

**PASTORAL BULLETIN FOR THE PARISHES OF
SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS & SAINT MARK
30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 25 - 26, 2025**

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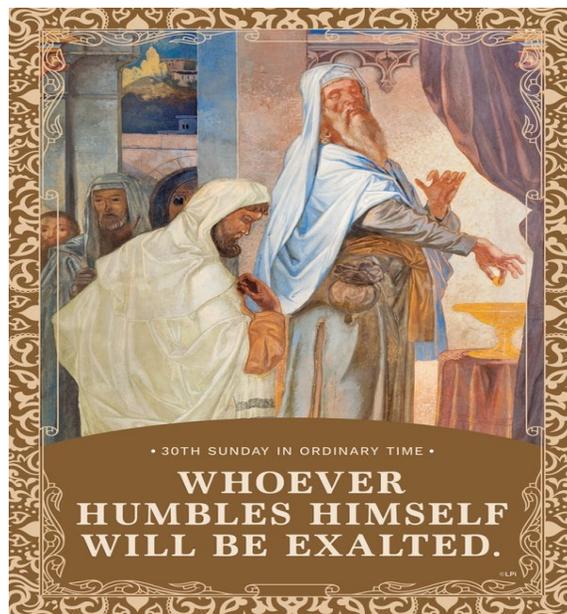
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SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

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.



Saturday, October 25

4:00PM @ St. Martin Religious Vocations
 5:00PM @ St. Mark Gerald Kam+

Sunday, October 26 30th ORDINAL SUNDAY

7:00 @ St. Mark Puricelli & Bauer Family
 9:00 @ St. Mark People of the Parishes
 10:00 @ St. Martin Mary & Cleo Dimza+
 11:00 @ St. Mark Rosetta Saputo+

Monday, October 27 Sts. Simon & Jude

6:30 @ St. Martin No requested intention
 8:00 @ St. Mark Karen Romeri

Tuesday, October 28

6:30 @ St. Martin No requested intention
 8:00 @ St. Mark Brian Pollihan+

Wednesday, October 29

6:30 @ St. Martin No requested intention
 8:00 @ St. Mark Ray & Marie
 Austermann+

Thursday, October 30

6:30 @ St. Martin Peggy VonDerHaar+
 8:00 @ St. Mark Mike Capkovic

Friday, October 31

6:30 @ St. Martin No requested intention
 8:00 @ St. Mark Margaret Vaporean+

Saturday, November 1 ALL SAINTS

8:00 @ St. Mark Joan Aubuchon+
 4:00PM @ St. Martin Religious Vocations
 5:00PM @ St. Mark Gerald Kam+

Sunday, November 2 ALL SOULS

7:00 @ St. Mark Puricelli & Bauer Family
 9:00 @ St. Mark People of the Parishes
 10:00 @ St. Martin Mary & Cleo Dimza+
 11:00 @ St. Mark Rosetta Saputo+

**30TH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sirach 35:12-18

*The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds;
 it does not rest till it reaches its goal.*

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

*The Lord stood by me and gave me strength,
 so through me the proclamation might be
 completed and all the Gentiles might hear it.*

Luke 18:9-14

*Whoever exalts himself will be humbled and
 the one who humbles himself will be exalted.*

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**DAILY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK
 OCTOBER 27 - NOVEMBER 2**

Monday: **Romans 8:12-17**
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday: **Ephesians 2:19-22**
Luke 6:12-16

Wednesday: **Romans 8:26-30**
Luke 13:22-30

Thursday: **Romans 8:31-39**
Luke 13:31-35

Friday: **Romans 9:1-5**
Luke 14:1-6

Saturday: **Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14**
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday: **Wisdom 3:1-9**
Romans 5:5-11
John 6:37-40

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

It has been said that we Christians should live counter-culturally, that is to conduct ourselves in such a way as to proclaim our opposition to any trends in culture that go against the Gospel of Christ.

