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Welcome, if you would like to know more about our parish or school please visit the welcome desk in the Narthex or call the Parish Center.

**Sacrament of Baptism**—Contact Angi Swiezy, Director of Faith Formation to begin Parish Preparation Program, and registration.

Sacrament of Reconciliation— Saturday 3:00-4:00 PM

**Sacrament of Matrimony**—Arrange with Pastor at least six months in advance. Participation in all parts of the Marriage preparation program is required.

**Sacrament of Healing**—If you are hospitalized or home bound and in need of sacraments, please call the Parish Center.

Parish Center Hours Monday-Friday, 8:30-3:00 PM

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Deacon Paul Fisherkeller, deaconpaul@stmarkindy.org Ext. 111

Mass Schedule
Saturday (Anticipation) 4:30 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM
Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday 8:15 AM
Holy Day Masses: 6:30 AM, 8:15 AM, 7:00 PM
Live streamed at 9:30 AM & daily mass

St. Mark Catholic School, Pre-K-8th Grade 317.786.4013
Principal Rusty Albertson, Ext. 201
ralbertson@stmarkindy.org
To learn about enrollment opportunities please reach out to Mr. Albertson

Sunday, February 28, 2021

#### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

To submit information to the St. Mark bulletin, please use the email, bulletin@stmarkindy.org.

Deadlines are Monday at Noon, to be included in the next Sunday bulletin. Please include all dates, times, and locations. The bulletin editor will make appropriate adjustments as needed. Questions, please contact Alison Archer.

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#### MASS SCHEDULE



Please schedule your 2021 mass intentions.

Contact Alison Archer to reserve dates.

Sunday, February 28 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Mark

Monday, March 1 Lenten Weekday

No Mass or Communion service

Tuesday, March 2 Lenten Weekday

Wed, March 3 St. Katharine Drexel

Thursday, March 4 St. Casimir

Friday, March 5 Lenten Weekday

Saturday, March 6 Anticipation Mass

Sunday, March 7 3rd Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Mark

9:30 AM P Neal Bauer

11:45 AM ⊕ Paul Cento

### ST. MARK FIREARM POLICY

#### Policy Regarding Firearms at St. Mark Catholic Church

With the exception of law enforcement officers, on or off duty, no one is permitted to have a firearm of any kind on their person in this church, or anywhere on the church or school property. All firearms must be locked in a vehicle in a non-visible manner. Thank you for your compliance to this policy-Fr. Tim Wyciskalla

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2021

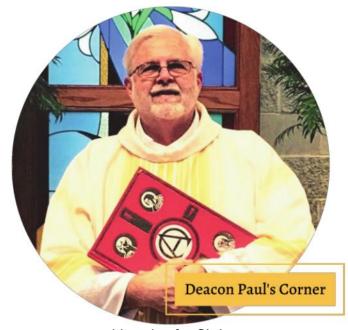
Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2,

5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



Listening for Christ

In Sunday's Gospel passage, the Father's voice is heard: "This is my Beloved Son. Listen to him."

When the three disciples who were with him looked around, they "no longer saw anyone but Jesus."

This text brought to mind a story I once heard, a familiar one these days, about a mother who is standing in the kitchen diligently preparing dinner, her mind totally committed to the task at hand.

She felt a tug on her skirt and the voice of her threeyear-old son, "Mommy...." She nodded something like "uh-huh" or "yes?" and went on with her work. There were more tugs on her skirt and more little sounds. "Mommy..." She gave a cursory response, then continued her preparations.

Finally, she felt three more tugs on her skirt, much more insistent this time. She set her work aside and bent down to her son. The little three-year-old took her face in his hands, turning her directly in his line of vision and said, "Please, mommy, will you listen to me with your eyes?"

How often do we find ourselves in a similar situation? I know I do. Even with the best of intentions, we can treat the people who have needs, the people we love, like they're distractions, from "what really matters."

