St. Mark Catholic Church

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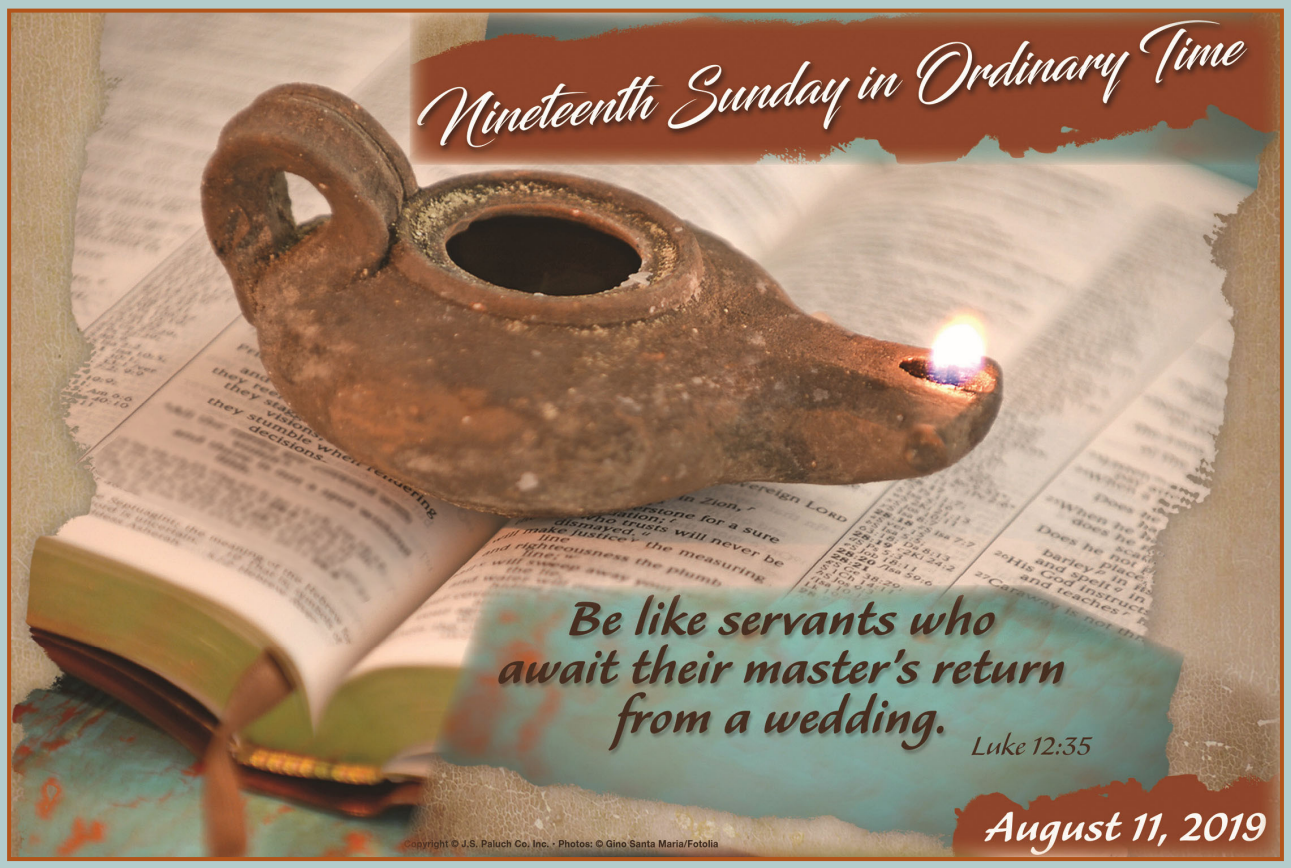

Mass Schedule
Sundays: 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 am
Monday - Friday: 6:30 am & 8:00 am
Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm
Holy Day: 6:30 & 9:00 am, 7:00 pm

Confessions
Saturday afternoon: 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Sacraments
Call 314.743.8620 or 314.743.8600 to make an appointment with one of the Priests.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday after 8:00 am Mass to 9:00 pm

Prayer Hotline
Dolores Bollwerk - 314.631.5108

Bulletin Announcements
Deadline: Noon on Monday before the Sunday notice is to appear.
Submit to: secretary@stmarkstl.com

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From the desk of Fr. Brian Hecktor …

It was a good first weekend last Sunday. Thank you for the welcome and hospitality. For a summer weekend, there was a lot going on! This is an active parish with many groups and volunteers keeping busy, and that activity brings great life to the parish! After one week, I've noticed already that we can use a larger pool of workers for Bingo on Tuesday nights, and we need a few more catechists for PSR. It is hard, but fun and fulfilling work. Please let me know if you can help!

