



**Fourth Sunday
Of Lent
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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
First Friday Exposition: 9:00AM-12:00Noon

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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

Baptism Requirements:

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Parish Prayer List

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

Helen Trabits, George James, Patricia Sheehan, Kathy Matuszak, Jeanette Larsen, Jane St. Denis, Don St. Denis, Santo Vizzina, Brennan Simkins, Elbert Bell, Ronnie Romano, Ronnie DeFalco, Peyton Abernathy, Brad Lembcke, James Trabits, Donald David, Kevin Camp, Sam Culotta, Julie Seigle, Gary Weitekamp, Jenny Lyn Pair, Michael Pair, Joan Van de Veer, Marietta Molay, Mary Catherine Schroeder, Shari Grantham Robie Bencho, Henry Pitre, Jackie Tevendale, Elena Sain, Tom Smith, Betty Quinlivan, Dean Arrington, Buster Brandino, Hays Ziemann, Brad Rosenwald, Brooke Wallace, Craig Pearce, Stephen Lanzi, Bootsie Porter, Cindy Troha, Bobbie Keith, Robert Dillard, Joseph Lanzi, William Morgan, Carolyn Westrich, Samuel Belcher, Isabella Belcher, Jim Meggs, Cedric Webber, Vester Webber, Patsy Evans, Gertrude Sgroi, Richard L. Swetonic, Mary Ann Stith, Rosa Butera, Jim Charles, Kevin Glandon, Peggy Devenisha, Jon Montgomery, Nunzia Massaro, Darlene McCulloch, Sam Ferlisi, Jan Cavaleri, Sandy Marriner, Sr. Cecelia Zamboni, M.C., Tom Kasse, Ronald Ramsden, Dung Hoang and Bea Baum.

Mass Intentions

Tues. March 10 - NOON.....**Dorothy Capra**
Wed. March 11 - 6:00 PM**Frances Cali Ross**
Thurs. March 12 - 8:30 AM.....**Shirley Charles**
Fri. March 13 - 8:30 AM.....**Jerry Smith**
Sat. March 14 - 4:00PM.....**Bill Moorefield**
Sun. March 15 - 7:45 AM.....**Harold Sheehan**
Sun. March 15- 10:30 AM.....**People of the Parish**

Next Week's Readings

Mon: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b Jn 4:43-54
Tues: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wed: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-20
Thurs: 2Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16;Ps 89:2-5,27,29;Rom 4:13, 16-18,22;Lk 2:41-51a
Fri: Wis 2:1a,12-22; Ps 34:17-21,23; Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30
Sat: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sun: Fifth Sunday of Lent
Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Financial Information

March 8, 2015

	(Budgeted)	(Actual)	(YtD Budget)	(YtD Actual)
Collection:	33,623	24,996	315,814	317,594
Faith Direct		21,253		
Current Parish Debt				\$3,134,215

Easter Decorating

We will be decorating our Church on Saturday, April 4th beginning at 9 am. With enough help we will be done by 10:30 or sooner. All hands are welcome! If you would like to assist please call Sr. Terry at the Parish or stmarksflowers@gmail.com.



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6:30 PM followed by a meatless meal.

Lenten Penance Service

Tuesday, March 17th at 7PM. Six priests will be available for confessions.

Our Hearts are Sadden

The sudden death of our Parish secretary, Ginger Scalici, has shocked us all. We offer our prayers for her family: her husband Matt, their three children Matthew (Francesca), Lauren (Adam), Anna (Zac), three grandchildren (Naomi, Ennio and Ezra) and her father, Sam Ferlisi. We were hoping that once she started treatment for cancer she would be able to resume her duties as our Parish office secretary. She was hospitalized for 25 days and died at Saint Vincent's on Monday, March 9th. Her funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, March 12th at Saint Mark's.

Our hearts are sadden as we move forward remembering her wonderful life-giving spirit and the grace in which she served her Parish for the last five years.

In Gratitude,
Fr. Joe and The Staff

Scripture Study

The Scripture Study continues on Thursdays in the Social Hall after the 8:30AM mass. The Gospel of John is the focus.

