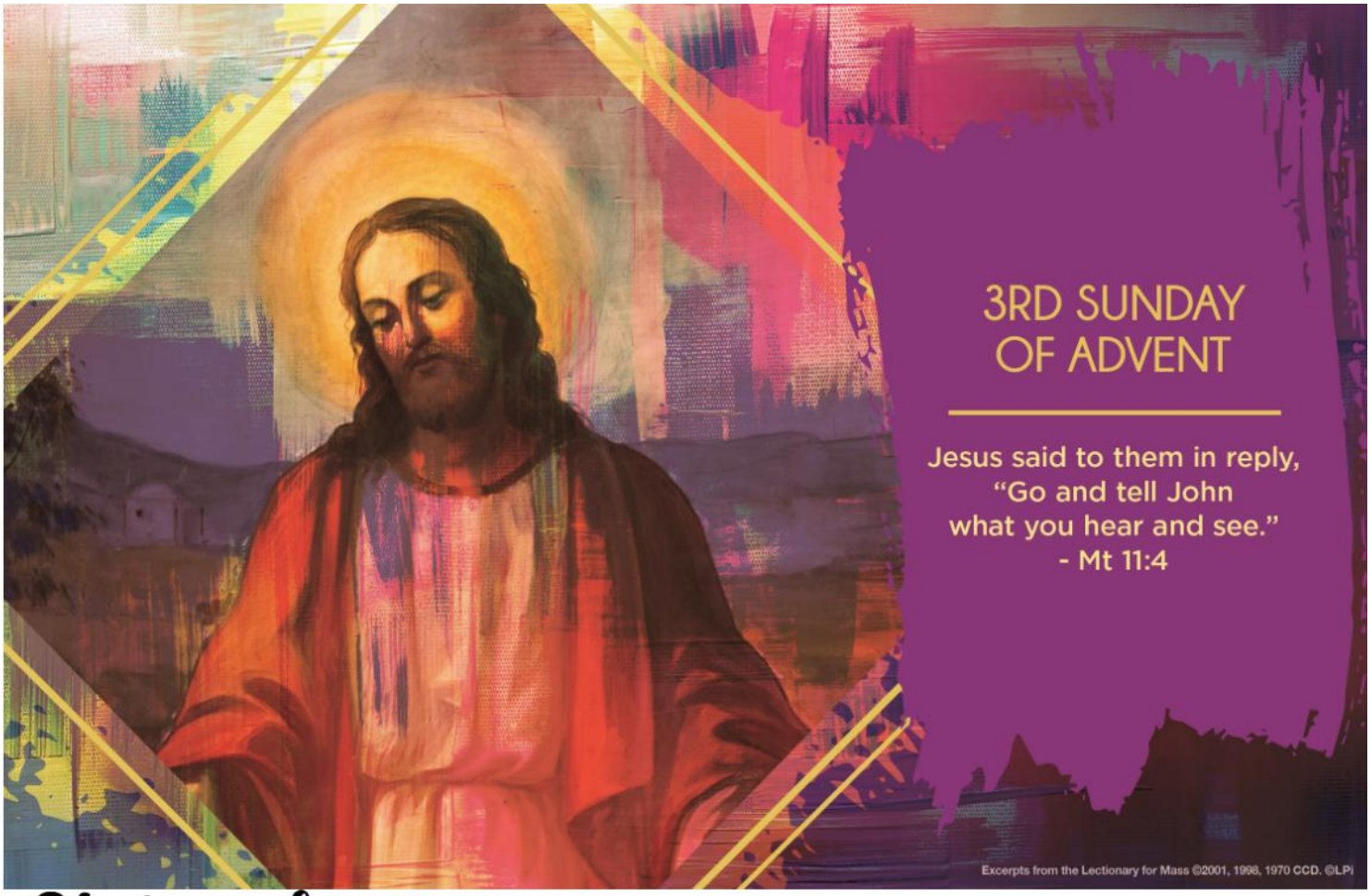

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Welcome, if you would like to know more about our parish or school please visit the welcome desk in the Narthex or call the Parish Center.

