

**PASTORAL BULLETIN FOR THE PARISHES OF
SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS & SAINT MARK
4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WEEKEND OF JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

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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, Jan. 31

4:00pm **St. Martin** Sharon Collins †
 5:00pm **St. Mark** People of the Parishes

Sunday, Feb. 1

4th Ordinal Sunday

7:00am **St. Mark** Kathleen Crocker †
 9:00am **St. Mark** Ed Deters †
 10:00am **St. Martin** Raymond Austermann, Jr †
 11:00am **St. Mark** Mark Capkovic

Monday, Feb. 2

Presentation of the Lord

6:30am **St. Martin** World Peace
 8:00am **St. Mark** Carol Jean Walker †

Tuesday, Feb. 3

6:30am **St. Martin** Carol Martin †
 8:00am **St. Mark** Ted & Marie Nowak †

Wednesday, Feb. 4

6:30am **St. Martin** World Peace
 8:00am **St. Mark** Ray & Marie Austermann †

Thursday, Feb. 5

St. Agatha

6:30am **St. Martin** World Peace
 8:00am **Sr. Mark** Joann Augsburgberger

Friday, Feb. 6

St. Paul Miki & Companions

6:30am **St. Martin** Eddie R. Jones, Sr. †
 8:00am **St. Mark** Loyd Kiefer †

Saturday, Feb. 7

8:00am **St. Mark** Joann Augsburgberger
 4:00pm **St. Martin** Nelda Teaney †
 5:00pm **St. Mark** Carolyn Knight † & Irene Battaille †

Sunday, Feb. 8

5th Ordinal Sunday

7:00am **St. Mark** People of the Parishes
 9:00am **St. Mark** Ray & Marie Austermann †
 10:00am **St. Martin** Marge Fedke †
 11:00am **St. Mark** Joseph Battaille brothers & special intention

Psalm 19
His Words are Spirit & Life.



**SUNDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

*Seek the Lord,
 all you humble of the earth . . .
 seek justice, seek humility . . .*

1 Corinthians 1: 26-31

*God chose the foolish of the world
 to shame the wise.*

Matthew 5: 1-12

Blessed are you . . .

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**DAILY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK
 FEBRUARY 2 - FEBRUARY 8**

Monday: **Malachi 3:1-4**
Hebrews 2:14-18
Luke 2:22-40

Tuesday: **2 Samuel 18:9-19:3**
Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday: **2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17**
Mark 6:1-6

Thursday **1 Kings 2:1-12**
Mark 6:7-13

Friday: **Sirach 47:2-11**
Mark 6:14-29

Saturday: **1 Kings 3:4-13**
Mark 6:30-34

Sunday: **Isaiah 58:7-10**
1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

It's not yet Lent, but let's consider the Church's Precept often emphasized in that season:
"Confess your sins at least once a year."

Here we are directed to recognize that it is always *sin* that messes us up, setting us at odds with our God and our world by our choosing evil (what is not of God) and also failing to embrace the good (what is of God).

It is not only the anger, unkindness, envy, impurity, or other faults we usually think of, but also the times we could have done what is good by placing another person's need before our own when we allow our neglect to manifest our deep-seated self-centeredness.

Such choices make our lives slow, sad, and ugly, obscuring the beauty, compassion and mercy we have been taught by our Lord and Redeemer, Jesus.

We kid ourselves that with just a little bit of will power we can fix things ourselves, but the truth is, after many repeated bad choices we give in, dismiss the true nature of sin in us with excuses like "I'm a good person, and my sins are not as bad as lots of other people."

In that, we ignore how our multiplied sins cannot be overcome by our own singular acts of will but must be touched by God's grace.

It is Christ Jesus, in the regular reception of His Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) who touches and renews us in his mercy when we turn again and again to Him, whose Truth found the Commandments and the Church's Precepts, helps us to continue to grow in His image and likeness, to share in His true & everlasting peace to ourselves and the world.

Fr. Bob Burkemper



Monday, Feb. 2

Exercise Class 9:00am School Rm 112

Tuesday, Feb. 3

Devotions to the Mother of Perpetual Help After both 6:30 & 8:00am Masses

Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:00am Pastoral Office

Quilting 9:00am School Rm 113

Quilting 10:00am Runge Hall

Scripture Study 1pm & 7pm Pastoral Office

Wednesday, Feb. 4

Bible Study 9:00am School Rm 101

Quilting 9:00am School Rm 113

Seniors Club 11am Runge Hall

Cards 12:15pm School Rm 114

Christ's Journeymen 7:00pm School Rm 112

KOC 7:00pm School Rm 114

Thursday, Feb. 5

Eucharistic Adoration After 8:00am Mass until 6:45pm Benediction

Exercise Class 9:00am School Rm 112

Quilting 10:00am Runge Hall

Choir Practice 6:30pm. School Rm 101

Legion of Mary 7:15pm School Rm 115

Friday, Feb. 6

Devotion to the Sacred Heart After 6:30 & 8:00am Masses

Devotions to Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary 7:00pm St. Mark Church

Alcoholics Anonymous 7:30pm St. Andrew Hoffmeister Ent.

