

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

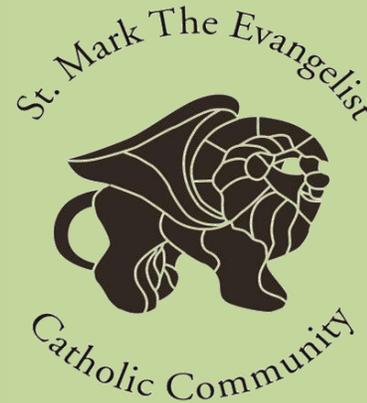
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Mary McFarlane (810) 344-9859

Powers Catholic High School (810) 591-4741

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome! Individuals who actively participate with us are asked to register by contacting the Parish Office.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mark the Evangelist Parish is a growing community of faith which strives to help its members follow Christ's commandment: "Love one another, as I have loved you." John 15:12

SACRAMENTAL LIFE:

Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Sunday	9:30 a.m.

Weekday Liturgies:

Tuesday	6:30 p.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m.

First Friday of the month, Mass is followed by Eucharistic adoration 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Christmas, Easter and Holy Days: see bulletin

Penance Saturday, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Infant Baptism Contact Parish Office

Matrimony Contact Parish Office (nine months in advance)

Anointing of the Sick Contact Parish Office (after Masses, at home, or in hospital)

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday Noon

CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you move; have a seasonal address; or change of address, phone or e-mail, please contact the Parish Office.

August 26, 2018

Fr. Dan, Deacon Ron and I would like to share this letter from Bishop Boyea. We feel blessed to have Bishop Boyea as the shepherd of our diocese, and we support his strong stance and ask for your prayers.

– fjk

A message from Bishop Boyea:

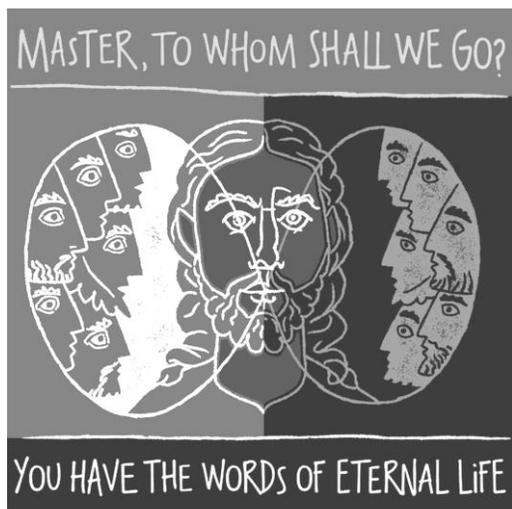
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am writing this to you due to the recent removal of Archbishop Theodore McCarrick from ministry and the release of the grand jury report on clergy abuse in Pennsylvania. Once again, the sins of clergy have hurt victims, scandalized the faithful, raised anger in many hearts, and brought ill-repute upon the Catholic Church. Archbishop McCarrick's abuse of minors, his homosexual activity and his abuse of seminarians and young priests are beyond the pale. The sins of anyone who sexually abuses children are abhorrent, most especially clergy. In addition, some knew about these crimes and did nothing to address this behavior. I am as shocked as you. So, first of all, I apologize for their behavior and the behavior of those who did nothing to stop it. It is incredibly wearying and demoralizing to hear yet again about these sexual sins and crimes. Let us hold each other in prayer.

As you may know, each bishop is ultimately responsible to the Holy Father, who is the only one who can remove a bishop. Still, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops will be discussing how we bishops might attempt to hold one another accountable, given this limitation. I can never give a guarantee that there will not be other clerics who violate their promise of celibacy and abuse their positions. We are all sinners. The Lord Jesus knew what these sinful clergy did just as he knows our sinful selves as well. Beyond what we can do as human beings to address the behavior of one another, we also commend ourselves and each other to the charity and justice of our God. We offer our prayers for the healing of victims of abuse but the time has come for us bishops to do more to hold one another accountable.

Christ is our hope in all things. May God have mercy on us all.

Bishop Earl Boyea, Diocese of Lansing



WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, August 27

No activities scheduled

TUESDAY, August 28

6:30 p.m. – Mass: Those affected by natural disasters / Parish

WEDNESDAY, August 29

8:30 a.m. – Liturgy of the Hours – Church
9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild – Parish Center
10:00 a.m. – AA – Parish Center – Rooms 1 & 2

THURSDAY, August 30

7:00-8:30 p.m. – Choir practice – Church

FRIDAY, August 31

8:30 a.m. – Mass: Evangelization / Parish

SATURDAY, September 1

7:00 a.m. – Men's Fellowship – Parish Center
4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church
5:30 p.m. – Mass: People of the Parish / Parish

SUNDAY, September 2

9:30 a.m. – Mass: +Ted Owczarek / Candiloro Family

LET US PRAY:

For Peace; for Women/Men in the Military Service:

SSG J Gillett; Maj. S Halleaux; Maj. C Kaighen;
SPC T Kenney; S/Sgt. D Kendall; PFC Greg Misiak

For Our Sick: Those who are homebound, in the hospital or another healthcare facility.

