

# St. Mark The Evangelist Catholic Church

## THE NATIVITY *of John the Baptist*



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### Sacrament of Baptism

Schedule with the Pastor after participation in Parish Preparation Program.

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 4:00.p.m. - 5:00.p.m.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrange with Pastor at least six months in advance. Participation in all parts of the Marriage preparation program is required.

### Sacrament of Healing

If you are hospitalized or home bound and in need of sacraments, please call the Parish Center.

### Mass Schedule

Saturday/Sunday Anticipation 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. (during summer)

Holy Day Masses: 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

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Man: What is a million years like to you?  
God: Like one second.  
Man: What is a million dollars like to you?  
God: Like one penny.  
Man: Can I have a penny?  
God: Just a second.



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## Parish Center Hours

The hours for the Parish Center have changed to 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. The office will be closed for lunch between 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM.

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, June 24 – THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

7:30 a.m. — † Ken and Gladys Oberting  
9:30 a.m. — † Morgan Gaither  
11:45 a.m. — Parishioners of St. Mark

### Monday, June 25 - Weekday

9:00 a.m. — Communion Service

### Tuesday, June 26 - Weekday

9:00 a.m. — † Mallory Opel

### Wednesday, June 27 - Weekday; Saint Cyril of Alexandria

9:00 a.m. — † Meredith Opel

### Thursday, June 28 - Saint Irenaeus

9:00 a.m. — † Larry and Rose Richart

### Friday, June 29 - SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

9:00 a.m. — † Maria Jinsuk Cho

### Saturday, June 30 - Anticipation Mass

5:30 p.m. — † Bill Powers

### Sunday, July 1 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. — † Greg Cole  
9:30 a.m. — † Irvin Wojeciechoski  
11:45 a.m. — Parishioners of St. Mark

## Readings for the Week 06/24/2018 ~ 07/01/2018

Sunday: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8a, 18; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;  
Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-1; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15;  
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

## Catechesis

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Calling all children ages 4-10 years to join us for VBS on Sunday, June 24th thru



Thursday, June 28th from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Our theme this year is "Putting on the Armor of God". Cost is \$10/child or \$25 for 3 or more children. To register, visit our Parish Website or contact the Parish Center at 787-8246 x104. For more information, contact

Angi Swiezy, [aswiezy@stmarkindy.org](mailto:aswiezy@stmarkindy.org).

**VOCATIONS:** Serra Club of Indianapolis, a lay Catholic organization, nurtures the call to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. If you are interested in supporting Religious Vocations, please consider joining us for our membership dinner and fellowship on Thursday, June 28th, 5:30pm at St. Augustine Home on 2345 W 86th St. Please RSVP to Mike Kirk, [mkirk@archindy.org](mailto:mkirk@archindy.org) or call 317.775.9710. For more information visit [www.serraindy.org](http://www.serraindy.org).

Faith Wisdom Service



## Please Pray For...

Kathy Morrison, Kris Feldkhake, Lisa Engelking, Mary Fortress, Sherry Brett, Carolyn Walters, Karen Firkins, Sherrie Blomberg, Linda and Jerry Gaydos, Pat Henn, Joe Pierle, Shirley Martin, Hunter Moore, Betty Mouser, Joanne Burkert, Debbie O'Neal, Rosemary Delph, Katie Leach, Bill Mahlman, Pat Taylor, and Chris Williams.

MILITARY: Please pray for our women and men in the Armed Forces and their families

To add a name to our Prayer List, please contact Chris Johnson, [cjohnson@stmarkindy.org](mailto:cjohnson@stmarkindy.org)



## Note from Pastor

It was hot, humid, and sunny, that's great typical festival weather in Indiana in June for our Funfest. Thanks to everyone who organized and participated in the Funfest. Also, thanks to O'Riley Funeral Home for being great neighbors.

St. Barnabas Catholic Church and O'Riley Funeral Home graciously had a Funeral Visitation at St. Barnabas Church during our festival to decrease congestion in the parking areas, many thanks to both O'Riley and St. Barnabas. Thanks to the generosity of all the companies, organizations, and individuals who sponsored our Funfest. It was successful in so many ways. A heartfelt thank you to everyone. My very first Funfest at St. Mark was delightful.

I had a wonderful Birthday celebration on June 14, thanks for all the cards, gifts and best wishes for my birthday. Blessings,

*Fr Bill*

## Saint John The Baptist

The Nativity of Saint John The Baptist - June 24th.

