

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

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 Mary McFarlane (810) 344-9859

Powers Catholic High School (810) 591-4741

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:

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

Weekday Liturgies:

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| Tuesday | 8:30 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.

Father's Day is an important day to remember the Dads in our lives whether living or deceased. One thing Dads are known for is the wisdom they share. However, what is more important is the wisdom they *demonstrate*. Our heavenly Father gives us advice to help us live a fulfilled life. You can find his guiding words everywhere in our Scriptures; however, the best advice God gives us is what is shown to us through him and his Son, his love.

Dads try to emulate God's actions. They try to show their children how to treat other people, how to take care of themselves, and they too have to sit back and watch their children make mistakes. A Father knows that he has to give his children freedom to stumble and fall. They can relate to God's struggle when one of his children turns away and is unappreciative of his love. Our Fathers have a never-ending task of formation. As Pope St. John XXIII said, *"It is easier for a father to have children than for children to have a real father."*

Unconditional love is a powerful thing. A Dad's love for his family and his children is a beautiful gift, a gift that should be appreciated and acknowledged. We are blessed to experience a Father's unconditional love. God's gift to us is sometimes overlooked, but today on Father's Day; let us take time to honor our God.

A Father's role can take on different forms: foster dad, stepdad, priest, godfather, grandfather, uncle or even brother. In 2013, Pope Francis preached a homily on Father's Day, *All Men Are Called to the Joy of Fatherhood*, where he talks about fatherhood and its importance.

Father's Day Prayer

God our Father,
in your wisdom and love you made all things.
Bless these men,
that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
God's blessing and peace to all fathers!

Father's Day is an opportunity to offer thanksgiving for all the people I have met through the years of ministry as "Father." The diversity of churches, cultures and communities I have experienced has enriched my life. As I celebrate liturgies next weekend here for the final time, I go forth with gratitude for the nine years of service here. I thank you the *staff and parishioners* for a wonderful farewell reception last Sunday. It afforded me the space to see many folks from the different years of ministry around the diocese as well as from St. Mark the Evangelist. THANK YOU!

There was a parish-wide e-mail informing all of you that Msgr. Jerry Vincke has been named bishop for the Diocese of Salina, Kansas. As mentioned in the e-mail, as more information becomes available, I will keep you posted. In the meantime, please keep him and our parish in your prayers during this transition time.

Peace,


MONDAY, June 18

TUESDAY, June 19

6:30 p.m. – +Judy Oginsky / Oginsky Family

WEDNESDAY, June 20

8:30 a.m. – +Paul Marciszewski / Abe and Lottie Eashoo
9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild
10:00 a.m. – AA – Parish Center – Rooms 1 & 2
5:30 p.m. – Parish gardening
7:00 p.m. – Youth Group – Pavilion

THURSDAY, June 21

FRIDAY, June 22

Hospital visits

10:00 a.m. – Euchre and luncheon – Parish Center

SATURDAY, June 23

8:30 a.m. – Youth Group Color Run
4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church
5:30 p.m. – Mass: +Margaret Ridenour /
John and Angela (Saltarelli) Blasek

SUNDAY, June 24

9:30 a.m. – Mass: +Judy Oginsky / Oginsky Family
9:30 a.m. – Children's Liturgy of the Word

LET US PRAY:

For Peace; for Women/Men in the Military Service:

SSG J Gillett; Maj. S Halleaux; Maj. C Kaighen;
SPC T Kenney; S/Sgt. D Kendall; PFC Greg Misiak

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, 6/18: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7; Mt 5:38-42

Tue, 6/19: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16;
Mt 5:43-48

Wed, 6/20: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thu, 6/21: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

Fri, 6/22: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132:11-14, 17-18;
Mt 6:19-23

Sat, 6/23: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34; Mt 6:24-34

Sun, 6/24: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26;
Lk 1:57-66, 80

New weekday Mass schedule

Starting June 29, the permanent schedule of weekday Masses will be **6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays** (no change) and **8:30 a.m. on Fridays** (changed from Wednesdays).

