

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

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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:

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

Weekday Liturgies:

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| 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.

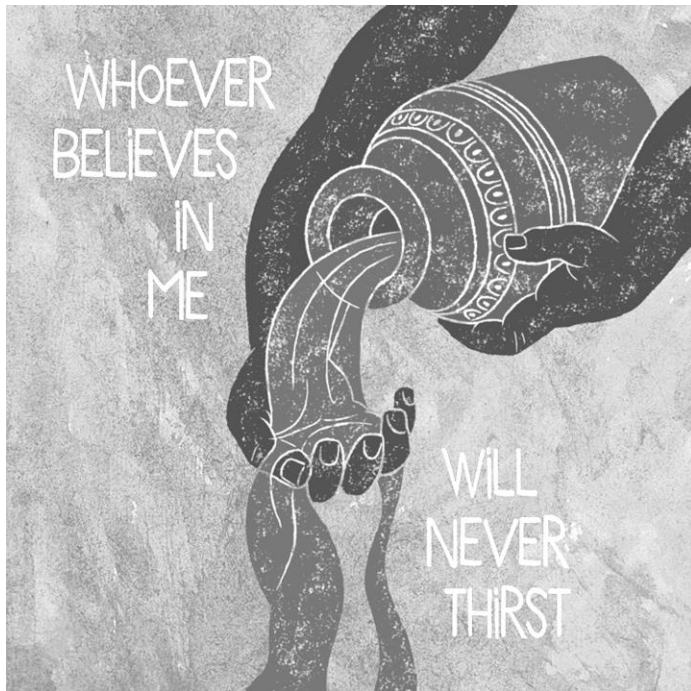
August 5, 2018

Fr. Joe's Journal . . .

Fr. Joe has been on retreat, and his column will be back next week. In the meantime, here is a reflection on this Sunday's Gospel (John 6:24-35) from Fr. Donal Neary, SJ:

"Our Christian faith is centered on a person, not on a book. The gospel is the book of life because it is the book of Jesus. Jesus is our life because he comes from God. So we call this at times the bread of heaven.

"What more ordinary ways can heaven and earth be linked than in the most ordinary of foods. In another country he might have said he is the 'rice' of life. It means that in the ordinary events of our lives, God is very near in Jesus. He makes his home in us as the bread we eat becomes part of us."



No Mass at St. Mark on Aug. 21

We apologize for any inconvenience, but there will be no Mass on Tuesday evening, Aug. 21.

Holy Family Mass and Reconciliation schedule:

Weekday Masses:

Monday-Saturday – 8:00 a.m. / Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday – 4:00 p.m. / Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturday – 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Sunday – 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., or by appointment

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, August 6

No activities scheduled

TUESDAY, August 7

7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. – Local elections – Parish Center
1:00 p.m. – Youth Group @ NESK
6:30 p.m. – Word and Eucharist
7:00 p.m. – Finance Council meeting – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, August 8

8:30 a.m. – Liturgy of the Hours – Church
9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild – Parish Center
10:00 a.m. – AA – Parish Center – Rooms 1 & 2
5:30 p.m. – Parish gardening
7:00-9:00 p.m. – Youth Group – Pavilion

THURSDAY, August 9

12:00-5:45 p.m. – Red Cross blood drive – Goodrich United Methodist Church

FRIDAY, August 10

8:30 a.m. – Mass: Evangelization / Parish

SATURDAY, August 11

11:00 a.m. – Youth Group Mushball
4:30–5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church
5:30 p.m. – Mass: People of the Parish / Parish

SUNDAY, August 12

9:30 a.m. – Mass: +Ray Cummings / The 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, 8/6: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

Tue, 8/7: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29,
22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wed, 8/8: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thu, 8/9: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Fri, 8/10: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Sat, 8/11: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sun, 8/12: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2;
Jn 6:41-51

There's a Catholic app for that

Looking for a way to enhance your prayer life? Check out the Jesuit Media Initiatives' *Pray As You Go* app for Android and iOS. It provides a 10- to 13-minute daily prayer session involving Scripture, music and reflection questions. Visit www.pray-as-you-go.org for more information.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time GOD'S WORK

We are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?

We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being "God's work." But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God's work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is "God's work?" "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (John 6:29). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

July 28 and 29

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| Weekly Collection..... | \$2,995.00 |
| Online Giving..... | \$1,025.00 |
| Children..... | \$ 1.00 |

*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!*

Parish gardening – Aug. 8

We are never closer to God than in a garden – all are invited to participate in the beautification of our parish grounds on Wednesday, Aug. 8 at 5:30 p.m.

DSA follow up

Thank you to all who have made a gift to our Diocesan Services Appeal; thanks to your generosity, St. Mark is at 90% of our \$29,686 goal. If you haven't participated yet, you still have an opportunity to do so.

Liturgy of the Hours on Wednesday mornings

St. Mark is starting a new form of worship on Wednesday mornings from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. – the Liturgy of the Hours. Deacon Ron will lead the daily prayer of the Church, a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ, using Scripture and prayer. All are invited! Our St. Joseph Guild meets afterwards.

St. Mark photo directory

We have added new dates for photography for the directory: Aug. 21, and Sept. 11 and 12. 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/ycvtmsc6/>, 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.

Blood drive – Aug. 9

The next local Red Cross blood drive will be on Thursday, Aug. 9, from 12:00–6:00 p.m. at the Goodrich United Methodist Church on M-15.

FAITH FORMATION

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St. Paul tells us, "be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness (Ephesians 4)." At the root of this message is the question, "What makes someone a success?" And the answer comes from our reflection and understanding about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Do we seek success at all cost, family, friends, the lowly, those in pain and suffering? Will we take advantage of others because OUR success matters more than anything else? St. Paul is challenging us to do what is right, just and to strive for holiness!

If we just came from sitting in the pews, we need to ask ourselves what kind of DISCIPLE we want to be. Do we want to follow him with our whole heart, soul and mind? Or do we just want to do our one hour a week and call it good? St. Paul gives us an opportunity to reflect once again on what all this means in our lives. I guess my only advice is to say that we are better off in the end putting GOD FIRST! And all else will flow from that priority. So, give it your best shot this week and strive to do what is right, just and holy. And then tell me about your week!

Walk the talk. Be Peace!

– Deacon Ron

St. Mark Religious Education Formation (REF) 2018/19

- **Early registration** for 2018-19 REF year taking place now in the Parish Office.
- Look for the new online fee payment option.
- Register for Confirmation (9th graders) and First Reconciliation and Eucharist (2nd graders) in the Parish Office.
- REF sessions begin Sunday, Sept. 23.

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

- Are you interested, or do you know someone who is interested, in completing the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) and in learning more about becoming Catholic? Contact Pam Bachner, Director of RCIA at hpbach@charter.net or Deacon Ron at stmarkdff@hotmail.com. Sessions begin in September.