Sacrament of Baptism–Contact the Parish Center to begin the process of preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation–in the courtesy room
Wednesday 5:00-5:30 PM
Saturday 3:00-4:00 PM
Sunday 1:00-2:45 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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament–
Wednesday, 6:00 PM

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

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Deacon Nick Martin
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Mass Schedule
Saturday (Anticipation) 4:30 PM
Sunday 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM, 2:00 PM
Daily Mass: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8:15 AM
Wednesday 5:30 PM
Holy Day Masses: 6:30 AM, 8:15 AM, 11:00 AM, 7:00 PM
Live streamed Sunday at 9:30 AM

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MASS SCHEDULE

MASS INTENTIONS

Please schedule your 2023 mass intentions. Contact Alison Archer to reserve dates. Fridays now available! :)

Sunday, December 11	**3rd Sunday of Advent**
7:00 AM	✞ Parishioners of St. Mark (Fr. T)
9:30 AM	✞ Emery Eakle (Fr. T)
11:45 AM	✞ Ginny Holzer (Fr. T)
2:00 PM	Myanmar Mass (Fr. T)
Monday, December 12	**Our Lady of Guadalupe**
8:15 AM	✞ Penny Bush (Fr. J)
Tuesday, December 13	**St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr**
8:15 AM	✞ Shelby Wimmenauer (Fr. T)
Wednesday, December 14	**St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church**
5:30 PM	✞ John Caito (Fr. T)
6:00 to 7:00 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, December 15	**Advent Weekday**
8:15 AM	✞ Jack Carroll (Fr. J)
Friday, December 16	**Advent Weekday**
8:15 AM	✞ For the intentions of Carol Cassetty on her 70th birthday (Fr. T)
Saturday, December 17	**Anticipation Mass**
4:30 PM	✞ Mable Thorne (Fr. J)
Sunday, December 18	**4th Sunday of Advent**
7:00 AM	✞ Josephine Matters (Fr. J)
9:30 AM	✞ Mary Eagan (Fr. T)
11:45 AM	✞ Parishioners of St. Mark (Fr. T)
2:00 PM	Myanmar Mass (Fr. J)

ST. MARK FIREARM POLICY

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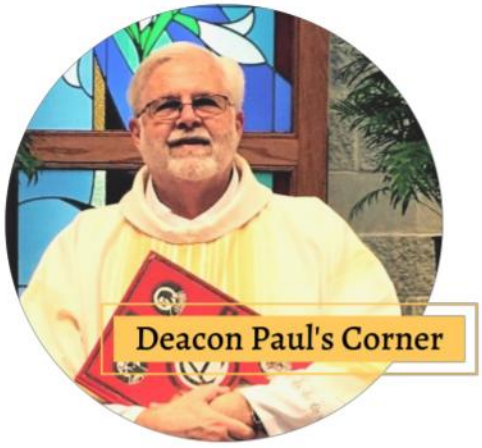
With the exception of law enforcement officers, on or off duty, no one is permitted to have a firearm of any kind on their person in this church, or anywhere on the church or school property. All firearms must be locked in a vehicle in a non-visible manner. Thank you for your compliance to this policy-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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11, 2022

Sunday:	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11
Monday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday:	Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Lk 7:24-30
Friday:	Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Jn 5:33-36
Saturday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17
Next Sunday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24



Our Scripture reading today all point to the coming of God's Kingdom in the person of Jesus Christ. There is a clear shift from the mission of John the Baptist to the Messiah prophesied by Isaiah. The term *kingdom of God* is at the heart and center of Jesus' message in word and deed, Up until Jesus arrives on the scene, the people of the occupied land of Israel were forced to identify kingdom with the Roman Empire.

Jesus bursts on the scene with this scandalous message: *The time has come! Rethink everything! A radically new kind of kingdom is available—the kingdom of God has arrived! . . . Open your minds and hearts like children to see things in a new and revolutionary way. Follow me and my words, and enter this new way of living.*

This is what the world has been waiting for. This is what *we* have been waiting for. Jesus wants us to open our eyes and ears-, more to the point, to see what God is doing in and through him. He himself is the kingdom of God coming into the world with transformative power. This fundamental message is often obscured in our modern world where "kingdom" is often associated with government, policy, domination, control and vengeance on enemies, perceived or real.

But on Jesus's lips, God's kingdom turns all of those associations upside down. Love of God and love of neighbor become the preeminent values in a reordered kingdom. Service and sacrifice replace domination and control. The poor and marginalized in society take precedence over emperors, presidents and kings. And vengeance gives way to forgiveness and blessing.

Advent is a wonderful time of preparing our hearts for the coming of God's Kingdom. A good time to ask ourselves **"What are we waiting for?"**

May God bless each one of you this Holy Season. May the Lord Jesus Christ embrace you and show you his eternal love and mercy. And may our community and our lives be filled with the riches of God's Kingdom.

Your brother in Christ, Deacon Paul

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To add or update a name to our Prayer List or the St. Mark Prayer Chain, call Alison Archer or submit names to: stmarkprayerchain@stmarkindy.org

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Link to St. Mark online giving: www.osvhub.com/st-mark-s-church-5/funds

Weekly Collections Summary	
	12/4//2022
Envelopes/ Cash:	$14,238.00
Online Giving:	$9,236.00
Budget Amount:	**$20,962.00**
Total Offering:	$23,474.00
Surplus/ (Deficit):	$2,512.00

Please make end of year gifts by December 15th!