The most counter-cultural virtue in our times is humility — the ability to acknowledge God as the author of all good and the will to avoid inordinate pride and ambition, which skews our vision of His truth revealed in Christ Jesus.

A true understanding of our talents should enable us to see that all our gifts come from God and should be used to glorify Him.

God must always be seen as “Number One,” and not us.

The desire to use our talents is well to be commended, however we must beware that success does not turn into self-glorification.

Humility allows us to endure suffering, making it possible to see it in Christ as part of God’s plan for our lives.

As a humble person, each of us must have a true sense of our individual worth and recognize that our talents and those of others are on loan from God rather than being our own personal choice or accomplishment.

If we are truly humble we are not so filled with pride that any disagreement, slight, or insult so angers us.

It is an ancient and venerable practice to make an examination of conscience at the end of each day with regard to the offenses we feel we have suffered and if we have responded in a Christian manner in each circumstance.

Humility leads to an honest assessment of our place in time by using the ultimate measure for our lives, God’s own Word Made Flesh.

Father Bob Burkemper



Monday, October 27

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

Tuesday, October 28

- *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, October 29

- *Quilting* 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 113
- *Bible Study* 9:00AM St. Mark Rm 110
- *Cards* 12:15PM St. Mark Rm 114

Thursday, October 30

- *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
- *Legion of Mary* 7:15PM St. Mark Rm 115

Friday, October 31

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

Saturday, November 1

- *Fashion Show K of C Ladies Auxiliary*
12PM St. Mark Gym

Sunday, November 2

- *Canonization Pizza Party* 12PM St. Mark
Cafeteria
- *Bingo* Bandwagon Hall
2:30PM Doors Open
5:30PM Games Begin
(Volunteer Team 1)

PLEASE REMEMBER
IN YOUR DAILY PRAYER



All the Faithful Departed,

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

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All the Sick,

Especially Brenda Talley & Donna Stanger,
and all our family members
who are ill or hospitalized.

May God's healing come to them.

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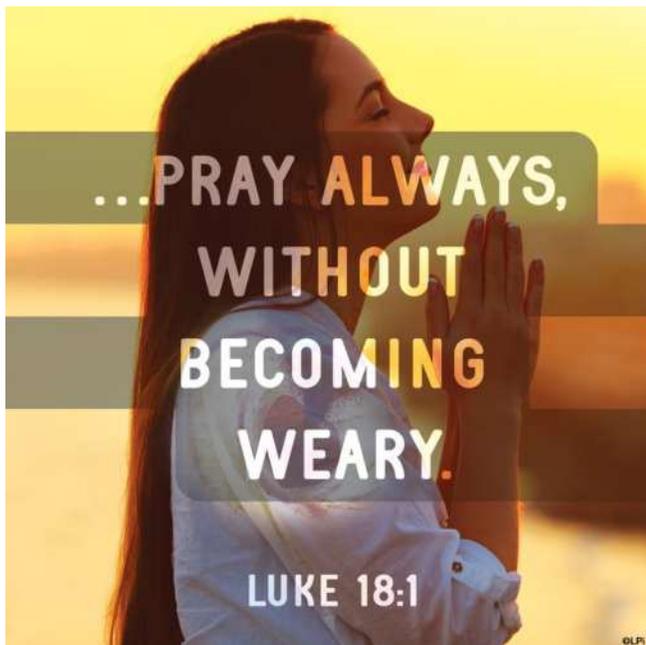
Our Need For True Peace

*May the strife of war be brought to an end
and all people be freed
From the fear of violence.*

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For Pope Leo's October Intention

"Let us pray that believers in different
religious traditions might work together to
defend and promote peace, justice, and
human fraternity."



**G O D ' S W O R D
P R O C L A I M E D
S C R I P T U R E S T U D Y**

Led by Fr. Bob, this study encourages
preparation better for understanding
next Sunday's Scriptures.

We meet **each Tuesday at 1 PM & 7 PM
in the Pastoral Office.**

This Week's texts will be:

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Luke 19:1-10



**Liturgical Ministries
at St. Mark & St. Martin**

The new liturgical year will be here soon.

