

ST MARK
THE  EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH



65 West 138th Street, New York, NY 10037

32nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME



"The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'"

- Mt 25:10b-12

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St. Mark Evangelist Church is one of the Archdiocese of NY parishes in the Central Harlem Deanery

MISSION STATEMENT:

We are more than Sunday Morning.

We are worship, service, and fellowship.

We are a community of Faith.

All are Welcome

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - 5:00 PM

Sunday - 10:00AM

1:00PM (French)

Tue - Fri - 10:00AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Every Friday from 10AM - 1:00PM

Confessions - Saturdays at 4:PM any other day by appointment

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November 8, 2020
32th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday November 8, 2020

1. Birthday Blessings for Martha Treminio.
2. Mass for Barbara Ann Bostic Willis has been requested by her sister Pauline Bostic.

Let us remember our loved ones living and deceased, through a mass intention. It is a beautiful way to remember and honor them.

You can have an intention said any day of the week. If you would like to schedule a mass intention, please visit or call the office.

Mass Intention Book 2021

The Mass Intention Book for 2021 is open .We are doing things a bit differently this year since we cannot gather together. There are Mass Intention request sheets in the vestibule of the Church and we ask anyone who would like to arrange Masses to fill the sheet out and drop it in the Rectory or put it in the collection basket.

Sacramental of Confession -

Saturdays at 4pm , any other day, call the office at 212-281-4931 to make an appointment. You may also contact the office if you need information concerning any others sacraments and Mass Cards.

Please notify the office on the illness or the death of a loved one. Father Jean - Pierre and the St. Mark Family wants to support you and your family during your time of need.

November Birthdays :

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| 1. Lois Landin | 11. Summar Lowe |
| 2. Martha M. Treminio | 12. Gerad Nda |
| 3. Irina Ouedraogo | 13. Charles Bain |
| 4. Xavier Perry | 14. Ethel Hart |
| 5. Maude Douglas | 15. Stephanie Yapi |
| 6. Erin Maignan | 16. Louise Owens |
| 7. Clarice Yameogo | 17. Jordan Lewis |
| 8. Allyson Eaton | 18. Mary Sumayah |
| 9. Claudia Nguessan | 19. Gbenga Ogedegbe |
| 10. Marian Bain | 20. Fadima Diallo |

Happy Birthday!

To Parishioners & Friends of St. Mark,

We will continue show our gratitude to all of you for your financial support to our church family.

Please continue to support your parish. May God be always with you and grant you peace.

Your Church Family!

**Bible Study
Every Wednesday
From 11PM –12PM**

**ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY
10:00AM - 1:00PM**

****** Save the Date ******

**Seniors Recognition: Sunday November 15,
2020 at 10:am Mass:**

Let us congratulate our nominees

June Berry and Cynthia - Ndiaye

PASTORAL STAFF

Parish staffed by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans).

Fr. Jean-Pierre Kapumet Tambwe, CSSp:
Administrator

Parish Council

Dorothy McWhite - Chairperson

Finance Committee

Avis Thomas – Chairperson

Barbara Boggs - Vice - Chairperson

Molly Goodrich - Secretary

Outreach Ministry: Joella Nipper

Trustees :

Annette Charles & Laurence Hyacinthe

Veteran's Day

Wednesday, November 11th

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



Veterans Day

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Question of the Week

What must I do this month, this week, and this very day to prepare myself for the heavenly banquet?

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“Wisdom is bright and unfading. She readily appears to those who love her. She’s found by those who keep seeking after her.”¹³ She makes herself known even in advance to those who desire her with all their hearts. (Wisdom 6:12)
As we prepare to enter the last weeks of the liturgical year, the Scripture readings focus on how we prepare to receive Jesus. The Scripture uses the parable of the ten maidens both wise and foolish. The Gospel also invites us to be watchful and ready! Christ's presence comes into our lives in many ways.

There is an African-American gospel song that asks “are you ready? Are you ready for the coming of the Lord? Be you so ready for you do not know the day when the Lord shall come! I want to be ready when Jesus comes!” Jesus is the Bridegroom. He is the wisdom of God made flesh that comes into the world. Jesus is revealed in Word and Sacrament. We are called to be ready to receive Christ the bridegroom into our lives.

In the Gospel parable of the ten maidens, we reflect on how we keep our lamps ready to greet the Lord when he comes. This oil is symbolic of our relationship with Jesus. Is there enough oil in our lamps for us to be ready whenever the Lord comes? How have we filled our lamps through our journey of faith? As Christians, this oil is replenished through our service of our brothers and sisters. We must keep alive what we have received from Christ. Love God and love your neighbors. God has given each of us what we need to endure any problem or situation in our lives. Sometimes as the winds and waves of life push against us our lamps may grow dim but it will not go out. Despite how it may look at the present moment, God is still in control! We can depend on this. Any delay that Jesus makes in his journey to us is an opportunity to sharpen our hope. We must turn this delay into an advantage. We must stay focused on what is important. We are often concerned about many things in our everyday life. Sometimes we get tired, worried, confused, and even angry but God invites us to seek true wisdom that will always point us back to him. We discover our true selves as we search for true wisdom. Jesus is the Wisdom of God in flesh! Jesus comes to us at our deepest moment of need to show us what it means to be human. Our dependence on God is the oil of gladness that will light the path of our lives and give us hope to face another day.

As we prepare ourselves to receive Christ, we must ask ourselves in our life is truly centered on God. Is there enough oil in your lamp to receive Christ whenever he comes?