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THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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—in the courtesy room Wednesday 5:00-5:30 PM 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.

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

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Anticipation) 4:30 PM Sunday 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM Daily Mass: Mon, Tues, Thurs: 8:15 AM Wednesday 5:30 PM

Wednesday 5:30 PM No Daily Mass on Friday

Holy Day Masses: 6:30 AM, 8:15 AM, 7:00 PM

Live streamed at 9:30 AM

**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

# 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 2021/22 mass intentions.

Contact Alison Archer to reserve dates

Sunday, September 26 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mark

11:45 AM ⊕ Larry Taylor

Monday, September 27 St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:15 AM Intentions of Chris & Marybeth

Branson

Tuesday, September 28 Weekday

8:15 AM & Betty Dickey

Wednesday, September 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,

**Archangels** 

5:30 PM ⊕ Phillip Frye

Thursday, September 30 Saint Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the

Church

Friday, October 1 St. Therese of the Child of Jesus,

Doctor of the Church

No Mass or Communion Service

Saturday, October 2 Anticipation Mass

4:30 PM ⊕ Don Hamilton

Sunday, October 3 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM & James & Ruby Black

11:45 AM Parishioners of St. Mark

#### 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 SEPTEMBER 26, 2021**

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50 Monday: Tuesday:

Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51 Wednesday:

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11[9ab]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Mt 18:1-5, 10 Saturday:

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12



Hello Everyone,

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea" Mark 9:42.

This line from today's Gospel can certainly send a chill down our spine. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus uses dramatic language and makes striking metaphors like this one. The purpose for doing this is clear, to grab our attention when something is important! And this line calls to mind how important it is that we do everything we can to ensure our children, the "little ones," learn the importance of the faith, the obligations that go along with that, and the path between right and wrong.

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Evangelizing your children may seem like an obvious thing. But, in our current culture, we often overlook how important it is to be intentional about this. It may be the case that the parents of today grew up in strong Catholic households. They might have prayed the rosary as a family, weekly Mass attendance could have been obligatory, and the moral teachings of the Church could have been strongly instilled in them. However, while this may have been the case for many of our parents, it is not necessarily being carried forward with their own children. The problem here is that there is that there is really no such thing as spiritual grandchildren, only spiritual children! We are only ever one

generation away from losing so much of the practices and traditions of our faith. The culture of today is far different than the culture of the past. In many ways, what could be taken for granted in the propagation of the faith to the next generation, can no longer be assumed. If it doesn't happen at home, from parent to child, it will not happen.

I do not bring this up to alarm or shame anyone. But I hope that it is a reminder to us, and an opportunity to recommit ourselves to passing on the faith to our children. This must begin at home. Teaching our children to pray, both the traditional Catholic prayers and extemporaneously, along with taking them to Mass EVERY SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION is vital. This is how they learn how important these things are. And teaching our children the doctrine of the faith, by ensuring they are receiving catechesis is also very important, and these teachings must be supported and exemplified at home.

The simple truth is, if we are not intentional about forming our children as Disciples of Christ, we cannot expect them to carry on the faith. That is not to say that some will drift away despite our best efforts, and in those cases we must never stop praying. The wonderful thing about St. Mark is how many opportunities our parents have to be helped in this, their most important duty. Our liturgies are beautiful; our school has a strong Catholic identity; and we have a very strong faith formation program. There is simply no excuse for us not to form a new generation of strong disciples, so let us commit to this very task!

God Bless, Fr. Tim



Sunday, September 26, 2021

#### PRAYER LIST



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Ruby Avant Mary Ann Moran Nancy Everling Peggy Compton Erin Schofill **Dottie Ross** Michael Cento Karen Firkins James Meyer Tessa Cassetty Debbie O'Neal Diane Swayze Eleanor Sowder Chris A. Williams Jimmy Hall Paul VanKavelaar Bryan Collins Steve 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:stmarkprayerchain@stmarkindy.org">stmarkprayerchain@stmarkindy.org</a>

### STEWARDSHIP SPOT



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

#### **Weekly Collections Summary**

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Envelopes/Loose Money	\$10,392	\$11,813
Online Giving	\$5,980	\$7,147
Total	\$16,378	\$18,960
Budgeted Amount	\$19,990	\$19,990
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(3,612)	\$(1,030)
Other Collections		
Coffee & Donuts	\$	\$
St. Vincent de Paul	\$285	\$220
Capital Improvements	\$306	\$200
Tuition Assistance	\$72	\$50
Catholic Univ. of America	\$353	\$
Mission Collection	\$1,430	\$545
Education of Future Priests	\$	\$605
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#### STEWARDSHIP SPOT



#### WHY SHOULD I COME?

Your efforts to benefit the parish call for a celebration!