Anyone interested in serving as a Minister of
Hospitality (Usher), Lector, or Eucharistic
Minister at Holy Mass, at either parish is
asked to sign up in the vestibule after Mass.

Ed at 314-885-4418 for St. Mark

&

Apollo at 314-892-5584 for St. Martin

There is also a list of current assignments for
ministries. Please double check your name
and phone number for accuracy.

We can always use your help to make our
communal prayer together move smoothly.

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?
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.



THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTIONS

Both the St. Martin SVDP Food Pantry & Affton Christian Food Pantry at St. Mark are getting ready to assist our Neighbors in Need with food items for Thanksgiving.

Suggested donations include:

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|--------------------|---------------|
| Canned vegetables | Stuffing |
| Canned cranberries | Canned yams |
| Instant potatoes | Turkey gravy |
| Canned meat | Pudding/Jello |
| Jelly | Sugar/Flour |
| Cleaning supplies | |

**Thank you
for your great generosity!**

ST. CARLO ACUTIS PIZZA PARTY

Celebrate His Canonization

***** ALL AGES WELCOME *****



- UNVEILING OF A NEW ICON
- PIZZA and SOFT DRINKS SERVED
- VIEWING of the

MOVIE "ROADMAP TO REALITY"

Sunday, November 2nd

After 11AM Mass, St. Mark Cafeteria

*Hosted by the Eucharistic Revival Committee
Questions? Contact Jill Soderquist 314-302-7740*

CATHOLIC SENIORS CLUB

Next meeting - Wednesday, Nov. 5

SOUP FOR THE SOUL & BINGO



Come feast on homemade soups and salad (\$5 per person) as we celebrate *Soup for the Soul Day*.

Lunch will be followed by Bingo!

(\$1 per card / \$5 for 6 cards)
Daubers or chips may be used for covers.



Doors open at 11am. Activities are from noon to 2:30pm.
St. Martin Runge Hall

CHRISTMAS PARTY TICKETS

Available for purchase at the meeting.
Members - \$20 Guests - \$25

LADIES GUILD CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday, December 10th

At Andres

Cost: \$25 per person

The tickets will be available at the next Ladies Guild meeting or contact Joyce at: 573-776-3377



Two St. Mark Outreach Ministries

St. Peter & Paul Soup Kitchen

From January - September 2025 a total of 582 meals were prepared and served to the homeless and hungry in Soulard by volunteers of St. Mark Parish.

Want to get involved?

Our generous volunteers make mostaccioli, bake cakes and serve the meals.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions call Pat at 314-631-1118.

We are inspired by and grateful to all the faithful volunteers who provide food for the hungry and a friendly face to those in need.

Affton Christian Food Pantry

Of the 13 Christian Churches who are members of the Affton Pantry, St. Mark Church leads in the amount of food and personal care items donated.

7,300 items were collected along with \$2,040 which purchased milk, eggs and butter.

Thank you so very much for your generosity!

You have touched the lives of many!

We share God's love with our open hands and hearts!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WEEKEND

November 9

The needy of our local community here in our area are served by our two Conferences of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



On the weekend of November 9th at all Masses at both parishes we will recognize the work done by this noble Society .

Vincentians will be available that weekend to accept donations, to share information about their work, and to invite you to join the great work of St. Vincent de Paul.