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PARISH LIFE

STEWARDSHIP SPOT

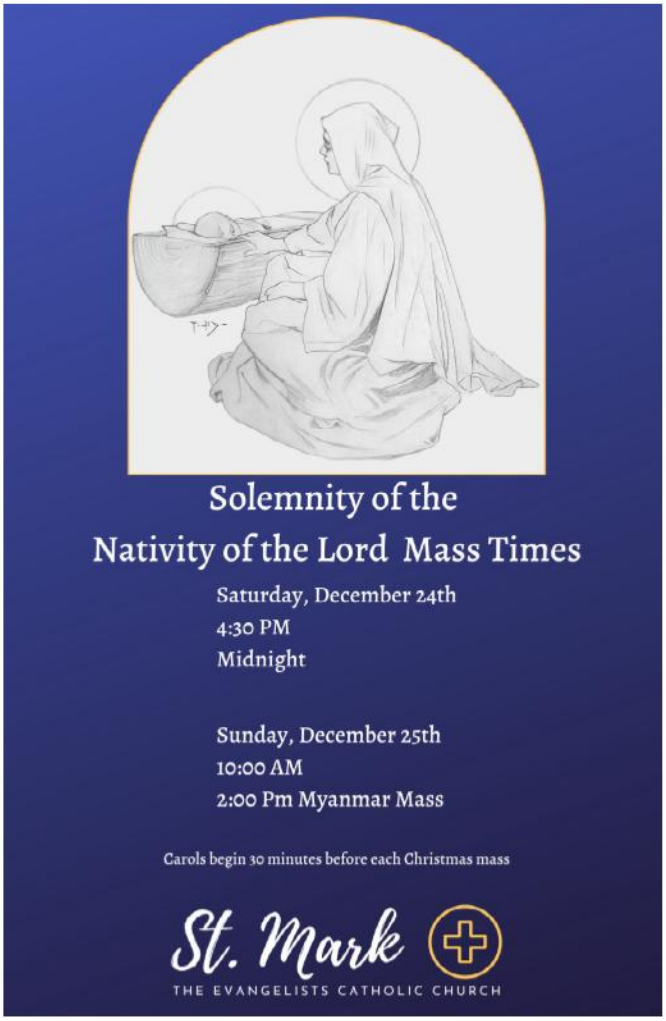
SPIRITUAL LIFE

spirituality series hosted by the
St. Mark Spiritual Life Committee

3rd Sunday of Advent
Saturday, December 10th 5:30 PM, following 4:30 mass
Holy Hour: Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction

4th Sunday of Advent
December 18th 7:00 PM
in the Church
St. Mark Music Ministry Holy Season Concert

MASS SCHEDULE



PARISH LIFE

ADVENT GIVING TREE

St. Mark is once again sponsoring the Advent Giving Tree. Money generated from this project will help our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society with their work, help our own parishioners and other neighbors who find themselves in need of financial aid for their families, and the third option, Where Most Needed, will help the parish fund any unplanned needs that may arise. Our parishioners have always been extremely generous in donating to this Advent project and we're hoping for a similar response again this year.

This is your opportunity to help others whom you may never meet or know, but you can be Christ to them by your donation. Remember that we can never be more generous than God has been to us. May God bless you for your generosity. The tree will be set up in the Narthex from Nov. 26th until Dec. 18th. Please take an envelope off the tree, place your donation in the envelope and return it in the collection basket any time through the end of December.

FAITH FORMATION

Great news for families and English Language Learners, St. Mark now is offering the MagnifiKid booklet each weekend in the Narthex. We had put our subscription on hold because of Covid, and are happy to have it back!

- Every week, MagnifiKid offers:
  All the readings and the prayers of the Sunday Mass with explanations of the difficult words and the meaning of the rituals;
- A suggested prayer for Morning and Evening;
  Many suggestions on how to live the entire week with the Lord;
- Various games, a comic, and activities to help children learn about Christian life and culture;
- A page intended for the parents with suggestions for family prayers.

MagnifiKid!

ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Saint Mark 8th Grade Class of 2023 will be selling Indy Pocket Passes! The Pocket Pass contains lots of great discounts to businesses and restaurants throughout the Indy area. Each card is $10 and expires in one year.

8th Graders will be selling the Indy Pocket Pass discount cards after the 9:30am and 11:45am Masses on **Sunday, December 11th.**

You may also contact the school office at 317-786-4013 and purchase your Indy Pocket Passes. Cards will be available for purchase through Thursday, December 15th.

