

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
 Monday – Thursday 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.

MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Mark the Evangelist Parish 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*

SACRAMENTAL LIFE:

Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
 Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Liturgies:

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
 First Friday of the month 8:30 a.m.
 followed by Eucharistic adoration from
 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Christmas, Easter and Holy Days: see bulletin

Penance Saturday, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Infant Baptism Contact Parish Office

Matrimony Contact Parish Office
 (9 months in advance)

Anointing of the Sick Contact Parish Office
 (after Masses, at home, or in hospital)

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday Noon

CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you move; have a seasonal address; or change of address, phone or e-mail, please contact the Parish Office.

Most Holy Trinity Sunday follows Pentecost. It speaks to our baptism and relationship to the three Persons in the Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Memorial Day offers the time to remember the deceased for their dedication to service in this life. My memories are varied from childhood to adulthood. These experiences included visits to the cemetery where we planted flowers and prayed for our deceased family members. There are also the memories of parades and picnics. I've heard many say that Memorial Day is the kickoff to summer. Whatever your plans are for Memorial Day – be safe.

Memorial Day Prayer

All-powerful God, whose mercy is never withheld from those who call upon you in hope, look kindly on your servants, who departed this life confessing your name, and number them among your saints for evermore. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I am repeating some of my article from last week for those who may have been elsewhere.

My retreat in Nioro, Senegal has inspired many ideas and sparked my imagination. Certainly one major aspect centered on how I can bring newness of life to myself and those in the Missions. As I have mentioned, upon senior status, I will be ministering in the USA, Mexico and Senegal. One of the decisions I made while on the retreat was to become a sponsor for the parish of Our Lady of Angels in Nioro, diocese of Kaolack, which is about five hours from the capital of Senegal, Dakar. My friend, Fr. Jean Marie Ndour, Missionary of the Sacred Heart (MSC) is the pastor, and he has been in our parish and diocese. The parish has many needs, which led me to investigate filling and shipping a 40-foot container this July. I will be collecting and storing items in the Rectory garage and basement. Msgr. Jerry joins me in enthusiasm for this project. The title I came up with during my prayer is:

“Christmas in July – Cap the Container”

This is all new to me, but I am gathering details for this Mission project. There is the obvious need to collect items as well as monetary contributions to support putting the Corporal Works of Mercy into action through this venture. Items can be dropped off at the Rectory garage Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 9:00 to noon or by appointment by calling the office. Monetary donations by cash or check can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Please make your check payable to St. Mark the Evangelist with the notation “Senegal Mission” in the memo line. Items needed include:

Household – bedroom sets, any size beds and mattresses, chests of drawers, couches, chairs, kitchen tables and chairs, end tables, pots and pans, serving trays, bookcases, towels, sheets, house and garden tools, iron stakes, any size tents, air mattresses, awnings, etc.

Office – file cabinets, desks, chairs, office supplies, etc.

Transportation – bikes, motorcycles, car and diesel truck (yes, believe it or not, we can ship these in the container!)

Peace,

MONDAY, May 28

Memorial Day
Parish Office closed

TUESDAY, May 29

6:30 p.m. – Word and Eucharist

WEDNESDAY, May 30

8:30 a.m. – Word and Eucharist
9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild
10:00 a.m. – AA – Parish Center – Rooms 1 & 2
5:30 p.m. – Parish gardening

THURSDAY, May 31

7:00 p.m. – Choir practice – Church

FRIDAY, June 1

First Friday home and hospital visits
8:30 a.m. – Mass: +Judy Oginsky / Oginsky Family
9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. – First Friday Eucharistic Adoration – Church

SATURDAY, June 2

The Body and Blood of the Lord (Corpus Christi)
4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church
5:30 p.m. – Mass: +David Kennedy / Jeanne Hagan

SUNDAY, June 3

The Body and Blood of the Lord (Corpus Christi)
9:30 a.m. – Mass: 2018 Graduates / Parish
9:30 a.m. – Children’s Liturgy of the Word
10:30 a.m. – Graduation Reception – Parish Center
10:30 a.m. – Bell Choir practice

LET US PRAY:
For Peace; for Women/Men in the Military Service:
SSG J Gillett; Maj. S Halleaux; Capt. C Kaighen;
SPC T Kenney; S/Sgt. D Kendall; CPL M Zagone
For Our Sick: Those who are homebound, in the hospital or another healthcare facility.
For Prayer Ministry Requests: Contact Joan Turner, joanturner38@sbcglobal.net or 248-410-2286.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon, 5/28: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10c; Mk 10:17-27
- Tue, 5/29: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31
- Wed, 5/30: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45
- Thu, 5/31: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
- Fri, 6/1: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26
- Sat, 6/2: Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33
- Sun, 6/3: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Mass schedule starting May 26
As of this weekend, the permanent Mass schedule of weekend Masses will be

- 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays and
- 9:30 a.m. on Sundays.