There is a difficult topic that I must bring up. It is a "painful" thing, as Archbishop Carlson said in a statement to the people of the Archdiocese. Two weeks ago, Archbishop Carlson published a list of priests who had served in the Archdiocese and have had substantiated claims of sexual abuse of minors against them. He said, "This list…is the result of a long and extensive investigation conducted by a third-party agency staffed with skilled investigators, formerly of the FBI and state law enforcement." He also said that, "Publishing these names will not change the past. Nothing will. But it is an important step in the long process of healing. And we are committed to that healing."

As a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, I feel great sadness and shame at the terrible mistakes of a few of my brother clergy. Nevertheless, I have received much care, support, and love from the people of the Archdiocese. However, it is also my responsibility, as a representative of the Church, to bear some of the sadness and anger that people may rightly feel as a result of these sins and the publication of this list. So if you need to talk and be heard, please know that I will listen. Archbishop Carlson said:

> I strongly encourage anyone who has yet to share their story of abuse to please come forward to the local and state authorities. I also ask that anyone who has knowledge of sexual abuse of minors or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee or volunteer of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, call the Office of Child and Youth Protection at 314-792-7704.

It is important to note that, "No archdiocesan clergy member against whom there has been a substantiated allegation of sexual abuse of a minor is currently in ministry." and "There have been no substantiated allegations of sexual abuse of a minor alleged to have occurred after 2002," since the establishment of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Please see https://www.archstl.org/promise-to-protect/list-release for Archbishop Carlson's full statement, as well as resources in place to help victims. We pray for the victims of abuse, and open ourselves to the healing grace of God so we may persevere in faith and trust in our Savior, Jesus Christ.

I am so grateful to be here with you. God bless you and have a good week.

St. Mark, pray for us!
Fr. Hecktor

SEXUAL ABUSE SURVIVOR GROUPS

FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

This ministry will be offered **at no cost** to the participant. The closed groups will meet at the Crestwood location of **Saint Louis Counseling** on Wednesday evenings beginning **September 4**.

Adult survivors of child sexual abuse who have previously participated in individual therapy may inquire at **314-544-3800**.

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Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This Thursday, August 15
Holy Day of Obligation

Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary as a dogma of the Catholic faith on November 1, 1950. "The Immaculate Mother of God, ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory" (Dogma of the Assumption, 44).

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In observance of the Feast of the Assumption, Masses this Thursday, August 15 will be celebrated at 6:30 am, 9:00 am and 7:00 pm. Additionally, the Parish Office will be closed.

Assumption of Mary (1642) by Guido Reni

August 11 - 18

Sunday (Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
7:00 People of the Parish
9:00 Bob Dooley
11:00 Philip, Mary, & Donna Fischer

Monday (St. Jane Frances de Chantal)
6:30 Sr. Suzanne Laughlin, OP
8:00 Edward J. Unwin

Tuesday (Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus)
6:30 Teresa Battaglia (Special Intention)
8:00 Brettle & Farrell Families

Wednesday (St. Maximilian Kolbe)
6:30 Dale Mahan
8:00 Jim Slama

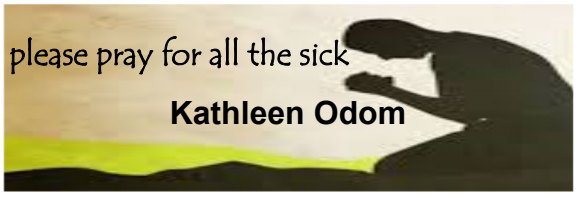
Thursday (The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
6:30 Ruth & Henry Schmidt
9:00 Dee Brauer (Special Intention)
7:00 pm People of the Parish

Friday (St. Stephen of Hungary)
6:30 Joseph F. Mueller
8:00 Rosemary Carter

Saturday (Blessed Virgin Mary)
8:00 Mary Deters
5:00 John Hummert

Sunday (Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
7:00 Dale Rees
9:00 Ken Johnston
11:00 People of the Parish

Effective August 1st, all new Mass request offerings are $10 each. Failure to pay the $10 offering will not prohibit the Mass for your loved one from being offered.



