring. It is important to recognize that engineering and art were not always completely separate disciplines. Consider this: Leonardo da Vinci seamlessly combined the two as he took his creative artistry to the next level of productivity.

Author Henry Fountain writes, “Five hundred years ago, you couldn’t really tell the difference between artists and engineers. At the University of Delaware, the work of putting engineering in a broader societal context involves an interdisciplinary collaboration on a senior design prototype. Among last year’s projects was a device humans can safely wear for chest compression simulations during cardiopulmonary training, and so replace mannequins. Art students made the device more lifelike. Theater students, acting as patients, helped make it function more realistically. ‘Engineers focus on how it works,’ said Jenni Buckley, an assistant professor of mechanical engineering for the program. ‘Artists focus on the user experience.’”

According to the advocacy group *Americans for the Arts*, Arts education has undeniable benefits:

- Stimulates and develops the imagination and critical thinking, and refines cognitive and creative skills
- Has a tremendous impact on the developmental growth of every child and has proven to help level the “learning field” across socio-economic boundaries
- Strengthens problem-solving and critical-thinking skills, adding to overall academic achievement and school success
- Develops a sense of craftsmanship, quality task performance, and goal-setting skills needed to succeed in the classroom and beyond
- Teaches children life skills such as: developing an informed perception, articulating a vision, learning to solve problems and make decisions, building self-confidence and self-discipline, developing an ability to imagine what might be, and accepting responsibility to complete a task from start to finish

Nurtures important values including team building and respecting alternative viewpoints

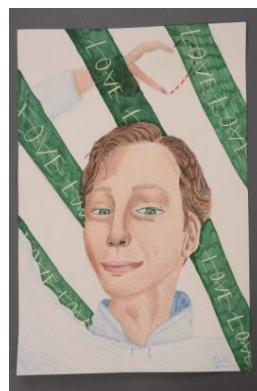
At St. Mark, we are committed to educating the whole child especially regarding the special interests and talents our children may have. Art education is well represented. You have seen first-hand the talents of our children displayed on our school walls. I have even had a few people approach me about buying some of the students’ work! Over Easter, we were notified that four of our students, Ava B., Mia O., Dylan H., and Olivia M. will have their self-portraits on display at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport this year following their submissions into an art competition on the topic of “The Art of Self Portraiture.” Their works will be on display for the next year in the airport’s Youth Art Gallery.

Earlier this year, Ava B. had received a 1st Place award in the 5th Grade category at the Padua Art Show, and Ariana A. in the 8th Grade received an Honorable Mention at that same exhibit. Emily B. in the 8th Grade received an Honorable Mention in the Holy Name Art Show. At present, we are awaiting results for entries made in the “Doodle for Google” and Life Works “Respect Life” art competitions. Many of our classrooms have been exposed to the arts by attending virtual theater performances offered through Playhouse Square. We hosted the Great Lakes Theater School Residency Program in-person for our students in Grades 6-8 who were studying some of the works of Shakespeare. Our very own Music Director, Mrs. Prokop, took time to show some of our students the choir loft in church and played for them. In turn, one of our students played for her and his classmates! How cool is that!

Art certainly plays a very important role in our day and in the lives of our children as we continue our journey.

Have a blessed week!

Mrs. Cocita



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You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, Say to the Lord,
"My refuge and fortress, My God in whom I trust."
Psalm 91:1-2

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all our military men and women presently serving and those who have returned home.

Jason Bochert, James Boone, Jr., Elijah Brolly, Kurt Brown, Nathan Chomoa, Jeremy Cole, Matthew Craven, Josh Dunleavy, T.J. Finucan, Martin Hartsel, Joe Isabella, John Kester, Randy Kloos, Stephanie Lasch, Adam Lemmerman, Torrey Lynch, Ron McDough, Andrew J. McGinty, Owen McGrew, Jake North, Jon Novak, Danny O'Malley, Sean P. O'Reilly, Nick Ortiz, Steven Podhradsky, Nico Russo, Tom Sarko, Matthew Shirley, Brady Smith, Montana Stiegelmeier, Edward Thomas, Joseph Toole, Jacob Trefney, Jonah Treible, Lukas Whitney.



God Bless them all!

Kathy O'Malley womalfam@sbcglobal.net for any updates.



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