Saint John the Baptist is one of the few saints who had two feast days. Today, we celebrate his birth, which Saint Luke narrates in his Gospel. There Saint Luke draws a parallel between the births of Jesus and John, pointing out the important role in the history of salvation that Saint John the Baptist would play.



O God, You raised up Saint John the Baptist to prepare a perfect people for Christ.

Fill Your people with the joy of possessing his grace and direct the minds of all the faithful in the way of peace and salvation.



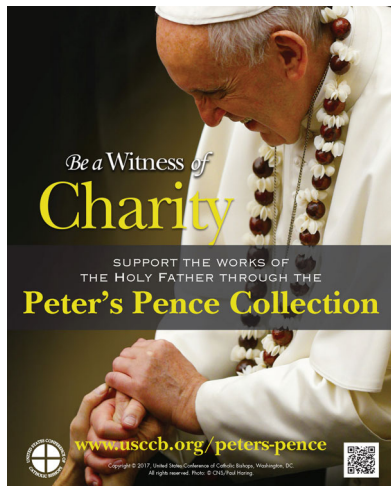
Grant us, as Saint John was martyred for truth and justice, so we may energetically profess our Faith in You, and lead others to the Way, the Truth and eternal life.

Amen

## Second Collection

### **PETER'S PENCE: July 1, 2018**

Next week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).



## Truth Forces Us from Comfort Zones

*...the truth will set you free. John 8:32*

"The truth may set you free," said one theologian, "but it may also make a lot of people extremely annoyed." Truth brings freedom, but it can also bring about harsh judgements. Sometimes when a person grows into a new attitude or behavior, it makes other people become uncomfortable. They express disapproval by trying to keep the person as he or she was. They frown on the new freedom because they are unable to accept the unsettling changes that sometimes come with it.

There is a true story of a man who had cared twenty years for his disabled wife. He was a tremendously loving and attentive spouse. Several years after his wife died, he remarried. One night he and his new wife were at a gathering with old friends. During the evening he began dancing and singing. Several who had known him as a quiet self-contained man whispered that he shouldn't be "doing things like that." His new behavior disrupted their comfort zone. They refused to accept his newly found joy and freedom after his long years as a dedicated caregiver.

Sr. Joyce Rupp, O.S.M.



## Parish Life

**ANNA'S HOUSE:** St. Mark's Women's CRHP team 19 is once again serving dinner at Anna's House, **Wednesday, June 27th, from 5:00pm - 8:00pm.** For more information, please call L aura Linder, 317-294-4080 or Joanie Grooms, 317-694-4323.

**All are welcome!**

**ST. MARK CARD PARTY:** The St. Mark Monthly Card Party will be held in the Narthex on **Thursday, June 28th**, starting at 1:00 pm. We play progressive euchre and the cost is \$1.00 to play, which includes refreshments. You are always encouraged to bring a friend. See you there!



**INCLUSION MINISTRY:** When your thoughts are occupied with wondering what life is like for someone with an obvious disability, then there's not enough room left for what counts. Namely, discovering common interests, and making true human connection with the real, whole person.

Blessed are you who take the time to listen to difficult speech, for you help me to know that if I persevere, I can be understood.

## From the Business Manager

A big Thank You, Many thanks to all of the willing hands, volunteers, sponsors, donors, and attendees that made the 2018 St. Mark FunFest a resounding success!!

Changes abound, there are a few areas getting a much needed face lift! The restrooms in Schafer Hall basement are being renovated and upgraded, to be followed by a renovation and an upgrade to the bathrooms in the school. Additionally, the entry doors to school are being reworked for safety and comfort! Thanks for your support and patience!

Applications are being accepted for the position of Parish Secretary for St. Mark the Evangelist Parish Office. If interested, qualified applicants should email a resume and cover letter to the Parish Business Manager, Joe Horan, at the Parish Office. ([jhoran@stmarkindy.org](mailto:jhoran@stmarkindy.org))

## Q-tips and Cotton Tops

**ALL parishioners over 50 are invited to participate in these events.**

**June 27** – Under the Sails Concert series at the Eiteljorg Museum presents “The Sounds of Santana”, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm on the grounds of the Eiteljorg.