Parish gardening

Calling all green thumbs! Share your gardening talents with the parish Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. Next session is this Wednesday, June 20.

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time THE MASTER STORYTELLER

In today's Gospel, Jesus is presented to us as the master storyteller. He loved to use parables as a tool for comparing one thing to something else. In most of his parables, Jesus revealed who God is by comparing God's essence or actions with something familiar to his listeners. In the parable of the mustard seed, Jesus proclaims a marvelous and irrefutable truth. His small band of disciples, as insignificant as they may have felt, would one day produce a mighty kingdom whose growth was initiated by God. The seeds of this kingdom were planted by God and it is God who will harvest the fruit brought forth from those seeds. The extent of the growth of God's kingdom cannot be predicted. We must trust the work of the Master's hand as we, the mustard plant, grow and grow.

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

June 9 and 10

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| Weekly Collection | \$3,614.25 |
| Online Giving | \$2,649.00 |
| Children | \$ 0.00 |
| Youth | \$ 0.00 |
| Christian Service..... | \$2,050.00 |



Christmas in July – Cap the Container

Remember to drop off your donated items in front of the Rectory garage on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 9:00 a.m. and noon. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange other drop-off times; we can also pick up items. Last day for donations is July 16. Monetary donations are also still being accepted; please make checks payable to *St. Mark the Evangelist* with "Senegal mission" in the memo line. See www.stmarkgoodrich.org for more information.

Friday morning Euchre – June 22

It's time for euchre on Friday, June 22 at 10:00 a.m., followed by a light lunch. Cost is \$5.00. Contact Ruth and Mike Petroski at 810-344-7293 or teacuplady47@hotmail.com by June 20 to sign up, so we can plan accordingly. Bring your friends. 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 go to <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ycvtmsc6/>. Please plan to be a part of the parish directory!

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 81% of our \$29,686 goal. You can still take an active role in the mission of the Church in our Diocese.

God's Post-It Notes

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass – it's about learning to dance in the rain.

FAITH FORMATION

Deacon Ron Kenney, Director of Faith Formation
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Being a father has been one of the greatest joys in my life. There is a great deal of responsibility, work, sacrifice, commitment and, most of all, endless enjoyment and lessons that I have learned. There isn't a temper tantrum or a spill that can outweigh the excitement on your son's face when he gets his first team jersey or the laughter from your daughter as you push her on the swing.

Being a dad is about not worrying about the spilt milk so much – it does clean up. Being a dad is about putting your kids before all else – they are young for only a short time. Being a dad is about loving your kids and showing that love to them. Being a dad is about trying to remember to play catch a little more, wrestle on the floor and color together. Being a dad is about taking the time to do the things your kids like. Being a dad is taking the time to hug your children, kiss your children, and cry with your children. Being a dad is a privilege that God has given, and it is a special privilege, not one to take advantage of.

I love being a dad. Today is a good day to remember why you fathers love being a dad also! Happy Father's Day to all dads, especially my father Dale, I love you very much! May God bless you this day and always!

Walk the talk. Be Peace! – Deacon Ron

St. Mark Youth Group

- **Summer Youth Group – Wednesday, June 20!**
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 – MOVED to Saturday, June 30** 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.
- **North End Soup Kitchen summer visits** – Tuesday, July 3, 8:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.; and Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1:00–6:00 p.m. Sign up at Summer Youth Group meeting.

St. Mark Vacation Bible School 2018

- July 31 through Aug 3, with a family cookout on Aug. 3
- Theme: **Shipwrecked – Rescued by Jesus**, for ages 4 to 11
- Participants and volunteers are invited to sign up in the Parish Office. Contact stmarkdff@hotmail.com for more information.

Adult Faith Formation

- St. Mark Men's Fellowship – first Saturday of every month, 7:00–8:00 a.m. Meet for prayer and fellowship as we try to live as Missionary Disciples as fathers, sons, brothers, co-workers, husbands, friends. Contact stmarkdff@hotmail.com for more information. Next fellowship: Saturday, July 7.