



**Sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
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Sunday: 7:45 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.  
Holy Days: 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

**Confession:**

Saturday - 2:30 – 3:30 P.M. or by appointment

**Weekday Mass (Chapel):**

Wednesday: 6:00 P.M.  
Thursday, Friday: 8:30 A.M.  
First Saturday: 9:00 A.M.

**Chapel Open for Prayer:**

Tuesday thru Friday: 8:30AM-3:30PM  
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**Marriage Requirements:**

Meet with Father Culotta @ 980-1810, ext. #2 at least six months in advance.  
Visit wedding link on Web Site prior to meeting

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## Parish Prayer List

Please remember these people in your prayers and all those who have asked for our prayers.

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### Mass Intentions

Wed. Feb. 18 – 7:00 AM .....Joan Adams  
6:00 PM.....Craig Ospina  
Thurs. Feb. 19 – 8:30 AM.....Ray Lindsay  
Fri. Feb. 20 – 8:30 AM.....Shirley Charles  
Sat Feb. 21 - 4:00 PM.....Vincent Jake Tomburello  
Sun. Feb. 22 – 7:45 AM.....Vincent Schifano  
Sun. Feb. 22 - 10:30 AM.....People of the Parish

### Next Week's Readings

**Mon:** Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1,8,16-17,20-21; Mk 8:11-13  
**Tues.:** Gn 6:5-8;7:1-5,10; Ps 29:1-4,9-10; Mk 8:14-21  
**Wed.:** Jl 2:12-18Ps 51:3-6,12-14,17;2Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18  
**Thurs:** Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 9:22-25  
**Fri.:** Is 58:1-9; Ps 51:3-6,18-19; Mt 9:14-15  
**Sat:** Is 58:9-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32  
**Sun.:** *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

### Financial Information

February 1, 2015

	(Budgeted)	(Actual)	(YtD Budget)	(YtD Actual)
Collection:	30,771	15,271	187,026	173,805

**Current Parish Debt**  
\$3,193,186

### Women of Saint Mark

The Women of Saint Mark will celebrate Mardi Gras on February 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM with a wine tasting party. Anthony Tombrello from Morgan Creek Winery will share information about wine making and what to serve with various wines. Come join us!

### Bridal Show Open House

February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2 – 5 PM at Hampton Inn at Eagle Point. Free admission and refreshments provided.



## Ash Wednesday

Lent begins this Wednesday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, with Ash Wednesday. Dispensing of ashes at Saint Mark's at 7:00AM and 6:00PM masses. The Knights of Columbus will provide a Gumbo & Pizza Dinner following the 6:00PM mass in the Social Hall.

### Old Palms

Please bring old palms that you need to dispose of to church with you on Ash Wednesday or next weekend. Baskets will be on the Greeters' Desk for this collection.

### Black and Indian Mission Collection

On Feb. 21-22, 2015 has been set aside for the Black and Indian Mission annual collection. Your continued support is critical to the support of mission schools, religious education programs, and many areas of pastoral ministry in the United States.

### Adult Ed

Our Adult Ed series on Lenten Reflections continues next Sunday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> as we look at Second Sunday of Lent. Sr. Terry will offer the reflection at 9 AM in the PLC.

### Youth Groups

JCrew will meet, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, at the PLC for dinner, fellowship and activities. **IMPORTANT:** During the Season of Lent both the BLAST and JCrew will meet EVERY SUNDAY (BLAST from 5:00-5:45 pm and JCrew from 5:45-7:00 pm). These meeting will focus on spiritual exercises and practices in preparation for Easter. There will be a joint meal beginning at 5:30 pm for both groups.

### Scripture Study

The Scripture Study group will resume its sessions on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> in the Social Hall after the 8:30AM mass. The 90 minute sessions will continue each Thursday until March 26<sup>th</sup>. The Gospel of John 11:21 will be the focus. For books, contact Pat Armitage at patkenarmitage@gmail.com.

### Annual Men's Retreat

Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat, Ft. Mitchell, Alabama is offers Men's Retreat: "How do I know what God wants me to do?" on Feb. 20-22. For men who wish to explore more intensely how God is leading them to do His will. Presenter Father Alex Steinmiller, C.P. For registration information call 334-855-4474.

## **FOSM Tickets!**

Tickets for the 2015 FOSM Italian Food Festival are here! The Festival is on April 25<sup>th</sup> this year. Tickets are available in the Church Office or online at [www.feastofstmark.com](http://www.feastofstmark.com).

## **Grief and Loss Conference**

Catholic Family Services, in partnership with Community Grief Support Services, cordially invites all to attend a two-day grief and loss conference on February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at Canterbury United Methodist Church. The speaker will be Dr. Alan Wolfelt, grief educator and counselor in his field. For registration and costs, you can call Community Grief Support Services at 870-8667.

