

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, February 17

6:30 p.m. Frances Barath

Sunday, February 18

8:00 a.m. For Both the Living and Deceased of St. Mark

10:30 a.m. Virginia Snoke by Tim & Judy Martin

Monday, February 19

8:00 a.m. Victor Dimino by Maria & Richard Magoni

Tuesday, February 20

8:00 a.m. For Both the Living & Deceased of St. Mark

Wednesday, February 21

6:00 p.m. For Both the Living & Deceased of St. Mark

Thursday, February 22

8:00 a.m. For Both the Living & Deceased of St. Mark

Friday, February 23

8:00 a.m. For Both the Living & Deceased of St. Mark

Saturday, February 24

6:30 p.m. For the health of Phil & Helen Boyle by Terrie

Sunday, February 25

8:00 a.m. For Both the Living and Deceased of St. Mark

10:30 a.m. Dorothy Rutledge

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 Weeks Readings:

Monday: Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rm 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

Upcoming Mass time changes and Holy days

Stations of the Cross and Benediction every Friday during Lent starting at 5:30 p.m.

Penance Service, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday Mass, March 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Passion Service, March 30 at 1:00 p.m.

Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, March 30 at 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil Mass, March 31, 8:15 p.m.

Easter Mass, April 1, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Please pray for the sick:

Week 1: Nick Renat, Joanne Myers, Laura Joos, Matthew Bryant, Donna Kalis, Paul Bryant, Marie Crosby, Martha Johann, Steve Weaver

Week 2: Theresa Hall, Jason Brunney, Susie Bingham, Paul Bryant, Matt Bryant, Deacon Paul DeShaines

Week 3: Don & Rose Bever, Laura Joos, Mike Roby, Gary Johnson, Trisha Mallon, Teresa Sipos, Carl Lefevre, Joyce Tipton, Debi Clarridge

Week 4: John Blair, Don & Rose Bever, Laura Joos, Mike Roby, Gary Johnson, Chuck Legg

Week 5: Onna Sanders, Rita Mason, Marie & Tom Crosby, Evelyn Phillips, Teresa Hall, Carl Anders, Mindy Lentz, Gary Johnson, Carl Lefevre, Barb Ryan, Theresa Sipos, Tom Mitchell

Week 6: Carol Sullivan, Phil & Helen Boyle, Bill Morris, Eleanor Kaye, Patrick Murnane

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, Donovan Bever, Brandon Sanderell, Michael Sanderell, Cody Longstreth

Pray for those in Nursing Homes: Mildred Mathias, Beverly Thimmes, Ruth Fox, Rita Mason (Crestview); Nancy Smith (Carroll Place); Deacon Hank Gundrum (Carriage Court); Elaine Mertz (Alternacare); Ralph Mertz (Arbors at Carroll); Janice Miller (Landfair); Mary Ann Kinser (Inn at Winchester Trail).

Meetings and Activities this week

Monday, February 19

- 8:30 a.m. Adoration
- 4:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy Meeting

Tuesday, February 20

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. Adoration
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, February 21

- 9:00 a.m. Homeschool
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Refresh/RCIA

Thursday, February 22

- 4:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl

Friday, February 23

- 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
with Benediction

Sunday, February 25

- 9:00 a.m. PSR
- 10:00 a.m. Rosary in the Church
- 10:30 a.m. Choir Sings

Available for your convenience

Headsets for hearing Mass and cards for parishioners who use online giving are available by the doors to place in the collection. Cushions are located in the back of the church if needed.

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Youth News!

February

- 18 PSR
- 25 PSR
- 28 Youth Center/OYC

March

- 4 PSR
- 7 Youth Center/GA
- 11 PSR
- 14 Youth Center/OYC
- 18 PSR
- 21 Youth Center/GA
- 25 PSR/Palm Sunday
- 28 Youth Center/OYC

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!

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St. Bernadette School is now registering students for the 2018-2019 school year, Grades preschool through 5th. Sunday, February 25, Open House from noon to 2:00 p.m. For more information, call the school office at 740-654-3137.

ST. MARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE ~ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25: 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Enrolling preschool (full or partial day/week programs) and grades K-8! Spiritual development, academic excellence, many student activities and programs to enrich learning, athletics, before/after school care program, and much more! EdChoice Expansion (income based) and Jon Peterson (special needs) state scholarships and local tuition assistance is available. Visit our website at www.saintmarylancaster.com to find out more, and be sure to view our outstanding standardized test scores!

*Donations are now being gathered for the **Bid O' Luck** dinner auction to be held on April 28, with the theme of "Saturday Night Irish Fever." Not sure you have anything fabulous to donate? Give cash, and let the committee shop for you! Goods and services are wanted for the silent and grand auctions. Contact Milea Quaintance at [740-689-3288](tel:740-689-3288). *A limited number of Bid O'Luck Raffle tickets are now on sale for \$100.00/ticket for a chance at one \$7,500.00 prize and five \$500.00 prizes! For more info, contact Kellie Shonk at keshonk@cde.

In Our Diocese

Listen to Catholic Radio AM 820 this Lent – Try something new this Lent and consider listening to Catholic Radio AM 820. Listening to AM 820 is a good way to deepen your knowledge and love of the Catholic faith!



SUPPORT THE BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION
COLLECTION

This weekend is the collection for **Black and Indian Missions**, which was Mandated by the III Plenary Council in 1884. National Collection for Black and Indian people continues as the embodiment of the Church's concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. Text to give Black/Indian.

40 Days for Life, February 14 to March 25. This peaceful prayer vigil will take place at an abortion facility in Columbus. Participants are asked to volunteer for one-hour shifts and sign a statement of peace. For details, www.40daysforlife.com/columbus.

Spirit of Hope Gala of Catholic Social Services will be Saturday, March 3, 2018, 6:30-10:30 p.m. at St. Charles Preparatory School's Walter Commons, [2010 E. Broad Street, Columbus](http://2010.E.BroadStreet.Columbus). The annual event benefits Catholic Social Services' 14 programs that help poor and vulnerable seniors and families. To purchase tickets or to sponsor, visit www.colscss.org or contact 614-857-1236 or jnaporano@colscss.org.

Share the Journey Migration Campaign. Pope Francis launched *Share the Journey*, a global campaign to support migrants and refugees around the world. The U.S. bishops are asking Catholics around the country to join the campaign: www.sharejourney.org.

Opiate Addiction Epidemic Resources. For a list of resources and suggestions for families, schools, and parishes to respond to the opiate addiction epidemic in Ohio, visit www.columbuscatholic.org/drug-awareness or contact the Social Concerns at socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org or 614-241-2540.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE!!! You can still sign up for *Catholic Times*. For a minimum donation of only \$17.00, Catholic news from the diocese and around the world will be delivered right to your mailbox. Use the envelope provided in your February packet, or simply write your name and "Catholic Times" on a plain envelope, make your check payable to the parish, and drop it into the collection basket.

Save the Date: Columbus Catholic Men's Conference. We hope you will save the date so you can join us on February 24, from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. for Men's Conference at the Ohio Expo Center. Go to www.columbuscatholicwomen.com or www.catholicmenministries.com to register today.

Bishop Campbell will take your questions on Tuesday, March 6th, during this LIVE call-in-show. **St. Andrew students** will give their reflections on **what must you do to make this Lent a good one?** Call *St. Gabriel Catholic Radio AM820* at **(614) 459-4820** to ask your questions about the Catholic faith and growing in holiness.



Marking the Word, one Family at a Time

St. Mark Emerald Food Pantry:

Needed: Cereal and toothpaste

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.

C. Snyder Catholic Tuition Endowment Fund – Parents of St. Mark Parish who choose to send their children to a Catholic school (grades K-12), may apply for financial assistance to pay tuition. Grants will be awarded according to financial need and funds available. Please obtain applications from St. Mark Parish secretary starting February 11. To be eligible, family must be members of St. Mark Parish registered prior to November 1, 2016 and be regular attendees at Sunday Mass, and to some degree actively involved in the life of the Parish. **COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO PARISH SECRETARY NO LATER THAN APRIL 18, 2018.** (incomplete and or unsigned forms could result in disqualification.)

Lenten Lectio Divina, from 9:15 am to 10:00 a.m. on Sundays during Lent. Coffee and donuts, supplied by Knights Council 15447, will be provided in the St. Raymond Room along with a Lenten Program featuring reflection on the scriptures used in the weekend Mass. We will listen to what God is saying to us in His word, think about how it applies to our lives, and then practice praying His word back to Him. For more information, contact Jeff Hurdley at 740-654-7831.

