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

**FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
"Blessed are the
poor in spirit,
for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven."
Matthew 5:3
JANUARY
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What's happening at St. Mark this week
MONDAY, January 30
9:30 a.m. — Mass — +Samuel Smiley/Janice Hennen
TUESDAY, January 31
6:30 p.m. — Mass — +Guy Morgan/Lusty Family
7:00 p.m. — Building & Grounds Meeting
WEDNESDAY, February 1
10:00 a.m. — AA
7:00 p.m. — RCIA
THURSDAY, February 2
7:00 p.m. — Choir
FRIDAY, February 3
8:30 a.m. — Mass — +Sandra Giuliani/ Joanne & Mike O'Rourke
9:00 a.m. — St. Joseph's Guild
9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m. — First Friday Adoration
SATURDAY, February 4
7:00 a.m. — Men's Fellowship
4:30—5:00 — Confessions
5:30 p.m. — Mass — +Jim Ellis/Deborah & James Nelson
6:30 p.m. — Parish Dinner
SUNDAY, February 5
9:30 a.m. — Mass & CLW — +Donna Brothers/Kelly Alford
9:30 a.m. — Baptism/Donahue
10:30 a.m. — Hospitality
10:45 a.m. — Bell Choir
11:00 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. — Family Faith Formation
5:00 p.m. — 6:30 p.m. — Youth Group

PRAYER MINISTRY REQUESTS, Joan Turner
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
8:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.
NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Individuals who actively participate with us are asked to register by contacting the Parish Office.
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Ron's Thoughts...

This weekend we hear the BEATITUDES. Jesus teaches from the mountain top and challenges those who are listening, ARE YOU? The blessed represent those who ponder life's situations and decide its GOD FIRST LIVING! Living this way means keeping an eye out for GOD'S WILL in everything that comes our way. The beatitudes challenge our response to adversities in our lives with faith, trust and knowing that GOD WILL TAKE CARE and yes, our reward will be great in heaven.

Jesus invites us into his way of looking at life with a blessed-ness that is surely a strange wonder to the world, yet it attracts. I often tell people who have challenges in life to HAVE FAITH and you will get through the challenge. And I believe that with all my heart. I don't know any other way to think. But it is easier said than done. And I know that too. But you know, I can tell you story upon story about difficulties and challenges that were met with FAITH and people endured and made it through. It may not have always been the perfect end, but they made it through it. Remember, the BLESSED represent those who ponder life's situations and decide its GOD FIRST LIVING! What about you? Walk the Talk! Be Peace! D-Ron (rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org)



St. Mark Faith Formation Schedule

- 1/29—Confirmation Mini Session #4 WITH PARENTS (2-4pm)
- 2/5—Family Faith Formation (11-12:30pm)
- 2/5—Youth Group (6th-12th) 5-6:30pm (Parish Center)
- 2/11—First Eucharist Mini Session (9-11am – Parish Center)
- 3/8—LOOKING AHEAD – Confirmation Liturgy with Bishop Boyea 7pm HF

St. Mark Youth Mission Trip 2023

The Youth Group is planning a Summer Youth Mission Trip: July 23-29, 2023 in Appleton, Wisconsin to build a house with Habitat for Humanity. Mark the date. For all High School Aged Youth. PLEASE Contact Dcn. Ron if you are interested – rkenney@stmarkgoodrich.org

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2023 Miss Hibernia Scholarship Contest

Applications are being accepted for the 2023 Miss Hibernia Pageant sponsored by the Flint St. Patrick's Day Grand Marshals and the Ancient Order of Hibernians, an Irish Catholic fraternal organization. Cash scholarships will be awarded with \$1,500 to Miss Hibernia, \$1,000 to the First Runner-Up and \$500 to the Second Runner-Up. The pageant is open to young ladies ages 16 - 22 yrs, of Irish ancestry who live in or attend school full-time in Genesee County. To obtain an application form, visit www.FlintStPatricksDay.com or call (810)730-4446. Deadline for entry is February 20th.

Full Levels of Happiness

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says "We all want to live happily; This desire is of divine origin: God has placed it in the human heart in order to draw man to the One who alone can fulfill it." But in a world where we're bombarded with competing visions of what will bring us true happiness, wouldn't it be nice to cut through it all and get to the bottom of what will REALLY makes us happy? That's why Bishop Boyea is inviting you to join hundreds of others at St. Thomas, East Lansing on Saturday, February 11, 2023 for a life changing presentation on the Four Levels of Happiness. This day-long seminar will help you discover the true happiness you were made for so you can live your life to its greatest potential. Space is limited so register soon at www.fourlevels.org.

Fr. Dave's Cancer Journey and Reflections

For those of you that are interested in following Fr. Dave's Cancer Journey and his weekly reflections, we have added it to our website stmarkgoodrich.org. Just click on the picture to view. Also, an update on Fr. Dave's freezer...while he appreciates everything everyone has done for him thus far his freezer is completely full with food that people have made for him at this time. Please keep him in your prayers.

