



St. Mark Catholic Church

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.

FEBRUARY 12, 2023

**6TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

**"I say to you, whoever
is angry with his brother
will be liable to
judgment." - Mt 5:22a**

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PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Adam Zajac
Pastor

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Business Manager, Pastoral Associate

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Principal

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Mr. Michael Kay
Youth Minister

Mrs. Jeannette Puckett
Parish School of Religion Director (PSR)

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 a sponsor certificate.

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.

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Liturgy Readings for the Week

Saturday,	February 11	
4:00 p.m.	Gn 3:9-24	Mk 8:1-10
	Bernie & Celine Weir	
Sunday,	February 12-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:30 a.m.	Sir 15:15-20	Cor 2:6-10
11:30 a.m.	Dave Adams	Mt 5:17-37
	The Tinnirello Family	
Monday,	February 13	
	Gn 4:1-15, 25	Mk 8:11-13
8:30 a.m.	Special Intention Linda Mears	
Tuesday,	February 14-Sts. Cyril and Methodius	
	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10	Mk 8:14-21
8:30 a.m.	Mary Anne McIlwee	
Wednesday	February 15	
	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22	Mk 8:22-26
Thursday,	February 16	
	Gn 9:1-13	Mk 8:27-33
8:30 a.m.	Women and Men in Consecrated Life	
Friday,	February 17	
	Gn 11:1-9	Mk 8:34-9:1
8:30 a.m.	Mary Dunleavy	
Saturday,	February 18	
	Heb 11:1-7	Mk 9:2-13
4:00 p.m.	Joseph Coreno	
Sunday,	February 19-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18	Cor 3:16-23
8:30 a.m.	Charles Walsh	Mt 5:38-48
11:30 a.m.	For the Parishioners of St. Mark Parish & St. Mel Parish	

Pope's Intention February: for parishes. We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, unity and welcome towards those most in need.

Luke McGraw
Memorial Candles
Weekly Intention
February 12
The Tinnirello Family

Join in praying the Rosary in Church
every Sunday after the 8:30am Mass



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!

Liturgical Ministers February 18 & 19

Saturday, February 18 @ 4:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Gloria Morin, NOT FILLED (2)

Lector: Gary Morin

Altar Servers: Gregory Estergall, Madeline Gompf, Mary Kugler-Blayney

Sunday, February 19 @ 8:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Dave, Kathy O'Malley, Laura Skonce

Lector: Mary Lewis, Monica Svetz

Altar Servers: Evan Lentz, Julia McNulty, Joe Svetz

Sunday, February 19 @ 11:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Ditzel, Annamaria Masterson, NOT FILLED

Lector: Carole Iseli, Deborah Roscoe

Altar Servers: Jason Dunn Jr. Owen Goggin, Dominic Sutcliff

Please Pray for Our Sick

William Adams	Gerri Joecken	Mary Stark
Gianna Andolina	David Kurth	Nora Sudetic
Carol Behnke	Catherine Kutsick	Lena Sunyak
Jack Behnke	Loree Leasure-Poirier	George Surovec
Katy Brent	Mary Maloney	Herb Tippie
Henry Buehner	Jim McIlwee	Joe Wantz
Margaret Fadrowski	Mary Miller	Charlotte Whiting
Nicole Foerstner	Betty Minotas	Lillian Zahara
Helen Forlini	Maisie Nowlin	
Mary Frantz	Sr. Josette Obodzinski	
Theresa Fridrich	Ryan Puzitiello Jr.	
Cecilia Frischauf	Bill Retzer	
Irene Gurchensky	Sr. Mary Ann Spangler	



Ash Wednesday Schedule

February 22

6:45am - Mass at St. Mel

8:30am - Mass at St. Mark

12:00pm - Liturgy of the Word at St. Mark

4:30pm - Mass at St. Mel

7:00pm - Mass at St. Mark

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Please see sign-up sheets in the Sacristy
for Ash Wednesday services
Wednesday, February 22nd

2023 Magnificat Lenten
Reflection booklets will be at the
Church entrances beginning next weekend.
The cost is \$2.00 each.
Please return envelopes to the Parish Office

Please see the insert in next weekends bulletin for
the St. Mark and St. Mel Lenten Schedule

