



"A gateway to lead people closer to Christ and His Church through faith, service and compassion"



ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST PARISH

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Daily Mass: Monday - Thursday @ 9:00 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Confession: Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appt.

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From Our Pastor,

Brothers and Sisters-

And he told them this parable:

"There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener,

'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down.

Why should it exhaust the soil?'

He said to him in reply,

'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"- Luke 13: 1-9

Jesus wants urgency in our repentance and how we respond to His call in our lives. He asks each and every one of us this Lenten Season, "What spiritual fruit have you produced?" What is our answer?

Every year we have this sacred season of Lent to examine our lives and where we are at in our faith journey. Where are we in regards to our own morality (in regards to what is right and just in God's eyes)? Where are we at in terms of being reconciled with our heavenly Father though the Sacrament of Confession (reconciliation). Would we say that our spiritual (prayer) life is vibrant and growing: or is it non-existent because we convince ourselves that we don't have time?

This line in the Scripture should motivate us...'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down"

May we use this sacred time to 'cultivate' our faith lives...making our environment conducive to producing fruit. This may mean that we need to stop some unproductive behaviors. This might lead us to add more quiet time in our lives (turning off the music or TV) so that we can actually hear the voice of God in our day to day lives. He is calling each of us to produce spiritual fruit; now is the time!

Always in Christ,

Fr Mike

Fight Hunger Bag Program - Begins in April

Lets SPRING into ACTION!! Do you need to stock up on your reusable bags? St. Mark's has been selected as a nonprofit partner in the *Hannaford Fight Hunger Bag Program* at the **Hudson location (77 Derry Road)**, For every reusable community bag you purchase, Hannaford will send us a \$1 donation! This effort begins in April! Thank you Hudson Hannafords!!



With Grace We Live and Leave A Catholic Legacy Workshop

How would it feel knowing that you can be an incredible support to St. Mark the Evangelist Parish with no impact on your current lifestyle or your family's financial security? We would like to tell you a little more about legacy gifts and Catholic life. Please join us on Sunday, May 18 @ 4PM at St. Mark's in the Parish Hall to learn more about how your legacy can make a long-lasting impact for your family, parish, and NH Catholic Church. You will have the opportunity to learn more about the legal and financial aspects of legacy giving, Catholic healthcare directives and Catholic Funeral and Burial information. Watch the bulletin for more details and how to register for this free informative session.

Easter Flowers

The Easter Flower Fund helps decorate our altar for the Easter Season. *Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center*. Please print names clearly. Your loved one will be remembered at the Holy Masses celebrated during the Easter Octave.

Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Poland

Join Fr. Von DeRosia from September 29 to October 8, 2025 to visit the Holy Shrines in Poland, including Czestochowa, where the portrait of the Black Madonna resides, and Wadowice, the church that Pope John Paul II attended as a child. Additionally, pilgrims will pray before the miraculous image of the Divine Mercy and in the chapel that holds St. Faustina's tomb. This trip also features a stop at Auschwitz, and visits to other religious and historical landmarks. For complete information, please call Canterbury Pilgrimages at (800) 653-0017.

Adult Easter Choir

Lent is almost here! Our Adult Choir will sing at Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil this year. Our next rehearsal will be Tuesday, March 25th @ 6:30 PM in the Music Room above the Parish Office where we'll talk through our plan for Lent / Easter. Any adults wishing to join us in singing for these Masses are welcome to join us!

Youth Easter Choir

Our Youth Choir will be singing at the 9:30AM Mass on Easter Sunday. Our rehearsals will be held in the church on the following dates:

Monday, March 31 at 4:30PM Sunday, April 6 at 4PM Sunday, April 13 at 4PM

If you have any questions, please contact Amanda at amanda@stmarksnh.org.

