PASTORAL BULLETIN FOR THE PARISHES OF SAINT MARK & SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 23 & 24, 2025

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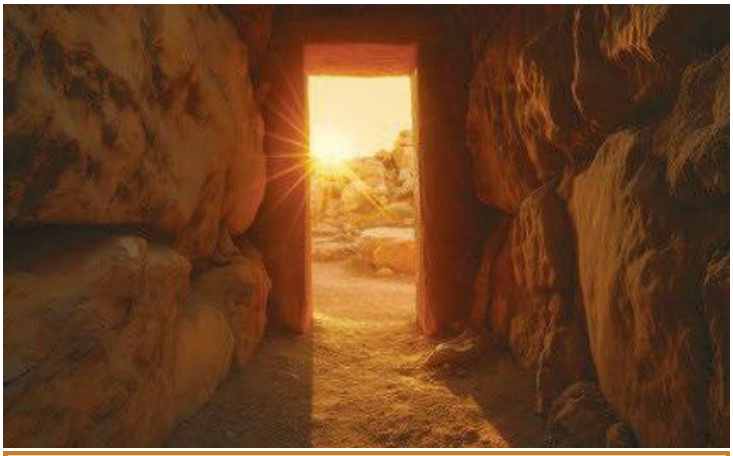

"Enter through the narrow gate.
For wide is the gate and broad is the
road that leads to destruction."

SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

HOLY MASS

Monday-Friday
6:30 AM *at St. Martin*
8:00 AM *at St. Mark* (livestream)

Saturday Morning 8:00 AM
at St. Mark (livestream)

Saturday Evening Vigils
4:00 PM *at St. Martin*
5:00 PM *at St. Mark*

Sunday Morning
7:00, 9:00 (livestream) & 11:00 AM
at St. Mark
10:00 AM *at St. Martin*

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, & FUNERALS

May be scheduled at St. Mark, St. Martin,
St. Andrew, St. Bernadette, or St. Matthias
Churches by calling the Pastoral Office.

CONFESSIONS

One half hour prior to each Vigil or
Sunday Mass beginning at the quarter hour.

Mass INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 23

4:00PM @ St. Martin Thelma Sanders
5:00PM @ St. Mark Peggy VonderHaar+

Sunday, August 24 ***21st ORDINAL SUNDAY***

7:00 @ St. Mark No intention requested
9:00 @ St. Mark Doe Laurenti & Family
10:00 @ St. Martin People of the Parishes
11:00 @ St. Mark Shirley Mangum+

Monday, August 25 **St. Louis of France**

6:30 @ St. Martin Rosetta Saputo+
8:00 @ St. Mark Sean Selvaggio+

Tuesday, August 26

6:30 @ St. Martin Mary A Johnson+
8:00 @ St. Mark Dolores Lampe+

Wednesday, August 27 ***St. Monica***

6:30 @ St. Martin No intention requested
8:00 @ St. Mark Monica Andrews

Thursday, August 28 ***St. Augustine***

6:30 @ St. Martin Alan Livengood+
8:00 @ St. Mark R. Albert Seper+

Friday, August 29 ***Passion of John the Baptist***

6:30 @ St. Martin No intention requested
8:00 @ St. Mark Nowak Family

Saturday, August 30

8:00 @ St. Mark Dick Stanfield
4:00PM @ St. Martin Carol Zabrowski+
5:00PM @ St. Mark Thomas Parkin+

Sunday, August 31 ***22nd ORDINAL SUNDAY***

7:00 @ St. Mark No intention requested
9:00 @ St. Mark People of the Parishes
10:00 @ St. Martin Pam Maris+
11:00 @ St. Mark Judy Olsum+

Psalm 19

His Words are Spirit & Life.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says,
"When I come
to gather the nations of every language,
they shall come to Jerusalem and
they shall see my glory."

Hebrews 12a;5-7, 11-13

My child, do not distain the Lord's discipline … for those he loves, he disciplines.

Luke 13:22-30

Jesus taught,
"People will come from the East and the West … and recline at table in God's Kingdom."

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DAILY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK AUGUST 25 - 31

Monday:	**1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10** **Matthew 23:13-22**
Tuesday:	**1 Thessalonians 2:1-8** **Matthew 23:23-26**
Wednesday:	**1 Thessalonians 2:9-13** **Matthew 23:27-32**
Thursday:	**1 Thessalonians 3:7-13** **Matthew 24:42-51**
Friday:	**1 Thessalonians 4:1-8** **Mark 6:17-29**
Saturday:	**1 Thessalonians 4:9-11** **Matthew 25:14-30**
Sunday:	**Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29** **Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a** **Luke 14:1, 7-14**

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

This Thursday, the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of the Passion of St. John the Baptist,** recalling his heroic martyrdom.