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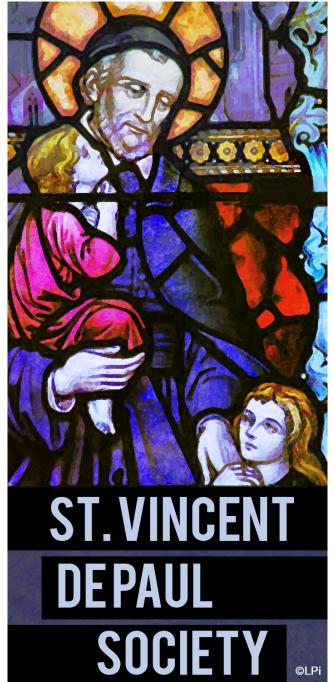
- You can relax in the company of St. Mark's finest.
- O You will enjoy great refreshments, entertainment, and prizes.
- You won't come away from this meeting with any assignments.
- There's no better way to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul, patron saint of volunteers!!!

Sunday, September 26, 2021

# PRO LIFE MINISTRY

Please join us for a National Interdenominational Prayer Gathering on Sunday, October 3 from 2:30 - 3:30. This is a peaceful, prayerful event. We are on the East side of Meridian between 23rd and 24th Streets. Members are asked to refrain from talking and to focus on praying for an end to abortion. If you cannot stand for an hour, you are welcome to bring a chair. Signs will be provided. If you would like to carpool from St. Mark, please be in the church parking lot at 2:00. Please consider committing just "One Hour, Once a Year" for the unborn.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Shockey at 317-784-2690.



**FAITH FORMATION** 

Greetings!

Our catechetical year has begun and I am happy to say we are in person!! We continue to follow



CDC guidance for sanitizing, spacing and masking as is appropriate for the current conditions.

Registration information for all programs is available on the website and at the parish center. See specific program information below. Please return registration forms and fees as soon as possible to me at the parish center. If you have any questions, contact me at <a href="mailto:aswiezy@stmarkindy.org">aswiezy@stmarkindy.org</a> or 317-787-8246 x104.

I look forward to reconnecting with everyone! See you at Mass!

Peace and Blessings! Angi Swiezy Director of Faith Formation

Children's Catechesis: It's not too late to sign up! Classes are held in the Atrium in the Parish Center. Ages 3 years - Kindergarten meet at 9:30am and 1st thru 8th grade meet at 10:30am. Fees:1 child \$60, 2 children \$100, 3+children \$120.

Last Call for Confirmation Prep: I will accept registrations until October 1 for this year's class. Confirmation is open to students 8th grade thru 12th grade.

First Sacramental Prep (Reconciliation and Eucharist): Our Fall session is closed. We are enrolling for the Winter Session (Jan 6- Feb 27), for children preparing to receive their First Sacraments. Please submit registration, fee and baptismal certificate by December 1st. Your child must have received the Sacrament of Baptism to participate in this program. If your child needs baptized and is older than 7 years please contact me for the next steps in preparing your child for their First Sacraments.

#### ST. MARK FUNFEST!



There is no place like home, there is no place like home, there is no place like HOME!

PLEASE return St. Mark FunFest yard signs ASAP!! We are still missing a decent number. Return to the Narthex!!