World Marriage Day

A day when St. John Paul II gave his apostolic blessing. Sunday, February 19, 2023 San Marino Club, 1685 East Big Beaver, Troy 48083 2:30-6:30 pm (doors open at 2 pm). Dinner at 3:00 pm followed by Speakers & Dancing. Emcees: Deacon Dominick Pastore & Teresa Tomeo. Fr. Joe Krupp will speak on: Marriage & the Central Mystery of Our Faith, and Bill & Carol Brewis will speak on Mercy, Joy & Healing in Marriage. Priests, as well as prayer ministers, will be available for blessing and prayers after the presentation. Music by Rennie Kaufmann & his daughter Esther. After January 1 - \$80/couple; Table Reservations \$350 (5 couples per table) by January 31. On-line registration & payment: WorldMarriageDay.org. For questions about table reservations: Email Dan/Debbie at worldmarriage-day@yahoo.com For general questions: Rich/Fran 586.979.0192 or waldenluv2@wowway.com. Advance registration required by Feb. 12, 2023.

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World Wide Evangelization Appeal—Jan. 21-22

Thank you for your generous support for last week's Collection for the Church in Latin America. As a parish, we collected \$320, which will be used to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean, so they in turn can share the Good News in their communities. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

2nd Annual Bob Totten Pancake Breakfast—Feb 12

The St. Mark Men's Club will be hosting a Pancake breakfast in memory of Bob Totten on February 12th. Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit and beverages. Cost will be donation only. The Men's Club will take the proceeds and make a donation in Bob's name to a charity that was near and dear to his heart which is the Capuchin Soup Kitchen of Detroit.

Parish Dinner— Feb. 4th

Join us for our Parish Dinner of tilapia filets, rice, broccoli and cake on February 4th after the 5:30 p.m. Liturgy. Sign up in the Gathering Space or call the Parish Office. All are welcome!

Thank you from Catholic Charities!

On behalf of Catholic Charities, thank you for your generous response to the hat and glove collection. You gave almost 300 hats, gloves, scarves and socks. They began using some of the gloves immediately as their supply was exhausted.

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Are you interested in REGISTERING to become a parishioner at St. Mark?

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Week January 30—February 5	
Mon:	Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20, Tue: Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43, Wed: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6, Thu: Mal 3:1-4; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32], Fri: Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29, Sat: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34, Sun: Is 58:7-10; Mt 5:13-16

AFTERWORD....Fr. Dave Howell

MANY THANKS ... Thank you so very much for last Sunday morning. The staff passed out chocolate mint patties with a message of congratulations for my 45th anniversary of ordination and, most of all, I received the assembly's blessing! It meant a great deal to me. Thank you!

WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT?... I am amazed at how many different "Get Well" cards are on the market. I have received a lot of them and I have yet to see any of them that are the same! But all of them express the same sentiment, "I/we are praying for you, hope you get well soon." I am very grateful for the prayers and believe they are working well. After my first session of chemo (seven hours) I am doing well. The worst side effect seems to have been boredom as I waited for the infusion to finish. For those who are interested, updates on my progress and reflections on my cancer journey will be posted on the parish website.

TOM, DICK, PAT & ROB ... The more observant will have noticed that the gold chalices and ciboria have been replaced with pewter cups and bowls during Ordinary Time. (We will save the gold for the Christmas and Easter Seasons and special feast days.) All of them are high quality Woodbury Pewter (the kind sold at Greenfield Village where the chalice and patten given to me by my parents was purchased.) There is some logic behind the switch from gold to pewter. The gold will return at Christmas, along with the best altar linens and other items used for the Liturgy. The idea was mimicked in countless homes this Christmas as the best china, silver and linen will be used for Christmas dinner. Then the family will return to the usual stuff as the joy of Christmas fades. I like the idea of different vessels for different seasons, which is part of the reason I have several different chalices. Matching them with vessels for the whole assembly helps make point. The more important the day or season, the better the vessels. I donated the new cups and bowls and each have a name. The four cups for the assembly are: Tom, Dick, Pat and Rob; who are my four cousins who have passed on ahead of me. The two bowls are named after my two sisters: Lynn & MaryAnna, both of whom already have a place at the banquet feast of heaven. The large bowled cup is from Ireland. It is a pewter replica of the Ardagh Chalice in the National Museum in Dublin. The original is silver with gold filigree and semi-precious stones that was crafted in the 8th Century. In 1988, saw it on my 10th anniversary trip to Ireland and I brought the replica and the Celtic Crystal chalice back as remembrance.

Fr. Dave Howell

CONSTANT FAITH...If you remain constant in faith in the face of trial, the Lord will give you peace and rest for a time in this world, and forever in the next. —St. Jerome Emiliani