Ministry Schedule

August 15 ~ The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

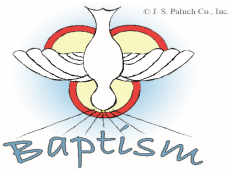
7:00 pm	**Lectors:**	N. Borders
	Ministers:	E. Schneider, L. Malone, M. Adlersfluegel, B. Terry
	Hospitality:	L. Meier, H. Bulliner, K. Griebenow, C. Hamilton

August 17 & 18 ~ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm	**Lectors:**	M. Rosenkoetter
	Ministers:	B. Terry, J. Preisack, M. Cass, E. Schneider, K. Goersch
	Hospitality:	A. & M. Cafferata, R. Flynn
7:00	**Lectors:**	C. Oberbeck
	Ministers:	C. Fleming, J. Johnson, C. Oberbeck, D. Stanger, L. Wells
	Hospitality:	D. Tullman, R. Leiber, M. Masidonski, L. Weber
9:00	**Lectors:**	K. Kraus, S. Landro
	Ministers:	J. Langevin, M. Mallette, L. Malone, K. & K. Maloney
	Hospitality:	M. Fischer, K. Griebenow, M. Kramper, F. Stephens
11:00	**Lectors:**	D. Smedra
	Ministers:	J. Fuchs, D. Brauer, C. Coerver, S. Hentz, K. Gillman
	Hospitality:	C. & J. Snethen, B. Fisher, J. Hanak

AUGUST 12 - 18

Monday	Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22--27
Tuesday	Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday	Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Friday	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 9:13-15
Sunday	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53



We welcome to our faith **Callaghan Jane**, daughter of Maria and Daniel Rooney, who was baptized last week. May God bless and guide Callaghan and her family as they journey with Christ to the Kingdom.

Altar Server Schedule

August 12 - 18

Monday
6:30 Server needed
8:00 J. & H. Bast

Tuesday
6:30 Server needed
8:00 Server needed

Wednesday
6:30 Server needed
8:00 Server needed

Thursday
6:30 Server needed
7:00 pm 2 Servers needed

Friday
6:30 Server needed

Saturday
8:00 L. Grebing
5:00 2 Servers needed

Sunday
7:00 Server needed
9:00 H. Lotspeich, Server needed
11:00 J. Smedra, Server needed

Please sign-up to serve for the month of August by accessing the July calendar on SignUp.com.

This Week in our Parish ...

August 12 - 18

Monday	5:00 pm	Volleyball, Parish Center
	6:30 pm	PTO, Science Lab
	7:00 pm	50+ Club, Cafeteria
Tuesday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration, Church
	9:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry, Parish Office
	4:00 - 6:00 pm	Back to School Open House, School
	6:30 pm	BINGO, Bandwagon Hall
	7:15 pm	Men's Club, Parish Office
Wednesday	9:00 am	Bible Study, Parish Office
	5:00 pm	Volleyball, Parish Center
Thursday	Parish Offices Closed in observance of the Feast of the Assumption	
Friday	5:00 pm	Volleyball, Parish Center
Saturday	9:00 am	Volleyball, Parish Center & Cafeteria
Sunday	3:30 pm	Daisy Girl Scouts, Cafeteria
	4:00 pm	Brownie Girl Scouts, Cafeteria

St. Mark PSR program is in need of 2 teachers, for middle school grades. The PSR has class on Monday nights from 6:30 - 8 pm, beginning on September 9. While a background in education is important, a desire to share the Catholic faith with younger parishioners is more valuable. If you are interested in helping in this important work please call Fr. Hecktor, 314.743.8609.

This Monday, August 12, at 7 pm: Membership Meeting in Cafeteria. Barbara Kay will perform as Dolly Madison ... you don't want to miss this.

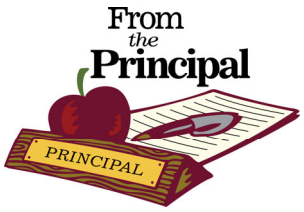
BINGO IS PLAYED EVERY TUESDAY AT BANDWAGON HALL
(REAVIS BARRACKS & LEMAY FERRY RD.)

DOORS OPEN AT 3:30 PM.
GAMES BEGIN AT 6:30 PM.

Team 4 will work Tuesday, August 13

Mary Miller	Paul Mori
Kelli Seeger	Kevin Bradshaw
Kathy Harangozo	Jane Johnson
Paul Russo	Teresa Taylor
Stacey Hulsey	Anne Beckerle

If you cannot work when scheduled or have questions, please call Loretta @ 314.922.6838 or Megan Bono @ 314.261.3570.



