

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

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AA Hotline (810) 234-0815

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Council of Catholic Women

Mary McFarlane (810) 344-9859

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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.

(Editor's note: Fr. Joe sends his regrets for his column this week. We look forward to hearing from him next week!)

NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time. He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones," the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

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Help Spread the FAITH collection – Sept. 29 and 30

This weekend, we will be taking up a collection to support evangelization through FAITH Magazine, the FAITHpub.com website, the FAITHpub app, the televised Outreach Mass and the U.S. bishops' national evangelization efforts. Please prayerfully consider a gift.

Women's retreat at St. Francis Center– Oct. 26-28

The women of St. Mark are invited to attend our annual women's retreat Oct. 26-28, 2018 at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, MI. This year's theme is "From Chaos to Order: A Scriptural Guide." Join us to gain new scriptural insights on ways to bring order into your own life and community. The suggested donation for the weekend is \$175. The retreat begins with check in at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and ends after lunch on Sunday. Women of all ages are welcome! Register with St. Francis at 517-669-8321; registration is also available online at www.stfrancis.ws.

Diocesan Women's Conference – Nov. 3

Mark your calendars for the Diocesan Women's Conference on Saturday, Nov. 3 at the Lansing Center in Lansing. Watch the bulletin for more information or visit the conference website at <https://www.lansingdiocesecwc.org/>.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, October 1

Priest convocation, through October 3

TUESDAY, October 2

10:00 a.m. – Shawl Ministry – Contact Parish Office for location

No 6:30 p.m. Mass because of Priest Convocation

WEDNESDAY, October 3

8:30 a.m. – Liturgy of the Hours – Church

9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild – Parish Center

10:00 a.m. – AA – Rooms 1 & 2

THURSDAY, October 4

7:00 p.m. – Blessing of pets – Peace Prayer Garden

No choir practice

FRIDAY, October 5

First Friday of the month

8:30 a.m. – Mass: People of the Parish / Parish

9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration – Church

SATURDAY, October 6

7:00-8:00 a.m. – Men's Fellowship – Parish Center

4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church

5:30 p.m. – Mass: For the intention of Mike Zelley / Janet Waters

6:30 p.m. – Parish potluck dinner – Parish Center

SUNDAY, October 7

9:30 a.m. – Mass: +Margaret Ridenour / Ridenour Family

9:30 a.m. – Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:30 a.m. – Hospitality Hour

10:45 a.m. – Bell choir practice – Church

11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. – REF: Gr K-5

6:00-7:30 p.m. – REF: Gr 6-12

6:00-7:30 p.m. – Speaker series – Parish Life Commission

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, Sn Daniel P. Wood

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, 10/1: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50

Tue, 10/2: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wed, 10/3: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62

Thu, 10/4: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12

Fri, 10/5: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

Sat, 10/6: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Sun, 10/7: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

September 22 and 23

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| Weekly collection..... | \$3,764.00 |
| Online giving..... | \$2,985.00 |
| Children..... | \$ 0.75 |

Thank you to those who regularly and generously give of your treasure, time and talent.

Blessing of pets – Sept. 30 and Oct. 4

Please bring your pets to our special blessing ceremonies. The first is Sunday, Sept. 30 at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Family Parish in the lower parking lot off Bush St. near the Father Bush Parish Center. The second is in our own Peace Prayer Garden at St. Mark on Thursday, Oct. 4 at 7:00 p.m.

First Friday Eucharistic adoration – Oct. 5

This Friday, Oct. 5, is the First Friday of the month, and once again, there will be Eucharistic adoration from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please sign-up for a one-hour slot; we need one or more individuals per hour. This is a wonderful way to spend time with the Lord in prayer.

Parish potluck dinner – Oct. 6

Join your parish family and share your cooking skills at a potluck dinner on Saturday, Oct. 6 after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Sign up in the Gathering Space.

40th anniversary speaker series – Oct. 7, 14, 21 & 28

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. See future bulletins for more information as it becomes available.

CCW Annual Fall Scrapbook CROP – Oct. 12-13

Here is your opportunity to catch up on organizing those pictures! E-mail Cindy Bell at cabsandkids@aol.com to register. Registration fee includes plenty of space, snacks, vendors and prizes. The CROP will be held Friday, Oct. 12 from 6:00 p.m. to midnight (\$12) and Saturday, Oct. 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (\$35). Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served on Saturday.

Re-connections wallet collection and presentation

See the enclosed flyer for more information about Catholic Charities' Re-connections program. St. Mark's Social Justice Commission is organizing a presentation about the program on Oct. 14 at 6:00 p.m. and is collecting men's wallets in the Gathering Space until Oct. 7 to give to the speakers at the presentation. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Please plan to attend Mass in October

Each October, the Diocese of Lansing asks each parish to report its Mass attendance. Please make a special effort to attend Mass next month and be counted!

Fall Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends

"Fall" in love all over again! Apply today to experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter enrichment weekend. Fall weekends are being held at Augustine Center near Petoskey Oct. 5-7 and Saginaw Center for Ministry Nov. 2-4. Apply online at www.wwme.org or contact Andrew and Alaina at 734-531-9191 for more information.

FAITH FORMATION

Ron's thoughts . . .

For many years now I have had the privilege to be able to distribute communion in my ministry. Sharing the Body and Blood of the Lord with others is truly a blessing. I love bringing the Eucharist to others, I love bringing Jesus to others. This past weekend I experienced something that I have never felt before, while sharing the Body of Christ with attendees at the Made for Happiness Assembly in Lansing. While standing before the people and proclaiming, "The Body of Christ," to each, as they came forward, I was overcome with emotion and, yes, chills. I was not cold, I was not tired, nor was I sick in anyway. As each person came forward, I would look into their eyes and with such conviction for belief in the Eucharist they would say proudly and reverently, "AMEN!" It was awe-inspiring, and I felt such a strong presence of God saying to each and every person as they came forward, "Come to me and be fed, come to me and be healed, come to me and I will never leave you." Wow! Now don't get me wrong, I do believe in the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and have for a very long time. Eucharist is very important to me and my continued relationship with Christ. But, there was something special and transforming for me to see in the eyes of others that same passion and spirit. Even this Deacon has room to grow. I hope you do too. Because let me tell you, when you see others see Jesus as you do, you see Jesus in others.

Walk the talk! Be Peace! –

Dcn. Ron (rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org)

St. Mark Youth Group

- Sundays, 6:00-7:30 p.m. – All 6th–12th graders are invited. Register in the Parish Office or contact Dcn. Ron.
- **Diocese of Lansing High School Youth Conference: Who Do You Say That I Am?** All high school youth are invited to join more than 800 young people from around the diocese to celebrate our Catholic faith on Sunday, Nov. 4 at the Lansing Center. Contact Dcn. Ron for more information.
- **Youth Group Hayride and Bonfire!** Saturday, Oct. 28. Get details at Sunday evening Youth Group.

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

- Registration for 2018-19 REF Year and Confirmation (9th graders) and First Reconciliation and Eucharist (2nd graders) can be done in the Parish Office or by contacting Dcn. Ron.

Adult Faith Formation

- **Men's Fellowship** – Meets the first Saturday of each month, 7:00-8:00 a.m. Next session is Oct. 6.
- **Welcome Retreat (CRHP 2.0)** at Holy Family (for St. Mark, too) – Something missing in your life? Men's weekend Oct. 13-14 – women's Oct. 27-28. Contact Dcn. Ron for more information.

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.