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, March 23:

10:30 AM St. Marks KIDS/EDGE/Life Teen 10:30 AM K of C Fraternal Benefits (Hall)

Monday, March 24:

6:00 PM The Sorrowful Mysteries

Tuesday, March 25:

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration
6:00 PM Meeting Christ in Prayer
6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

6:30 PM RCIA 6:30 PM Scouts 521

Wednesday, March 26:

5:45-6:15PM Confessions

6:30 PM Mass

Thursday, March 27:

9:30 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Living in the Father's Love

Friday, March 28:

5:00 - 5:45PM Confessions

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

6:30 PM Fish Fry

Saturday, March 29:

9:30 AM Al-Anon

Lent at St. Mark's 2025

All services will be available via Livestream at stmarksnh.org

The Sorrowful Mysteries

Join us every Monday in Lent at 6PM, as we explore the art of Christian prayer through an exploration of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary.

Fee: No fee

Meeting Christ In Prayer

For women who would like to form regular habits of praying with scripture, and grow in faith and fellowship with other women through guided meditation, group prayer and faith sharing. Started on Tuesday, March 11 at 6PM. / Fee: \$15

Living in the Father's Love

In a world where women are measured by their beauty, achievements and possessions, wouldn't it be nice to find a place where you could just be valued for who you are? Started on Thursday, March 6 at 7PM. / Fee: \$25

Morning Bible Study

Each week we will be reading, reflecting upon and studying the upcoming week's Gospel that we will be hearing at weekend Mass. A great way to prepare for the upcoming weekend! Join Fr. Mike on Thursday mornings after the 9AM Mass.

Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday in Lent at 6PM, as we will be commemorating our Lord's Passion by meditating on the Stations of the Cross.

Mass/Sacrament of Reconciliation

Daily Mass Mon-Thur at 9AM. Wednesday evenings (during Lent) at 6:30PM Reconciliation: Wednesdays 5:45PM - 6:15PM and every Friday from 5PM - 5:45PM and Saturdays from 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Friday Night Fish Fry - March 28 and April 11

Join us at 6:30PM in the St. Mark's Parish Hall for FISH, FRIENDS and FELLOWSHIP! Cost: \$10 per person (\$40 max per household).

Mother's Way of the Cross

Join us on Wednesday, April 16 @ 7PM as we journey with Jesus and Mary, through a Mother's perspective, praying a special Stations of the Cross.

Sacrificial Giving Week of 3/12/2025 - 3/18/2025

 Regular Offertory:
 \$ 4,749.00

 WeShare:
 \$ 6,714.41

 Total:
 \$11,463.41

Fuel Amount Collected: \$12,838.00 - THANK YOU!

(Parish Budget: \$12,000 per week)
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Mass Intentions for Mar 22 - Mar 30, 2025

3/22 Saturday, 5PM

People of the Parish

3/23 **Sunday**, 8AM

Doss & Bob Maxwell by the family

3/23 Sunday, 9:30AM

Maria & Luigi Violanti by the Violanti family

3/23 Sunday, 11AM

Mary E. & Thomas G. Lynch by Mary Y. Lynch

3/24 Monday, 9AM:

Michael Kneeland Jr.

3/25 Tuesday, 9AM:

Elise Patenaude by John & Suzanne Patenaude

3/26 Wednesday, 9AM:

Richard St. Louis Sr.

3/27 Thursday, 9AM:

Deacon Dennis Michael Jacobs

3/29 Saturday, 5PM

Katherina Chmura by Anne Emerson

3/30 **Sunday**, 8AM

People of the Parish

3/30 Sunday, 9:30AM

Roy Sanford by Jess & Joe

3/30 Sunday, 11AM

Phyllis Scaccia by the family

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Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are asked to participate in the baptismal catechesis program prior to their child's baptism.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday from 5:45 - 6:15PM Friday from 5:00 - 5:45PM Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance and before making any other wedding arrangements.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call us to request the Sacrament of the Sick or to receive communion in the home.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM-3:30 PM