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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 1:00-1:45 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 535 East Edgewood Ave Indianapolis, Indiana 46227 317.787.8246 stmarkindy.org

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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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# **BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

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

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 <u>Alison Archer.</u>

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10, 2023** 

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: 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

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30 Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

MASS SCHEDULE



Please schedule 2024 mass intentions.

Contact <u>Alison Archer</u> to reserve dates.

Sunday, December 10 2nd Sunday of Advent

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mark (Fr. T)

9:30 AM Paul Becher (Fr. J)

Monday, December 11 St. Damasus I, Pope

8:15 AM & Margaret Strack (Fr. J)

Tuesday, December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:15 AM For the intentions of the Hispanic

Parishioner of St. Mark (Fr. T)

Wednesday, December 13 St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

6:00 to 7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, December 14 St. John of the Cross, Priest and

Doctor of the Church

8:15 AM & Hla Htway (Fr. J)

Friday, December 15 Weekday

No Mass

Saturday, December 16 Anticipation Mass

Sunday, December 17 3rd Sunday of Advent

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mark (Fr. J)

9:30 AM 引 Jim Morrison (Fr. J)

#### 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

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Sunday, December 10, 2023



Hello Everyone,

As we come together for the Second Sunday of Advent, I want to make you aware of some things coming up:

some canon law in their lives), but unfortunately this well, to get us motived...whatever works! will pull me away from some things that I would very Sunday is a great weekend. Thankfully, I will be back in your family to do just that! time for the Holy Seasons Concert on Sunday night, December 17th. I hope as many of you as possible can God Bless, make the Christmas Luncheon and the Holy Seasons Concert, as these are wonderful traditions here at our Fr. Tim parish. I also want to thank everyone for their patience with the part time nature of my assignment here; being gone two days a week, and the occasional out of town trips related to Canon Law often take me away from a lot going on here. Just rest assured I am not away vacationing during some a busy time of the year!

4th Sunday of Advent (December 24) Mass Times 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 Myanmar Mass

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Mass Times December 24th 4:30 PM & Midnight December 25th 10 AM & Noon Myanmar Mass

Second, I want to give everyone a heads up about the 4th Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day this year. Since Christmas falls on a Monday, things are rather tight after the 3rd week of Advent. There isn't really a 4th week as the 4th Sunday is Christmas Eve. However, it is important to remember that we still have two separate Mass obligations for both the 4th Sunday and Christmas, which cannot be fulfilled with just one mass. That is exciting! An opportunity to go to two very important Masses back-to-back is rare, and will bring us together a lot on those three days. For the 4th Sunday of Advent, you can choose from: Saturday, December 23rd at 4:30pm, and Sunday December 24th at 7:00am, 9:30am, or 11:45am (in Burmese). For your Christmas Mass, you can choose from Sunday, December 24th at 4:30pm or Midnight, and Monday, December 25th, at 10:00am or Noon (in Burmese). That means you could go Saturday night and First of all, this coming week will see me travel to Sunday night; or Sunday morning and Sunday night; or Louisville on behalf of St. Meinrad to teach Canon Law Sunday morning and Monday morning; or any to the permanent deacon candidates. I like to teach, and combination therein. Like I said, I prefer to see this as a as a Canon Lawyer I love that it is in the curriculum of rare opportunity rather than merely an obligation. But the permanent deacon program (everyone could use sometimes it helps to remember the obligatory aspect as

much prefer to have been here for at St. Mark. I will be I hope you all are having a great Advent. I know this away for Friday's MMA Christmas Luncheon, which is time of year can be a whirlwind, but it's always good to one of my favorite events of the year. I will miss our take some time to reflect about what it is we are Masses for the 3rd Sunday of Advent, and Gaudete celebrating. We hope St. Mark is the place for you and



### PRAYER LIST



Dick Wallace Joanne Burkert Fred Engleking Louis Abraham Angie Schofner & family Jay Isenberg Neola Beisel Donna Hart Mary Williams Dick Shanley The Donahue Family Cathy & Doyne Hahn Sue Hix Andy Warren Linda Daeger Brooke Turner David Mouser Jean Schott Rita Robertson

Perry Rottler Ineta Roessler Marie Finch-Hibner Sandy Balint Larry Woods Halee Spaulding Sherry Brett Vincent Durrett Earl Huffman Bruce Ingalls Greg & Carey Ling Ann Dillane Barb Oleson Al Ratz Marcia Hendrickson Phil Hurley

