



#### St. Mark

**Masses:** Saturday Evening: 5:30 PM

**Sunday:** 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM

**Weekdays:** 8:30 AM

**Confessions:** Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 PM

#### St. Margaret Mary

**Masses:** Sunday 11:00 AM

**Weekdays:** Wednesday 9:00 AM

**Administrator:** Rev. Christopher J. Turczany

**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Stephen A. Saffron

**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Ebenezer K Abban

**In Residence:** Rev. Joseph P. Quigley

**Pastor Emeriti:** Rev. Msgr. Gerard J. Arella

Rev. Walter A. Mitchell

## St. Mark R.C. Parish

website: [www.stmarkparish.org](http://www.stmarkparish.org)

#### St. Mark Church

2609 E. 19th Street  
Brooklyn, New York 11235  
718 891-3100

#### St. Margaret Mary Church

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Cluster Parishes: Guardian Angel, Most Precious Blood,  
Our Lady of Grace and Our Lady of Solace

#### Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24, 2012

Vigil of Christmas

4:30PM Children's Christmas Pageant

12:00AM Midnight Mass

December 25, 2012

The Nativity of The Lord

8:00AM, 9:30, 11:00, 12:30 PM

New Year's Eve Schedule

December 31, 2012

Vigil Mass

5:30 PM

January 1, 2012 Holy Day Of Obligation

Solemnity Of Mary, The Holy Mother Of God

8:00AM

9:30AM

11:00 AM

12:30PM

#### Baptisms:

Baptisms take place on the Fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00PM. Baptism classes take place on the Third Sunday of each month at 9:30AM in the Rectory Conference Room. Call the Rectory two (2) months prior to the Baptism during office hours to make an appointment with a priest.



#### Devotions:

Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday after the 8:30AM Mass

Litany of the Sacred Heart

First Friday 8:20AM (Each month *before* Mass).

#### Marriage:

Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory at least 6 months in advance. Please log on to [www.pre-cana.org](http://www.pre-cana.org) for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese, according to Diocesan Regulations. Please make your music selections with our organist Pat Marvella at 917 650-5704

#### Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick takes place every first Saturday of the month at the 8:30 AM Mass.

#### Appointment to see a Priest:

If you desire an appointment to see a Priest of the Parish please call the Rectory 718 891 3100 during office hours: Mon. - Fri.: 9:00 AM — 5:00 PM

#### St. Mark School:

718 332-9304

#### St. Mark Religious Education:

718 769 6311

#### St. Vincent De Paul Pantry

718 891 0443

**“With God all things are possible”**

# Mass Intentions



# for the week

Week Dec 15 to Dec 22

## Saturday, December 15

5:30PM Isede Feola

## Sunday, December 16

8:00AM Julie M Kim & Sam D Kim

9:30AM Gloria T esoriero

11:00AM Thanksgiving for Gretta Bass (Birthday)  
& Santa Barbara Family

12:30 PM People of the Parish

## Monday, December 17

8:30AM Josephine Pulver & Donald Pulver

## Tuesday, November 18

8:30AM Tom & Marie Benichasa

## Wednesday, December 19

8:30AM Ben Martines (Birthday) & Ordenez Family

## Thursday, December 20

8:30AM Ben Martines (5 Anniversary)

## Friday, December 21

8:30AM Frank Gagliardi Sr. (Birthday)

## Saturday, December 22

8:30AM Grace & Victor, Marie Perrota



## St. Margaret Mary Church

### Sunday, December 16

11:00 AM Santa Barbara Family

### Wednesday, December 19

9:00AM Ordenez Family

### Sunday, December 22

11:00AM Girolama & Gaspare Pizzo

- **Miraculous Medal Novena:** Wednesday after the 9AM Mass.
- **Homebound in Manhattan Beach:**  
to have a Eucharistic Minister visit and administer Holy Communion, please call Gilda at 718-769-1312.  
Also, please advise Gilda of any sick parishioner who wishes to be included in the Prayer of the Faithful at Sunday Mass.

### MEMORIALS:

#### *Sacramental Wine*

*In Memory of Ben Martines Req by wife Gloria & Children, Grandchildren*

#### *Altar Bread*

#### *Sacramental Wine*

#### *Flower Memorial*

#### *Candles Memorials*

### **Purgatorial Society**

### **New Members.**

Ivan Sagan, Patricia Lane, Giovanni Cecere  
Sara Porrata, Helen Peterson, Joyce Larcom,  
Carol Ann Malone, Ethel Kwei



## Weekly Offering

### Sunday Collection

December 9, 2012

### St Mark Church

1st Collection: \$4,936.00

2nd Collection: \$8,457.00 Christmas Gift

Avg. Weekly Expenses: \$7,646.00

Immaculate Conception: \$1,292.00

Attendance: 695

Envelopes Returned: 217

Envelopes Mailed Out: 763

### St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$260.00

2nd Collection: \$190.00 Christmas Gift

Immaculate Conception: \$50.00

Attendance: 9

Envelopes Returned: 5

### Please Register at Parish office for Weekly

### Envelopes

Thank you for your generosity and remember to use your envelopes. Your weekly donations to St. Mark Parish will be kept confidential. Weekly envelopes help to keep us current with our Stewardship. If you would like to register in St. Mark Parish and receive envelopes, please stop by the Rectory and see Anselma.

