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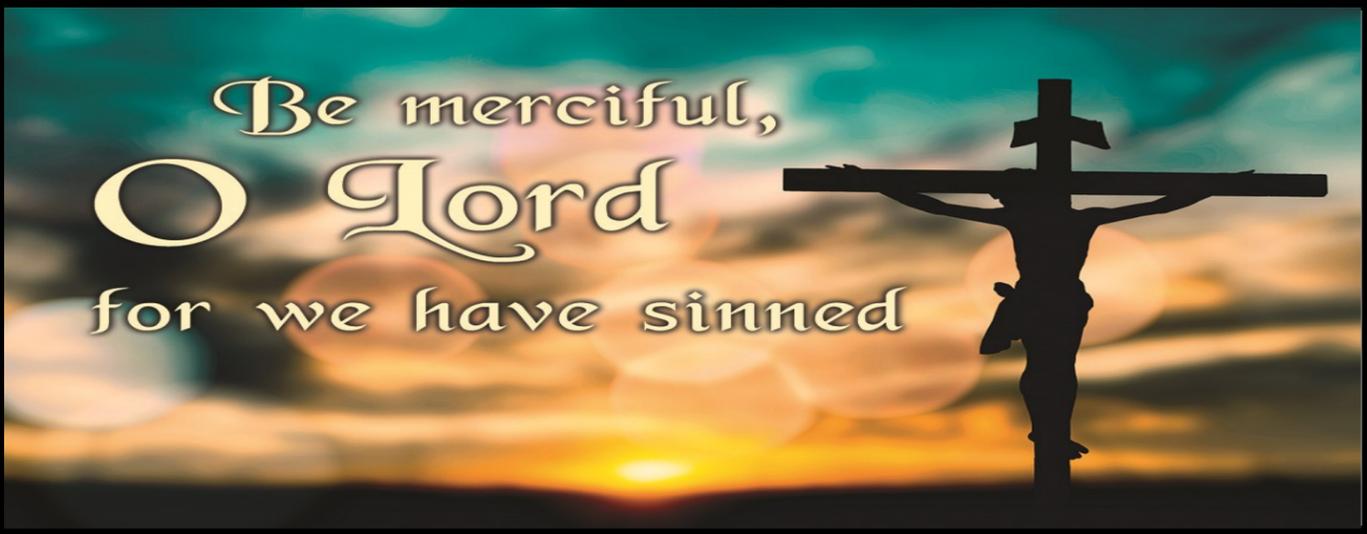
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**March 3, 2019 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Our mission: St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community is a growing community of faith which strives to help its members follow Christ's commandment: "Love one another, as I have loved you." (John 15:12)



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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Tuesday 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Welcome! Individuals who actively participate with us are asked to register by contacting the Parish Office.

**BAPTISM, MATRIMONY, ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Please contact the Parish Office.

**What's happening at St. Mark this week**

**MONDAY, March 4**  
7:00 p.m.—Alpha

**TUESDAY, March 5**  
10:00 a.m.—Shawl Ministry  
6:30 p.m.—Mass (Fr. Peter) Deceased benefactors of St. Mark/Parish-  
7:00 p.m.—Art & Environment Prepare for Lent

**WEDNESDAY, March 6—Ash Wednesday**  
8:30 a.m.—Ash Wednesday Mass: (Fr. Bill) World Peace/Parish  
9:00 a.m. — St. Joseph Guild – Parish Center  
10:00 a.m. – AA – Rooms 1 & 2  
6:30 p.m.—Ash Wednesday Mass: (Fr. Peter) People of the Parish/Parish

**THURSDAY, March 7**  
7:00 p.m. – Choir practice

**FRIDAY, March 8**  
8:30 a.m. —Mass (Fr. Joe) Evangelization/Parish

**SATURDAY, March 9—DSA Announcement Weekend**  
7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m.—Men's Fellowship  
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.—Women's Lenten Sharing  
9:30 a.m.—Noon—1st Communion Child Parent Retreat  
4:30-5:15 p.m.—Confessions  
5:30 p.m. —Mass: (Fr. Bill) +Robert Villabol/Ron and Sharon Roberts