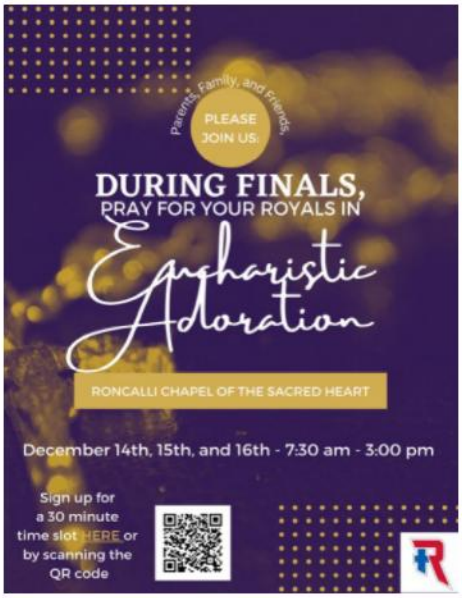
COMMUNITY

LORD'S PANTRY AT ANNA'S HOUSE

"ARE YOU LOOKING TO SHARE YOUR FAITH? COME BE THE FACE OF JESUS! CRHP #19 is serving a hot meal the second Wednesday of every month at The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House, 303 N. Elder Avenue, Indianapolis, 46222.

Please come join us in fellowship and faith as we serve the underprivileged and homeless, on December 14th! We serve the community dinner every second Wednesday of the month from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Contact Laura Linder @ 317-294-4080 or Joanie Grooms @ 317-694-4323. You will not be disappointed!!

For Christmas we are collecting small, unwrapped gifts to give to Anna's House Santa Shop. Books, Candles, ect will be collected in the box marked Anna's House in the Narthex until December 13th. Please contact Laura Linder if you need help dropping off during the week day, 317-294-4080. Thank you!



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SPIRITUAL LIFE

St. Mark Spiritual Life Committee is encouraging people to sign up for Fr. Mike Schmitz' new podcast series "CATECHISM IN A YEAR" (CIY). This free series will begin on New Year's Day and will continue daily throughout 2023 with short, 15 to 20 minute podcasts, making them great for "drive-time" listening, or whenever they choose. They will follow a format similar to Fr. Mike's extremely popular "BIBLE IN A YEAR" series which has been airing for the last 2 years.

We have openings for volunteers to serve in the Liturgical Ministry as Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Servers and in Hospitality at all weekend Masses. Please prayerfully consider making this part of your service to St. Mark, and email Alison Archer aarcher@stmarkindy.org, Chris Risch crisch@stmarkindy.org, or Donna Kern dkern@stmarkindy.org for to volunteer.

All volunteers should have completed SafeParish.

PARISH LIFE

The Filipino community of St. Mark invite all parishioners to the Simbang Gabi Celebration**. It will be at the 4:30 mass, Saturday, December 17th and a reception of Filipino food follows immediately after the mass.**

MINISTRY FOR MATURING ADULTS

Now that very day two of them were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them….Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning [within us] while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?—Luke 24:13-15, 32

The Big Bake 2.0 is still looking for a few adults to work with Roncalli High School students to bake, package, and deliver Christmas baked goods and other gifts to our homebound St. Mark parishioners. **Join us for two hours on Saturday, December 17th, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in the Schafer Hall basement. Contact Steve Helmich** (317-903-9657 cell/text or stevehelmich50@gmail.com) to join this fun event.

All men of the parish are encouraged to mark their calendars for January 16th and 23rd of 2023 and plan to participate in a very special study of St. Joseph. To be held in Schafer Hall, the study begins at 6:00 p.m. each night and will last two hours. Film, speakers, printed material, food, and social time make this a don't miss event!

MMA is recruiting volunteers to:

- join the MMA Telephone Contact Team to make periodic "wellness check" calls to our homebound parishioners.
- prepare mailings to St. Mark's Maturing Adults.
- join the MMA Steering Committee.

Contact Gemma Wallace at 317-694-4862 for more information.

If you need assistance with light repairs and "fixes" at your home, contact Handyman Ministry Chair Dan O'Brien at 317-306-6036 to share with him the help you need.

A BURDEN of these years is to allow all the stereotypes of old age to hold me back, to hold me down, to stop the flow of life in me.

A BLESSING of these years is that they give me the chance to break the bounds of a past life, and to create for myself a life more suited to what I now want to be.

Sr. Joan Chittister

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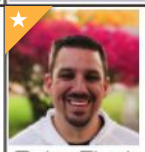

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