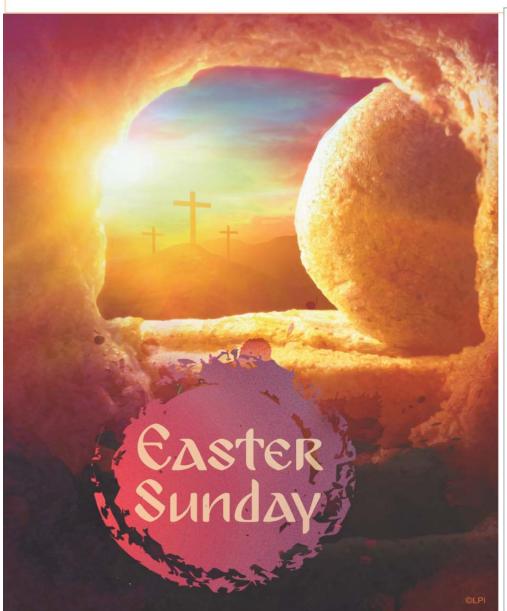




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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - 5:00 pm Sunday - 8:30 am

11:15 am

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

"We are more than Sunday morning"

PRAYER CORNER

Please remember in your prayers: Gloria Palmer, Doris Moss, Henry Isom, Eleanor Jefferson, Ishmael Jackson, Willa Mae Washington, Tyrone Randell, DeCosta Stroble, Elizabeth Young, Tracey Bultron-Lewis, Myrtle Patterson, Walter Thompson, Rivanna Johnson, Dorothy Allen, Kenny Love, Birdell Cotton, Muriel William-Young, Rose Jean Jacques Mandazou, Shirley Cuevas, Pearl Rollerson, Debra Woodland-Lee, Lottie Culpepper, Violet Stephenson, Louise Owens, Louisa John

If your name or the name of a loved one has been omitted or needs to be added to the prayer corner, please call the office to be placed on the list for another month. Thank you for your understanding.

NOTICE

Construction is scheduled to start on the exterior ramp. During this time the church will be inaccessible by wheelchair. There will be signs posted for access to church and surrounding areas during construction.

April Birthdays

- 02 Evelyne Sawadogo
- 02 Keisha Lowman
- 05 Shirley White
- 08 Joset Naudain
- 09 Janice Clements
- 10 Iris Miller-Smith
- 11 Aiden Spann
- 12 Barbara Woods
- 12 Philomena Ororuo
- 13 Theophile Konkobo
- 14 Zabarie Stevens
- 15 Patricia Ellison
- 15 Verdell Rhodes
- 16 Brandon Brown
- 16 Loirdy Polynice
- 16 Vy Deal
- 18 Jules Zida

- 19 Okpe Ogedegbe
- 20 Igor Nacoulma
- 22 Beverly Tuitt
- 24 Janine Caines
- 25 R. Estelle Nikiema
- 27 Christine Koudou
- 28 Debra Woodland-Lee
- 28 Danyelle Ireland
- 28 Valery Baziono
- 29 Kimberely Yardborough-Carpenter
- 30 Britany Pratt
- 30 Catherine Bovell
- 30 Evora Rsafaelita
- Abigail Ngansop
- Ahmady Dolcine

Happy Birthday!

Friends and family, as a reminder you can remember your loved ones through a mass intention. It is a beautiful way to honor them. You can have an intention said at mass any day of the week or weekend. What a beautiful way to remember and honor those we love, living or deceased. At your request, we have beautiful mass cards. If you would like a mass intention call or visit the office to schedule.

Religious Education Classes will be every other Sunday at 10:00am for those children wishing to prepare for the sacraments. Registration packets are available in the back of the church. The next classes are scheduled for Apr. 1, Apr. 15 and April 29 at 10:00am (students are expected to attend Mass at St. Mark Church when there are no scheduled classes).

Next Saturday

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist On the occasion of the Perpetual Profession of Sr. Precilia Sat April 7 @ 10am

> Save the Date! St. Mark Day April 29th **Details to Follow!**

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Fish Fry!! Your support is greatly appreciated!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

A big thanks to those who dined!