### Saturday Evening Mass Changes to 5:00PM

### Jan. 5th 2013

So many people have commented that an earlier time for the Saturday evening is very desirable. Beginning on Saturday, January 5th the new Mass time will change to 5:00PM. We hope that this new time will be more convenient for our Parishioners.

### **Bishop Caggiano Will Visit to St. Mark Parish**

On Saturday, December 22nd Bishop Caggiano will visit St. Mark Parish and celebrate the 5:30 PM Mass. We extend to him and to Deacon Jorge Gonzalez a warm St. Mark welcome during this Advent Season.

### Lets us pray for the Sick

John P. Shanley

Margaret Hickey



## Letter from our Parish Administrator

Dear Parishioners,

Last weekend we celebrated Lessons and Carols and the Blessing of the Adoration of the Christ Display. The choir sang beautifully and the Lectors read eloquently making the entire celebration very prayerful and holy. We thank our guest organist Mr. Joseph Smith for helping us at the last minute. This year's Adoration display is very beautiful. We thank Carl Oliveri for his creativity and hard work. Carl and Jose worked very carefully to arrange each detail of the display perfectly. We invite you to bring your family and friends to come to our church and see this work of art depicting the Birth of Christ at Bethlehem.

Please mark your calendars so that you remember this year's schedule of Christmas and New Year's Day Masses. On Christmas Eve we will celebrate the Family Mass at 4:30 PM which will include the children's Christmas Pageant. You are also invited to come to the Solemn Mass of Midnight featuring our Parish Choir under the direction of our Music Director Pat Marvello. There will be a Christmas Concert before Midnight Mass begins. All are welcome.

*Father Turczany*

*Administrator*

*St Mark and St Margaret Mary*

### SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

PRAYER



PROGRAM

Hurricane Sandy interrupted my Progress Reports so I will update you with the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> month reports.

*7<sup>th</sup> Month – "I have tiny toes and fingernails now".*

Your baby weighs almost 4 pounds and measures almost 17" from the top of his head to his heels. He can open and close his eyes, his bones are hardening but the skull is still quite pliable. Some hair has grown on his head.

*8<sup>th</sup> Month – "I like to listen to my Mommy's voice"*

Your baby's heart pumps 300 gallons of blood per day and the placenta is beginning to age. The center of the bones continues to harden. She is completely formed, just growing in size and strength. She may weigh anywhere from 4 to 6 pounds and is approximately 18 inches in length. Thank you for all your prayers.

### Lectors and Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

We thank you for your diligent service as a Lector or a Extra-Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion. We realize that sometimes you have unforeseen commitments and it becomes difficult to be at Mass. Try as best as you can to find a substitute Lector or Minister of Holy Communion when there are conflicts in the schedule. Thank you. If you are interested in becoming a Lector please contact **Stephanie Rizzo 718 743 5338** If you are called to serve as an Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion please contact Mr. Ronald Brigando, **Coordinator for Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion** at 718 769-6095

#### **Homebound Ministry:**

Maureen Genoversa 718 332 2663

### Urgent needs of Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)

At the 8:00AM Sunday Mass and the 5:30PM Saturday evening Mass, please contact Tom Scalse at 718 891-6498 or Rectory office 718 891-3100.

# School News

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## School News

On Tuesday, December 11, 2012, our third and fifth graders took a trip to Sts. Joachim and Ann Nursing Home where they entertained the residents with some Christmas Carols. The children were pleased to be able to bring some cheer to the residents who very much appreciated their visit.

Our eighth grade sponsored a Hurricane Sandy Pajama Day on Wednesday. All proceeds collected will be used to purchase Christmas presents for children who were impacted by Sandy. Christmas break will begin on December 21<sup>st</sup> and classes will resume on January 2, 2013

A child chosen for the month of November was recognized as a student who has been generous and giving to those in need:

**Nursery: Justin Lopez; Pre-K: Isabella Banchitta;**

**Kindergarten 1: Jaiden Jobity; Kindergarten 2: Natasha Leyva;**

**First Grade: Alexa Leyva; Second Grade: Madisen Mia;**

**Third Grade: Anastasia Berina; Fourth Grade: Joseph Kane;**

**Fifth Grade: Rafael Khatypov; Sixth Grade: Denis Brektushi;**

**Seventh Grade: Sam Daniele; Eighth Grade: Nickolas Lezoff**



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## Office of Faith Formation

### Office Hours:

Sunday 9AM - 2PM

Monday 1PM - 5PM

Wed. & Thurs. 9AM - 2PM

Phone: 718 769-6311

## !! Giving Tree !!

Advent giving trees are being displayed beginning Saturday, December 1 through Sunday, December 16th.

The giving trees are decorated with tags for you to take and purchase a gift for an infant, child, woman, man or for the homeless.

### Your gift must be returned by the weekend of December 15-16th.

Please wrap your gift and place the tag securely on the outside of your wrapped gift, then place it under the tree. Your gift will be donated to and distributed by the **Sisters of Life, Hour Children and St. Mark's St. Vincent De Paul Society.**



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## Advent

During Advent we should follow the light of the advent wreath, faithfully observing its signs of Christ's coming. We light candles rising from the evergreen of God's constancy, positioned in the pattern of God's cyclical birth among us, and growing in brightness weekly until the true Light of the World is revealed.

## Calling all Angels, Shepherds & Kings!

All children of St. