

On behalf of the clergy, staff, and entire parish family of Saint Mark, we extend this heartfelt invitation; **No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church; No matter what your current family or marital situation; No matter what your past or present religious affiliation; No matter what your personal history, age, background, race or color, you are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved here at Saint Mark Parish.**



### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, December 22

6:30 p.m. Gertrude Sullivan  
by Sullivan Family

#### Sunday, December 23 –

#### Fourth Weekend of Advent

8:00 a.m. For Both the Living and  
Deceased of St. Mark  
10:30 a.m. Marjorie Kilbarger Layman  
by Ed & Ann Kilbarger

#### Monday, December 24

5:30 p.m. Ruth Anders by Family  
8:00 p.m. Muckensturm & Ring Families  
by Family

#### Tuesday, December 25

**Midnight** For Both the Living &  
Deceased of St. Mark  
(incense will be used)  
10:30 a.m. Art & Howie Eversole  
by Don Bever

#### Wednesday, December 26

6:00 p.m. Theresa Allen by Mike Keister

#### Thursday, December 27

8:00 a.m. Marg. & Harold Snoke & Family

#### Friday, December 28

8:00 a.m. Rose Bever by Danny &  
Donna Bever & Children

#### Saturday, December 29

6:30 p.m. Annette Brunney by Joe Eisel

#### Sunday, December 30 –

#### Fourth Weekend of Advent

8:00 a.m. Sue McMillen by Pat Poznanski  
10:30 a.m. For Both the Living and  
Deceased of St. Mark

**Upcoming Holy Days  
and Mass time changes**  
December 31 Mass, 7:00 p.m.  
January 1 Mass, 10:30 a.m.

**Mass Intentions:** *One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead, and the greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass, since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10.00 each. All intentions will be listed in the bulletin. Please call the parish office (740-653-1229) to schedule Mass Intentions. You may also pay and request a date with online giving.*

#### **This Week's Readings:**

**Monday:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16;  
Lk 1:67-79  
**Tuesday:** Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18  
**Wednesday:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59;  
Mt 10:17-22  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1-8  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35  
**Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21;  
Lk 2:41-52

#### **Please pray for the sick**

**Week 1:** Russell Miller, Julie Wingenter,  
Cynthia Koehler, George Hallarn,  
Ann Cornell, Joseph McAndrews,  
Anthony Kuebler, Alyse Kuebler,  
Bernadette King, Tom Tobin,  
Ethan Karoscik, Enrique Ortez

**Week 2:** Diana Ratliff, Ann Brunney,  
Carol Papson, Becky Seroco,  
Tom Wild, Diana Ratliff

**Week 3:** Susan Stolz, Debbie Clarridge,  
Nancy & Jim Hanley, Carl Anders,  
Mary Kern

**Week 4:** Jason Brunney, Pat Leohner

**Week 5:** Nick Renat, Joanne Myers,  
Laura Joos, Matthew Bryant,  
Marie Crosby, Tisha Kuhn

**Week 6:** Jennifer Inboden, Dave Inboden,  
Deb Inboden, Michele Maley,  
Beth DeLong, Bob Cassady,  
Kirk Gibbs, Jerry Sprague,  
Deb Mohney



**Please pray for our active military:** Brandon Elkins, Robert Brunney, Billy Paskins, Jr., David Kalb, Katie Lane, Alan Dyer, Brian Self, William Fouse, D.J. Amini, Nathan Rutherford, Nathan Jenks,

Spencer Breeckner, Brandon Sanderell, Michael Sanderell, Cody Longstreth, Luke Harris, Jason Stith, Michael White, Nathan Hunyady

**Pray for those in Nursing Homes:** Ruth Fox, Rita Mason, (Crestview); Nancy Smith, Laura Joos, Jack Coontz (Carroll Place); Deacon Hank Gundrum (Logan Elm Health Care); Elaine Mertz, (Alternacare); Janice Miller (Landfair); Mary Ann Kinser (Inn at Winchester Trail); Mary Kern (Homestead).



### December

23 & 30 No PSR

### January

6 PSR  
13 PSR  
20 PSR  
27 PSR

### Aluminum cans and empty ink cartridges:

Place cans in bins by the front door. Place ink cartridges in the box in the front office. Thank you!



**Confirmation** classes have started and we are asking for your prayers. Please take one or two doves from the back of the church with a Confirmandi name and pray for them while they are going through this process.

### Deanery

#### **Penance Schedule**

St. John the 23rd, December 19, 7:00 p.m.

**SAINT MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION SACRED ARCHITECTURE** Presented by Mr. William Heyer, architect Thursday, January 10 at 7:00 p.m., Spirit Center: *Understanding Sacred Architecture :looking at ancient classical buildings through the Renaissance and how those buildings influenced churches today*, Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m., Spirit Center: *Understanding Sacred Architecture: looking at medieval cathedrals through the 20th century and how those buildings influenced churches today*, Thursday, January 24 at 7:00 p.m., Spirit Center: *Understanding Sacred Architecture: looking at contemporary churches – the good and the bad – and understanding how we have been steered away from timeless sacred architecture principles in some cases and how we otherwise have strived for a continuity with our Catholic identity using new forms and techniques of building*. These lessons are important for providing meaningful churches for our children and future generations of American Catholics.

### Meetings and Activities this week

#### **Wednesday, December 26**

5:30 p.m., Rosary

#### **Saturday, December 29**

Anointing of the Sick  
St. Vincent de Paul Society

#### **Sunday, December 30**

10:00 a.m., Rosary in the Church  
Anointing of the Sick  
St. Vincent de Paul Society

### Available for your convenience

Cards for parishioners who use online giving are available by the doors to place in the collection. Cushions are located behind church if needed.

### Bulletin Sponsors



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**If you want something you've never had, you have to do something you've never done.** Are you ready to reignite your faith? Want to grow closer to Jesus, but you're not sure how to do it? Want to get involved and meet other women of the parish? We have the solution for you! Please save the dates to attend the upcoming Columbus Catholic Women's Conferences. Discounted pricing ends January 14, 2019. Makes a great Christmas gift! Women's Conference: February 16, 2019, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Visit <http://www.columbuscatholicwomen.com/> Ohio Expo Center — Cardinal Hall

**Respect Life Mass** is Tuesday, January 22 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral. Bishop Campbell will serve as celebrant. On this day of the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme court decision *Roe V. Wade*, our diocese will join all dioceses of the United States in observing a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. All are invited. For more information contact, the diocesan Office of Social Concerns at [socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org) or 614-241-2540.

#### **FOOTBALL COACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE:**

Saint Mary School in Lancaster, OH is seeking applicants for a Head Middle School Football Coach and Assistant Middle School Football Coach for the 2019 season. Applicants should preferably have playing/instructing or similar experience at the college, high school, OR middle school level and demonstrate appropriate knowledge for the development of fundamental techniques. Pay will be a onetime stipend at the end of the season. Please send letters of interest, résumés, references, and a copy of current Pupil Activity Permit (if you already have one) to Athletic Directors Ria and Noah Kerns at [smsathletics@saintmarylanaster.org](mailto:smsathletics@saintmarylanaster.org).

#### **In Our Diocese**



#### **YOUR SPOUSE WILL THANK YOU!**

Give thanks and plan now to attend a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend! The next weekend is February 15-17, 2019 in central Ohio.

Marriage Encounter is where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus on each other. For more information or to apply contact Paul & Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or visit our website at [www.wwmecolumbus.org](http://www.wwmecolumbus.org).

**Christmas Catholic Charities Collection.** This annual collection allows the diocese to meet a variety of basic needs directly and through diocesan agencies and organizations including J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs), St. Stephen's Community House, Catholic Social Services, St. Francis Center, St. Lawrence Haven, St. Vincent Family Center, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. You can help share in this important work by generously supporting the Catholic Charities collection this year.

