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Confession:

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

Weekday Mass (Chapel):

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

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Tuesday through Friday: 8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
The Church office closed on Monday.
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Tuesday through Friday: 8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
First Friday Exposition: 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

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Mass Intentions

Wed. Feb. 10 - Ash Wednesday

7:00 A.M. - Jean Funk

6:00 P.M. - David Burrus

Thurs. Feb. 11 - 8:30 A.M. - Margaret Tevendale

Fri. Feb. 12 - 8:30 A.M. - Marcia Heath (SI)

Sat. Feb. 13 - 4:00 P.M. - Mary Tamburello

Sun. Feb. 14 - 7:45 A.M. - Edward A. Lozick

Sun. Feb. 14 - 10:30 A.M. - People of the Parish

Weekly Readings

8 Mon -1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56

9 Tue -1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

10 Ash Wednesday -1 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20
6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

11 Thu -Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

12 Fri -Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

13 Sat -Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

14 Sun First Sunday of Lent-

Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Financial Information

January 31, 2016

(Budgeted) (Actual) (YtDBdgt) (YtDActual)

Collection: \$27,327 \$42,092 \$136,635 \$165,866

Latin America: \$235

Current Parish Debt

\$2,368,550

Sympathy

Let us pray to the Lord for all who have died especially

...John Tewey

...Don Gels, brother of Ginny Waller

Dear Parishioners,

The cost of reserving (purchasing) a niche in the Saint Mark Columbarium Garden will increase approximately 10% **effective February 22, 2016.**

**Parishioner Rate: Single \$3,000
Double \$3,500**

**Non-parishioner Rate: Single \$3,700
Double \$4,200**

The yearly increase assures perpetual care of current facilities and construction funds for the expansion of the Columbarium Garden when needed in the future. The Columbarium is located to the right of the Church behind the Chapel.

Hope and Joy,
Fr Joe

Special Note: Second Collection next week, Feb. 13 & 14, for Black and Indian Missions.

Feast of Saint Mark Italian Festival

Get your discounted tickets now through March 14 - \$20.00 Adult "Early Bird" and Children (ages 6 - 12) \$10.00 tickets will be available after all Masses the weekends of February 6-7, February 20-21, March 5-6 and March 12-13. Tickets may also be purchased via the website www.FeastofSaintMark.com or in the Church Office. Children ages 5 and under, free. Adult tickets increase to \$25.00 March 15.

Want a free ticket? - Be one of the first 250 volunteers to sign up at www.FeastofSaintMark.com

GREETINGS

Hello to everyone from New Orleans!

I wanted to send a little update and let you all know how things are going. Just before the semester started I traveled to the Holy Land with a group from my class. A few of us spent the night in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher for an all-night prayer vigil. I prayed for St Mark's and the diocese at all the sacred sites within the church.

The semester started as soon as we returned. So far, classes are going well. We are beginning our comprehensive exams, so that is a sign that the end is getting closer. I have started practicing mass. Father Culotta makes it look so easy. I am still trying to get straight when my hands are supposed to be extended or joined or extended then joined. At any rate, I hope to see everyone soon during Holy Week.

God Bless
Deacon Wyman

OUTREACH TO THE NEEDY

When Saint Mark's Parish began in 1999, we also began an outreach to the poor and needy in Greene County. This county is one of the poorest in the United States and is served by the Catholic Center of Concern.

GREENE COUNTY MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE provides items parish volunteers deliver for the Guadalupe Sisters to distribute.

CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE offers 100 families with a Christmas dinner, gifts for their children and aid with the utility bills.

GREENE COUNTY SUMMER MISSION each June working with other parishes arranges to rehab trailers and homes in Greene County that the Sisters have selected.

***We are seeking a volunteer to help coordinate those who will be providing the lunches during the Mission week June 6-10, 2016. Different parishes and groups provide the food and serve it, but we need a **COORDINATOR**. If interested or want more information contact Sr. Terry at stmarkpa@bellsouth.net or 205-980-1810 ext. 3.

Youth

On February 7th the Youth Groups will have a joint Super Bowl Party from 5:00-8:00 pm. We will be watching the game/commercials with an indoor tailgate party. Please bring your favorite tailgate food to share (there will be drinks provided).

