



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.



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Adam Zajac
Pastor

Mrs. Karen Cocita
Principal

Mrs. Meaghan McCarthy-Silver
Pastoral Minister

Mrs. Julia Wallace
Director 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.

Papal Intention

July: For the pastoral care of the sick. We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

Liturgy Schedule

Scripture readings can be found online at:
bible.usccb.org

Monday, July 22-St. Mary Magdalene

8:30am Mass.....Ida Emling

Tuesday, July 23

6:45am Mass @ St. Mel

Wednesday, July 24

Thursday, July 25-St. James

8:30am Mass.....Andy Helbig

Friday, July 26-Sts. Joachim and Anne

6:45am Mass @ St. Mel

Saturday, July 27

3:00pm Confessions

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4:00pm Mass.....Kevin Stroh

4:30pm Mass @ St. Mel

Sunday, July 28-Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am Mass @ St. Mel

8:30am Mass.....Irene Kane

10:00am Mass @ St. Mel

11:30am Mass.....Dorothy Rhew

Luke McGraw Memorial Candles

Weekly Intention

July 21

Special Intention



Banns of Marriage

Wedding Banns I

Samuel Swartz & Kathleen Dickey

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
Gianna Andolina
Carol Behnke
Jack Behnke
Katy Brent
Henry Buehner
James Coyne
Margaret Fadrowski
Nicole Foerstner
Mary Frantz
Theresa Fridrich

Irene Gurchensky
David Kurth
Catherine Kutsick
Jim McIlwee
Annamaria Masterson
Mary Miller
Maisie Nowlin
Bill Retzer
Mary Stark
Sr. Josette Obodzinski

Nora Sudetic
Lena Sunyak
George Surovec
Rita Szy
Herb Tippie
Georgieann Treible
Joe Wantz
Charlotte Whiting
Lillian Zahara
Joseph Zavatchen Jr.

Liturgical Ministers July 27 & 28

Saturday, July 27 @ 4:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Price, Bridget Blayney, Shirlee Toth

Lector: Al Abel

Altar Server: Huston Engle, Declan Fitzpatrick, Mary Kugler Blayney

Sunday, July 28 @ 8:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Stamper, Tim Schmidt, Karen Cocita

Lector: Laura Skonce, Monica Svetz

Altar Server: Kathleen Murray, Grace Schmidt, Joe Svetz

Sunday, July 28 @ 11:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Annamaria Masterson, Rosanne Kelley, NOT FILLED

Lector: Cari Foster, Carole Iseli

Altar Server: Gianna Andolina, Joseph Andolina, Owen Goggins

Weekly Collections

Sunday Envelopes:..... \$ 3,378.00

Faith Direct:..... \$ 5,302.00

Thank you for your generosity!

"My Daily Prayers"

is a FREE daily recording of prayers led by the bishops and priests of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, delivered each day through email.

Lasting about 7 minutes, "My Daily Prayers" invites you into prayer, sharing information about each specific day, encouraging you to enter into a deeper relationship with God.

Sign up here:
DioceseOfCleveland.org/MyDailyPrayers



*Let's all
come together
in prayer!*



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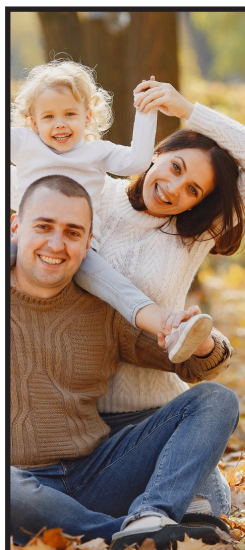
CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Feeding their Clients is next weekend's focus for the Providence House, St. Herman's House, and West Side Catholic Center.

They have requested canned vegetables (large), fruits & meats; soup, tuna, pastas & sauce, cereal, PBJ, applesauce, drink mixes (lemonade, iced tea, Kool-aid), Ensure/Boost drinks, Gatorade, Pediasure (chocolate & vanilla), sugar (canister), salt & pepper (packets & canister), jello & pudding snack pack cups, popcorn, cookies, crackers (cheese, graham, saltine), ranch dressing, and condiments. Please check the expiration dates. Let's keep their Folks well fed in August. All of your donations are appreciated.

Thank you.

And may God bless you!



