

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

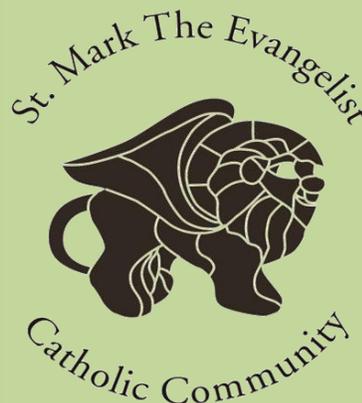
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Mary McFarlane (810) 344-9859

Powers Catholic High School (810) 591-4741

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday and 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.
Friday	8:30 a.m.

First Friday of the month, Mass is followed by Eucharistic adoration 9:00 a.m.–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
(nine 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.

July 22, 2018

Fr. Joe's Journal . . .

Greetings in Christ!

It's been quite the week...I've learned a tremendous amount and am moving right along. I am grateful to be a part of two such loving, welcoming Parish Families.

I wanted to share with you a couple of thoughts for this week.

I've been a priest 20 years now and one of the most important things happened to me about 11 years ago. I was in a spot where I was really struggling with the demands: trying hard to keep up and get everything done that was asked of me and I found that, no matter how hard I pushed, I was perpetually behind.

I went to the Cathedral in Lansing to take some time to pray and saw that there were priests hearing confessions and I went in. Fr. Jeff Njus was there and, as I shared my sins, I also poured out my sorrow to him; my frustrations, my limitations, etc.

He spoke very gently, but very clearly to me and reminded me of a simple truth: as a priest, I have one job that supersedes all others and that job is to be holy. He reminded me of that beautiful, simple truth that Jesus gave us in Matthew: "Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all other things will be added to you".

I've never forgotten that and try very hard to live it with all my sinfulness and struggles: be holy. Grow closer to Jesus every day. Listen to the Lord, follow Him and God will lead me in what I need to do and not do.

The gift that Fr. Njus gave me, I now give to you with a full heart: be holy, and let God take care of the rest.

By holy, I mean to be close to Jesus and the joy that He offers. Pray every chance you get and see every irritation as an invitation to pray.

We've got so many wonderful things to experience together...I just can't wait.

As space allows, I try to remind people of upcoming saints, so I'll do that here.

This week, we celebrate St. Ignatius of Loyola on Tuesday and St. John Vianney on Saturday. These are two extraordinary saints and I recommend you get some info on them. I'll close with one of my favorite St. John Vianney quotes:

"If when I die, I find that God does not exist, I will have been well-fooled. But I would still not regret having spent my life believing in love."

God bless you all; thank you for letting me be your priest.

– fjk



WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, July 23

No activities scheduled

TUESDAY, July 24

2:00–8:30 p.m. – Parish directory photography – Parish Center

6:30 p.m. – People of the Parish / Parish

WEDNESDAY, July 25

9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild – Parish Center

10:00 a.m. – AA – Parish Center – Rooms 1 & 2

2:00–8:30 p.m. – Parish directory photography – Parish Center

5:30 p.m. – Parish gardening

THURSDAY, July 26

2:00–8:30 p.m. – Parish directory photography – Parish Center

FRIDAY, July 27

8:30 a.m. – Mass: Safety of travelers / Parish

2:00–8:30 p.m. – Parish directory photography – Parish Center

SATURDAY, July 28

Youth Mission trip ends

4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church

5:30 p.m. – Mass: +George Yancho / Yancho Family

SUNDAY, July 29

9:30 a.m. – Mass: +John Wisely / Candiloro Family

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, 7/23: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42

Tue, 7/24: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50

Wed, 7/25: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

Thu, 7/26: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17

Fri, 7/27: Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23

Sat, 7/28: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30

Sun, 7/29: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

Parish gardening – July 25

Our beautiful grounds just don't happen by magic – all are invited to help on Wednesday, July 25 at 5:30 p.m. Many hands make light work!

