

ST. MARK PARISH



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Our families need to ask for the gift of the Spirit! Through prayer, even in the busiest times, we give time back to God, we find the peace that comes from appreciating the important things, and we encounter the joy of God's unexpected gifts. Through daily prayer may our homes become, like the house of Martha and Mary, places where Jesus always finds a warm welcome (Pope Francis)." While it is necessary to attend to the details of hospitality, learning how to be present to people, experiences, and God is sometimes more important. Creating homes that are welcoming environments requires not only organization and structure but members who truly enjoy being there and celebrating life with one another.

Details can often get the best of us. While attending to details is important to success, our obsession with them can be problematic. Whether wanting to make a good impression, fear of failure, insecurity, or emotional immaturity, throwing ourselves into the "details" of hospitality can distract us from being present to those we want to serve. Conversely, focusing exclusively on being present without any attention to detail also sets our attempts at hospitality up for disaster! We need a balance of both. But creating a truly welcoming space in our homes and within ourselves requires still more.

We have to be empty of ourselves. Becoming a welcoming, hospitable person is not possible in someone focused on their own needs and desires. If the one we serve is the one who looks back at us in the mirror, then there is no space for anyone else. While Martha and Mary had different ideas of what it means to serve, they both had the inner space and freedom to do so. They were detached from themselves. Detachment becomes the challenge to hospitality and creating a God-centered, open-hearted space in our lives. When we impulsively act out of our personal agendas, violence, abuse, pride, greed, lust, power, control, passion, and self-aggrandizement encroach upon the space needed to be present to another human being. Not only can others not find a home in us, but even God cannot find a home in us!

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MISSION STATEMENT

As the Eucharistic family of St. Mark Parish, we are called to welcome, love and serve. We continue the mission of Jesus Christ: "to transform our lives and believe in the Good News." (Mark 1:15)



16th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. - Lk 10:38-39

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JULY 17, 2022

Dear Parish Family,

Have you ever opened a drawer or box and found a letter or note that has long been forgotten? Writing has gone by the wayside in many instances. Sure it is easier to text or pick up the phone. The words may be similar to what you would write, but they are fleeting. How many beautiful memories are encapsulated when you reread a letter.

St Paul was a prolific writer, known as Apostle to the Gentiles. His letters have an enormous influence on Christian theology, especially on the relationship between God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He taught us "that faith in Jesus is a share in His life." We relish reading or hearing the profound way that Saint Paul wrote.

Our 41st President, George Herbert Walker Bush used writing as his preferred method of communication. Notes and letters he wrote to family, colleagues, foes, and friends, gave us a glimpse of who he was.. He was funny, moving, inspiring, and particularly loving to his dear Babs. "As many of you know, for years, I have said the most important things in life are faith, family and friends."

Elizabeth Barret Browning wrote "Earth's crammed with heaven, and every common bush afire with God. But only he who sees this takes off his shoes." Elizabeth was deeply religious, often writing with Christian themes. She suffered many health issues throughout her life, yet learned to read Hebrew at a young age in order to read from the Old Testament and went on to study Greek literature. Elizabeth is another example of an amazing writer. We know of her extensive letter writing to her beloved Robert Browning.

Let's remember thank you notes, sympathy cards, and letters of appreciation bring joy to all of us. When did you last write something they may be read with love and appreciation and then tucked away to be treasured for another time?

May our loving God bless you.

Mary Jo

LIVE THE LITURGY

We become a welcoming person when we can step aside from our own needs and desires to create space for someone else. Welcoming involves a quality of listening and presence that communicates to another person that what they are sharing and who they are have importance. When we shift attention and focus from ourselves and direct it toward someone else, positive things can happen. When someone knows that their story matters, it can be life changing and life-giving. Hospitality brings forth life and celebrates relationships. Whether we are actively tending to the business of serving the needs of others or opening ourselves to listening to their story, devotion and attentiveness are friends of love. Becoming anxious and preoccupied with one's personal agenda leaves no room for the creative, nurturing and spontaneous power of God's love.

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16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Opening song-----All are Welcome

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live. A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the love of Christ shall end divisions. All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to dream God's reign a new. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; Here the love of Christ shall end division. Aall are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place

Psalm Response He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Presentation Song-----All Hail, Adored Trinity

1. All hail, adored Trinity! All hail, eternal unity!
O God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, ever One.
2. Three persons praise we ever more, One only God our hearts adore
In thy sure mercy, ever kind, may we your strong protection find.
3. O Trinity! O Unity! Be present as we worship thee
And with the songs that angels sing unite the hymns of praise we bring.

Communion Song-----You are Near

Refrain O God I know you are near, standing always at my side. You guard me from the foe
and you lead me in ways everlasting

1. Lord you have searched my heart, and you know when I sit and when I stand.
Your hand is upon me, protecting me from death, keeping me from harm. **Refrain**
2. Where can I run from your love? If I climb to the heavens you are there; if I fly to the sunrise
or sail beyond the sea, still I'd find you there. **Refrain**

Sending Forth Song-----Alleluia, Raise the Gospel

Refrain Alleluia! Alleluia! Raise the Gospel over the earth!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Peace and justice bringing to birth.