Wilma Shea Jerry Powell Nikki Nightingale Aaron Robinson Mary Ann Moran Nancy Everling Peggy Compton Erin Schofill **Dottie Ross** Tessa Cassetty Debbie O'Neal Chris A. Williams Paul VanKavelaar Bryan Collins

We are updating this prayer list! Please reach out to Alison Archer, <u>aarcher@stmarkindy.org</u> to update, add, or remove names! We hope to restart the stmarkprayerchain@stmarkindy.org emails in December!

Teresa Schmidt Lisa & Frank Engelking

Bob Ward

## STEWARDSHIP SPOT



Click here to give to St. Mark Online



Scan the QR code to give to St. Mark with online giving!

The end of the year is approaching fast! If you are looking for a charitable giving tax deduction or make payment on a pledge, you have until Sunday, December 31st to make a charitable donation to St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church!

Thank you for your continued generosity



Christmas Flower Offering IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF: Name 4 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Env. No Amount \_\_\_

All donations must be received by December 12th to be included in Christmas bulletin

# **PARISH LIFE**

ADVENT GIVING TREE

St. Mark is again sponsoring the Advent Giving Tree. Money generated from this project will help our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society with their work and will raise funds to help our own parishioners and other neighbors who find themselves in need of financial aid for their families. This is your opportunity to help others whom you may never meet or know, but you can be Christ to them through your donation. Remember that we can never be more generous than God has been to us. Each year our parishioners have shown their love and care for those in need by their amazing response to this Advent project. We hope for a similar response again this year. May God bless you and your loved ones for your kindness.

The Advent Giving Tree will be set up in the Narthex from November 24th through December 17th. 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.

### ST. MARK MUSIC MINISTRY

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL and COLLEGE AGE YOUTH:

All High School and College age Youth and any young adults, please come and sing for the St. Mark Holy Season Concert on December 17th. We would love to have all of you be part of the concert and possibly the Christmas Season Masses. Rehearsals are in the church Thursday, Dec 7th at 7:45, Monday, Dec 11th at 7:00pm and Thursday, Dec 14th at 7:00pm. Please send an email with any questions to Drew Eagan, <a href="mailto:aeagan@stmarkindy.org">aeagan@stmarkindy.org</a>,

The St. Mark handbell choir has openings for 1 or 2 new ringers to begin in January. New ringers must be available to ring at weekend masses once a month from September



through May. It is highly desired that new ringers have the ability to read music or have previous music experience. Interested persons can reach out directly to Lindsey Horty at Lindseybells26@yahoo.com.



#### **FAITH FORMATION**

The Rosary is a powerful weapon – the Church accepted the Rosary as we know it today in 1214 AD because of Saint Dominic's determination to convert the hearts of the Albignesians. Many of us use it to call on the aid of our Blessed



Mother Mary and know this "Angelic Psalter as it is the principal weapon" (The Secret of the Rosary, St. Louis De Montfort) when we call to mind the intentions to which we pray for. Currently at St. Mark, the Rosary is prayed before the 7 AM Mass and starting Sunday, January 7, the Rosary will be prayed before the 8:30 AM Mass (each week) and you are invited to join us in Schafer Hall Meeting Rooms A & B. Not to worry if you attend the Saturday Mass, we will pray the rosary January 6 after the 4:30 PM Mass. This first weekend we will use the St. Mark Rosary and welcome many hands to hold the beads.

#### **PARISH LIFE**

Calling All St. Mark Bakers!

We are kindly asking you to consider sharing your baking talents by making your sweet treats for the Holy Season Choir Concert held December 17 at St. Mark.We would love for you to share some of your homemade holiday treats for this event.

Items can be dropped off, on a table, in the Parish Life Center Lobby between 7 AM and 2PM on Sunday, Dec 17th. Contact Donna Kern dkern@stmarkindy.org with questions.



#### **PARISH LIFE:**

Save the Date: February 2, 2024



Yep, it's Groundhog Day, but we will be celebrating something much bigger---our wonderful volunteers! If you share time, talent, or treasure with the parish in any capacity, we want you there.

Mark it on your 2024 calendar now!