Saturday, Feb. 7

Devotions to the Two Hearts 12am St. Mark Church

Sunday, Feb. 8

Bingo 2:30pm Bandwagon Hall
 5:30pm Doors Open
 Games Begin
 —Volunteer Team 2—

**PLEASE REMEMBER
IN YOUR DAILY PRAYER**



All the Faithful Departed

Especially

**Donald Gabel, Jacqueline Semar,
Rosemarie Sikorski**

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



All the Sick

Especially

**Bob Bernhard, Dorothy Bequette,
Dorothy Brahm & Marjorie Terhaar,
Bob Biggerstaff, & George Mueller**

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



For Christ's Gift of Peace

*May it be manifest more and more
in our hearts, our homes,
and in the lives all people.*



***For Pope Leo's Special Intention
for February***

*May children suffering
from incurable diseases and their families
receive the needed medical care and support,
never losing fortitude and hope.*



For All Our Parishioners

*May each of our homes
be filled with mutual kindness,
generous hospitality to guests
and abundant care for strangers.*



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

To have prayer intentions for parishioners recently deceased or currently ill published here please contact the Pastoral Office.

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



**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**

Each Tuesday this study, led by our pastor, Fr. Burkemper, attempts to foster a better understanding of the context and practical application of the Sunday Scriptures.

We gather in the Pastoral Office (4200 Ripa Avenue) at **1:00PM & again in the evening at 7:00PM.**

All are welcome!

**This Tuesday's texts will be those
next weekend's Mass for the
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time :**

**Isaiah 58:7-10
1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16**



THIS WEEK'S UNIQUE FESTIVALS

Monday, February 2nd marks the end of the 40 days of the Christmas Cycle of Feasts, with celebration of the **Presentation** of the Infant Jesus in the Temple.

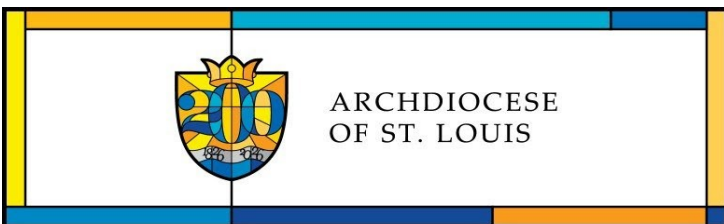
The righteous man, Simeon, blesses God as he holds the baby, proclaiming him "the light of revelation to the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel."

In the Western Church it is customary to bless candles for liturgical use recalling Christ bringing us "the" light of faith.

Tuesday, February 3rd the Church recalls the martyred bishop of Sebaste in Armenia of the Fourth Century, **St. Blaise**, who is remembered as on his way to execution praying for a child suffering with a throat ailment.

The compassion of the martyr is remembered with the **Blessing of Throats** at Masses on this day.

These two festivals are connected by reference to the customary use of blessed candles.



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4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FISH FRIES

SAVE THE DATES!

Every Friday during Lent

February 20 & 27
March 6, 13, 20 & 27
April 3

4 - 7pm (Eat in or carry out)
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VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS WELCOME!
DESSERTS NEEDED!

SIGN UP AFTER
ALL WEEKEND MASSES!

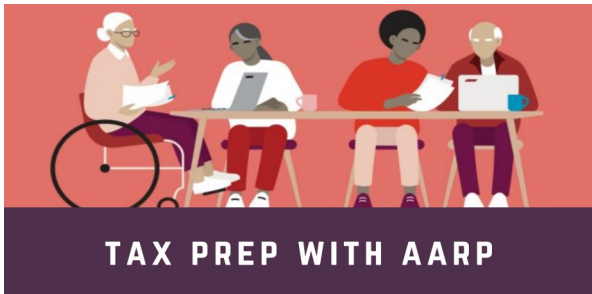


**A FAREWELL
RECEPTION FOR
FR. TED VITALI**

**THIS SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 1ST
AT 2 PM,
IN ST. MARK'S
CAFETERIA**

Since the exact timing of Father's February transfer is still fluid, the Parishes of St. Mark and St. Martin of Tours would like to invite you to attend an **Afternoon Farewell Reception** for Fr. Ted.