The Gospels portray this desert prophet as the herald of God's salvation which would come to us through the saving life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

John understood his place in the Divine Plan which would fulfill all the promises of old of the coming of God's Anointed One, the Messiah.

He pointed Jesus out and then receded into the background of Salvation History saying:
"*He must increase and I must decrease.*"

Today, I offer this prayer for your use on the coming Solemnity as a reminder that the mission of John is also ours.

St. John the Baptist,
greatest of prophets
among those born of woman,
martyr for the truth

by your example of self-denial
and your obedience to the call of God,
Your words and your witness to the Christ
you drew and prepared the multitudes
to receive the Eternal Word-Made-Flesh.

Grant that by the example of a holy life
and the exercise of every good work,
we may, like you, draw many people
to the Lamb of God,
Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!

May we all benefit from our reflection on the humble fidelity of St. John and follow in our own ways his direction to follow Christ!

Father Bob Burkemper

This Week

Monday, August 25

- ***Exercise Class*** 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 112

Tuesday, August 26

- ***Devotions to the Mother of Perpetual Help*** After 6:30AM & 8:00AM Mass
- ***Prayer Shawl Ministry*** 9:00AM Pastoral Office
- ***Quilting*** 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 113
- ***Quilting*** 10:00AM St. Martin Runge Hall
- ***Scripture Study*** 1:00PM & again at 7:00PM Pastoral Office

Wednesday, August 27

- ***Quilting*** 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 113
- **Bible Study** 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 110
- ***Cards*** 12:30PM St. Mark Rm 114
- ***Ladies Guild*** 7:00-8:00PM St. Mark Cafeteria

Thursday, August 28

- ***Eucharistic Adoration*** After 8:00AM Mass until 6:45PM Benediction
- ***Exercise Class*** 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 112
- ***Quilting*** 10:00AM St. Martin Runge Hall
- ***Choir Practice*** 6:30PM St. Mark Rm 101
- ***Open Pastoral Council*** 7:00-8:00 PM Runge Hall
- ***Legion of Mary*** 7:15PM St. Mark Rm 112

Friday, August 29

- ***Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)*** 7:30PM St. Andrew School (Hoffmeister Entrance

Saturday, August 30

- ***Potluck & Game Night*** 6:00-7:00PM St. Mark Cafeteria

Sunday, August 31

- ***Bingo*** Bandwagon Hall 2:30PM Doors Open, 5:30PM Games Begin (Volunteer Team 5)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR DAILY PRAYER

All the Faithful Departed,
especially:

Bill Briegleb

May they find eternal rest in the light of Christ's Resurrection.

All the Sick,
especially:

Phyllis Ann Price, SSND
Audrey Behr & Charlotte Stahl

May they experience the healing touch of Jesus in their lives.

For the Peace of Christ

In our hearts, in our homes, in our cities and among all people around the world. May we all be bearers of PEACE.

PRAYER HOTLINE

The members of this ministry pray for the special intentions of our parishioners and their loved ones.

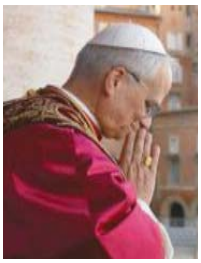
To be included or to join in prayer for others, please contact Jean Malone at 314.544.3572.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Do you have a loved one who is seriously ill?
Or
Have you recently experienced the death of a close friend or family member?

Contact our staff at the Pastoral Office so these intentions can be included in the Sunday Bulletin to elicit the prayer of the entire Faith Community.

The names of the sick will be published for four consecutive weeks.



POPE LEO'S SPECIAL INTENTION FOR AUGUST IS

MUTUAL COEXISTENCE

"Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons."

PROGRAMS OF ADULT FAITH FORMATION

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED SCRIPTURE STUDY

Led by Fr. Bob, this study encourages your preparation to better understand the next Sunday's Scriptures.

The Study is held in the Pastoral Office **each *Tuesday* at 1 PM & 7 PM.**

This Tuesday's texts will be:

Sirach 3:17-18, 20. 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24
Luke 14:1, 7-14

SUNDAY BY SUNDAY

All are welcome to the Bible Study Group which meets on **Wednesdays from 9:00 - 10:30 AM** in **St. Mark's School Room 101**.

We begin this Wednesday, August 27th.

To register, please call Rose Masidonski at 314-631-8260.

We love to share our faith stories with each other and would love to have you join us.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

There are multiple pathways for searchers of all ages to engage with the Lord Jesus.

If you or someone you know are interested in seeking such a path to the Lord through instruction in the Catholic Faith, please contact either of our priests, Fr. Burkemper (314-743-8609) or Fr. Boedeker (314-602-7540) to make the next step.

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

PARISH SCHOOL of RELIGION (PSR)

Families with children attending public elementary schools (Kindergarten through 7th Grade) are encouraged to register them for our Parish School of Religion!

