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Thirtieth SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time
October 24, 2021
Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown, they shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.
Psalm 126:6
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What's happening at St. Mark this week
MONDAY, October 25
9:30 a.m.—Communion Service—+Jim and Mary Sabo/Bob & Mary Ann Emick
10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.—Family Grief Support Group/Parish Center
TUESDAY, October 26
6:30 p.m.—Mass—+Jerri Millington/Pam Pease
7:00 p.m.—Building & Grounds Meeting
WEDNESDAY, October 27
10:00 a.m.—AA
THURSDAY, October 28
7:00 p.m.—Choir
FRIDAY, October 29
8:30 a.m.—Mass—Living Intention for Janice Hennen/Janet Waters
SATURDAY, October 30
12:00 p.m.—MSU/U of M—Men's Club Tailgate Party
4:30 p.m.—Confessions
5:30 p.m.—Mass—+Raymond Smith/Trudy Schmitt
6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.—Trunk or Treat/ St. Mark Parking Lot
SUNDAY, October 31
9:30 a.m.—Mass—+Mary Yancho/Kyle & Cathy Radka
10:30 a.m.—Hospitality Hour
10:45 a.m.—11:45 a.m.—Bell Choir

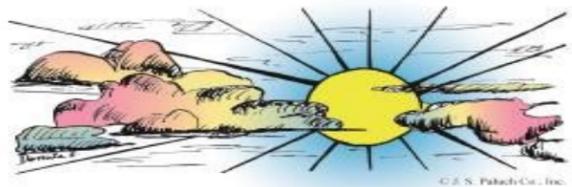
For Peace; for Women/Men in the Military Service
SSG J Gillett; Maj. S Halleaux; Maj. C Kaighen; S/Sgt. D Kendall; Cpl Greg Misiak, ATAN Daniel P. Wood

Ron's Thoughts...

On a few occasions in raising my kids they would stick up for their sibling and plead for them not to get punished. Believe me, most of the time they were tattling rather than attempting to save them from punishment. But once in a while it happened. I remember one time Emma felt that Luke didn't deserve the grounding that he was getting and she came to me and said, "Luke didn't really do something that bad." I thanked her but also reminded her that I'm the parent.

That pleading by Emma made me think about a book that I once read that talked about "The pleading presence of Jesus." It talked about how the pleas of the poor, the lost, and the forsaken stirred emotion and compassion in Jesus. When Jesus walked this earth he always seemed to find the lost through their pleas to him to help save them. And Jesus did. Bartimaeus the blind man, the woman about to be stoned, Nicodemus just to name a few. But something that always seemed to be present in their plea was a sincere desire to be with him and to see him. They cried out with faith for Jesus to save them. It is that desire to want to be with him that made Jesus look at them and say, "Today your faith has healed you."

What do we cry out and ask of Jesus? Do we come to him with hearts that are blind, seeking to be saved or are we just trying to get out of trouble? He wants us to cry out and seek him, but he wants our faith to be our salvation. Give it a try! Walk the talk. Be Peace! D-Ron (rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org)



Faith Formation Schedule

- 10/24—Confirmation Mini Session 2-5pm (Parish Center)
- 11/7—Family Faith Formation (Pre-K-5th) 11-12:30pm (Church/Parish Center)
- 11/7—Youth Group (6th-12th) 5-6:30pm (Parish Center)
- 11/13—First Rec/Euch Mini Session 9-11am (Parish Center)

St. Mark Faith Formation

- Register at (www.stmarkgoodrich.org) (and take care of the fee) for the 2021-22 Faith Formation at St. Mark (Pre-K-5 and 6-12).

St. Mark Men's Fellowship

- 1st Sat. of each month – 7am-8am Parish Center, Prayer and fellowship, Next Fellowship Nov. 7th. All Men invited!

St. Mark Youth Group

- Sundays 5-6:30pm (All 6th-12th graders) are invited. Join us in the parish center for Fun, Faith and Friends!

Trunk or Treat—Oct. 30th

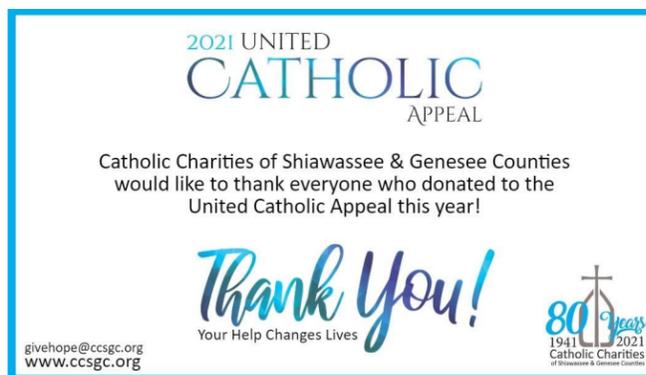
Family Faith Formation is hosting a Trunk or Treat Saturday, October 30th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Trunk or treat is a safe alternative to door to door treating. It will take place in the St. Mark parking lot, where trunk hosts will decorate their cars and pass out candy. Children are encouraged to wear their costumes to Mass that evening. After mass the children will parade through the church and parishioners will vote for the best costumes. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 costumes. Contact Joanne @ jsalvati@stmarkgoodrich.org with any questions or additional information.