Please try to take part in this expression of our community's love and gratitude to Fr. Ted Vitali for his years of devoted service to Christ and the people of our area.



This program provides tax assistance to anyone, free of charge, with a special focus on taxpayers who are over 50 or have a moderate level of income.

Tax-Aide volunteers are trained and IRS-certified every year to make sure they know about and understand the latest changes and additions to the tax code.

The program will complete tax returns at St. Mark School on Wednesdays from 9am—1pm, starting on February 4 and continuing through April 8.

A limited number of appointments are available.

If you would like to schedule an appointment, call 314-761-1703 and leave your name and phone number.

The Tax Aide folks will return your call promptly.



Our February Meeting will be held in St. Mark's Cafeteria Wednesday, **February 11th - 7:00pm.**

We will be entertained by a Musical Review with Do and John.

Come to enjoy the fun and friends!

We will hold our **Bake Sale** on the weekend of February 14th & 15th after all Masses.

(Maybe some **Valentines** Goodies??!!)



Proceeds will benefit St. Mark Parish.

Drop off wrapped baked goods after 3pm on Saturday, February 14.

CATHOLIC SENIORS CLUB

**Our next meeting will be
THIS Wednesday, February 4th
in Runge Hall.**

Doors will open at 11:00 am with the meeting and party to start at Noon.

Desserts and beverages are provided. Bring your own lunch.

**We will hold a
White Elephant Bingo
& Mardi Gras Party!**



**Please bring
a wrapped gift item**
(new/like new, up to \$5 value).

Disguise the gift fancy or plain...
Everyone wins.

Should streets & sidewalks be snowy or icy, the meeting is cancelled.

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CSC "PHANTOM OF THE OPERA" TRIP
Thursday February 19th

Ticket holders are asked to please meet at St. Martin Church parking lot at 9:45 am.

Bus arrives at 10 am. Please be prompt!

For more info call:
Debbie 314-894-1940
Toni 314-58-1499

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MEALS PROGRAM



TEAM 2 WILL COOK, BAKE AND/OR SERVE ON FEBRUARY 15.

Cooks: Next weekend please pick up your mostaccioli containers found in St. Mark's Cafeteria.

If you have any questions, please call Pat at 314-631-1118.



Dementia Caregiver's Support Group

Caring for someone with dementia is a unique experience.

No one knows what it is like except others who are in the same shoes.

The Alzheimer's Association provides monthly support groups to bring caregivers – spouses, siblings, children, guardians – together for understanding, empathy, resources, humor and hope.

Groups are peer-led by facilitators trained by the Alzheimer's Association.

On the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 1-2:30 a group meets at Nazareth Living Center, 6 Nazareth Lane – near Ringer Road and Milbourn Road.

Call Sheila Chibnall-Treptow at 314-396-6875 for information or directions.

For additional groups and resources visit alz.org or call the Alzheimer Association's 24/7 helpline at 1-800-272-3900. You are not alone!



ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PREVENTION FUND (CCPF)

*"Don't be frightened
by the size of the task.
Be strong and courageous
and get to work for
the Lord My God is with You."
I Chronicles 28:20*

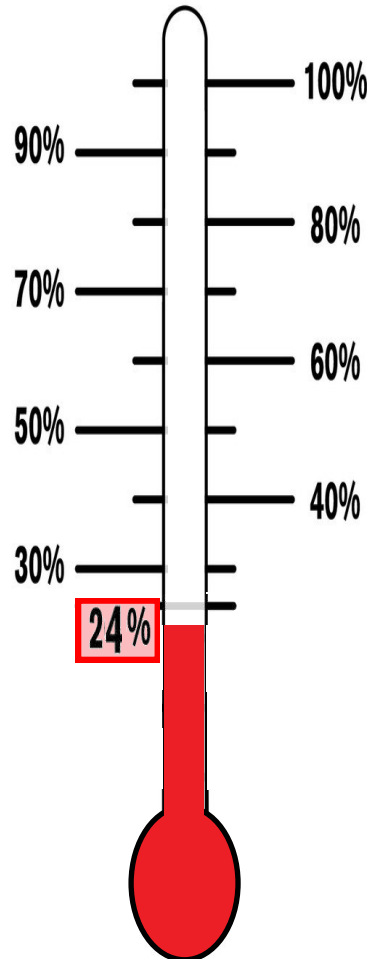


PHASE II OF CCPF IS PROGRESSING

Funds raised in Phase II will be used to replace the roof of St. Martin's School at an estimated cost of **\$ 206,242**.



\$ 206,242



This Phase will be funded as was Phase I —by an ACA Grant from the Archdiocese —Remaining Proceeds of the 2025-2026 Parish Bingo —And Your Ongoing Support of the CCPF.

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