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time REST IN THE LORD

In today's Gospel, the Lord Jesus listens to the reports of those he had sent out "two by two" to minister to the people. After the apostles reported what they had done, Jesus, recognizing their fatigue, says, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile" (Mark 6:31). Perhaps this is what the Lord is telling his disciples in the year 2018 as well. We need to pause on our journey of discipleship and simply rest in the Lord. Sunday Mass provides many opportunities for quiet times, particularly during the periods of silence following the readings. Why not take the time today to allow the saving word of the Lord to penetrate your heart during those silent times? Ask the Lord to renew you in body, mind, and spirit for the arduous work of discipleship. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

July 14 and 15

Weekly Collection.....	\$3,234.00
Online Giving.....	\$2,120.00
Children.....	\$ 0.00

Thank you to those who regularly and generously give of your treasure as well as those who give of your time and talent to support our mission!

DSA follow up

Thank you to all who have made a gift to our Diocesan Services Appeal. We are at 89% of our \$29,686 goal.

St. Mark photo directory

We have added new dates for photography for the directory: Aug. 21, Sept. 11 and 12, and Sept. 24 and 25. Please see the parish website for a link to sign up to have your photo taken or go to <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ycvtrmsc6/>, or sign up after weekend Masses.

Senior Appreciation Mass and luncheon – Sept. 19

The annual Senior Appreciation Mass and luncheon will be at St. John the Evangelist, Davison on Wednesday, Sept. 19. Mass is at 11:00 a.m., followed by a luncheon. Tickets cost \$9; to reserve yours, please call Margaret Story at 810-636-2844 or see her after Mass starting next weekend.

Cap the Container – message from Fr. Jean-Marie Ndour

On behalf of my Missionaries of the Sacred Heart communities that will be receiving all the donated items from you, thank you! We hope that knowing that your "stuff" has found a good home brings you joy as it blesses the people of our communities in Senegal. I am overwhelmed by your generosity. Your concern for sisters and brothers a half a world away is heartwarming. We are grateful to all who donated items, money, time and talent to this project! Please keep us in your prayers, and be assured of ours for you.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter – upcoming dates

Looking for a marriage enrichment that will take your marriage from good to great? Or from great to even better? Look no further! Worldwide Marriage Encounter, the original Catholic marriage enrichment weekend, has been enriching marriages for 50 years. Upcoming weekends: Sept. 28-30 in Troy; Oct. 5-7 in Petoskey; or Nov. 2-4 in Saginaw. Space is limited, so apply today at www.wwme.org or contact Andrew and Alaina Wollner at 734-531-9191 for more information.

FAITH FORMATION

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Usually when we hear the term "justice" we think of our court system or those that protect the rights of all people. In the Bible justice is much more than that. Justice in the Bible is a way of life that reflects the presence of God. Biblical justice is about faith in God that leads us to a way of living our lives. Biblical justice is all about integrity.

The word integrity means to be whole, complete. A person with integrity is a person of sincerity, a person's whose actions are a reflection of who they truly are. A person with integrity has a firm hold on the truth. They do not create truth. They respect truth.

The age of integrity began with Jesus Christ and it must continue with us. That is our challenge. The Prophet Jeremiah tells us, "The Lord is our justice." (Jer 23:6). This way of living, our life of integrity, our respecting the truth, comes from a life of following Jesus. He is our Justice. That is what we must do every day, all the time, follow the Lord who is Justice.

Many people in the world have incredible needs. They need leaders to show them the love and compassion of Jesus. They need us to be those leaders. We can do this. We must do this. When we do this, JUSTICE is truly served.

Walk the talk. Be Peace!

– Deacon Ron



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.

St. Mark Youth Group

- **Summer Youth Group – next session on Wednesday, Aug. 8!** 7:00-10:00 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.
- **North End Soup Kitchen summer visit** – Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1:00–6:00 p.m.; sign up at Summer Youth Group.
- **Crim water station!** St. Mark Youth Group will be working the finish line water station at the Crim Festival of Races on Saturday, Aug. 25, 6:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. All youth and their families are welcome to join us. Sign up at Summer Youth Group, or e-mail stmarkdff@hotmail.com