On February 20 the High School JCrew will have the opportunity to test their escape skills at Birmingham Breakout. Please contact Daniel Henninger at 980-1810 ext. 4 or stmarkyouth@bellsouth.net to sign up or for more information.

Women's Club

The Women of St. Mark are sponsoring a Lenten Morning of Prayer for all women of the parish on Tuesday, February 16 from 10:00-11:30 AM in the Chapel. The featured speaker will be Sister Janet Marie Fleming, O.S.B. on the theme of "a new look at Mary and Martha" (Luke 10:38-42). The morning will conclude with Mass at Noon.



This weekend there will be baskets in the Narthex for collecting "old palms" from last year as Ash Wednesday is February 10, 2016.

A Great Time Was Had By All



Over 220 students and 60 plus adults, from 19 different diocesan parishes, sang, prayed and were inspired at our Rhythm of God youth event held at Saint Mark last Saturday.

This great effort was made possible through the efforts of so many of our parish members. Thanks go out to the Youth and Adult Choir, the Knights of Columbus, and numerous committee members who assisted with music, security, registration, web site promotions, email correspondence, Mass preparations, meal planning, decorations, and youth activities.

The whole event was uplifting yet faith-filled. What a thrill it was to see the Social Hall and the church alive with spirit and "the Rhythm of God". Sincere gratitude and blessings to all who were a part of this magnificent event.

Susan Webb

Adult Ed

As we continue our Lenten journey, the Adult Education/Formation meetings will focus on the Gospel of Luke, the Good News of God's Mercy. This study promises to be a studied, involved and interactive approach to Luke's gospel. Books for the next six weeks study are available for \$9.00.

Next week Sunday, Feb 14, Fr. Joe will be the facilitator. Join us in the PLC from 9-10:15 AM.

Mom's Group

Please join us for our first Mom's Group get together of 2016. We'll meet in the Parish Nursery on Tuesday February 9th from 9:30-11:30am for fellowship and fun as the kids play. It will be a Valentine's theme (snacks/craft). *In the future we will meet monthly on the 2nd Wednesday. We moved it to Tuesday due to Ash Wednesday. We also intend to incorporate other activities and outings. Please join us to collaborate! For more info, contact Katy Santello (ksantell425@gmail.com) or Aisling Henninger (quigley.henninger@gmail.com)



We thank our Altar Servers
and the Coordinators
for their reverent and dedicated service
in our Altar Server Ministry!

ASM Coordinators

Susan Clark
Daniel DiGuglielmo
Hampton Floyd
Kristy Gray
Lisa Heberlein
Tom Heberlein
Daniel Henninger
Maissa Ospina
Tracy Pflaum
Gail Sanson
Maria Schaffer

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Luke Arrington
Brianna Braden
Elizabeth Camp
Jonathan Chestang
Justin Chestang (Senior)
Catherine Clark (Senior)
Carolyn Cleary
Isabel DiGuglielmo
Lia DiGuglielmo
Maria Elliott
Mary Keithleen Favela
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Elizabeth Zaleski
Jonathan Zaleski

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First Reconciliation

February 6, 2016

Tyler Abercrombie
Emma Kate Ashley
Grayson Bakane
Benjamin Barnes
John David Bonamy
Peyton Grace Brantley
Luke Carbonie
Quinn Davis
Charles Glenn
Frank Glenn
Kendall Grah
Hudson Hagood
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Sophie Jones

Caryn Mary Kahl
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Courteney Martin
Alexander Martin
Reagan Mosolino
Jacob Rearden
Elizabeth Rylee
Emma Santello
Ansley Smith
Caroline Riley Spence
Emma Elizabeth Watkins
Andrew White
Lauren Young



Liturgical Schedule: Feb. 13th & Feb. 14th, 2016

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:

Saturday: Ruth Cook, Mike Kantaris, Pat Kantaris,
Darlene McCulloch, Charles Varano, Bill Welsh
Sharon Zaleski

Sunday: Sr. Terry Bretthauer, Annamarie DiCihara, Tony Inzinna,
Theresa LoMonaco, Jose Marrero
(10:30) Mary Beth Crumly, Maylynda Guarisco, Ana Hall,
Rosemary Johnson, Bonnie Murphy, Teresa Palmer,
Joe Scotch, Cheryl Shader, Susan Webb