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| 1. Blessed those whose hearts are gentle, blessed those whose spirits are strong,
Blessed those who choose to bring forth right where there is wrong. | Refrain |
| 2. Blessed those who work for justice, blessed those who answer the call.
Blessed those who dare to dream of lasting peace for all. | Refrain |

TIMBERWOOD GOLF CLUB



Timberwood Golf Club
23700 31 Mile Road
Ray Township, MI 48096

1/4 mile east of North Ave.
North Ave is Groesbeck Hwy
north of M-59 (20 Mile Rd)

St Mark Parish 18th Annual Golf Outing *Deacon George Posavetz Memorial*

Place: Timberwood Golf Club **Date:** Friday, August 26, 2022

Time: **Registration at 11:15 am; Shotgun tee off at 12:00 pm**

Price: \$90 PP / \$360 per foursome (4 Person Scramble)

Package Includes

- ☐ 18 holes of golf with cart
- ☐ Lunch: Hot dog, chips & Beverage
- ☐ Door prizes, golf contests including closest to pin, longest drive, and a \$10,000 cash prize for a Hole-In-One on the #17 Hole (for both men and women)
- ☐ Dinner: Steak, baked potato, tossed salad, meatless mostaccioli, dinner rolls, assorted desserts, and coffee/soft drinks

Sponsorship Opportunities:

- Tee Sponsor \$100 –Includes sign with name placed at tee and program acknowledgment
- Cash Donation –Includes program acknowledgment
- Prize donation –Includes program acknowledgment.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ST. MARK

Mail form and check to: Donna Pheney, 24517 Audrey, Warren, 48091

For more information contact: Andrea Kolton 586.822.7104 Donna Pheney 586.758.1698

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Sponsorship: All sponsorship information is due by August 12, 2022

_____ I will be a tee sponsor (Includes sign) _____ I will sponsor outing with a cash or prize donation

Contact Name _____ Phone _____ Email: _____

Name for program acknowledgement _____

Item or cash amount _____

Golfer Information: All participant information is due by August 12, 2022

Contact Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email: _____

City _____, MI Zip Code _____ Place me into a foursome _____

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

THE WORD

Readings for the week of July 17, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42
 Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42
 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-50
 Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9
 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17
 Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:24-30
 Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

ST. MARK OUTREACH



DONATE
TO THE FOOD DRIVE

Pantry needs:
Spaghetti
Pasta Sauce

Thank you for your continued
food and monetary
support.

God bless.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 16

4:00 pm Christopher Wernette
Frances Szpont
Michael Knudsen
Paul & Helen Filipivich

Saturday, July 23

4:00 pm Mary Lockwood
Frances Szpont
Brook Badgero

Sunday, July 17

8:30 am Carmela Palamara
Andrew Giecek

11:00 am Michael John Moltane
Earl & Marilyn Parrish

Sunday, July 24

8:30 am Carmela Palamara
Smith Family

11:00 am Dorothy Schwartz

Earl & Marilyn Parrish
Domen Family

Wednesday, July 20

9:30 am Paul & Veronica
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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

Abraham's treatment of the three strangers modeled the value of hospitality. How do you show hospitality to others?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of the Church (the community of believers) as "the body" of Christ. And as members of the Church, it is Christ "whom we proclaim" so that all believers may be "perfect in Christ." Why do you think proclaiming Christ can make us "perfect?"

Gospel:

Jesus teaches Martha that stress and anxiety has caused her to lose perspective on important matters. How does your faith ground you in the daily anxieties of your life?

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PRAYER INTENTIONS



Anne Carroll
Blanche Sobieralski
Steve Sternicki

Only **immediate** family members may request a 'prayers for the sick' listing. Call the Parish Center: 586-759-3020. Names remain on the list for 4 weeks.

PRAYERS FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE IN OUR ARMED FORCES.



WE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR MILITARY, & PARTICULARLY:

Master CPO Michael Brightman
Lt. Commander Adam Craig
LCPL Sarah J Page
Sgt. Steven Parisi
Major Michael F. Weigle

Family members who wish to have their loved ones prayed for may do so by submitting names to the parish office.

Prayer Resources

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

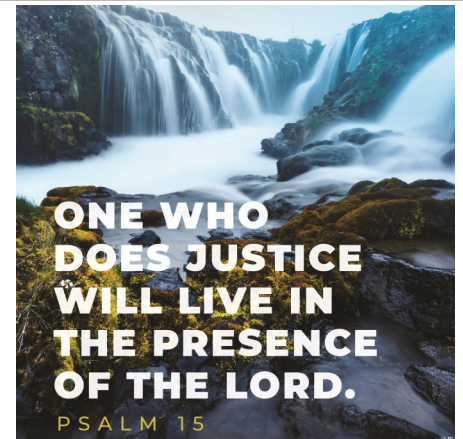
Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto thee O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To thee do we come. Before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

POPE TWEETS

"Taking on another person's history, taking the time to get to know them without labeling them, putting them on our shoulder when they are tired or wounded like the good Samaritan: this is known as fraternity."

- Pope Francis
@Pontifex Twitter (July 11, 2022)



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Fellow Parishioners!

Join us every Thursday at
6:30 to pray the Rosary.

We meet outside in the
meditation garden.

Please join us and
bring a chair for
your comfort as we pray!



STEWARDSHIP

OUR FINANCIAL SACRIFICE TO ST. MARK PARISH

We thank you for your generosity.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Parents are asked to contact the Parish Center Office to arrange for Baptism instruction and a date for the Baptism.

MARRIAGES

Couples wishing to celebrate the sacrament of matrimony at St. Mark Parish are asked to allow at least six months to complete arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Private Confessions: Saturday 3:00 PM.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

LAST Sunday of every month after all Masses.

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