## ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 2023

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 am Monday - Friday: 6:30 am & 8:00 am Saturday: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil) Holy Day & National Holidays: consult the bulletin

#### **RECONCILIATION | CONFESSION**

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

#### **SACRAMENTS**

call 314.743.8620 or 314.743.8609 to make an appointment with Father.

#### **CLERGY**

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Tuesday: 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Including anointing of seriously ill or dying:

Monday, January 23, 2023 Day of Prayer for the Legal

**BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION** 

Tuesday: after 8:00 am Mass to 9:00 pm

**PRAYER HOTLINE** 

Call Jean Malone - 314.544.3572

**RCIA** 

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Please speak with Fr. Hecktor, 314.743.8609.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Submissions must be received by Noon on Monday

prior to Sunday publication date. We reserve the

right to edit submissions. Submit items to

secretary@stmarkstl.com (or the Parish Office).

Protection of Unborn Children



#### RESPECT FOR LIFE PRAYER

O God.

our eyes behold the beauty of your creation, and our ears catch the sounds of your power.

We hold our lives sacred because they are your gift.

Bring us to greater awareness of the sanctity of human life

and to sorrow for the times we have ignored or offended it.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Dear St. Mark Parishioners,

All Things New is bringing about excitement as well as concern. I encourage you to read Archbishop Rozanski's St. Louis Review column from Jan 12 https://www.archstl.org/st

<u>-louis-review</u>. He acknowledges the excitement of the unknown and new possibilities, but also the sadness and trepidation that we may feel at the possibility of change. He encourages us, regardless of what we're feeling, to be rooted in Christ. We consider other changes in our lives, such as graduation or moving to a new house or having a child, and how the feelings we experience must be rooted in Christ. In all things and at all times, we must have the utmost faith in Him, trusting that He will always be present among us in our joy and our fear to lead us to something greater.

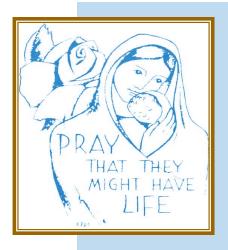
Please join us for a Pro-Life Holy Hour this Wednesday, Jan 25, from 6-7pm. We'll have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, pray the Rosary together, and then have Benediction. Despite the victories the Pro-Life Movement has had in the past year, we must continue our efforts to protect human life at the most vulnerable stage. Please be sure to pick up the booklet "Why We are Pro-Life" in the vestibules to help us better understand why the Catholic Church works so hard to protect babies in the womb.

If you haven't already, be sure to pick up and read "20 Answers: The Eucharist," by Trent Horn. This book is available in the vestibules, and if we run out, we can get more. These answers can help us as we continue to revive our understanding and love of the Eucharist, which is the Source and Summit of our Faith.

We need additional help to bring communion to parishioners who are homebound. If anyone would like to help in this important ministry, please talk to me and I'll get you started.

God bless you and have a good week.

Fr. Hecktor



HOUR OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

This Wednesday

January 25<sup>th</sup> | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

St. Mark Church

Rosary for LIFE
Eucharistic Adoration
Benediction

Let us thank God for an end to abortion in Missouri. Let us commit to continuing to build a Culture of Life.

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**Tuesdays | 9am to 9pm

Pope Benedict XVI wrote:

"...the Church is able to celebrate and adore the mystery of Christ present in the Eucharist precisely because Christ first gave himself to her [the Church] in the sacrifice of the Cross" (Sacramentum Caritatis, no. 14).



