

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:

AA Meetings (Wed., 10:00 a.m.)

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.

November 4, 2018 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

A cup of Joe . . .

Greetings in Christ! We are moving right along, sneaking up on my favorite holiday: Thanksgiving. I'm fired up for this year, as I'll be hosting my family at the rectory...Dad and I are going to deep fry two turkeys: it should be a riot!

Last Friday, when I was genuflecting at Mass, my knee gave a good pop: some folks in the front heard it...yikes. It swelled right up, and it became difficult to walk. I've had a lot of trouble with this knee since high school and do not have a functioning ACL, besides some other issues.

I tried to muscle through the weekend, with variously good and bad results but in the end, I went in to my wonderful doctor on Monday, and she scheduled me for an MRI at the soonest opening. MSU helped me out and got me in to one of their machines and I should be getting the results any time soon. I will keep you all updated on this as we go. I've had it scoped four times in the past and, if they need to do it again, I usually don't miss much work as a result of it.

We have been posting on my personal Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Joeinblack) as well as the Holy Family Facebook page some videos that we are making of me answering people's questions about the faith. It's going really well, and our kids have asked some great questions! If you haven't seen the videos, please be sure and check them out, and God bless our wonderful staff for doing these – I have NO idea how!

I'm continuing to learn a lot, and each day, I feel a little more like I understand how things are working. I cannot express to you that all your patience and prayers means the world to me. Two parishes and a school is quite the handful, and I know it's an adjustment for you all being served by one fewer priest than in the past, but I have experienced so much kindness from you all . . . I'm a blessed man.

I thank God every day that He brought me here. I pray that I serve you well.

In Christ,

– fjk



Thank you Fr. Dan!

Your St. Mark family thanks you, Fr. Dan, for your time and service here and wishes you God's blessings as you go forward in ministry to His people in Durand and Gaines. We will miss you!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, November 5

6:00 p.m. – Art and Environment meeting – Parish Center

TUESDAY, November 6

ELECTION DAY

7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. – Precinct 1 voting – Parish Center

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

6:30 p.m. – Mass: People of the Parish / Parish

7:00 p.m. – Finance Council – Rooms 1 & 2

WEDNESDAY, November 7

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

7:00 p.m. – Liturgical minister training – Church

THURSDAY, November 8

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

7:00p.m. – In the Know with Fr. Joe Live at Holy Family

FRIDAY, November 9

8:30 a.m. – Mass: Victims of violence / Parish

SATURDAY, November 10

STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. – First Reconciliation Parent/Child retreat

4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church

5:30 p.m. – Mass: George Yancho / Yancho family

SUNDAY, November 11

STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND

9:30 a.m. – Mass: +Doris & Art Martel / Dora Hoelscher

9:30 a.m. – Children's Liturgy of the Word and RCIA Rite of Acceptance

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

2:00-5:00 p.m. – 9th Grade Confirmation mini-session

6:00-7:30 p.m. – 6:00-7:30 p.m. – REF: Gr 6-12

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 Our Beloved Departed: Rachel Diaz

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon, 11/5: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14

Tue, 11/6: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24

Wed, 11/7: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33

Thu, 11/8: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

Fri, 11/9: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Sat, 11/10: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15

Sun, 11/11: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

October 27 and 28

Weekly collection.....	\$3,485.00
Online giving.....	\$1,020.00
Children and youth	\$ 7.00

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

Liturgical minister training – Nov. 7

All current and new liturgical ministers (lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers/greeters and adult altar servers) 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.

Mass to close St. Mark's 40th anniversary – Nov. 18

Come join the celebration of the closing of St. Mark's 40th anniversary year on Sunday, Nov. 18, with Mass at 9:30 a.m., followed by a parish breakfast. We will honor the founding members and reminisce on 40 years as a community of God's people in Goodrich and Grand Blanc.

Witness to Hope capital campaign payments

For anyone who submitted a pledge toward our Witness to Hope capital campaign, the program is mailing out reminders when payments are due. For anyone who selected "auto-pay" for their payment, these just happen automatically with no reminder. If anyone has any questions or is not getting reminders, you can call Julie Gill at 517-342-2564. Please remember to keep up with your pledged payments. Thanks to all who contributed to date, and it's not too late to still participate. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church

Please believe in the possibility for hope and help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. Every diocese in the United States now has a victim assistance coordinator who is available to obtain support for your needs, to help make a formal complaint of abuse to the diocese and to arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his representative, if you desire. The victim assistance coordinator for the Diocese of Lansing is: Cheryl Williams-Hecksel at 888-308-6252 or cwilliamshecksel@dioceseoflansing.org. In addition, you may also report through the law enforcement toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) or by email at aginvestigations@michigan.gov

FAITH FORMATION

Ron's thoughts . . .

We are often overwhelmed by the number of laws we are told to follow. There are federal laws, and state laws and county laws. There are rules in families and in schools and in places of work. Even neighborhood associations have a host of laws and plenty of people who drive around looking for violators. Added to all these are the Church laws. There are divine laws, natural laws, and civil laws. Certainly we can join the scribe and asking, "Bottom-line it for us, Lord. What is it that God really wants us to do to please him?" And Jesus says, "It's not so difficult – love God; love others."

We certainly live in confusing times. There often appear to be more questions than answers. We are confronted with questions that weren't even considered 50 years ago: What is marriage? What is human life? Does the separation of Church and State give the government the right to limit religious freedom? How can we discern what is right and what is wrong? How do we discern on which side of each argument we Catholics belong?

Just apply the law of love: love God and love neighbor. When we do this, life become far less complicated. Anything that does not reflect the love of God and neighbor is just a leap into a void.

Walk the talk! Be Peace! –

Dcn. Ron (rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org)



GOD WANTS YOU TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER! Youth from 3rd to 12th grades and adult altar servers are needed. Sign up now by contacting Dcn. Ron. Training for youths is set for Sunday, Nov. 11, 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the church. Training for adults will take place Wednesday, Nov. 7 at 7:00 p.m.

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

- Nov. 10 – First Reconciliation Parent/Child Retreat – 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Nov. 11 – Both sessions.

Adult Faith Formation

- **Men's Fellowship** – All men of the parish are invited to see how we can become better husbands, fathers, sons and friends. Next session is our Men's Advent Breakfast on Saturday, Dec. 1 at 8:00 a.m.

St. Mark Youth Group

- Sundays, 6:00-7:30 p.m. – All 6th-12th graders are invited.
- **Youth Group Bowling Adventure!** Join us over the Thanksgiving weekend, Saturday, Nov. 24 from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m. for a night of fun and bowling. Sign up at Youth Group.
- **Bottle drive the weekend of Nov. 10 and 11** – Bring your cans and bottles to benefit the youth of our parish. Your support is appreciated!