For Prayer Ministry Requests: Contact Joan Turner, joanturner38@sbcglobal.net or 248-410-2286.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon, 8/27: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22

Tue, 8/28: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;
Mt 23:23-26

Wed, 8/29: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5;
Mk 6:17-29

Thu, 8/30: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51

Fri, 8/31: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;
Mt 25:1-13

Sat, 9/1: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;
Mt 25:14-30

Sun, 9/2: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22,
27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

St. Mark 40th anniversary speaker series in October

Mark your calendars for 6:00-7:30 p.m. on the Sundays of October, when St. Mark's parish commissions will offer a series of speakers that touch on each commission's mission: Education/Formation, Parish Life, Social Justice and Spiritual Development. See future bulletins for more information as it becomes available.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time HOUSEHOLDS IN GOD'S SERVICE

In the ancient world, "household" was a wide-reaching concept. When Joshua today speaks of his household serving the Lord, he meant not just those people who lived inside his walls or those related to him by blood or marriage; he meant slaves or servants and their families, and anyone indebted to him in any way. Even his livestock and other possessions would be consecrated to service of God. In our world, we value allowing individuals their freedom to choose how they live, and we wouldn't think of offering our pets to the service of God. But, as we discern our vocation as disciples baptized into Christ, we can come to realize how far-ranging the "households" of our lives still are: how we act toward our spouses, children, roommates or anyone we live with; our behavior with neighbors; or in public as we encounter many "strangers" every day in stores or traffic who suddenly are "next door" to us. How can we use our time, our resources, or gifts for selfless reasons rather than personal gain? No matter what life our witness to the Good News calls us to, we all have a "household" that must be consecrated to service of the Lord our God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

August 18 and 19

Weekly Collection.....	\$2,104.00
Online Giving.....	\$1,850.00
Children.....	\$ 0.00

*Thank you to those who regularly and generously
give of your treasure as well as those who
give of your time and talent to support our mission!*

St. Mark photo directory – Sept. 11 and 12

We have added new dates for photography for the directory: Sept. 11 and 12. Please see the parish website for a link to sign up to have your photo taken or go to <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ycvtmsc6/>, or sign up after weekend Masses. We will receive a hard copy edition if we reach 200 portraits, so please sign up today – thanks!

Annual Mission appeal speaker – Sept. 8 and 9

At Masses the weekend of Sept. 8 and 9, Fr. Johnus Cherunilath, V.C. of the Vincentian Congregation will speak to us about his congregation's work to bring food, shelter, education and, most importantly, the Gospel message to the poor in their missions in India and Africa. There will be an opportunity to support the Vincentians' work and, in their words, "to promote missionary spirit – a spirit of prayer and sacrifice and a joyful enthusiasm for the Faith."

Ministries Fair – Sept. 15 and 16

All are invited to learn more about St. Mark's various ministries at a fair to be held after Masses the weekend of Sept. 15 and 16 in the Parish Center. See how you can use the talents God gave you to serve the parish and the world.

Free household hazardous waste collection – Sept. 15

Safely dispose of your household hazardous waste at Carman-Ainsworth Middle School (1409 W. Maple Ave, Flint – enter from Maple Ave) and the Flint East Water Service Center on Saturday, Sept. 15 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. For more information, call 810-762-7744 or visit recycle@co.genesee.mi.us.

FAITH FORMATION

Ron's thoughts . . .

In the midst of what we have seen in the media lately about our Catholic Church, the sex abuse of clergy and the misconduct of church leaders, Joshua's challenge to Israel needs to be our focus and our future. He says, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15)

We can't run or hide from what was, but we can do our best to change the culture of who we are and what we are about. We are all sinners and, yes, these abuses and crimes happen in all walks of life, but it needs to be our everyday priority to do nothing more than to SERVE THE LORD! The more we see ourselves as serving the Lord instead of our own selfish desires, we begin to break down a culture of sinfulness and control that often leads to the mistreatment and abuse of others. When we look beyond what we want and see that we can help others by serving the Lord, we see ourselves together with others walking the same journey of faith.

I am sorry for where we find ourselves. But today, let's start seeing more how we as the people of God can proclaim loudly, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Walk the talk! Be Peace!

– Dcn. Ron – stmarkdff@hotmail.com

CATECHISTS! Are you interested in sharing your faith with the young people of St. Mark? Join us as a catechist for the 2018/19 year. The pay isn't great, but the rewards are out of this world! Contact Dcn. Ron stmarkdff@hotmail.com.

St. Mark Youth Group

- Begins Sunday, September 23rd, 6-7:30 p.m. for all 6th-12th graders)

St. Mark Religious Education Formation (REF) 2018/19

- Registration for 2018-19 REF Year taking place now in the Parish Office.
- Register for Confirmation (9th graders) and First Reconciliation and Eucharist (2nd graders) in the Parish Office.
- REF sessions begin Sept. 23, 2018.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

- Are you interested or do you know someone who is interested in completing the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) and learning more about becoming Catholic. Contact Dcn. Ron at stmarkdff@hotmail.com. Sessions begin in September.

Adult Faith Formation

- **Men's Fellowship** – Meets the first Saturday of each month, 7:00-8:00 a.m. Next session is Sept. 1.
- **Alpha** – a great way for practicing Catholics to re-examine and re-energize their faith, and for anyone who is looking for more in life. Watch for more details soon.
- **WELCOME RETREAT (CRHP 2.0)** – Do you sense something missing in your life? Men's Weekend October 13-14, 2018 at Holy Family (for St. Mark too) and Women's Weekend October 27-28, 2018. More info to follow or contact Dcn. Ron at stmarkdff@hotmail.com.