St. Mark Parish extends a Warm Welcome to all who have come to worship with us. If you would like more information about St. Mark Church and/or to register as a parishioner, please phone the Parish Office: 314.743.8600.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, January 21

5:00<sup>PM</sup> Butch Unwin (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) **Sunday, January 22** (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Lunar New Year)

7:00 People of the Parish

9:00 Bob Dooley
11:00 Berdell Leuthen

Monday, January 23 (Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; St. Vincent, Decan & Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin)

6:30 Peggy VonDerHaar 8:00 David J. Metherd

Tuesday, January 24 (St. Francis de Sales, Bishop &

Doctor of the Church)

6:30 Dominic, Vincent, Maria, John Bapsitc

- Maria & Joseph

8:00 Louise Hock

Wednesday, January 25 (Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends)

6:30 Shranz Family 8:00 Vincent Baccala

Thursday, January 26 (Ss. Timothy & Titus, Bishops)

6:30 David Miriani

8:00 Steve Stawizynsjki, Sr.

Friday, January 27 (St. Angela Merici, Virgin)

6:30 Msgr. Patrick Hambrough

8:00 Pope Benedict

Saturday, January 28 (St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest &

Doctor of the Church)

8:00 Charles Wilcox

5:00<sup>PM</sup> Paul W. Goersch (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Sunday, January 29 (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00 Judy Heaman 9:00 Vince Manning 11:00 People of the Parish

#### READINGS FOR TODAY, JANUARY 22, 2023

**Ist Reading:** The burdens that were once laid upon the people have been vanquished (Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3). **Psalm 27:** The Lord guides and saves me.

**2nd Reading:** Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you. (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

**Gospel:** After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee teaching, proclaiming the gospel, and curing the people (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

#### READINGS FOR JANUARY 23 - 29, 2023

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30, or any

of a number of readings for the  $\operatorname{\mathsf{Day}}$  of  $\operatorname{\mathsf{Prayer}}$ 

Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11;

Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;

Mk 16:15-18

Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10;

Mk 4:21-35

Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40;

Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41 Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; I Cor 1:26-31;

Mt 5:1-12a

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 28

5:00<sup>PM</sup> Minister: E. Schneider, K. Goersch, M. Cass

Lector: K. Cafferata

Hospitality M. Paur, R. Chinnici, R. Flynn

Sunday, January 29

7:00 Minister: J. Johnson

Lector: D. Stanger

Hospitality: D. Tullman, R. Leiber, M. Masidonski

9:00 Minister: T. Reilly Lector: M. Wobbe

Hospitality: P. Ebel, S. Clements, E. Farrell 11:00 Minister: S. Hentz, M. Diethelm, S. Mason

Lector: K. Gillman

Hospitality: C., J., A., & M. Snethen

#### Altar Angels for February 2023

3rd - L. Bornemann & L. Balossi 6th & 10th - J. Hieger & J. Terry 13th & 17th - M. Voirol & D. Kopff 20th & 24th - J. Bocquillon & S. Metherd 27th (& March 3rd) - M. Diethelm & T. Reilly

#### Altar Servers for January & February 2023

January Masses at <a href="https://signup.com/go/nYsPfVb">https://signup.com/go/nYsPfVb</a>
February Masses at <a href="https://signup.com/go/KBBfacB">https://signup.com/go/KBBfacB</a>

#### **Petition Writers for February 2023**

M. Wobbe, D. Kopff, C. Noto

Attention Petition Writers: If you are submitting your petitions by email to the Parish Office, (secretary@stmarkstl.com) please do so by 12 Noon on the Wednesday before the Sunday for which you are responsible.



In honor of the
Feast of St. Blaise
the traditional
Blessing of Throats
will be given during the
6:30 & 8:00 am Masses
next Friday, February 3

St. Blaise, a bishop and martyr, was one of the most popular medieval Saints. He is venerated as the patron Saint of sufferers from throat diseases and of wool combers.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...



...all the faithfully departed, especially: **Joanie Riegert** (sister of John Amsler), may they rest in peace.

...the sick, especially: Alice Stuckenberg, Kevin Bradshaw, and those suffering from AIDS, COVID, cancer, mental illness, and drug and alcohol addition; may they find help and comfort.

...LIFE from Conception until natural death; may life be victorious.