Mass Coordinator:

Saturday: Bill & Jeanne Welsh

Sunday: Bill & Pat Roach
(10:30) Sammy & Theresa Romano

Altar Linens: Gerie Elkourie

Ushers:

Saturday: Jim Smith, Connie Bailey, Thom Berry, Brandon Moseley

Sunday: Steve Boner, Lupita Bilbao, Juan Luis Contreras,
Faye Valencia
(10:30) George Juneman, Rob Haley, Paul Roche, Emma
Stephens, Phillip Troha

Liturgical Schedule: Feb. 13th & Feb. 14th, 2016

Cantors:

Saturday: Kathryn Garaca

Sunday: 7:45—Ken Jannot; 10:30—Kathryn Garaca

Lectors:

Saturday: Ree Morin, Rebecca Blythe

Sunday: Darlene McCulloch, Ginny Willis
(10:30) Bill Webb, Karen Thatcher

Altar Servers:

Saturday: Maissa Ospina, Brianna Braden, Daniel Ospina,
Anja Trierweiler, Elizabeth Zaleski, Jonathan Zaleski

Sunday: Susan Clark, Jonathan Chestang, Justin Chestang,
Catherine Clark, Cooper Gray, Jessica Heberlein
(10:30) Hampton Floyd, Jacob Porco, Jonathon Porco,
Grant Rakers, Luke Rakers, Zach Rakers

Greeters:

Saturday: Jayne Day, Becky Green, Tom Lager, Pat Smith

Sunday: Ken & Marie Lorek
(10:30) Carlos Godinez, David Neaves, Sandee Rhodes,
Bill Tevendale

VOCATION RETREAT

St. Bernard Abbey, a Benedictine monastery in Cullman, Alabama, will be hosting a "Come and See" Retreat for Vocations the weekend of February 12-14. The retreat is for men ages 18-35. For more information contact Fr. Joel Martin O.S.B., at frjoel@stbernardprep.com or call 256-339-1867.

Liturgical Schedule: Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10th

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:

Wed. 7 AM: Sonny Jones, Nancy Ladshaw, Theresa LoMonaco,
Charles Varano, Ginny Willis

Wed. 6 PM: Eleanora Castagnetta, Sarah Hebert, Mike & Pat
Kantaris, Teresa Palmer, Joe Scotch, Steve Shoemaker
Jim E Smith Jr, Sharon Zaleski

Mass Coordinator:

Wed. 7 AM: Ginny Willis

Wed. 6 PM: David & Eleanora Castagnetta

Cantor: 7:00 AM—Ken Jannot; 6:00 PM—Allison Creel

Lectors:

Wed. 7 AM: Cathy Johnson, Martinique Waters

Wed. 6 PM: Mary Beth Crumly, Sandy Fleury

Ushers:

Wed. 7 AM: Jim Smith, Steve Boner, Giovanni Garza, Larry Swetonic

Wed. 6 PM: Scott Riley, Lupita Contreras, Tom Heberlein, Amos &
Bobbie Mitchim

Altar Servers:

Wed. 6 PM: Lisa Heberlein, Maria Elliott, Abby Ferrell, Jackson &
Kaitlyn Shields

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Lenten retreat to be led by Fr. Doug Vu at Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center

The Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman is pleased to announce a Lenten Retreat to be led by Fr. Doug Vu, Priest of the Diocese of Birmingham. The weekend retreat will be held February 19-21. Fr. Vu will focus on themes associated with the Year of Mercy, the motto of which is Merciful Like the Father. The retreat will begin on Friday evening, February 19, and will conclude with the noon meal on Sunday, February 21. The cost for the weekend is \$245/person for a private room and \$205/person for a shared room; lodging, meals, and linens are included. For registration information, please contact the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center at (256) 734-8302 or by e-mail at retreats@shmon.org.

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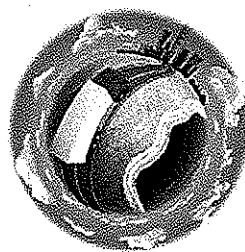
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