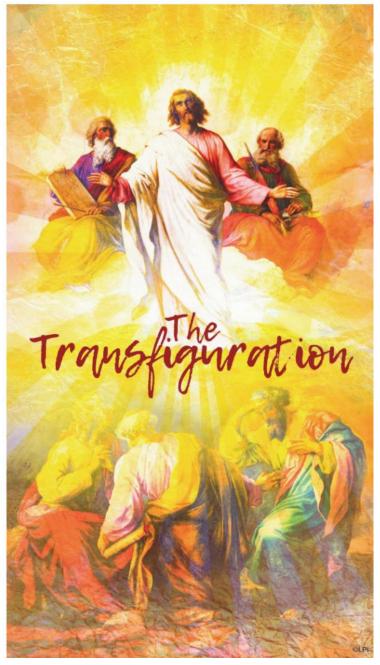
I don't think it is a coincidence that as the disciples turned to listen to Jesus, they saw him standing alone. We are called as his disciples to see Christ in every situation, in every person. He himself taught that when we see and respond to "the least of these," that we are seeing Him.

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

Perhaps during this holy season of Lent, when we are called to examine our lives in light of the Gospel, we might do well to think seriously about "what really matters:" to pay attention to the ones in need all around us who want us to "listen with our eyes."

"This is my Beloved Son, Listen to Him."

Your brother in Christ, Deacon Paul Second Sunday of Lent



Sunday, February 28, 2021

#### PRAYER LIST



Debra Land Greg Kempf Larry Alexander Chris Gough Lisa & Frank Engelking Steve Coyle Rosemary Delph Bob Ward Wilma Shea Dorris Dado Ronda Wicker Loraine Malcom Kevin Pierce Tammy Gunther Loretta Dunn Jerry Powell Nikki Nightingale Marie Stones

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Marcia, Steve,
Faith & Love
Swayze

To add or update a name to our Prayer List or the St. Mark Prayer Chain, call Alison Archer or submit names to: <a href="mailto:bulletin@stmarkindy.org">bulletin@stmarkindy.org</a>

#### STEWARDSHIP SPOT



Questions? Reach out to Joe Horan, jhoran@stmarkindy.org

#### Weekly Collections Summary

	02/21/2021
Envelopes/Loose Money	\$11,548
Online Giving	\$7,971
Total	\$19,519
Budgeted Amount	\$19,038
Surplus (Deficit)	\$481
Other Collections	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$80
Capitol Improvements	\$614
Tuition Assistance	\$75
Ash Wednesday	\$967
Propagation of the Faith	\$10
Easter Flower Fund	\$750
Church in Central Europe	\$470

#### REFLECTION

When Sacrifice Becomes Mundane

It seems to happen every year, like clockwork: we drag a bit, as we enter into the second week of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, we feel a bit like soldiers banging our shields, rushing into battle. "We're ready, God!" our hearts cry out. "Transform us through sacrifice! Your will be done!"

But by now, these Lenten resolutions are no longer novelties – they've joined the ranks of everyday inconveniences, which somehow are the hardest to bear. Because transformation, in real life, happens in inches, just as a battle is won slowly in the crash of one sword against another. It's not always a dramatic thing, to the naked eye. It's the perseverance in prayer despite weariness, or the continual denial of some pleasure even though there's that nagging voice in our minds saying: go ahead, God doesn't really mind.

It's a week when we all need a shock to the system – and wouldn't you know it, this Sunday God gives us a double-whammy of dramatic sacrificial scenes. We picture Abraham, who also cried "Ready!" when God called, never imagining what He would ask: the surrender of his long-awaited son. We see Christ himself transfigured, as God shows us what He is ready to give up for love of us.

We must remain committed, persevering daily in acknowledging that everything belongs to God. What we sacrifice, we simply give back to Him.

If God is for us, who can be against us? Can we still reply, "Ready!" when we hear the call of God?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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#### **LENT**

Upcoming Lenten Offerings at St. Mark

Friday, February 26th @ 6:00 PM, in the Church Stations of the Cross

Saturday February 27th, 3:00pm - 4:00 PM

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

will be available in the curtsey room

Sunday, February 28th, at 6:00 PM in the Church Fr. Tim will give a presentation on Church History (part 1)

Friday, March 5th @ 6:00 PM, in the Church Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 7th, at 6:00 PM in the Church Fr. Tim will give a presentation on Church History (part 2)

### TRI PARISH MISSION



#### ST. MARK SCHOOL

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Tell your family! Tell your friends!