**SUNDAY, March 10—DSA Announcement Weekend**  
9:30 a.m. —Mass: (Fr. Peter) +Mackie Galba/John and Patty Candiloro  
10:30 a.m.—Hospitality  
10:45 a.m.—Bell Choir—Church  
11:00-12:30 p.m.—Ref K-5  
2:00-5:00 p.m.—Confirmation Mini Session #5  
6:00-7:30 p.m.—YG—6—12

## A cup of Joe . . .

Greetings in Christ all!

I've written this bulletin way ahead of time, in anticipation of being on vacation when this puppy is due. Theoretically, while you are reading this, I am praying, reading or watching Spring Training baseball...these are my favorite things! So,



what I want to let you know is that Lent is almost here...we start it this week: can you believe it? During the Lenten Season, it is my intent to share a homily series with you on the 7 deadly sins and the seven corresponding virtues. I did something very similar in my last assignment and it ended up bearing great fruit. What I'll do is each week, preach one of the 7 deadly sins and show how God gave us a virtue to fight this sin. It will be my goal to get each of us to practice a virtue each week so that our Lenten Season has a tangible goal toward making us better instruments in the hand of our loving God. So, I took the weeks of Lent and broke them down this way:

- 1st Sunday of Lent: Pride/Humility
- 2nd: Sloth/Diligence
- 3rd: Wrath/Patience
- 4th: Gluttony and Greed/Temperance and Charity
- 5th: Lust/Purity
- Palm Sunday: Envy/Kindness

I pray that each of us create a family plan for Lent: really working together to make this a priority. The darkness of the world and within the Church is such that the need for Saints has never been greater...we can answer that call this Lenten Season and rejoice at what God does in and through us.

There is a group we should keep in our prayers in a special way during his time: our candidates and catechumens. These are the folks who are joining the Catholic Church at the culmination of our Lenten Season. They have been preparing for some time for this moment and I ask you to pray that God light a fire in their heart as they get ever closer to full communion with us in the Roman Catholic Church.

Finally, I want to encourage you in, right in the beginning of this Lenten Season to never give up! We have some great weeks ahead of us and I cannot encourage you enough to push forward, fighting for holiness and giving this Lent the best effort you have. Note those upcoming Triduum Services and make sure they are the highest priority for you, you will not regret it. I join you in giving my all to make this The Best Lent Ever.

With a heart filled with the joy of being you priest,

fjk

### Scripture readings for this week:

Mon, 3/4:	Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
Tue, 3/5:	Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
Wed, 3/6:	Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thu, 3/7:	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Fri, 3/8:	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Sat, 3/9:	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sun 3/10:	Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

### Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

Wednesday, March 6  
8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

### United Lenten Appeal Collection

### In the Know with Fr. Joe LIVE

Fr. Joe's well-known Faith Magazine column, "In the Know with Fr. Joe" is going LIVE the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. This month, he will be at Holy Family on March 14 in the Father Bush Parish Center. Join us for an evening of faith and fun! April 11 he will be back at St. Mark.

### THE INSIDE SHOWS

Jesus speaks of the inner soul and its outer expression. He uses images as he teaches. He addresses all of us. Jesus sees a plumb line connecting the soul with the soul's expression-words and actions. He uses exaggeration to drive home his point. We are urged to clear out the debris that blinds us. He knows that we have an uncanny ability to be blind to our own weaknesses, though they be as big as a board. He knows, too, how willingly we seem to ferret out others' smallest speck-like flaws. And this, too, is for our general consumption; solid old goodness and solid old badness will show eventually. The old Latin saying, which echoes Jesus' images, is true: "What is bred in the bone will out in the flesh." By and by, the inside will show through.