Classes meet at St. Mark on most Mondays from 6:30 - 7:45 p.m, September 8 through May 11, 2026.

There is no fee to attend.

Please Note: Students wishing to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, the Holy Eucharist or Confirmation must be enrolled in PSR the year prior, either at St. Mark or another program.

To register for these classes go to to
https://forms.gle/tRJEQAx6x4tvTd699
or simply scan the QR code below!

Should you have any questions
please leave a message with the PSR Office
314.743.8604.

Volunteer Sign Up Sheets can be found today after all Masses in the Cafeteria at St. Mark's or contact Julie Dwyer at **fallstmark@gmail.com.**

Everyone is welcome to join in the effort to make this Fall social event a great success.

As a volunteer, not only will you be involved in a fun community-building event, but you'll also get the chance to know so many more new friends in our parishes!

The Festival will be held on Saturday, September 27 from 12 noon until 8:00 PM.

CATHOLIC SENIORS CLUB

Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 3.

Officer Keim of the St. Louis City Police Department and his dedicated K9 will give a talk and answer questions.

Well actually ...Officer Keim will give the talk and his faithful companion will give a demonstration..

Doors open at 11am for the noon meeting.

Bring your own lunch and beverages and desserts will be provided.

Questions? Call Debbie 314-894-1940 or Toni 314-583-4199.

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- **Does talking about it only make it worse?**

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Register now: 800-470-2230
or visit helpourmarriage.org

For more information call
Tom 314-409-4199 or
Kerry 314-753-2022

St. Martin of Tours Church

Men's Club

Saturday, Sept. 6 10am-6pm

Sunday, Sept. 7 11am-3pm

Carry-Out Only

Come to enjoy the great food!

$13 - Pork Steak Dinners –w/2 sides -- $9 no sides

$13 –1/2 Chicken Dinners –w/2 sides -- $9 no sides

$32 –Whole Slab Rib Dinners –w/3 Lg sides -- $25 no sides

$16 -1/2 Slab Rib Dinners – w/2 sides -- $12 no sides

$8 –Bratwurst Dinners –w/2 sides -- $4 no sides

Sides: Mustard Potato Salad,
Baked Beans, and Sweet/Sour Cole Slaw

Legion of Mary Celebration

At the 11AM Mass at St. Mark's Sunday, September 7th, the Legion of Mary will celebrate the 104th anniversary since its founding.

After Mass (about 12:15pm) there will be a social gathering in the cafeteria with box lunches catered by the Legion.

Parishioners of either parish interested in the Legion's history or purpose are cordially invited to attend this gathering.

To have an accurate count for lunch, please RSVP before August 28th to :

Ron Gruska 314-742-0310 or

Pat O'Donnell 314-482-9597

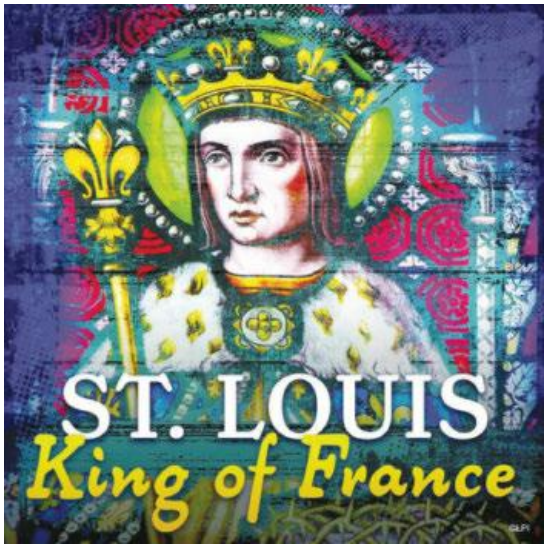
Ron Gruska, President
St. Mark's Praesidium
Mary, Mother of Infinite Mercy

FUNERAL NOTICES?

In the future, notice concerning upcoming funerals will be sent to all parishioners who have given the Pastoral Office their email address.

The same notices will also be published on the **MyParish App**.

If you would like to receive these notices but have not yet sent in your email address, just send it to the Pastoral Office via parishoffice@stmarkstl.com.



Monday, August 25th, is the feast day of St. Louis, our diocesan patron saint.

We commemorate Louis IX, King of France, who was canonized as a saint in 1297 for his virtuous life and bringing the Gospel to bear on his nation.

Actually there are three diocesan patrons: along with Louis, there are Rose Philippine Duchesne, known for her local missionary spirit as an educator, as well as Vincent de Paul, outstanding for service to the poor.

All three of these saints are pictorially honored in our pastoral office.

Come, take a look sometime!

TODAY! AUGUST 24

All Are Welcome To Runge Hall
following the 10:00 AM Mass!

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you may not know yet!

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as we build our faith community!

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