Morning of Prayer

The *Women of Saint Mark* invites you to join them on Tuesday, March 24 from 10-11:30 AM for a time of prayer and reflection on the theme of "**Joy of Gospel**" led by Fr. Ray Dunmyer. This will be followed by Mass at Noon.

Children's Lenten Events

This is a special time for the young ones of our parish to learn about Lent and Easter. March 21 (Saturday) from 10-11:30 AM in the Parish Life Center. Children from 4 years old to 1st grade are welcome. RSVP: Sr. Terry at church office or stmarkpa@bellsouth.net.

Be A FOSM2015 Volunteer!

Thanks for the volunteers over the past three years, we need your help, and the help of others, again this year. To volunteer, go to: feastofstmark.com and select "VOLUNTEER". It will take you to the site where you will be asked for your contact information, your preference of shift and area to work. All volunteers will receive a free FOSM tee shirt, so don't forget to provide your shirt size, on the website. If you have any questions/trouble contact Laura Belcher, (215) 635-6777, or Carol Bettis, (205) 572-1115 or send your questions to fosmstmarks@gmail.com. Thanks!

FOSM Tickets!

Tickets for the Festival, April 25th, are available (unless sold out) after all weekend Masses. Tickets may also be purchased in the Church office or online at www.feastofstmark.com. **Don't wait -- each year has been sold out!**

Let us pray...

The names of those who are preparing for reception of Sacraments at the Easter vigil are by the Paschal Candle in the back of the Church. Please pray for them.

Youth Groups

Both BLAST and JCrew will meet **this Sunday at 5:00 PM** for a special activity. There will be a joint BLAST and JCrew dinner 6:30 PM. These meetings will focus on Spiritual Exercises and practices that can be helpful for our Spiritual Health similar to how Physical Exercises are good for our physical health.

Adult Ed

Our Adult Ed series continues next Sunday March 22nd, as we continue our Lenten Reflections. Each week we look at the upcoming week's readings. Next week Phil Boettcher will offer the reflection for the readings of the Fifth Sunday of Lent Cycle B.

First Light - Restock the Shelves

We are seeking to aid the First Light Shelter by restocking their shelves. Pick up a tag in the Narthex and return all by **March 22** or before.

Pastoral Council Bullets

- The St. Mark's website is continually being updated with the activities of the Parish and other items of interest. Karen Berryman is the web master for our web page. The web address is www.stmarkrc.org;
- A Welcome Committee is being formed to assist new members of our Parish. Anyone interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Sister Terry at the Church office.
- Any members of the Parish who are interested in serving on the Pastoral Council will have the opportunity to submit their names for discernment April 11/12 and April 18/19.

Nursery

There will be **NO** nursery on Sunday, March 29th or April 5th due to the Easter vacation. The nursery will resume on April 12th.

Thank You

Thanks once again to Mrs. Joan Van deVeer and the Women's Group of Saint Mark for providing our Lenten meal after stations.

Cursillo Ultreya

A new Ultreya alternative is now available in the Birmingham area. The Ultreya will be held on the 4th Thursday of each month at Our Lady of the Valley Family Life Center, Rm A. The first get together will be March 26 beginning at 7:00 PM. All area Cursillistas are invited to attend! Come and renew old friendships, and make new ones! For more information, call Jasper at 585-4867.

St. Peter's Summer Camp

Kindergarten through 3rd grade, Full day 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM. Fun-filled activities for all ages; water play, sports, arts & crafts, music, cooking & more. Registration at www.stpeterscdc.com or call 205-822-9461.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights are selling **HE IS RISEN** magnets for your car or refrigerator. If interested call 866-622-7865 ext. 2 or email KofC13446@aol.com.

Remember **St. Patrick Selection Sunday Social** on March 15th at 6 PM. We will be serving the traditional Irish food, with a cash bar. All of this will be enjoyed as you fill out your March Madness Basketball Bracket (\$10 entry fee for adult contest, kids contest is free). RSVP: KofC134467@aol.com or 1-866-622-7865.