## **Make Pizzelle Cookies**

Join us to bake Pizzelle cookies to be sold at the Feast of Saint Mark Festival. Bring your Pizzelle makers and apron and come to Donna Francavilla's home on March 14th from 9 AM-12 Noon. To participate, contact Monica Sbrissa at: [my3kids@me.com](mailto:my3kids@me.com) or call (205) 790-6548.

## **Thank You**

Sincere thanks to my Saint Mark's parish family for the many prayers, cards and offers of help as I recover from my accident. My progress is slow but steady and I hope to see you all soon. God Bless! Darlene McCulloch

## **Children's Lenten Events**

Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>: Station of the Cross led by the children of the parish at 6:30 PM, followed by dinner.

March 21<sup>st</sup>: Little Children's Lent (ages 4-1<sup>st</sup> grade) get together.

## **Saint Bernard Preparatory School**

Saint Bernard Preparatory School is a co-ed boarding and day school for grades 7-12 in Cullman, Alabama. For more information contact [admissions@stbernardprep.com](mailto:admissions@stbernardprep.com) or call 256-255-5890. Website: [www.stbernardprep.com](http://www.stbernardprep.com) – Open House: Sunday, March 8, 2015, 2-4 PM.

## **Liturgical Schedule: February 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015:**

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:**

**Saturday:** Ruth Cook, Cathy Johnson, Ann Penton, Eva Shepherd, Sharon Zaleski, Larry Swetonic, Bill Welsh

**Sunday:** Paul Albano, Jenny Camp, Tony Inzinna, Vincent Lovoy, Ginger Scalici  
(10:30) Tom Chauffe, Sr. Terry Bretthauer, Keri Eitzen, Ana Hall, Rosemary Johnson, Bonnie Murphy, Steve Shoemaker, Tom Slonneger, Heidi Swanson

### **Mass Coordinator:**

**Saturday:** Bill & Jeanne Welsh

**Sunday:** Philip Boettcher and Lynda Smith  
(10:30) Janet Haines and Leonard Mueninghoff

**Altar Linens:** LouAnne Swetonic

### **Ushers:**

**Saturday:** Jim Smith, Thom Berry, Brandon Moseley, Ray Morin

**Sunday:** Kurt Friend, Steve Boner, Michael Rall, Faye Valencia  
(10:30) Bill Webb, Nancy Collis, George Juneman, Milene Panzica, Paul Roche

## **OLV Marriage and Family Life Program**

Our Lady of the Valley Parish is having a Marriage and Family Life Program at 6:30 PM on:

**February 19<sup>th</sup>:** video on the differences between men and women titled "The Tale of Two Brains";

**March 5<sup>th</sup>:** Fr. Kevin Bazzel on Annulments in the Catholic Church; and

**March 19<sup>th</sup>:** Mark Gungor offers via video, a presentation entitled "How to Stay Married Without Killing Anybody"

## **Supper Club**

Open to all adults. We meet at a local restaurant for dinner and socializing. Our upcoming supper will be held at The Fish Market on 280 on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:15 p.m. Each person is responsible for paying for their own meal. For reservations contact Cathy Johnson, at [cathyjohnson\\_2@hotmail.com](mailto:cathyjohnson_2@hotmail.com), or call 266-9685. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **2015 Men's Conference – Strong Men, Strong Faith**

Men – Do Not Miss this two-hour evening conference on Monday, February 16, 2015 at 7:00PM at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Hoover, Alabama. This two hour event is open to men 16 and older. The advanced on-line registration fee is only \$10.00. Registration at the door is \$15.00. For more information and to register, go to [www.strongmenstrongfaith.org](http://www.strongmenstrongfaith.org) or contact Hank Stickley at 746-1075.

## **Family Vocations Day**

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church is hosting a free Family Vocation Conference on Sat., March 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9AM-3PM. The day includes Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Family Lunch, the Rosary, Confessions, and a Question & Answer session. Celebrating the Year of Consecrated Life & "The Joy of the Gospel." For registration: [www.birminghamvocations.com](http://www.birminghamvocations.com).

### **Cantors:**

**Saturday:** Cynthia Brown

**Sunday:** Kathryn Garaca; Kathryn Garaca

### **Lectors:**

**Saturday:** Ree Morin, Tom Baydala

**Sunday:** Milton Davis, Ruth Breipohl  
(10:30) Susan Webb, Lisa Arrington

### **Altar Servers:**

**Saturday:** Mary Keithleen Favela, Diana Fernandez, Rachel Ferrell, Jonathan Zaleski, Abby Ferrell

**Sunday:** Carolyn Cleary, Lia DiGuglielmo, Isabel DiGuglielmo, Elizabeth Camp, Dominic Pautler  
(10:30) Luke Arrington, Chandler Perrigo, Dolan Wilson, Anna Arrington, Sam Lynch

### **Greeters:**

**Saturday:** Zuseth Fernandez, Becky Green, Karen Kapp, Rae Sarver

**Sunday:** Ken & Marie Lorek  
(10:30) Eccelle Burrus, Sarah Hebert, Al Lupenski, Kate Seifert

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