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Today's column is not easy reading, but here goes. It begins when we get a request from the citywide SVdP HELPLINE for a family within our parish area. If the request is for help with past-due utilities or rent, our parishioner and SVdP member Dawn Collier, receives a notice. She contacts the family to get details and then figures out how best to help.



Most utility bill payments can be completed by phone or online. Helping with rent is more complicated, including trips to the apartment complex with a check, a trip to Kroger to use a portal there, or other methods that keep her busy.

Our recent St. Mark SVdP annual report tells the story. Your gifts allowed us to help 65 households with past-due AES and Citizens Energy bills. Each assist averaged about \$245... but frequently meant that lights and heat would not be disconnected or could be restored (sometimes almost instantly). You also helped us help 29 additional families with rent help. These averaged about \$324 each.

So, all told, thru home visits, utility/rent help...and other activities, you helped more than 170 parishioner and neighbor families. Our parish Advent Giving Tree plays a vital role in making all of this possible.

MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND

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The St. Mark Filipino Community invites all parishioners to the celebration of Simbang Gabi, Saturday, December 16th at the 4:30 PM Mass, a reception to follow with delicious Filipino food to follow in Schafer Hall.

#### COMMUNITY

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis is conducting an archdiocesan-wide research initiative to help shape our communications strategies. Hirons, an Indianapolis-based communications firm, will be reaching out to parishioners in the coming weeks. If you receive a call or letter from Hirons, we encourage you to participate to help the Archdiocese better shape its communications to Catholics all over Central and Southern Indiana! For questions or participation information, please contact <a href="mailto:research@archindy.org">research@archindy.org</a>

#### Wishing Well Fund Christmas Delivery

The Wishing Well Fund, Inc. is in need of volunteers this year for our Christmas Food basket delivery on Saturday, December 23rd. We will be meeting at Primo's, but ask that everyone remain in their car. and that food baskets be left at the front door and not taken into the homes this year to keep everyone safe! You can sign up via Sign Up Genius (Click Here!)-

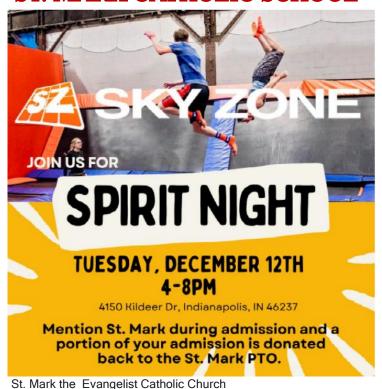
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Any questions, please contact Dave Jackson at 317.696.4241.

You can also follow us on Facebook: Wishing Well Fund or online @ www.wishingwellfund.com.



# ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL



#### MINISTRY FOR MATURING ADULTS

A *HOLY MOMENT* is a single moment in which you open yourself to God. You make yourself available to Him. You set aside personal preference and self-interest, and for one moment you do



what you prayerfully believe God is calling you to do. Matthew Kelly

# IT'S NOT TOO LATE! YOU CAN STILL GET TICKETS FOR THE CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON! Join

Us On Friday, December 15th...11:30 a.m.! The event this year will be held in our new Parish Center. Tickets are \$15 and include a delicious lunch, door prizes, and wonderful music provided by the Southside Jazzers and the St. Mark School Choir. Canned food, non-perishable items, and personal care products will be accepted for the food pantry at Hunger Inc. Last chance to purchase a ticket is Monday December 11th at the parish office.

HELP!!!...MMA's Greeting Card Ministry is recruiting parishioners who would like to be a part of a ministry that writes and sends cards and notes to individuals whose day would be brightened! Card writers and donation of cards are needed. There will be totes at the north end of the narthex to donate Christmas cards and to return completed cards for this ministry. If you are interested in writing cards contact Barb Taylor at <a href="mailto:beekatie@sbcglobal.net">beekatie@sbcglobal.net</a> or text 317-786-8727 for more information. Deadline to return written cards for the Christmas mailing is Sunday, December 17th so they can be distributed.

Need help with transportation to doctor's or other important appointments? Contact Steve Helmich at 317-903-9657 (cell/text).

Each period of life has its own purpose. This later one gives us the time to assimilate all the others. The task of this period of life is not simply to endure the coming end of time. It is to come alive in ways we have never been alive before.— St. Joan Chittister

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