...the Holy Spirit to be our guide in the **All Things New** pastoral plan.

#### THIS WEEK AT OUR ST. MARK PARISH

Monday, January 23

6:30 pm: PSR - School.

7:00 pm: School Board - Parish Office.

Tuesday, January 24

9:00 am - 9:00 pm: Eucharistic Adoration - Church.

9:00 am: Prayer Shawl Ministry - Parish Office. 4:00 pm: St. Vincent de Paul Society - Parish Office.

6:00 pm: Basketball - Parish Center.

Wednesday, January 25

9:00 am: Bible Study - Parish Office.

6:00 pm: Hour of Prayer for LIFE - Church.

6:00 pm: Basketball - Parish Center. 7:00 pm: Parish Council - Parish Office.

Thursday, January 26

6:00 pm: Basketball - Parish Center. 6:30 pm: 9 am Choir - Church.

Friday, January 27

3:30 pm doors open, 6:30 pm games begin: BINGO

- Bandwagon Hall.

5:30 pm: Basketball - Parish Center.

Saturday, January 28

9:00 am: Playset Work Day - Parish Center.

Sunday, January 29

3:30 pm: Basketball - Parish Center.

#### **Church Building Hours for Individual Prayer**

Monday, Wednesday - Friday | 5:30 - after 8 am Mass. Tuesday | 5:30 am - 9 pm. Saturday | 6 am - 12 Noon.

#### Live Streaming of All St. Mark scheduled Masses

To view a live Mass on your cell phone, laptop, or desktop computer visit <a href="https://www.stmarkstl.com/live-stream">https://www.stmarkstl.com/live-stream</a>.

Watch previously recorded Masses under "Live Stream" tab. Have any questions or comments?

Email Dean at webmaster@stmarkstl.com.

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday | 8 am - 4:30 pm. Friday | 7:30 am - 3 pm.

# ON FRIDAYS @ BANDWAGON HALL Lemay Ferry @ Reavis Barracks

Doors open @ 3:30 pm. Sales begin @ 4:30 pm. BINGO begins @ 6:15 pm.

<u>Volunteers for January 27</u>: K. Seeger, T. Narzinski, P. Luster, C. Noto, K. Chinnici, J. Bocquillon, K. Panchot, J. Huck, J. Cirami, D. Schmerbauch, G. Zeitler, A. Beckerle, J. Johnson, B. Williams, L. Hoeing, K. Bradshaw.

For info &/or volunteer, call Laura @ 314.229.7200.

# TITHING, YOUR GIFT TO GOD. Sunday, January 15, 2023

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#### Some 2023 dates to remember:

- February 6: 6:30 pm in Church. Confirmation Meeting for 7<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents.
   Students must be currently enrolled in 7th grade PSR classes or St. Mark School to receive the sacrament of Confirmation next fall.
- February 13: 6:30 pm in Church.
   First Communion Meeting for parents of currently enrolled 2nd grade students preparing for First Communion.
- **February 20:** No classes in observance of Presidents' Day.



Ash Wednesday, February 22 Fridays, March 3, 17, & 31 Good Friday, April 7

4:30 to 7:00 pm

Dine-in: St. Mark Parish Center Carry-out: St. Mark Cafeteria

More details to come.

#### Bishop DuBourg High School Honor Roll

The following former St. Mark students made...



First Honors: Mya Dozier, Olivia Gagen, Jenna Randall, and Sophia Wokurka Second Honors: Caden Mettlach, Harrison Newcombe, and Owen Zmuda

Congratulations! We are proud of you!!

#### 2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

In order to reduce postage costs, we are only mailing out a statement if it is requested.

If you would like a copy of your 2022 contribution statement to St. Mark Catholic Church, please drop this form in the Sunday collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office (4200 Ripa Avenue | St. Louis, MO 63125) or contact Alice Wilcox, Bookkeeper, at 314.743.8603.