**July 5** – The Skillman Concert series at the fountain in Greenwood Mall presents Hairbangers. At 6:30pm.

**July 11** – My Yellow Rickshaw at the Eiteljorg, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm.

**July 18** – A Latin Flare at the Eiteljorg, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm.

**July 28** – Mallow Run Winery Picnic Summer Concert Series presents Living Proof, at 5:30pm., on the lawn.

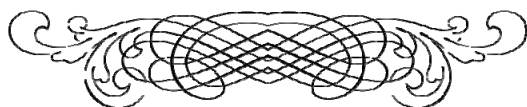
These events involve walking; some on uneven surfaces and stairs.

Eiteljorg Museum, 500 W. Washington St.; these are all **FREE** concerts. Have your parking ticket validated at the Museum information desk for free parking in the Museum underground garage. Limited seating provided. Bring a folding chair; snacks and non alcoholic beverages permitted. Food and drinks for purchase. Car pool will be available from St. Mark parking lot leaving at 5:00 p.m. OR we'll see you there!

Mallow Run Winery, 6964 N. Whiteland Rd; this one is a **FREE** concert. Necessary for you to bring a chair or picnic blanket; snacks and non alcoholic beverages are permitted. Food, wine and drinks available for purchase. Car pool available from St. Mark Parking Lot leaving at 4:30 p.m. OR we'll see you there!

Greenwood Mall, Skillman Concert Series, at the Fountain; **FREE** concert; bring a chair. We will not be car pooling. See you there! If you have any questions, call Wilma Cross (317) 403-8238 or Linda Carde (317) 748-0102.

**“LOVE, JOY AND PEACE” within reach of every hand!**



## St. Vincent de Paul



We have a special request this week. *ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀ*  
We are seeking adult sized men's and women's bicycles for some clients in our neighborhood to ride to work on the southside. Although they did not ask, if you have safety vests or other equipment, I suspect they would be a great addition. If you have a bike or equipment, please text Becky Weber at 317.508.6077 or email fry.family.in@sbcglobal.net *ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀ*

On another note, we recently visited a dad who is unexpectedly getting custody of two small children. He asked for beds and bedding for the children, lamps, a small couch, and some dishes. As we were concluding our visit, we asked where he was sleeping. Reluctantly he said he was using a camp cot. Thanks to the recent furniture we received from you...we were also able to get him in a bed as well. To say he was surprised and very grateful would be quite an understatement.

### WE NEED VOLUNTEERS



Our parish will be helping with drivers and helpers at the St. Vincent de Paul warehouse on 7/21, 8/18, 9/22, 10/20, and 11/17..

For more info and to sign up, go to [www.svdpindy.org](http://www.svdpindy.org). Click on “I want to help,” then click on “donate time,” scroll down to Distribution Center Volunteer and click on “Sign up online for a SPECIFIC SATURDAY to volunteer as a Distribution Center driver or helper.” The rest is self-explanatory. Thank you.

*“Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another....”*

St. Vincent de Paul

## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, June 24, 2018

- MASS - Church (7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM)
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (6:00PM - 8:00PM)

### Monday, June 25, 2018

- Communion Service - Church - 9:00 AM
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (6:00PM - 8:00PM)

### Tuesday, June 26, 2018

- MASS - Church - 9:00 AM
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (6:00PM - 8:00PM)

### Wednesday, June 27, 2018

- MASS - Church - 9:00 AM
- Book Club - Cenacle (10:00am - 12:00pm)
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (6:00PM - 8:00PM)

### Thursday, June 28, 2018

- MASS - Church - 9:00 AM
- Card Party - Narthex (1:00pm - 3:30pm)
- Learning Burmese - Church Courtesy Room (6:30pm - 8:00pm)
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (6:00PM - 8:00PM)

### Friday, June 29, 2018

- MASS - Church - 9:00 AM
- Wedding Rehearsal - Church (5:00pm)

### Saturday, June 30, 2018

- Wedding - Church (1:30pm)
- Reconciliation - Church Courtesy Room (4:00pm)
- MASS - Church - 5:30 PM
- Myanmar Rosary Prayer Group - Church (7:30pm)

### Sunday, July 1, 2018

- MASS - Church (7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM)
- MYANMAR MASS - Church (2:00 PM)

For more information regarding events on our campus, check out the Calendar Link on our website, [www.stmarkindy.org](http://www.stmarkindy.org).

## Community

**ALPHA HOSPICE CARE:** is seeking volunteers to assist Hospice patients and their families. If you are interested and have a caring heart and a listening ear, please contact Glenda Dennison at 317-300-2295 or [glendadennison@alphaHC.com](mailto:glendadennison@alphaHC.com).