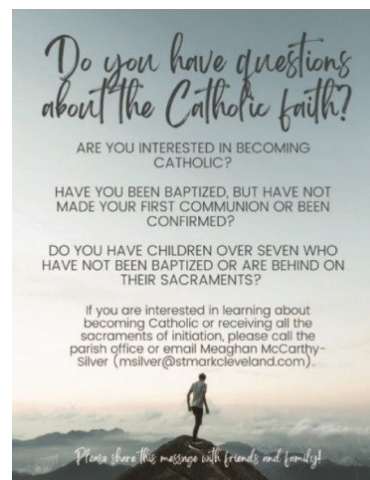
Young Family Gatherings

Once a month after 8:30 a.m. Mass, young families are welcome to gather in the Social Hall/ Pavilion for bagels, coffee, and community.

Dates vary each month. Questions?
Please contact Briana David-
bciancibello@gmail.com

2024 UPCOMING DATES

July 21
August 25
September 22
October 13



**St. Mark
Holy Name Society**

**Welcome All
Men and Women Parishioners
18 and Older**

**We Meet Second Tuesday of the Month
at 6:00 in the Social Hall**

Interested?

Email jimcocita@gmail.com

Retrouvaille

**A Lifeline for Married Couples
A Unique Program to Strengthen and Heal Your Marriage - Beginning September 20-22, 2024**

The Retrouvaille program is designed to help married couples develop improved ways of communicating and relating to each other in order to overcome challenges which have left them feeling frustrated, hurt, distant, or even hopeless. Retrouvaille, which means rediscovery, is open to couples of all faiths and is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. This program consists of a weekend experience and six follow up sessions.

For more information or to register, visit:

www.helpourmarriage.org or call Shelly or Rob at 216-509-0301 or 440-836-4810.

MUSIC MINISTRY

summer music opportunities!

Ice Pops & Tiny Boppers Sing Praise!

Ages 3-5

June 2 | June 16 | July 7 | July 21 | Aug 4
12:30-12:45 in the Pavilion

Saint Mark Childrens Choir Summer Camp

Grades K-3 (designed for early readers)

July 29-Aug 2 9:30 AM- 10:00 AM

Saint Mark Youth Singers Summer Camp

Grades 4-8

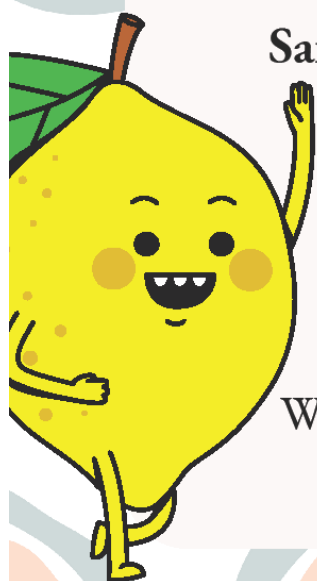
July 29- Aug 2 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Cantors In-Training

Grades 7-12 By Audition

Weekly private lessons 12:30-1:30 on Sundays.

RSVP to JWallace@StMarkCleveland.com



THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

Saturday,	July 20	
10:00 am	Funeral	
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
	<i>Christmas in July</i>	
Sunday,	July 21	
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	
9:30 am	Young Families	PP/SH
11:30 am	Mass LS	
12:30 pm	Youth Choir	PP
Monday,	July 22	
8:30 am	Mass	
Tuesday,	July 23	
6:00 pm	Cheerleading Prac.	PP
Wednesday,	July 24	
7:00 pm	Washington DC Parent Mtg.	SH
Thursday,	July 25	
8:30 am	Mass	
7:00 pm	Troop #293	SH/PP
Friday,	July 26	
10:00 am	Funeral	
Saturday,	July 27	
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
	<i>Christmas in July</i>	
Sunday,	July 28	
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	
11:30 am	Mass LS	

Come Join Our Pride of Little Lions!

We have a limited number of open spots in our Pre-K program for the 2024-2025 school year. Both half-day and full-day programs are available. Contact the school office at 216-521-4115 or office@stmarkwestpark.com for more information.



Please see Parish Council Meeting Minutes on the Church website at stmarkcleveland.com



Please come to pray WITH Mary, Our Blessed Mother, in this beautiful devotion, The Rosary. We are living in troubled times and so much in need of peace within our souls and for the world. We ask Mary, Our Mother, to intercede and lead us contemplating the mysteries of Jesus. "The Family that Prays together, Stays together"...Fr. Patrick Peyton
Every Sunday following the 8:30am Mass

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, Roan Viancourt, Lukas Whitney.

God Bless them all!