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TODAY

TOMORROW

CHANGING THE FUTURE — ONE CHILD AT A TIME

## Scholarships Available

Applications Open January 17, 2023

## Looking for a scholarship for the 2023-2024 school year?

- · All elementary schools in the Archdiocese of St. Louis
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Application Deadline February 28, 2023

Apply Online at TTEF-STL.ORG







### **OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT WITH THE ST. MARK COMMUNITY**

# Semi-Annual Ladies' Guild BAKE SALE



Saturday & Super Bowl Sunday
February 11 & 12
after all Masses
in the cafeteria

Buy a treat for your football fan and your Valentine!



#### **REMINDERS**

- Ladies Guild members drop off your wrapped baked goods after 3 pm on Saturday, February 11.
   For more information contact Joanne Schneider at 314.856.3090.
- Next meeting is Wednesday, February 15 beginning at 7 pm in the Cafeteria. Look to future bulletins for more information.

Want to know more about the <u>community</u> of Ladies? Call Joyce at 573.776.3377.



#### SAVE THE DATE

Mardi Gras
Family Potluck & Game Night

Join fellow parishioners from our St. Mark community as we celebrate Mardi Gras on Saturday, February 18 after 5 pm Mass (around 6:00 pm) in the cafeteria. Enjoy food, fellowship | community, & friends.

Bring a dish and a game to play. No alcohol please. For more information call Glenn at 314.803.6475.

Needed: Mardi Gras Beads (green, gold, & purple, only). Please drop them at the Parish Office by 12 Noon on Wednesday, February 8.



#### **PRAYER HOTLINE**

The power of intercessory prayer is miraculous. It is the presence of God embodied in the care and concern of our faith community.

To leave a request for prayer, or volunteer to pray for others, call Jean Malone at 314.544.3572.



#### **CALLED TO COMMUNITY**

Today's Gospel from Matthew sketches the initial movements of Jesus' public ministry. The arrest of John the Baptist signals that Jesus' time has come. His first actions include the call of his

first disciples, and proclaiming the reign, or kingdom, of heaven. Jesus first gathers a <u>community</u>, which he can gradually form to become living evidence of this coming reign. His preaching, which begins just a few verses later in the Sermon on the Mount, is not just essential guidance for each individual life, but for life within a <u>community</u> of his followers.

It can be very challenging for most of us, who live in a highly individualized society, to hear this story of being summoned into <u>community</u>, committed to learning together and from each other. Our parishes and Christian <u>communities</u> need to be safe places so that we can open our hearts to each other, learning the Way of Jesus, and sharing this Way with others.

### **OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT WITH THE ARCHDIOCESAN COMMUNITY**





## **Annual Prayer for Christian Unity**

Join Archbishop Rozanski and our St. Louis Christian communities in ecumenical prayer for unity on the theme "Do Good; Seek Justice" (Is 1:17).

All are also welcome to attend a reception, which will follow the prayer.

WHEN: Sunday, January 29 @ 7 - 8pm WHERE: St. John Bosco Catholic Parish

12934 Marine Avenue | 63146

# **Annual Mass**

FOR Racial Unity

Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023 at 7:00 PM

**ALL are welcome** to attend Mass celebrated by

Archbishop Witchell Rozanski

Music by the choirs of

St. Augustine

St. Catherine Laboure





St. Catherine Laboure Church 9740 Sappington Rd St. Louis, MO 63128

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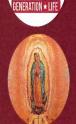
February 1-March 15 - 8th Grade Creative Writing Contest

Contact prolife@archstl.org or 314.792.7559

February 18- Archdiocesan Pro-Life Mass & Rosary

Cathedral Basilica, 8 a.m., Celebrant: Fr. David Hogan

February 20- Parish Pro-Life Rep & RLA Executive Board Meetings Cardinal Rigali Center, Contact prolife@archstl.org or 314.792.7555









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