World Mission Sunday—Oct. 23-24

Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

Parish Dinner—November 6

Join your parish family for a delicious dinner of turkey breast, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn and a variety of desserts. Please sign up in the Gathering Space or contact the Parish Office. Last week's breakfast was a huge success and many people have asked for the French toast recipe. Below is the link: <https://www.chewoutloud.com/texas-french-toast-bake-6/#tasty-recipes-13787-jump-target>



The Eyes of Faith...

Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way. (Mark 10:52)

- **The Restoration** –Jeremiah 31:7-9
- **Jesus, the High Priest**—Hebrews 5:1-6
- **The Blind Bartimaeus**—Mark 10:46-52
- **Adult:** What have your eyes of faith helped you see in a new way?
- **Kids:** What do you like most about the story of Bartimaeus? Why?

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Mark Men's Club Tailgate Party—Oct. 30th

St. Mark Men's Club will be hosting a tailgate party for the Michigan vs. Michigan State football game on Saturday, October 30th at noon. Food, fun, football squares and more. This event will take place under the pavilion (weather permitting). All are welcome. For more information contact Frank Salvati @ 810-814-6755 or Chris Tuski @ 810-922-3586. Please sign up at link below <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c45acaa2fa5fc1-mens3>, so we can get an idea of how much food to prepare.

Beginning Family Prayer

Parents, would you like to learn more about family prayer, join a Zoom Presentation on Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. to listen to and discuss ways to bring prayer into your family. Remember a family that prays together stays together. (Zoom 908 485 7558 Password JMJ). For more information email smroz81@gmail.com.

Missionaries of the Sacred Heart—Senacal Container

Fr. Mike Kuchar is working with Missionaries of the Sacred Heart to get a container of donated items sent to West Africa. One of his greatest passions is working with Catholic ministries around the world. To get these items to West Africa, the 40-foot container will be shipped from Maryland. The proposed date is Saturday, November 13, 2021. The process includes packing materials, shipping and taxes. The estimated total cost is around \$17,500. This project needs to be completed by November 10, 2021. I am asking for your support in helping to make this transition of goods a reality for the people of the Diocese of Kaolack. Any, and all, donations are valued. Please make your check out to: **Missionaries of the Sacred Heart**. In the memo line please write **Senegal Container**. Send to: Fr. Richard Kennedy, MSC, 3050 S. Lake St. P.O. Box 280, Aurora, IL. 60507. If you have any questions, please contact me on my cell number at 517-420-1634. Please keep this important mission intention in your personal prayers.

Mass Schedule for All Saints Day

Monday, November 1st is All Saints day, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Weekly Readings: October 18– October 24

Mon: Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17, **Tue:** Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21, **Wed:** Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30, **Thu:** Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16, **Fri:** Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6, **Sat:** Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11, **Sun:** Dt 6:2-6; Mk 12:28b-34

AFTERWORD....Fr. Dave Howell

BACK IN TIME ... I would like to tell you all about my trip to Germany and how much fun I had with the 20 others who were a part of the group – or even how I had a beer in your honor! But I can't. I am writing this column before I leave! But I hope it will be true. But I am back for two of my favorite feast days on the Church calendar: All Saints & All Souls.

ALL SAINTS DAY ... is Monday, Nov 1. In old English, this feast is called All Hallows Day, hence the evening before is called All Hallows Eve or Halloween. In the Middle Ages, the poor would go from door to door and promise to pray for deceased family members in return for a gift of food or a treat. That was the custom in Mt. Clemens and much of the east side of the Detroit area when I was a kid. We dressed as poor people and went from door to door "begging" for treats. That is how the Halloween custom of trick or treating originated. If this Sunday is Halloween, then Monday is the Feast of All Saints (Hallows) Day and an important holy day. It is the feast that celebrates our communion with all the women and men who have died and are now with God in glory. These are not the recognized saints, but rather all the others; including those relatives and friends who have gone before us. The Liturgies of All Saints Day are at 9:30 am & 6:30 pm. I hope you will be able to join in this wonderful festival of the Saints.

ALL SOULS DAY ... On Monday, the Feast of All Saints, we prayed *with* all those who have gone before us and rejoice with the Risen Christ in the heavenly kingdom. On All Souls Day, Tuesday, November 2, we raise up and pray *for* all those who are still on their journey to the heavenly city. We lift them up in prayer and ask that our deceased sisters and brothers will live forever in the place God has prepared for them. The Memorial Mass at 6:30 that evening will be celebrated for the eight people who were buried from St. Mark this past year and for all who have died and may be still on their way to heaven. If you have a loved one who died since All Souls Day of 2020 and want to include their name in our list Tuesday evening, please tell us by Monday afternoon. Email the name to Colleen Seymour cseymour@stmarkgoodrich.org. All participants in the Liturgy that evening will be invited to bring a lit candle to the altar during the Preparation of the Gifts to honor their loved ones as we list the names of all those who have died since last All Souls Day.

Fr. Dave Howell