Hams for Easter

K of C is taking orders for Smoked Hams for your Easter dinner. A 9 pound bone in ham fully cooked for \$40. This year we are also offering Arnone's Italian sausage in five pound boxes. A 5 pound box of uncooked sausage is \$25. Call our Voice Mail at 866-622-7865 Extension 3 or send an email to KofC13446@aol.com to place your order, indicating name and best phone number to reach you. Last day to order is Sunday March 29. Curbside pick-up is Sat. April 4th from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Parish Life Center.

Padre Pio Prayer Group

The Padre Pio prayer group of Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church will meet on Saturday, March 21st at 10am. All Catholics are welcome to attend! We will have Adoration, Benediction, The Holy Rosary, Prayers to Padre Pio and end with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please join us in prayer! For more information call Angela Kolar at 991-9554.

Cantors:

Saturday: Kathryn Garaca

Sunday: Susan Richards, Kathryn Garaca

Lectors:

Saturday: Martinique Waters, Rebecca Blythe

Sunday: Milton Davis, Ginny Willis
(10:30) Chuck Trierweiler, Marilyn Chiamonte

Altar Servers:

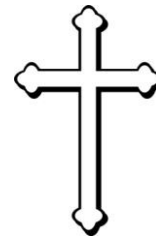
Saturday: Cooper Gray, Dolan Wilson, Jonathan Zaleski, Mary Caroline Gray, Ella Sciarra

Sunday: Lisa Heberlein, Justin Chestang, Jonathan Chestang, Carolyn Cleary, Jessica Heberlein, Ethan Lee
(10:30) Luke Rackers, Isabella Aldana, Sam Lynch, Daniel Ospina, Anja Trierweiler

Greeters:

Saturday: Rose Burns, Becky Green, Karen Kapp, Rae Sarver

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



Sympathy

We offer our prayers and sympathy to Kurt Friend on the death of his father, Roy Friend; to Linda Goff on the death of her mother, Joan Demoruelle; and to Matt Scalici on the death of his wife Ginger.

Laetare Sunday

"A Christian Lent can never be entirely sad. With the fourth Sunday the pent up spiritual joy in the true member of Christ burst forth in anticipation of the Easter joy to come. This was the day when the catechumens were decked with roses and when roses were mutually exchanged. Hence comes the custom of the rose vestment." The Liturgy of the Church, Virgil Michel, OSB

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work. With the cold days since the new year, we have assisted in paying power bills of over \$2,212.00 as well as assistance with water and rent. Can you consider giving alms to St. Vincent de Paul?

Liturgical Schedule: Mar. 21st & Mar. 22nd, 2015:

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:

Saturday: Pat Armitage, Ruth Cook, Mike & Pat Kantaris, Larry Swetonic, Jeanne Welsh, Sharon Zaleski

Sunday: Paul Albano, Sonny Jones, Vincent Lovoy
(10:30) Keri Eitzen, Ana Hall, Sarah Hebert, Joe Scotch, Steve Shoemaker, Susan Webb, Tom Slonneger, Heidi Swanson

Mass Coordinator:

Saturday: Bill & Jeanne Welsh

Sunday: Bill & Patricia Roach
(10:30) Leonard & Heidi Mueninghoff

Altar Linens: Nena Robinson

Ushers:

Saturday: Mike Burns, Thom Berry, Caleb Moore, Brandon Moseley, Terry Spitzer

Sunday: Kurt Friend, Steve Boner, Wayne Gwaltney, Michael Rall
(10:30) Bill Webb, Jay Aycock, Nancy Collis, George Juneman, Paul Roche

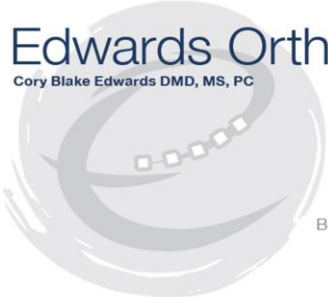

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