#### **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Cody Metzger, St. Mark Facilities Manager invites everyone to join him **Fridays at 4:30 PM** for an hour clean up on the St. Mark grounds. It truly is a community effort to keep our church home beautiful. **Service hours are available.** Meet in the North parking lot, questions? Email Cody,

buildingsandgrounds@stmarkindy.org



### ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The SMCS 8th grade is selling Indy Pocket Pass cards to raise money for their class trip. Each card is only \$10 and may be purchased in the school office. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Leszcynski in the school office at 317.786.4013





#### **MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES**

St. Mark Children's Choir: All St. Mark children grades 5th through 8th are invited to sing in our Children's Choir. This is for kids both from our St. Mark School and all area schools. Our new Children's Choir Director this year is our favorite music teacher, Tina Bruner. We would love to see this choir continue to grow in numbers. The Children's Choir sings everything from "Panis Angelicus" and "Ave Maria" to more contemporary songs like "Good Good Father." Rehearsals this fall are on Mondays from 4:15pm to 5:00pm; the next rehearsals are Monday, September 20th and Monday, September 27th at 4:15pm in the church. For more information, please contact Tina Bruner: tvaldois-bruner@stmarkindy.org

**St. Mark Youth Choir:** This choir is for all high school age kids and musicians. The youth are encouraged to suggest the music, and the high school musicians have an opportunity to share their talent. There will be no regular evening rehearsals; we will rehearse 45 minutes prior to Mass. Our first Youth Choir Mass will be Sunday, September 26th at 11:45am. Please contact our new Director of Youth Ministry, Bethany Kuhn, bkuhn@stmarkindy.org, for more information.

**St. Mark Adult Choir:** The start date for the St. Mark Adult Choir has been postponed until Thursday, October 21st. We will have more information in a few weeks. Thank you for all the inquiries.

### **COMMUNITY**







SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL AND MISSION 27 RESALE AT
THE AMAZING WOODRUFF PLACE FLEA MARKET!
Saturday, October 2 – 8am – 5pm and Sunday, October 3 – 10am – 5pm

80 acres of great bargains, vendors, food and entertainment.
Come visit Mission 27 Resale at 798 Woodruff Place East Drive.

Woodruff Place is located 1800 east of downtown between 10<sup>th</sup> and Michigan Streets. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!!

#### **PARISH LIFE**



8:30 AM Bus Arrives at St. Mark

Parking available in the main St. Mark parking lot.

9:00 AM Bus Promptly leaves St. Mark

12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary of the Knobs with Fr. Bill Marks

1:30 PM Lunch at Joe Huber's Family Restaurant

Menu: Fried Chicken, Honey Ham, Fried Biscuits with Apple Butter, Slaw, Salad, Mashed Potatoes, and more! Dessert Fruit Cobbler & ice cream!

3:30 PM Arrive at Joe Huber's Winery, Bakery and Market for wine tasting and shopping!

6:30 or 7:00 PM arrive back at St. Mark!

> Don't forget: Rosary & spending money!

**PARISH LIFE** St. Mark THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

God of love and hope, you made the world and you care for all creation, but the world seems strange right now. The news is full of stories about political division, Coronavirus, fires, hurricanes, and flooding. Be with all of us and help our country, and our world, find peace. We pray those who are struggling, in any way, find the support and assistance they want and need. Thank you that even in these anxious times you are with us. Help us put our trust in you and keep us all safe. **AMEN** 

We are very excited the two recent MMA offerings, a Bible study and a day-trip to southern Indiana, both filled very quickly. We plan to offer more programs and deliver more services in the near future. Stay posted as we announce new programs for our parishioners age sixty and over!

We need volunteers who want to serve their parish and St. Mark parishioners.

- •individuals who can take Elders to doctor's visits and other important appointments
- •individuals who would be willing to facilitate a Bible study (training is provided!)
- •individuals to make regular phone calls to Elders to check on their safety and to ensure their basic needs are being met

Contact Steve Helmich at 317-903-9657 (cell/ text) or stevehelmich50@gmail.com if you would like more information.

Researchers and observers of human nature remind us the number one fear most people have is the fear of having a meaningless life.

As in every stage of life, our eldering years bring many challenging fears: health concerns, financial worries, and much more. The most important challenge, though, seems to be finding, or continuing to find, meaning in life...to find our PURPOSE.

Author Richard Leider suggests three simple steps that can help unlock your purpose:

Find out how you want to help. Find out who you want to help. Find out what energizes you (and what drains

A person is not old as long as they are still seeking something.—Jean Rostand

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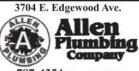
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