Volunteers are needed for our parish food pantry. The pantry is open: Saturdays 10am - 1pm.

Please Help! There is a special need for male assistance on Thursdays to help receive weekly shipments.

**Volunteers are needed in the church office on Tuesday from 2pm – 5pm. Please stop by or contact the office for more information.

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Jean-Pierre Kapumet Tambwe, CSSp, Administrator

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Parish collections for Mar 24th & Mar 25h: \$3393.00

Attendance: 275

Mar 24th & 25th Mass Offerings

Saturday -5:00pm \$301.00 Sunday -8:30am \$1,034.00

11:15am \$1,709.00 5:00pm \$349.00

Second Collection: St. Mark Church -\$381.00

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTRY SCHEDULE-

LECTORS EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

EASTER SUNDAY, April1 1, 2018

<u>8:30am</u>

Annette Charles Sr. Anastasia **Thomasine Grant-Dimery** Winifred Simmons

<u>11:15am</u>

Robert Maynard Eileen Madison Cody Mahon Sr. Precilia

Saturday, April 7, 2018

5:00pm Eleanor Perry

SUNDAY, April1 8, 2018

<u>8:30am</u>

Avis Thomas Sr. Anastasia Mkiru Mbamalu Nkiru Mbamalu

11:15am

Britany Pratt Martha Torres Nancy Villar Waymon Carrasquillo

Sunday, April 15, 2018

8:30am

Annette Charles Sr Anastasia Thomasine Grant-Dimery Nkiru Mbamalu

11:15am

Robert Maynard Ramona Maynard Cody Mahon Sr. Precilia

Saturday, April 21, 2018

5:00pm

Stephanie Tolbert

Sunday, April 22, 2018 8:30am

Winifred Simmons

Sr. Anastasia Nkiru Mbamalu Winifred Simmons

<u>11:15am</u> **Britany Pratt**

Lucille Bonilla Waymon Carrasquillo Sr. Precilia

THE SCRIPTURE - April 1, 2018 **Easter Sunday**

"We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song." The great gift of the Easter Sunday is our hearing and experiencing again of God's amazing love for us. Jesus' rising from the dead is our hope of resurrection. This amazing love of God gives everything for us and never abandons us. Since that first Easter morning, we continue to celebrate the power of God open the chains of death so that we might see life in its fullness. No matter what we experience now we must say "Alleluia anyhow!" Never let your problems get you down for it is Christ who will help us to rise above our circumstances to be rooted again in love of God that comes to us through Christ Jesus.

In darkness, Christ shows his light to the world. His resurrection changes the history of salvation and gives our suffering purpose. We have the freedom to live our lives as God intended and experience real joy and happiness. Even when we are buried in our sorrows, we can hold onto the hope that eternal joy is coming and God shall comfort us in our sufferings.

After the worst pain a man can endure, hope is found when Simon Peter enters the tomb and saw just a burial cloth rolled up and Jesus gone. "He saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead" (John 20:8-9). Let this passage be an aid in your sorrows. Sometimes we don't understand why we have to endure such heavy burdens in life. Jesus endured the heaviest burden by being crucified on the cross and carrying the weight of the world's sin. He died to bring eternal hope and salvation for all of his beloved people. Now life, not death, has the last word.

As Christians, we have seen and heard the comforting words of the Lord. Do really believe the Word of God that tells us that we will rise again. It is God's initiative that brings us to hope in spite of all our fears and worries. We have come a long way from where we started. When we look back over our lives and just recall from where God has brought us, we will begin to tremble!

Easter is not just one Sunday. Easter is a way of life. It is a life where Christ is always at the center lifting us from the things that keep us in the grave and not allow us to experience the life that God intends for us. As an Easter people, we know what it means to rise from graves and experience life as God has prepared for us. When life's problems come your way, lift your head up high and say, Alleluia anyhow!

May we continue to experience what a relationship with GOD is all about as we celebrate the new life that comes from the Risen Lord Jesus.

(7:00pm: Sat) * Special Blessings for the Baptismal Candidates

(8:30am) * For the People of St. Mark Parish

* Special Blessings for the Baptismal Candidates (11:15am)

* For the People of Our Country (5:00pm: Sun)

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