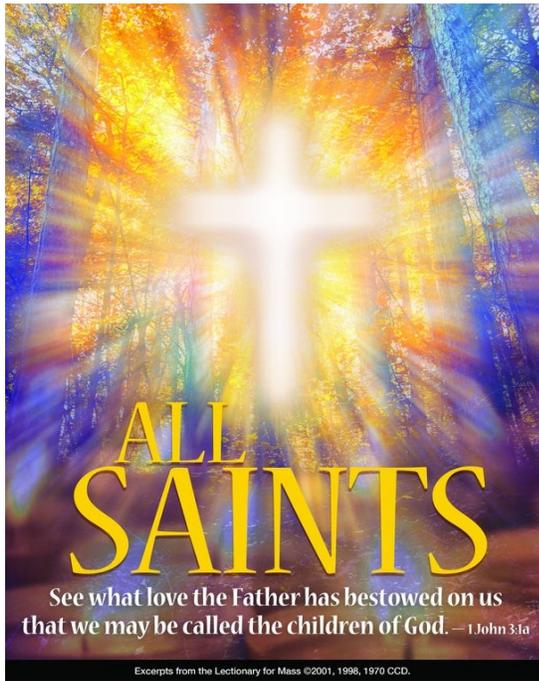
To learn more, please go to svdpstlouis.org

TODAY IS DONUT SUNDAY AT ST. MARTIN'S

Come to enjoy the company and a donut, following 10 AM Mass in Runge Hall.

Everyone is welcome!





ALL SAINTS

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. — 1 John 3:1a

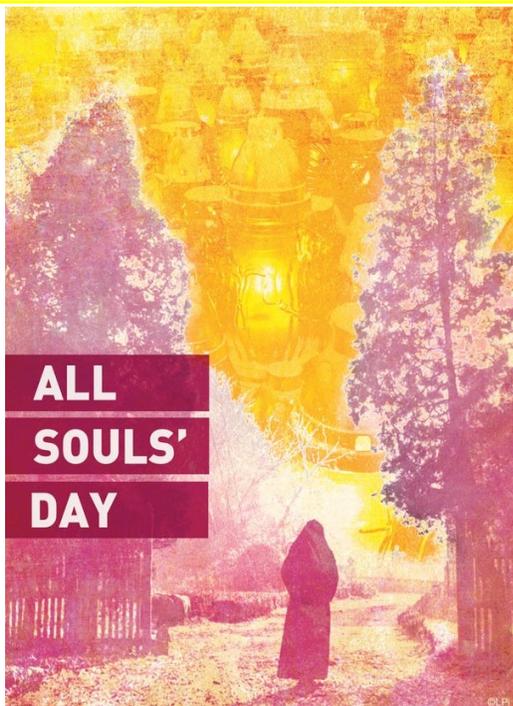
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All Saints Day Saturday, Nov. 1st

This year All Saints Day is not a holy day of obligation but come nonetheless to Holy Mass at St. Mark's at 8AM.

All Souls Day Sunday, Nov. 2nd

We will remember all the faithful departed, especially those of our parishes, at all regularly scheduled Vigil & Sunday Masses.



ALL SOULS' DAY

TOTAL FUNDS NEEDED TO BEGIN PHASE I
\$ 281.150

ST. MARTIN'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PREVENTION FUND

WHAT DO WE HAVE AS OF OCTOBER 20

From Two Years of Bingo

\$ 200,000

From the Emergency Grant from the Archdiocese

\$30,000.00

From Proceeds from the former Special Collection

\$ 4,048.00

Donations to the CCPF as of last Monday

\$ 21,208.11

TOTAL FUNDS ON HAND TO DATE

\$ 255,256.11

WHAT IS STILL NEEDED FROM CCPF

\$ 25,893.89

The rains came last weekend and yet more plaster damage was done in the church.

The Archdiocese has allowed us to purchase the roofing materials for our Phase I repairs so we can save on the rising costs, as we have 91% of the funding on hand.

Our CCPF efforts continue to show progress with \$ 4,307 raised in the past week.

What David said to Solomon as he began to work on the Great Temple in Jerusalem applies no less to us:

"Don't Be Frightened by of the size of the Task Be Strong And Courageous And Get To Work For The Lord My God Is With You." 1 Chronicles 28:20

COMPULSIVELY-LATE CHURCHGOERS!

"OH, CRUD! I'M THE FIRST ONE HERE!"



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

ENDS NOV. 2ND

Turn back your clock on Saturday night and avoid the horror of arriving EARLY to church.

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