Congratulations to Bernie and Sue Sanderell, St. Mark's 2018 Husband and Wife of the Year! Thank you to everyone who helped make the World Marriage Day dinner a success, including Mike Wood for the entertainment, Kim Kirchgessner for the food, our servers for the evening – Darren Morin, Tyler Morin, Aiden Van Gundy, Jared Long, Maggie Long, Regina Long, Holly Vail, and Nora Vail, all those who attended the dinner, and all who brought in wine or helped in other ways. We are blessed with such a wonderful spiritual community!

Spiritual Babies: Month One – Our spiritual babies have been quite active over the past month. At month one, the baby is 10,000 times bigger than at conception. He/She has developed the foundation of the brain, spinal cord, and nervous system by the 20th day. The heart began to beat on the 21st day, pumping blood through the baby's own circulatory system. The babies are most vulnerable, during the next month, of being aborted. Please pray that these struggling mothers will find the strength and love to give their babies the most precious gift of all – the gift of Life. We can help support struggling mothers and their babies by showing we care. We can help by collecting change and purchasing baby items through the next 9 months. Bottles are located on the card table in the front hallway. Please take a bottle so that we can bring some hope to these families. God Bless.



Blood Drive [org.](http://www.redcross.org)

Our next **St. Mark Blood Drive** will be March 29, 2018, please call the parish office to register or go to www.redcross.org.

Please pray for our **Catechumen and our Candidate Kathy and Alex** as they begin the final step in their journey to the Easter sacraments. They will journey to Columbus on February 18 for the Rite of Election with Bishop Campbell, and then begin the process of purification and enlightenment during the Lenten season.

Make plans to join us during Lent. Divine Mercy in the second greatest story ever told. Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary of Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II. February 20 at 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. will be Episode 2: Behold, This Heart. April 7 at lunchtime, last episode. Divine Mercy Mass at 3:00 p.m. on April 8.

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 March 9, 2018. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries; abdominal aortic aneurysms; hardening of the arteries in the legs; atrial fibrillation or irregular heartbeat; and a bone density screening. Register for a Wellness Package that includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149. 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.**



Soup and Psalms: A time for quiet reflection and a simple meal following the Wednesday evening Mass during Lent starting February 21 and ending March 21. All donations are for the Rice Bowl collection, suggested contribution is \$5.00. A Vegetable soup will be offered as well as a homemade weekly special.

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.

We have a new scheduling system: Please let me know if you have any problems. Please go to *MyOwnChurch* (located on our web site) to check your schedule.

If you are involved in a ministry and are leaving for the winter, please sign into your *MyOwnChurch* account and put your dates in or you can call the parish office at 740-653-1229.

Thank you for all your support for our Sunday breakfast. Our next breakfast will be March 4, 2018. Hope to see you there, bring a friend.

K of C Sunday Breakfast, after each Mass
 50/50 Drawing. Freewill Offering.
 50% of proceeds will be given to St. Mark Emerald Food Pantry

Servers

Saturday 6:30 p.m. 2 Ministers Needed
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Isabella Klamfoth,
 Christopher Tooill
 10:30 a.m. Olivia Faz, Andy Wade

Lectors

Saturday: 6:30 p.m. Ron Klausung, Tim Sullivan
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Volunteer Needed, Jim Spires
 10:30 a.m. Roland Bender,
 Cedora Merrick

Extraordinary

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday: 6:30 p.m. John & Theresa Brunney,
 Carol Sullivan,
 Kathie Sullivan,
 Phyllis Robitzer
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Carl Lefevre,
 Bill & Cheryl Oelker,
 Sandra Melillo, Lyza Vail
 10:30 a.m. Jan & Phil Kiger, Rich Merrick,
 Carmen & Randy Tipple

Money Counters

Dave & Emmie Hoelscher, Tom & Sue Tobin

Church Cleaners

Week of February 18, 2018

Patty & Randy Griffin, Tom King

Finance Information

Budget Information	Week 2/4/18	Year to date
Actual	\$ 7,107.60	\$ 215,792.14
Budget	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 192,000.00
YTD Budget		+\$ 23,792.14
Annual Budget	\$ 312,000.00	

Collection Funds 2/11/18	Basket	Online
Social Concerns	\$ 25.00	\$ 0.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 15.00	\$ 0.00
Food Pantry	\$ 280.00	\$ 65.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 0.00	\$ 25.00