

# St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

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## PARISH COUNCILS:

Pastoral Council: Mary Crosby, chair

Finance Council: Dale Gossiaux, chair

## PARISH – VICARIATE MINISTRIES:

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AA Hotline (810) 234-0815

Catholic Charities (810) 232-9950

Council of Catholic Women

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.

**A cup of Joe . . .**

Greetings in Christ, all! We are officially in my favorite time of year: fall. I love the colors and the beauty of it all, but most of all, I love the temperature!

I wanted to share two pieces of joyful news with y'all... First, the diocese contacted me late last week and asked if our two Parish Families would be willing to host Fr. Bill Wegher. Fr. Bill is a priest in our diocese whom many of you may know, but the deal is this: he is more or less rebuilding now from some struggles with alcoholism and was hoping to live in a community of priests in this process. When I was told of this, I felt blessed that our bishop would ask us to take him in.

So, more than likely, even before you read this article, Fr. Bill will have moved in at Holy Family Rectory. This is all very last minute and because of that, I do not have any concrete information about what he will be doing, but I will share that as we go. The key is that he will be a bit limited by an inability to drive and making sure to give him time to heal up and get stronger. My hope is that we will be able to maybe even add some sacramental opportunities at St. Mark, as mass attendance continues to grow there during the weekdays...praise God.

By the way, I have a theory about how we ended up in a wonderful spot of going from fearing having only one priest at two parishes to having three priests at two and it involves you guys praying like mad when we found out we were losing Fr. Dan...hahahaha...bless you good people!

The second joyful news is that I have been in contact with a priest who is seeking a home for his retirement. I heard he was looking for a place to stay and we have been talking it through on the phone. I cannot share his name right now, but am just letting you know what is going on so that you can pray that God will be done. It's also a great opportunity for us all to thank the Lord for this home and the chance to give a beautiful servant of God a place to rest and enjoy retirement! As we get closer to it happening or not happening, I will be sure and let you know. In the meantime, I thank the Lord for your generous hearts which gave us such a great home to offer.

It's been a bit of a tough transition for me...I am feeling pretty darn stretched these days, but your prayers have blessed me, your encouragement has lifted me up and your kindness and flexibility is a genuine answer to prayers. I feel like it is all starting to settle in and that is a great feeling.

Bless you all, I thank God that I get to be your priest.  
– fjk

**Mass and service schedule for All Saints and All Souls**

Here is the Mass and service schedule for celebrating the All Saints Holy Day of Obligation and the All Souls Holy Day:

**All Saints**

*Weds, Oct. 31 –  
6:30 p.m. Mass at HF*

*Thurs, Nov. 1 –  
6:30 a.m. Mass at HF  
8:00 a.m. Mass at HF  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mark  
6:30 p.m. Mass at HF*

**All Souls**

*Fri, Nov. 2 –  
8:00 a.m. Mass at HF  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mark  
5:30 p.m. memorial Mass  
at Holy Family  
6:30 p.m. memorial prayer  
service at St. Mark,  
reception following*

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**MONDAY, October 29**

No activities scheduled

**TUESDAY, October 30**

6:30 p.m. – Mass: World Peace / Parish  
7:00 p.m. – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning meeting

**WEDNESDAY, October 31**

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  
6:30 p.m. – Mass for All Saints Holy Day at Holy Family

**THURSDAY, November 1 – All Saints**

8:30 a.m. – Mass: People of the Parish / Parish  
7:00-8:30 p.m. – Choir practice – Church

**FRIDAY, November 2 – All Souls**

8:30 a.m. – Mass: Jean Fraser Tousignant /  
Jim & Nancy Ellis  
9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. – Eucharistic adoration  
6:30 p.m. – All Souls prayer service and reception

**SATURDAY, November 3**

7:00 a.m. – Men's Fellowship  
4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church  
5:30 p.m. – Mass: Paul & Jean Tousignant /  
Jim & Nancy Ellis  
6:30 p.m. – Holy Land olivewood items sale  
6:30 p.m. – Parish dinner

**SUNDAY, November 4**

9:30 a.m. – Mass: Margaret Ridenour / Ridenour Family  
9:30 a.m. – Children's Liturgy of the Word  
10:30 a.m. – Holy Land olivewood items sale  
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

**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,  
ATAN Daniel P. Wood

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

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon, 10/29: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17  
Tue, 10/30: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5;  
Lk 13:18-21  
Wed, 10/31: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30  
Thu, 11/1: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;  
Mt 5:1-12a  
Fri, 11/2: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9;  
Jn 6:37-40,  
Sat, 11/3: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11  
Sun, 11/4: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28;  
Mk 12:28b-34

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE**

October 27 and 28

Weekly collection.....	\$3,585.00
Online giving.....	\$3,800.00
Children and youth .....	\$ 10.50
<b>World Missions .....</b>	<b>\$ 375.00</b>

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

**40<sup>th</sup> anniversary speaker series – Oct. 28**

St. Mark's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary speaker series concludes this Sunday, Oct. 28 with prayer and worship featuring Dcn. Ron and Mike Farella, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the church.

**World Mission Sunday – thank you!**

Thanks to all who answered the call to be part of the Church's missionary efforts through your support of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

**Olivewood religious items for sale – Nov. 3 and 4**

Representatives from Catholic Bethlehem Christian Families will be with us on the weekend of Nov. 3 and 4, to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. Help support Christians in the Holy Land by purchasing one or more beautiful olivewood items after Masses.

**Liturgical minister training – Nov. 7**

All current and new liturgical ministers (lectors, Eucharistic ministers and ushers/greeters) are invited to an evening of reflection and training on Wednesday, Nov. 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. The evening will start with a reflection on why ministers do what they do at Mass and will continue with hands-on training for each specific ministry. Sign up in the Gathering Space or call the Parish Office to RSVP.

**CCW basket weaving – Nov. 14**

Would you like to learn how to weave a basket? Two classes will be offered on Wednesday, Nov. 14: an afternoon session – 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and an evening session – 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$25.00 per person, which includes instruction and materials. Sign up with the Parish Office or in the Gathering Space.

**Contemplative retreat for women – Nov. 16-18**

Women of the Magnificat: A Contemplative Retreat for Women will take place at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt Nov. 16-18. Come away and spend some quiet time with Mary and Elizabeth in preparation for the Advent and Christmas seasons at this silent retreat. Cost is \$175 per person, with \$25 due at registration as a non-refundable deposit. This includes all lodging, meals, and materials. Register online at [www.stfrancis.ws](http://www.stfrancis.ws) or call 517-669-8321.

**Singing Knights are looking for a few good men singers**

The Singing Knights have openings for Knights of Columbus members who enjoy singing while serving the Church and the Knights of Columbus. The Singing Knights provide music for a wide range of activities from liturgical, social, fraternal and athletic events. The chorus practices each Wednesday from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. from Labor Day through Memorial Day in the St. John the Evangelist Parish Family Center in Davison. For more information, call Jim Lusty at 810-636-7323 (home) or 810-618-2889 (cell)

**FAITH FORMATION**

**Ron's thoughts....**

It is a sad reality, but sometimes our world has no use for those who find themselves in difficult and traumatic circumstances. They may have a terrible disease. They may be starving many miles away in Africa or South America. They may be mentally ill in America. Our streets are too full of the homeless mentally ill. Shame on us, for this reality. There is a great deal that we try to do through different HELP organizations, but the forgotten are still out there.

It's hard to believe, but humanity seems to repeat the neglect or apathy of those burdensome few. In the Gospels we have the story of the blind man, Bartimaeus, who lived in a world that had no use for anyone that was different or seemed to be a burden on society. Many in Bartimaeus' situation would end up homeless and begging for food or shelter. Sound familiar.

But as the story goes, Jesus saw Bartimaeus, and hurt for him and healed him. Are we not supposed to be JESUS for others, today, in our world? Are we not supposed to live in a way that our resources are to be used to help others? Are we not supposed to ALWAYS show concern for those in tough situations? I don't always know what the real answer should be or what could put a stop to the cycle of neglect and apathetic responses we tend to give those who are different. I guess the real answer is found in Jesus' response to Bartimaeus. He hurt for him and healed him. In my world, in your world, in our world, we need to hurt for others and find ways to heal others.

**Walk the talk! Be Peace! –**

**Dcn. Ron** ([rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org](mailto:rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org))

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

- Nov. 4 – Gr K-5 REF only; **.Gr 6-12 cancelled.**

**Adult Faith Formation**

- **Men's Fellowship** Meets the first Saturday of each month, 7:00-8:00 a.m. All Men of the Parish are invited to see how we can become better husbands, fathers, sons, and friends. Next session is Nov. 3. Please join us for our Men's Advent Breakfast – Sat., Dec. 1st 8am

**St. Mark Youth Group**

- Sundays, 6:00-7:30 p.m. – All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Parish Dinner – Nov. 3**

Join us for our First Saturday Parish Dinner on Nov. 3, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Bring your family! Sign up in the Gathering Space or call the Parish Office 810-636-2216.

**First Friday Eucharistic Adoration – Nov. 2**

First Friday, Nov. 3, is Eucharistic Adoration 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sign up for an hour of prayer. We need one or more individuals an hour. Spend time with the Lord in prayer.