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



SMYG Summer Schedule



Community Garden Service Event
Sat, June 22 | 10a-2p
3800 W 140th St, Cleveland, OH 44111

Sunday Night Meeting
Sun, June 23 | 6:30-8p | St. Mark Pavilion

St. Mark Parish Picnic
Sun, June 30 | 12:30-5p | St. Mark

SMYG Summer Retreat
Fri, July 12 to Sun, July 14 | Inspiration Hills

Sunday Meeting
Sun, July 28 | Time TBD | St. Mark

SMYG Mass Meetup & Milkshakes
Sat, August 10 | 4p | St. Mark

SMYG Car Wash Fundraiser
Sun, August 11 | 8a-1p | St. Mark

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of July 21, 2024

Sunday:

Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/
Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Monday:

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4,
5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday:

Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and
17/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday:

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,
6/Mt 20:20-28

Friday:

Jer 3:14-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday:

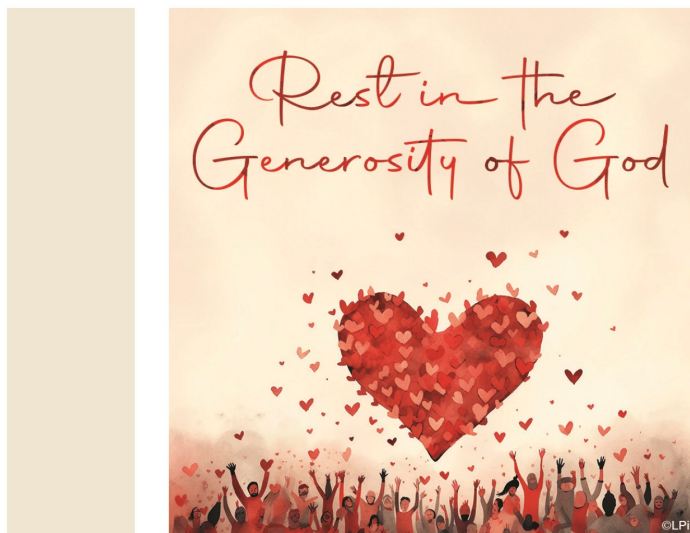
Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a, and 8a, 11/
Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday:

2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18
(see 16)/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Burnout. Recent studies suggest that roughly two-thirds of doctors and nurses have signs of it. You probably know what burnout is: long-term stress leading to emotional exhaustion and a lack of a sense of personal accomplishment. Burnout can threaten anyone who tries to seriously serve and love others. How does our faith inform this challenging experience, and how do we find refreshment?

The apostles face something like burnout this week in Mark 6. They are run down from their missionary work, and Jesus says, **“Come away by yourselves to a lonely place, and rest a while.”** For them, and for us, it takes humility to intentionally rest. It stings our pride to admit God is necessary and we are not. Choosing to leave our good work to be with him — whatever the cost — is an act of humble faith. And that trust in God begins to revive us.

But there’s more to it. Hilariously, Mark tells us that throngs of needy people find out where the apostles are going and arrive ahead of them. Imagine the exasperation of the burnt-out apostles. “Can we *please* get a minute to ourselves? This is not healthy!” And Jesus seems to *encourage* the boundary violation by telling his frayed followers to feed the crowd. Look: once we move into humble rest, he calls us to *more* work, because we are made for love, not for rest. But Jesus does the vast bulk of the labor. He himself is the one who multiplies the small offering until everyone is satisfied.

What finally gives our heart rest isn’t more vacation time. It’s experiencing the super abundant generosity of God for us and those whom we serve.

— *Father John Muir*

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024 | 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD. (Jer 23:4)

Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23)

Second Reading:

In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity. (Eph 2:13-14)

Gospel:

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. (Mk 10:34)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The crowds continue to follow Jesus, and when he sees them, he cannot help but be filled with love for them. Let us take our cue from these devoted disciples of Mark's Gospel, and never, ever stop seeking our Lord.

Observances for the week of July 21, 2024

- Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Mary Magdalene
Tuesday: St. Bridget, Religious
Wednesday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
Thursday: St. James, Apostle
Friday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

St. Angela of Foligno (c. 1248-1309), sometimes called the "Teacher of Theologians," Angela's first life as a wife and mother gave her unique insights. Her path to sainthood was not through perfection but through penitence and charity. She experienced periods of certainty and doubt, temptation and steadfastness.

Prayer to the Shepherd

My Good Shepherd,
There are so many things I don't understand about the paths where you lead and the pastures where you release me. But I believe that you are a Good Shepherd. I have known your protection and provision in so many ways. Please keep me under your care.
Amen.

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