### LET US PRAY:

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### Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s) Retreat March 22-24

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### St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch Sale – March 14

We are organizing an event to support Catholic Charities' St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch Fundraiser. Enjoy a corned beef & swiss sandwich on rye with sides for only \$8. Your lunch will be delivered to the Parish Center on Thursday, Mar. 14. All are invited to stay and eat. Call Joan Turner at 248-410-2286 or Parish Office by **March 7** to place your order; please pay by cash or a check made out to the parish.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry members knit or crochet shawls that are given to persons who are ill, have suffered a loss, or are in the midst of a life crisis. The shawl is meant to be a sign of the tender hope and peace forever available from God in whatever struggles we are experiencing. If you or someone you know may be in need of a prayer shawl, please contact the parish office. If you would like more information or are interested in becoming a member of the shawl ministry, please contact Justine McLeod at 810-606-9971 or [justinemcleod@att.net](mailto:justinemcleod@att.net).

### Men's Welcome Weekend—March 16-17 at Holy Family

The Men's Welcome Weekend Retreat is for every man seeking to strengthen their faith in God or just take a break from the craziness of every day. For more information or to register email Deacon Larry Blondin at [lblondin@hfgb.org](mailto:lblondin@hfgb.org) or by phone at 810-348-9443.

### Ron's thoughts...

One of my favorite Christian Songs is, *They'll Know We Are Christians*. And as the song says, "... by our love, by our love." I still remember this song at my First Communion many years ago. It stuck in my mind as a simple way to live out my faith. I want others to know me by how Christians are supposed to live, with love. I know it sounds trivial, but yes love does change things. I want others to say, "I want what he has."

This is at the heart of Jesus' message today and if our actions are not reflecting this, we may truly be rejecting him. I know that is harsh to say, but it is true. Yes, we depend upon the mercy of God, but we have to do our best TO LIVE the Christian life. If we don't then our fruits, our actions will demonstrate the hypocrisy of our claim to be Christian.

This Wednesday Lent begins. I need this Lent. Perhaps you do too. Lent is a time for us to grow in our faith life. Lent is a time for us to look into ourselves. How is the anger we have with others a reflection of our own faults? Lent is a time to consider our living of the Christian life. Do our actions demonstrate Christ's love in our lives? May you and I allow God to take control of every aspect of our lives. MAKE IT A GREAT LENT NOW!

### Walk the talk! Be Peace!

Dcn. Ron ([rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org](mailto:rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org))

### Adult Faith Formation

- **Men's Fellowship** —All Saturdays of Lent, beginning Saturday, March 2nd, 7-8 a.m.
- **Alpha! Join us for Alpha.. Explore the Catholic Faith, Mondays NOW in the Parish Center 6:45:pm dinner, videos begin at 7 p.m.** Contact Dcn Ron for more info. [rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org](mailto:rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org). FOR ALL WHO WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT JESUS!
- **Women's Lenten Walk with Purpose** Saturday mornings 9-10 a.m., beginning March 9th. Sign up in the gathering space or contact the Parish office.

### St. Mark Religious Education Formation (REF)

- 3/9 —1st Eucharist Parent/Child Retreat (9:30-12 noon)
- 3/10—All REF Sessions (K-5 11 a.m. , 6-12 6 p.m.)
- 3/10—Confirmation Mini Sessions #5—2-5 p.m.

### St. Mark Youth Group

- **Sunday Night Youth Group** (For all 6th–12th Graders) Sundays. 6-7:30 p.m.

### St. Mark is Assembling a Team of SUPER MEN AND WOMEN

Sometimes all you need to get things done is a little extra muscle power. Do you have what it takes? We're looking for a group of strong men and women to help us with the big stuff—moving furniture, setting up chairs, etc. Just add your name to the phone list and we'll call on you when we need help. Contact Sharon Roberts at [sroberts@stmarkgoodrich.org](mailto:sroberts@stmarkgoodrich.org) or call 810-636-2216 for more information.