Please join us for our LENTEN FISH FRY

February 24th & March 10th

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

St. Mark Social Hall



DINNERS:

Battered Fried Cod (3 pieces)	\$13
Baked Tilapia Fillets (2 pieces)	\$13
Baked Butter Crumb Cod (1 piece)	\$13
Battered Fried Shrimp (5 pieces)	\$13
Pierogi (5 pieces)	\$11
Mac & Cheese	\$11
Individual Cheese Pizza	\$10
Texas Toast Grilled Cheese	\$10

SIDES (pick 2):

Pub Fries, Green Beans, Baked Beans, Mac & Cheese,
Pierogi, Cole Slaw, Apple Sauce

EXTRAS INCLUDED:

Roll & Butter, Beverages and Cookies

Cash, Checks & Credit Cards Accepted

Take Out Available



The 2023 Catholic Charities Appeal will take place next weekend in our parish. Please refer to the insert in this week's bulletin, which includes our parish's goal and an overview of the importance of Catholic Charities in our communities. This year's appeal theme is "A time to heal. A time to help." Your generous support will transform the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities and companionship to those who are most vulnerable.

As in the past, an in-pew commitment process will take place next weekend, February 18-19. All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Malesic, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond generously to it and we ask you to also complete the in-pew envelope and indicate by checking the box that you have responded by mail.

We invite you to view stories of inspiration and more information at
CatholicCommunity.org/2023Appeal

Sunday Collections

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 3,238.00
Faith Direct Sunday	\$ 5,765.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!



SAVE THE DATE
Mark's Madness 2023
Sunday, March 19th 6-8pm

This fundraising basketball games between 8th grade day school/PSR students and coaches/teachers of all sports supports our Parish Outreach program, which helps fellow parishioners in times of need.

Please plan on attending this FUN fundraising event. Pre-pay admission and Family Pass forms are available at the doors of the Church, School and online on the school and church websites.

There will be a Second Collection the weekend of March 18 & 19.

Thank you for your support of this very helpful program for our Parish.

Please see the below information from the envelope company St. Mark uses for their weekly contribution envelopes. We did request bulk envelopes which hopefully we will receive soon and will put at the Church entrances. In the meantime if you could please put your contributions in an envelope with your name and or ID#, this will enable us to post to your account. We apologize for this inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

Greetings from The Church-Budget Envelope and Mailing Company.

Some of you may be aware of delays in the offering envelope mailings over the past couple months. Due to supply chain and the inability to add employees at the rate necessary has created a slow draw on production and shipping. Recently, both of those issues have been resolved. However the "cathup" would jeopardize long term delivery.

In order to get back to expected levels of timely deliveries, we are forced to suspend the production of the remaining supply of your February envelopes. The offering envelopes will resume and be delivered by the first Sunday in March. Quarterly supply will restart in April.

Never in our company's history have we had to skip scheduled mailings and we are doing all we can to make sure this never happens again. We deeply apologize for this necessary course of action and the inconveniences this has caused you and your church family.

The Church - Budget Envelope Mailing Company Management Team

May Dugan Center

The past few weeks we have been hearing that we are light for the world. Your light has shown forth in your generosity in responding to the Giving Tree this past Christmas. You have enriched the lives of the seniors at May Dugan Center. Many of them took the time to write the parish and express what the gifts meant to them. Here are a few quotes from thank you cards we received.

"Your generosity helped make the holidays warm and bright for our low income older adults. Thank you again."

"Thank you from the inner most chambers of my heart. Your gift was beautiful and greatly appreciated."

"I want to thank you for the wonderful gifts. You made my Christmas great."

"There are so many kind people. Heaven-sent people are hard to find. You are one of God's angels."

St. Mary Magdalene Byzantine Catholic Church
Pierogi Fat Tuesday, Ash Wednesday and Fridays

Homemade Potato Cheese Pierogi - St. Mary Magdalene Byzantine Catholic Church 5390 West 220th Street, Fairview Park, will sell our homemade fresh-frozen potato cheese pierogi on Fat Tuesday (February 21st) and Ash Wednesday (February 22nd) from 12:00 Noon to 6:00 pm. As a reminder, we sell our delicious pierogi every Friday throughout the year from 3:00-6:00 pm (no sales on Good Friday). Special varieties of sauerkraut, cabbage, apricot and others are sold based on availability. Please call or text Deacon Dan at (216) 926-2791 for additional information.

THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, February 11		
9:00-2:00 pm	Basketball Practice	G
9:00 am	A & E Mtg.	SS
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
5:00 pm	Marker's 50+ Valentine's Party	SH
Sunday, February 12		
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	CH
11:30 am	Mass (LS)	
11:30 am	Sunday Preschool	CR
4:00 pm	HNS Super Bowl Party	SH
4:00 pm	Living Stations Practice	CH
Monday, February 13		
8:30 am	Mass	
2:45 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsals	
5:00 pm	Basketball Tournament	G
6:30 pm	PSR Class Gr. 1-8	CR
6:30 pm	Living Stations Practice	CH
9:00 pm	HS Basketball Practice	G
Tuesday, February 14		
8:30 am	Mass	
3:00 pm	RCIC	SH
5:00 pm	Basketball Tournament	G
9:00 pm	HS Basketball Practice	G
Wednesday, February 15		
2:30 pm	RCIC	SH
3:15 pm	Parent/Teacher Conf.	CR
5:30 pm	RCIC	CC
6:30 pm	Scout Pack #268 Pack Mtg.	SH
7:00 pm	Women's Retreat	CC
9:00 pm	HS Basketball Practice	G
Thursday, February 16		
8:30 am	Mass	
3:15 pm	Parent/Teacher Conf.	CR
7:00 pm	Troop #293	SH
7:00 pm	Friends of Impett	CC
Friday, February 17		
	School Closed	
8:00 am	Teacher In-Service	SH
8:30 am	Mass	
Saturday, February 18		
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
	Catholic Charities Appeal	
Sunday, February 19		
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	CH
9:30 am	Young Families	SH
11:30 am	Mass (LS)	
11:30 am	Sunday Preschool	C
4:00 pm	Living Stations Practice	CH

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 Stieglmeyer, Edward Thomas, Joseph Toole, Jacob Trefney, Jonah Treible, Lukas Whitney.

God Bless them all!

Kathy O'Malley

womalfam@sbcglobal.net for any updates.



REQUEST FOR 2022 CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Please send a request via email to twinans@stmarkcleveland.com or fill out this form and return it to the Parish Office.

Name (print) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email report to: _____

Pick up at Parish Office _____ Mail to above address _____

PRINCIPAL NEWS

I shared with you last week all the fun activities we did as part of Catholic Schools' Week, but I did not share the effects some of our events had on others. I took the time to share responses from some of the recipients of our gift bags and baskets with the students because it is important that they learn how their actions affect others.

The Office of Catholic Education wrote:

- Jennifer Miroglotta: "A sincere thank you to staff and students for the wonderful basket of goodies and the precious letters. Your gifts certainly brightened our day! Thank you for thinking of us!"
- Delores Bruno: "Thank you SOOO much for the wonderful treat basket, but more importantly for the letters from the students. The notes made my day. Sometimes I don't realize or think what I am doing here touches the students, so I am glad in some small way it does because after all, that is why we all got into Catholic education."
- Susan Biggs: "I am back in the office after a few days on the road, and I saw the basket from St. Mark School. To my surprise, I also found some letters from 6th Graders on my desk. I just read through each of them with a joyful heart. Thank you for making my day warmer."
- Tracey Arnone: "You made our day! Thank you so much for the basket of goodies for our office. Thank you for the letters from the students. The students' words were so heartfelt and faith-filled. Thank you for thinking of us during Catholic Schools' Week."
- Pam Ouzts: "Out of nowhere, a thick envelope is handed to me. Reading through Casey's, Caroline's, Olivia's, Emily's, Joseph's, and Aidan's notes of appreciation and excitement brought me back to the reality of why we do what we do. A few even mentioned that they were praying for me. Uplifting! Thank you so much."

We received such warm, heartfelt appreciation by our police and fire who picked up baskets to take to their fire houses and precincts. In the 2nd Precinct, some our students joined their parents for Role Call during the 2nd shift after school let out, and were able to experience first-hand the appreciation and gratitude that some of the people their moms and dads work with every day had for this kind gesture. In all, many lives were touched and morale lifted. This was a great reminder that our simple actions can have a profound effect on others.