Dear Parishioners,

This will be an exciting week at St. Mark. The teachers will "officially" return for their meetings on Monday and Tuesday. I know they are very excited to jump into a new school year. We will welcome families back with an Open House on Tuesday evening, and the first day of school is on Thursday. I am happy to welcome three new faculty members this year. Mrs. Mary Miller will teach preschool. Mrs. Michelle Baldwin will teach 3rd grade and Mr. Mark Baker will have 6th grade homeroom and teach Math. They are looking forward to meeting the students and their families and we are excited to welcome them into our wonderful parish and school community.

We made some exciting changes and updates to the school over the course of the summer. Our library has been transformed and will now be used as a STREAM (science, technology, religion, engineering, art, math) Lab. The yard of the parish offices has been cleaned up and now contains raised garden beds full of vegetables and flowers. We hope to keep working on this area to turn it into a full outdoor classroom. All of our bathrooms received a major facelift with new paint and stalls. The school office also received some TLC. It has a fresh coat of paint and new flooring. Thank you to Fr. Hambrough for saying "yes" to all my crazy ideas and to Fr. Hecktor for supporting them upon his arrival.

The teachers and I are excited about the upcoming school year and look forward to all that awaits us. We look forward to seeing you and ask for your prayers for a happy, healthy, and safe school year.

St. Mark, Pray for Us. *Julie Bingham*

ST. PETER & PAUL

SOUP KITCHEN

Schedule for August 18 = Team 4

Cooks:	Kathy Chew, Chris Coerver, Betty Hummert, Terry Narzinski, Kathy Smith, Bernadette Williams
Bakers:	Pat Biggerstaff, Betty Hummert, Jackie Tierney, Ann Michalski, Lois and Bev Schneider, Bernadette Williams
Servers:	Chris Coerver, Meredith Fallert

Ladies Guild ...

Greetings to all ladies of St. Mark. We hope you had a wonderful summer full of fun and relaxation. **Come to our Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, September 18 at 7 pm in Cafeteria** and catch up with what everyone did over the summer months. Cool off with some delicious ice cream treats topped with all of your favorite syrups, candies, etc. We look forward to seeing all of our current members and adding some new faces to the group.

I again express my deepest gratitude to all who made my St. Mark's Farewell such a wonderful event. I am thankful to all who decorated, set up, and served. That generosity and the generosity found through your gifts mean very much to me. I will think of you as I rest easy at the end of a day in my new recliner and, of course, I will be praying for you always.

At this writing I've been at the new place 7 days and everyone is very nice. I still miss you, though, but I take comfort in the knowledge that you are praying for me, too. Our prayers for each other will bring goodness to all of us.

God bless you always. *Fr. Hambrough*

SUNDAY OFFERING

August 4, 2019

Envelopes	$ 11,726.00
Online Giving	2,502.00
Loose	714.01
School Support	1,082.00
Total	$ 16,030.01
- Avg. Weekly Expenses	15,000.00
Final Total	**$ 1,030.01**
Latin American	**$ 978.00**

Thank you for your generosity.

Save the Date

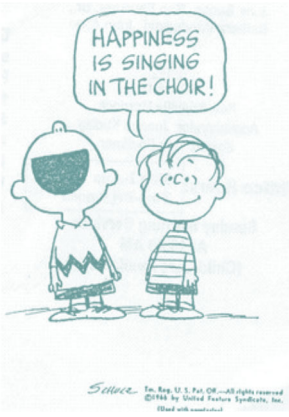
Sunday, September 8, 2019
8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
After All Masses

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center
How Life Flows Through Our Community®

St. Mark School will be pairing with the Mississippi Blood Center as part of the LifeSavings Grant. In the last year, the school has received over $500 in Amazon Gift Cards, just by hosting and promoting our blood drive. We need your donation so the school can benefit once more.

In order to be eligible to donate, one cannot give blood between now and the September 8th drive.

Children's Choir



Mrs. Rose Masidonski invites boys and girls from 3rd to 8th grade to sing in the Children's Choir this school year. The choir meets on Tuesdays after school from 3 -4pm and sing on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Mass. Please call Mrs. Masidonski at 314.631.8260 if you are interested.

Family Potluck/Game Night

Join us for food, fellowship, and fun on Saturday, August 31, immediately after the 5 pm Mass (around 6 pm) in the Cafeteria.

BBQ meats and iced tea provided; soda available for 50¢ per can. Bring a dish to share and a game to play. No alcohol please. RSVP to Glenn at 314.803.6475.

Around the Archdiocese

Widow/Widower's Support Group meetings are held in **St. Simon the Apostle**'s Lower Church Hall every 3rd Sunday, 1:30 - 3 pm. Have questions, contact Karl Lambrechts: 314.892.2790 or lambkjsept7@gmail.com.