**HEARTS AND HANDS:** Get your tickets today! Hearts & Hands of Indiana presents the 9th Annual Houses to Homes Event on **August 4, 2018** at **Primo Banquet and Conference Center**. The proceeds of this leading fundraiser directly funds the rehabilitation of previously abandoned homes in the near-west side of Indianapolis. These completed homes revitalize our neighborhood by providing families with a stable and quality home to call their own. Tickets are available for \$100, includes admission, dinner, and drinks for 2 adults; plus 1 drawing entry for a chance at \$5,000 grand prize, \$1,500 prize, and two \$500 prizes. Reach out to Jocelyn at 317-353-3605 or [info@heartsandhandsindy.org](mailto:info@heartsandhandsindy.org) for information or to get tickets!

**GOLDEN JUBILEE:** Attention all married couples celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2018! You are invited to the 35th Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee!

This joyous celebration takes place on **Sunday, August 5, 2018** at 2:00pm at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Charles Thompson. The Mass will be followed by a reception across the street. The event is free, but registration is required. For more information and to register go to [www.archindy.org/marriageandfamily/ministires-weddingcelebration.html](http://www.archindy.org/marriageandfamily/ministires-weddingcelebration.html).



## Condolences

We pray for the repose of the soul of .....  
Cyril DesJean

St. Mark extends condolences to his family. May God grant eternal rest to him and His consolation to his family and friends. May the soul of Cyril, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace

Raise them up to eternal life,  
O Lord, and hold them in the palm of your hand.

# Saints Peter and Paul



## Saints Peter and Paul's Story

**Peter (d. 64?).** Saint Mark ends the first half of his Gospel with a triumphant climax. He has recorded doubt, misunderstanding, and the opposition of many to Jesus. Now Peter makes his great confession of faith: "You are the Messiah" (Mark 8:29b). It was one of the many glorious moments in Peter's life, beginning with the day he was called from his nets along the Sea of Galilee to become a fisher of men for Jesus.

The New Testament clearly shows Peter as the leader of the apostles, chosen by Jesus to have a special relationship with him. With James and John he was privileged to witness the Transfiguration, the raising of a dead child to life, and the agony in Gethsemane. His mother-in-law was cured by Jesus. He was sent with John to prepare for the last Passover before Jesus' death. His name is first on every list of apostles.

And to Peter only did Jesus say, "Blessed are you, Simon, son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven" (Matthew 16:17b-19).

But the Gospels prove their own trustworthiness by the unflattering details they include about Peter. He clearly had no public relations person. It is a great comfort for ordinary mortals to know that Peter also has his human weakness, even in the presence of Jesus. He generously gave up all things, yet he can ask in childish self-regard, "What are we going to get for all this?" (see Matthew 19:27). He receives the full force of Christ's anger when he objects to the idea of a suffering Messiah: "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do" (Matthew 16:23b).

Peter is willing to accept Jesus' doctrine of forgiveness, but suggests a limit of seven times. He walks on the water in faith, but sinks in doubt. He refuses to let Jesus wash his feet, then wants his whole body cleansed. He swears at the Last Supper that he will never deny Jesus, and then swears to a servant maid that he has never known the man. He loyally resists the first attempt to arrest Jesus by cutting off Malchus' ear, but in the end he runs away with the others. In the depth of his sorrow, Jesus looks on him and forgives him, and he goes out and sheds bitter tears. The Risen Jesus told Peter to feed his lambs and his sheep (*John* 21:15-17).

**Paul (d. 64?).** If the most well-known preacher today suddenly began preaching that the United States should adopt Marxism and not rely on the Constitution, the angry reaction would help us understand Paul's life when he started preaching that Christ alone can save us. He had been the most pharisaic of Pharisees, the most legalistic of Mosaic lawyers. Now he suddenly appears to other Jews as a heretical welcomer of Gentiles, a traitor, and apostate.

Paul's central conviction was simple and absolute: Only God can save humanity. No human effort—even the most scrupulous observance of law—can create a human good which we can bring to God as reparation for sin and payment for grace. To be saved from itself, from sin, from the devil, and from death, humanity must open itself completely to the saving power of Jesus. Paul never lost his love for his Jewish family, though he carried on a lifelong debate with them about the uselessness of the Law without Christ. He reminded the Gentiles that they were grafted on the parent stock of the Jews, who were still God's chosen people, the children of the promise.