**4th Sunday of Advent** "For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." (LUKE 1:44) When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading each Sunday, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather, look inside yourself. Do you prepare for Mass each week or do you just show up and expect to be entertained? We are called to be active participants, not passive by-standers. Learn how you can be active in your Catholic faith by supporting your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation. Visit [www.catholic-foundation.org/development](http://www.catholic-foundation.org/development) for more information.

#### **In Our Parish**

***As the year draws to a close, another year begins, and we plan our end-of-year contributions. Please remember your St. Mark Parish Family.***

***Please check your mailboxes in the hallway for mail. If you wish to put Christmas cards or other items in mailboxes, there is an alphabetical list on the side of the mailboxes.***

***Attention: due to the holiday season, bulletin articles need to be turned into the office early; by December 26 for January 6.***



**Adorers Needed!!!** Would you like to spend one hour with Jesus?? We need adorers here at St. Mark for the following times: Mondays, 10:00-11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.-noon; Tuesdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m., 5:00-6:00 p.m. Call Jan Kiger if you can do one of these times at 740-654-0884.

**Present Wrapping available**, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in hallway, all donations made will go to Nationwide Children's Hospital. For more information, email [kim\\_brunney@yahoo.com](mailto:kim_brunney@yahoo.com). Wrapping starts December 15.

We are redoing our **nursery/quiet room** and are in need of some items. Please see the poster board in the hallway and purchase that item if you wish to help.

**Singing to Shut-ins** after Mass on December 23rd after the 10:30 a.m. Mass and pizza.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** will be at all Masses next weekend. Please be generous with your donations. For more information about St. Vincent de Paul, go to [svdplancaster.com](http://svdplancaster.com).

**Life Line Screening**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at St. Mark Catholic Church on January 22, 2019. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heartbeat, which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package, which includes four vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149.00 (\$139.00 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10.00 discount off any package priced above \$129.00; please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit <http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle> or text the word *circle* to 797979.**



**St. Mark Emerald Food Pantry:**

Needed: Cleaning supplies, personal care items, any taxable item

Contact the parish office (740-653-1229) if you would like to help.  
Pantry Schedule: Tuesdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
Thank you for your support

**Prayer boxes** are located in the front hallway, back of church and in the adoration room. All prayers are prayed by various groups plus taken up to the altar at each Mass.



MINISTERS

Please go to **MyOwnChurch** (located on our web site) to check your schedule. Our website also has the schedule listed.

**DECEMBER 29 – 6:30 P.M.**

**Server:** 1 Volunteer Needed  
**Lector:** 1 Volunteer Needed  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** 5 Volunteers Needed

**DECEMBER 30 – 8:00 A.M.**

**Server:** 1 Volunteer Needed  
**Lector:** 1 Volunteer Needed  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** 5 Volunteers Needed

**DECEMBER 30 – 10:30 A.M.**

**Server:** 2 Volunteers Needed  
**Lector:** 1 Volunteer Needed, Jim Aranda  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** 2 Volunteers Needed, Rich Merrick, Jakki Moore, Bunnie Tatarek

**NEW YEAR'S EVE – DECEMBER 31 – 7:00 PM**

**Servers:** 2 Volunteers Needed  
**Lectors:** 2 Volunteers Needed  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** 4 Volunteers Needed, Sharon Elder

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY HOLY MOTHER OF GOD JANUARY 1 10:30 A.M.**

**Servers:** 2 Volunteers Needed  
**Lectors:** 2 Volunteers Needed  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** 4 Volunteers Needed, Rich Merrick

**Finance Information**

	12/9/18	Year to date
Budget	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 149,500.00
YTD	+\$ 1,347.62	-\$ 4,768.40
Annual Budget	\$ 338,000.00	

Collection Funds	12/9/18	Basket
Food Pantry	\$ 790.00	\$ 10.00
Social Concerns	\$ 1,018.00	\$ 50.00
Capital		
Improvement	\$ 0.00	\$ 25.00
Bridges of St. Mark	\$ 125.00	\$ 0.00
Retired Religious	\$ 1,237.00	\$ 0.00
Immaculate		
Conception	\$ 469.00	\$ 0.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 12.85	\$ 110.00