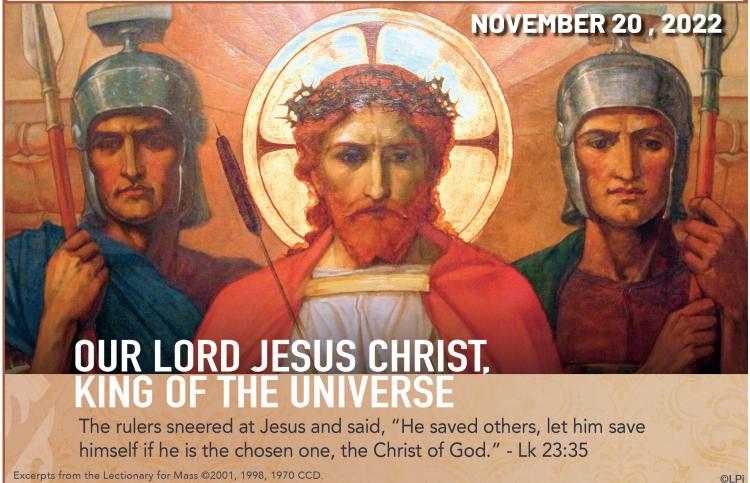


St. Mark Catholic Church

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.



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Adam ZajacPastor

Deacon Dave Lundeen

Business Manager, Pastoral Associate

Mrs. Karen CocitaPrincipal

Mrs. Meaghan McCarthy-Silver
Pastoral Minister

Mr. Lawrence WallaceDirector of Music Ministry

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.

Liturgy Readings for the Week

Saturday, November 19

Rv 11:4-12 Lk 20:27-40

4:00 p.m Stephen & Irene Blasko

Sunday November 20-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sm 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

8:30 a.m For the Parishioners of St. Mark Parish & St. Mel Parish

11:30 a.m. Deborah Miller

Monday, November 21-The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Lk 21:1-4

8:30 a.m. Sam Smith Living **Tuesday, November 22-St. Cecilia**

Rv 14:14-19 Lk 21:5-11

8:30 a.m Domenico Manno

Wednesday, November 23

Rv 15:1-4 Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 24-St. Andrew Dung-Lac

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a Lk 21:20-28

8:30 a.m. Fr. Tony Muzic **Friday November 25**

Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2 Lk 21:29-33

No Mass

Saturday, November 26

Rv 22:1-7 Lk 21:34-36

4:00 p.m Richard Kiefer

Sunday November 27-First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

8:30 a.m Andy Helbig

11:30 a.m. Fr. Casper Hermann

Luke McGraw Memorial Candles Weekly Intention November 20 Deborah Miller

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 24th & Friday, November 25th

There will be no 8:30am Mass on Friday, November 25th Have a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

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!

Pope Intention November: For children who suffer. We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Liturgical Ministers November 26 & 27

Saturday, November 26 @ 4:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Dave, Michelle Biggins, Marian

Lundeen

Lector: Carole Iseli

Altar Servers: Kathryn Sowul, Joseph Sowul, Patrick Sowul

<u>Sunday, November 27 @ 8:30am</u>

Eucharistic Ministers: Jessica Hanes, Michael Kay, Mary

Stamper

Lector: Mary Lewis, Monica Svetz

Altar Servers: Clare Hurley, Evan Lentz, Joe Svetz

Sunday, November 27 @ 11:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Annamaria Masterson, Rosanne

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Lector: Eileen Andrews, Lisa Mullins

Altar Servers: Jason Dunn Jr., Jack Koch, Andrew Koch

Please Pray for Our Sick

Nora Sudetic Gerri Joecken William Adams Lena Sunyak David Kurth Gianna Andolina George Surovec Catherine Kutsick Carol Behnke Loree Leasure-Poirier Herb Tippie Jack Behnke Joe Wantz Mary Maloney Katy Brent Charlotte Whiting Jim McIlwee

Henry Buehner Jim McIlwee Charlotte Whiting
Margaret Fadrowski Mary Miller Lillian Zahara

Nicole Foerstner Maisie Nowlin

Helen Forlini Sr. Josette Obodzinski Mary Frantz Ryan Puzzitiello Jr.

Theresa Fridrich Bill Retzer

Cecilia Frischauf Sr. Mary Ann Spangler

Irene Gurchensky Mary Stark

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Envelopes \$ 4,437.00 Faith Direct \$ 5,405.00 Total Sunday Contributions \$ 9,842.00

Faith Direct ~ Number of Donors = 260

Thank you for your generosity!

AFTER MASS SOCIAL NOVEMBER 19 & 20 - ALL ARE INVITED

The Holy Name Society invites you to join them after all Masses the weekend of November 19 & 20. Light snacks will be served after the 4pm Mass, and donuts and coffee after the 8:30 and 11:30 am Masses.

They will also raffle two turkeys at each social. There is no cost to enter but you must be present to win.

Please join us to wish each other a happy and safe Thanksgiving!



#weGIVE CATHOLIC

Tuesday, November 29th

https://www.wegivecatholic.org/organization/stmark



Preparations are underway for our St. Mark Giving Tree ministry! We will be serving the following organizations: May Dugan Center, Fatima Family Center, St. Thomas School, University Settlement Adult, University Settlement Youth, St. Francis School and St. Mark Parish and school. Ornaments will be placed on the Giving Tree located at the front of the church beginning the weekend of November 26 and 27.