Congratulations to the 33 students who were a part of our Talent Show this year. It took such courage and joy to perform in front of all of us! I am so proud of every one of them:

Congratulations go out to:

Mallorie W. (Kdr.) who sang "All Is Found", Brigid M. (Kdr.), Delaney S. (1st), Fionn J. (1st), and Collette T. (1st) who danced to "Bop!". Orla E. (1st) entertained us with some beautiful Irish Dancing and Cora C. (1st) performed some amazing gymnastic moves to "Party in the USA". Sisters Amelia (1st) and Sami (2nd) entertained us with some dancing and singing to "Call Me Maybe." Coralynne W. (1st) performed some Irish dancing with great precision, and 1st grade students Donovan E., Padraig E., and Tanner L. displayed some great dance moves to "Eye of the Tiger" on the floor of the gym. They had the crowd going! Margaret M. (1st) sang such a beautiful rendition of "Sunflower," followed by some beatboxing performed by Zeke P. (1st), and followed by an amazing rendition of "Somewhere Out There" performed by Mae H. (1st). The crowd sat stunned at this point with the quality of the performers. But our Talent Show was not over yet! 2nd Grader Ray A. showed off some great dance moves to "Dancing Monkey" followed by his sister Marie (2nd) singing "Love Theory." Danny H. (2nd) then demonstrated his piano skills playing "Star Wars." Emmet C. (2nd) performed some juggling, and Skylar D. (2nd) did a beautiful job singing "Wonderful Life." Meadow Y. (2nd) had the crowd roaring with her "Telling Dad Jokes"; Harlowe O. (3rd) danced to "Goo Goo Muck." I still remember Harlowe doing her Everything Harry Potter in a previous talent show. Emilia A. (3rd) had the school moving with her gymnastics and cheer to "High Hopes". Samantha Y. (3rd) followed with some great dancing to "This Is Me." Swayze E. (3rd) and Mia O. (3rd) performed some great dance moves with a little puppetry mixed in to the song "Goo Goo Muck." But there was even more talent ahead as Will G. (4th) sang "A Beautiful Day" followed by Evelina F. (4th) sharing more Dad jokes! Charlie G. (6th) brought her sidekick Grandma Charlie and did some puppetry, which amazed the crowd. Amalies C. (5th) demonstrated Taekwondo, followed by Julia M. (6th) singing beautifully to "Brand New Keys." Finally, Saoirse B. (6th) sang and played piano to "New Year's Day", and Quinn Q. (3rd) sang while her mom, our talented music teacher, accompanied her. Talent shows boost self-esteem, confidence, and assurance in our youth while providing recognition for non-academic talents. Congratulations to our brave and talented students who were both amazing and entertaining! Following the performance, several parents thanked me for hosting an event like this. I am thrilled that the school was able to witness the talents of so many of our students. I am already looking forward to next year!

Mrs. Cocita



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

No one does he command to act unjustly,
to none does he give license to sin. (Sir 15:20)

Psalm:

Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Ps 119)

Second Reading:

Rather, we speak of God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden,
which God predetermined before the ages for our glory.
(1 Cor 2:7)

Gospel:

"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses
that of the scribes and Pharisees,
you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 5:20)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The heart with which we offer our good deeds
matters as much as the deeds themselves. For Christ,
the law is more than a code of conduct. It's a mindset.

Observances for the week of February 12, 2023

Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day

Tuesday: Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop;
Valentine's Day

Friday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Next Sunday: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Blessed James Miller, the second ever U.S.-born martyr, served as a missionary and educator to the poorest of the poor in Nicaragua and Guatemala. Shot to death in front of his students in 1982, his legacy of love lives on today through the many schools he started.

Prayer

*Official Prayer for the Intercession of
Blessed Brother James Miller, FSC*

O Blessed Brother James Miller, you heard God's call to become a Brother of the Christian Schools and so became a sign of faith to youth in the United States and in Central America. You placed your life and your trust in Divine Providence and, for spreading the faith, merited the crown of martyrdom. In a world that denies the dignity of the human person, obtain for us from Divine Providence an ever-increasing love of God and our neighbor, especially the poor and oppressed. Obtain for us also the favor we are now asking for [mention request] and the grace and strength to be a witness to Christ's love to all. Amen.