Join Us at the Pantry for Can Goods - Ice Cream Happy Hour!

From 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm a donation of 3 - 10 oz. canned food items on ~~June 20, July 18,~~ August 15, or September 19 will earn you some great ice cream. We hope to see you there!

Thank you to Team Ruzicka & Guild Mortgage and The Malt Shop for Sponsoring this event.

Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes are hosting our annual Luncheon for Life on Thursday, September 26 at 11 am. The afternoon features a luncheon, one-of-kind silent auction items, and specialty jewelry designed as part of Our Lady's Inn Pay It Forward Program. Tickets are $50 a person (increases to $60 after September 19th). We hope you will join us at Defiance Ridge Vineyards to support a great cause. For more information or to register: call Katrina at 314.736.1544 or visit www.ourladysinn.org.

Fiat
Women's Group

Morning of Recollection
with Fr. Paul Hoesing, Dean of Seminarians

Join us for an extended version of the monthly Fiat series, including recitation of the rosary, talks given by Fr. Paul Hoesing, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, opportunities for confession, and Holy Mass. Say "yes" to spending time in prayer with Mary on this Holy Day!

Thursday, August 15, 2019
Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
5200 Glennon Drive
St. Louis, MO 63119

kenrick.edu/fiat

7TH ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE
Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish (4092 Blow St.)
Saturday, September 14 ~ 8:00 am to 3:00 pm
Sunday, September 15 ~ 8:00 am to Noon.
Great items! Great Deals! Great Prices!!

Support St. Mark's School by buying TWB gift cards for your SCHOOL SUPPLY needs!

Department Stores/Retailers

Bass Pro Shop
Bath & Body Works
Bed Bath & Beyond
Best Buy
CVS
Dick's Sporting Goods
GAP/Old Navy
Home Depot
iTunes
JC Penney
Kohl's
Lowe's
Macy's
Marshalls
Michaels
TJ Maxx
Target
Walgreens
Walmart

Orders may be placed after all weekend Masses or at the Parish Office on Mondays - Fridays, 8 am - 4 pm.
Questions, contact:
Alice Wilcox @ 743.8603
Diane Little @ 544.8970

PSR Registration Now Open

How to Register:

- Go to St. Mark's webpage (www.stmarkstl.com), click on the "Education and Faith Formation" tab, and click onto Parish School of Religion (PSR) option. OR
- Contact Christina Sanders at secretary@stmarkstl.com or 314.743.8602. OR
- Immediately before and immediately after the 5 P.M. Mass on Saturdays in August, and 9 A.M. and 11 A.M. Masses on Sundays in August.

Please note:

- All PSR families (incoming or new) are to register by 3 P.M. the Friday before the Monday the child(ren) is to enter PSR. Example: In order for your child(ren) to attend the first session on Monday, September 9th the completed pack(s) must be turned in on Friday, September 6th by 3 P.M. *No registrations will be accepted on September 9th nor any Monday during the PSR year.*
- Attendance is taken every Monday evening PSR is in session, beginning on September 9th. The southwest wing double doors of the School open at 6:25 P.M. and students are marked tardy if they arrive after 6:30 P.M.

PSR begins on Monday, September 9th at 6:30 P.M. Look to future bulletins for more information about this evening designed for students and parents alike.

St. Mark 2019

FALL FESITVAL

Friday & Saturday, September 27 & 28

SILENT AUCTION

For pick-up of your items, contact Angela Follen at 314.456.8647 or Parish Office at 314.743.8602 or mail to: St. Mark Parish Office | 4200 Ripa Ave. | St. Louis, MO 63125

By September 2, please consider making a financial donation or contribution of goods or services this year. All items donated will be used for the auction during our event.

LET'S HAVE A GARDEN PARTY!

Contact Anita Stephens at 314.413.7742

Needed: plants, baskets, containers, or other gardening items for the Plant Booth.

PARTY TIME!

Contact JoNell Russo via call or text to 314.630.1853 for questions or pick up.

Needed: Wine, Whiskey, Mixers, Beer, or alcohol related items.

DONATE OR SPONSOR A BOOTH

Contact Jim & Dodie Rooney for more information, roonjj@outlook.com.

General questions or comments or to volunteer contact:

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JoNell Russo ~ 314.630.1853 or Jonellr26@prodigy.net
Kelly Goersch ~ 314.504.5397 or thefourks@live.com

SIGN UP SHEETS COMING TO CHURCH LOBBY SOON.