If you take an ornament to purchase an item, please remember to attach the tag to the outside of the wrapped gift or gift bag as the gifts are sorted by organization and checked that each gift has been returned prior to delivery. Please note that if multiple gift ideas are listed on the ornament, you need not purchase every item listed. Or, if you are unable to find a requested item, it is no problem to purchase a similar item or gift card. If you are ordering gifts online, please be mindful of delivery dates and possible shipping delays. Please return all wrapped gifts under the Giving Tree by NOON on Sunday, December 11. At that time, the gifts are prepared for delivery.

So many people make this ministry a huge success every year and we could not make it all happen without many helping hands. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Gayle Harper at 216-931-6237. Volunteer opportunities include writing out wish lists on ornaments, sorting gifts on December 11 and delivering gifts to the organizations the morning of December 12. Thank you for your generous support and making Christmas wishes come true for so many people in our community!



This year, St. Mark is going to be hosting an Advent Bible study using the Rejoice! Advent Journal from Ascension Press. We will meet weekly during Advent on Mondays at 6:30 in the Social Hall to watch a brief video and discuss the Sunday readings. Our first meeting with be Monday, November 21.

If you have questions, you can call the parish office or email msilver@stmarkcleveland.com.



As we anticipate this Advent Season, we are blest to be able to offer opportunities for the women and men of our parish to renew hope, belief and faith in God's promise of infinite good for us and for our loved ones.

We will be offering an opportunity to take some time for reflection and preparation for the season of Christmas. A weekend for women will be held on December 2nd to the 4th and for the men on December 9th to the 11th. These weekends will be held at the Bethany Retreat Center in Chardon.

Posters and applications are available at the Church doors. Transportation will be provided if needed.

If you have any questions please contact Deacon Dave at 216-226-7577.



Thanksgiving Prayer

This Thanksgiving, let us remember all the good things, and people, who have come into our lives. We focus on thanking each one who has helped us, and ultimately thank god for the good gifts of this world.

Let us pray...

God our Father,

Graciously accept from your humble people a thankful heart and spirit.

Everything we have and are able to share with others ultimately comes from your love of your creations. Often we think that everything we have is our own creation;

we ask you this day to create in us a spirit of gratitude, that we may always know that all good gifts come from you.

We ask this through Christ our brother, in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Christmas Tree Sale

Boy Scout Troop 293 will be holding its annual Christmas Tree Sale at the Church by the pavilion:

> December 2nd from 5:00pm to 9:00pm December 3rd from 10:30am to 7:00pm December 4th from Noon to 3:00pm

All are Fraser fir trees, freshly cut from North Carolina. Proceeds benefit the troop. Bring a copy of this bulletin and receive \$5 off if you purchase your tree on Friday night.



Breakfast with Santa!

Please join Santa and his elves for a delicious pancake breakfast on Saturday, December 10th. Select one of two seating times - 9:15am or 10:30am. The cost for breakfast is \$7 for adults, \$6 for children 4 and older and \$4 for children under 4. This festive event is brought to you by the St. Mark School 8th grade class. **Reservations are due by Friday, December 2nd.** The Reservation form can be found on the school website at www.stmarkwestpark.com

Make your reservations soon, this event sells out every year!



Sunday, December 4 Mass Meet-Up 11:30am

Front - St. Joseph's Side 6:30pm-8:00pm Mtg. - CC

Sunday, December 18 Christmas Party

6:30pm-8:30pm-Social Hall

A joint Advent event with St. Christopher Youth Group is being planned for a date TBD in December. Please stay tuned for updates via text and email for details on this event.



Come in teams of 4 or on your own to join a team of new friends.

If everyone on your team brings a canned good to donate, you will get an extra clue on a question. The more you bring, the more opportunities for clues you get!

Prizes and refreshments provided.

ADULTS 25-40 INVITED!



THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH				
Saturday, November	· 19			
9:00 am	Basketball Practice			
10:00 am	2nd Gr. First Reconciliation	CH		
3:00 pm	Confessions			
4:00 pm	Mass			
	Holy Name Social after All Masses			
Sunday, November				
8:30 am	Mass			
9:30 am	Rosary	СН		
11:30 am	Mass (LS)			
11:30 am	Sunday Preschool	C		
5:00 pm	Basketball Practice	G		
Monday, November				
8:30 am	Mass			
2:45 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsals	СН		
4:00 - 9:00pm	Basketball Practice	G		
6:30 pm	PSR Class Gr. 1-8	CR		
6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Study	SH		
	Women's Group	CC		
Tuesday, November				
8:30 am	Mass w/1st Floor			
4:00 - 9:00pm		G		
Wednesday, November				
	School Closed			
4:00 - 9:00pm	Basketball Practice			
G Thursday, November 24				
	School Closed			
	Church Office Closed			
8:30 am	Mass			
Friday, November	· 			
8:30 am	No Mass	•		
4:00 - 9:00 pm	Basketball Practice	G		
Saturday, November		011		
9:00 am	Arts & Environment Decorating	CH		
9:00 am	Basketball Practice	G		
3:00 pm	Confessions			
4:00 pm	Mass Civing Tree			
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Sunday, November				
8:30 am	Mass	CII		
9:30 am	Rosary	СН		
11:30 am	Mass w/Children's Choir (LS)	C		
5:00 pm	Basketball Practice	G		

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 Stiegelmeyer, 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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