Just a few spots left at St. Mark Catholic

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Contact Mrs. Leszcynski to enroll!

# ST. MARK CYO

# CYO NEWS

# **Spring Sports** Registrations are now open!! This



Spring St. Mark Athletics will offer 3 opportunities for students.

Soccer is co-ed, open to boys and girls in grades 5 through 8. The season will run March 29 through May 27. The cost for soccer is \$75.00

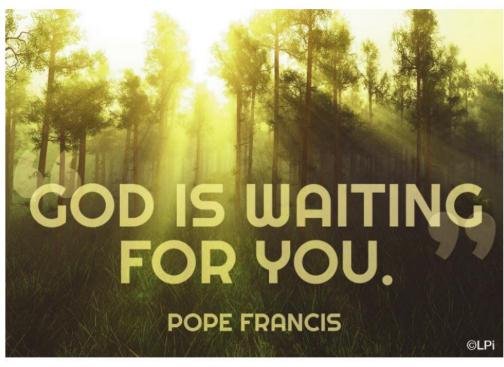
Track and Field is co-ed and open to boys and girls in grades 3 through 8. The season will run April 18 through May 12. The cost for Track and Field is \$55.

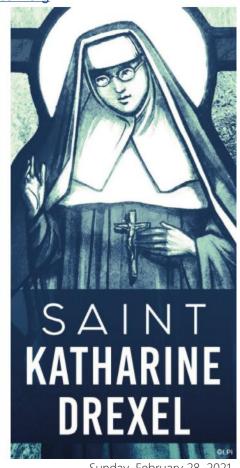
Kickball is open to girls in grades 3 through 8. The season will run March 29 through May 27. The cost for kickball is \$70.00.

You can register through the CYO website cyoarchindy.org/

If you have questions you can email athletic director Frank Litz flitz@roncalli.org







#### **COMMUNITY**

St. Jude Fish Fry - March 12

Boy Scout Troop 51 is hosting their annual Fish Fry. This year will be a drive-thru operation starting near door 13 of the St. Jude



cafeteria. Signs will be posted and we will have order forms available for each vehicle as they arrive.

Menu options include 1 or 2 Fish Filets, Grilled Cheese, Coleslaw, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans with Potatoes, and Soda or Bottled Water.

Date: March 12

Location: St. Jude School (5353 McFarland Road)

Time: 4:00-7:00 pm

Cost: Free will donation (cash or charge card

accepted)



#### **PARISH LIFE**



Lord Jesus Christ,

You are always present to us.

In your compassion we ask you to be with the St. Mark the Evangelist Family during these days of pandemic and dangerous winter weather. Free us from all anxiety, help us to be aware of the joy of your Divine and Eternal Presence. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. AMEN

And we do understand these ARE challenging times for some in our parish. Covid-19, harsh winter weather, resulting negative impact on businesses and employment, difficulty getting to appointments, and much more impact the lives of some of our parishioners. And MMA wants to ensure that members of our St. Mark Family have the support they need. If you, or someone you know, needs support of any kind, contact Steve Helmich at 317-903-9657 (cell/text) or <a href="mailto:steve-helmich50@gmail.com">steve-helmich50@gmail.com</a>. He will contact the MMA team members who can help.

#### Current MMA programs:

- •Provisions from the Heart...delicious meals and more delivered every other Wednesday
- •Spiritual Autobiography Journey...materials and support provided to begin spiritual journaling
- •Snail Mailing...notes and cards sent to St. Mark Maturing Adults
- •Handyman Services...minor home repairs, smoke detector checks, and more provided
- •Telephone Check-In...regular wellness calls are made

(See contact information above to volunteer or inquire about receiving services.)

Carl Jung (and many others who respond today to the needs of the "eldering") said that he never met a person in the latter part of his or her life who came to him for help, for advice, who was not seeking counsel about something spiritual in nature.

It is not that spirituality is a component that will help us make the most of aging; it's that aging is a spiritual path in and of itself. Aging is a sacred pilgrimage, a holy way; the aging journey is a fresh and deepened way of experiencing God's love and presence.

"We must be willing to get rid of the life we've planned, so as to have the life waiting for us." Joseph Campbell

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