**The Most Holy Trinity
THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR FAITH**

Today is a day simply to ponder the fact that in baptism we were claimed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The first reading from Deuteronomy prompts us to fix in our hearts the truth that God is the Lord of both heaven and earth and there is no other god. Saint Paul reminds us that, because we received the Spirit of adoption in baptism, we are now children of God. In the Gospel Jesus charges us with the responsibility to make other disciples. These realities make today's solemnity a day of praise, adoration, and responsibility. It is a fitting day to thank God for the absolutely free gift of faith that we were given in baptism. It is also a day to ask God for strength to take on the responsibility of sharing that faith with others.

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE	
May 19 & 20	
Weekly Collection	\$3,823.00
Online Giving	\$1,600.00
Children	\$ 7.50
Youth	\$ 100.00



DSA follow up

Thank you to all who have shared the many blessings they have received with your generous gift to our Diocesan Services Appeal. We are at 62% of our \$29,686 goal. You can still take an active role in the mission of the Church in our Diocese. If you typically give online, you can schedule your DSA gift that way.

Polka Mass at St. Mark – June 9

As part of the celebration of our 40th anniversary, St. Mark will be having a Polka Mass on Saturday, June 9 at our 5:30 p.m. liturgy, featuring Virgil Baker and the Just for Fun Band. Following the Mass, we will have dinner at 6:30 p.m. and dancing from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., with a cash bar. Tickets for the dinner and dance are \$10.00 at the door in our Parish Center; please RSVP in the Gathering Space or contact the Parish Office.

Farewell open house for Fr. Mike – June 10

There will be an open house to celebrate Fr. Mike's transition to senior status, 38 years of priesthood and his 65th birthday on Sunday, June 10 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

St. Mark photo directory

To celebrate our 40th anniversary, we are organizing a parish photo directory. Photos will be taken July 11-15, July 24-28, and August 21. See the parish website for a link to sign up to have your photo taken or sign up in the Gathering Space after Masses starting June 2 and 3. We would like as many people as possible to sign up online. Please plan to be a part of the parish directory.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration – June 1

This Friday, June 1, is the First Friday of the month, and once again, there will be Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please sign-up for a one-hour slot; we need one or more individuals per hour. This is a wonderful way to spend time with the Lord in prayer.

FAITH FORMATION

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Jesus commands his disciples, including us, to share the Good News with all. To do this we have to teach others all that Jesus has taught us. Our goal is nothing less than the complete transformation of the world from a place of selfishness and hatred into a place of giving and love. We are called to confront evil with good, kindness and generosity. It is not enough for us to make the world a better place; we have to make the world GOD'S PLACE.

How are we to do this? Well, we begin by praying as we want to live: in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. We call upon God to guide us and give us strength, and Jesus assures us that WE ARE NOT ALONE – He will be with us always.

Often when we do things for the Lord, we are shunned by others. Sometimes, we make decisions to say no to drugs, drinking and immoral sex. We are then considered by others as though we are religious fanatics. There are times that it seems as though everyone is against us. But everyone is not against us: Jesus is with us always. "Go make disciples of all nations!" He tells us. "Give this life to others. Proclaim my Gospel with your lives. And know that I will be with you always in every situation, every choice, every rejection, every success."

Walk the talk. Be Peace! – Deacon Ron

Thank you to all who came out to the EAT AT SAM'S Fundraiser for our Youth Mission Trip. And a big thank you to Joanne and Frank Salvati, who gave us this opportunity at their wonderful Italian restaurant! Look for another opportunity to EAT AT SAM'S real soon.

St. Mark Youth Group

- **Summer Youth Group begins Wednesday, June 13!** 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Pavilion. All those entering the 6th through 12th grades in fall 2018 are invited. FUN PRAYER PIZZA! Please bring \$3 for pizza.
- **Youth Group COLOR FUN RUN – Saturday, June 23** at 8:30 a.m. Pre-register at the Parish Office or contact stmarkdff@hotmail.com. All proceeds go to support our Mission Trip to Owensboro, KY, July 22-28, 2018.
- **Cedar Point Trip – Wednesday, June 27** – All those entering 6th through 12th grades in fall 2018 and their friends are invited. Sign up at a Youth Group meeting or on the parish website, or contact Deacon Ron.

Graduation Mass and Reception

- High School graduates: please join us on Sunday, June 3 at the 9:30 a.m. Liturgy (please arrive by 9:15 a.m. with cap and gown for the procession). Reception to follow in the Parish Center. Please RSVP by May 28 for you and your family in the Gathering Space or by calling the Parish Office.

Religious Education Formation (REF)

- Early registration for the 2018-19 REF year is taking place now in the Parish Office.
- REF Parents please take the end of the year survey at the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3NYCPCR>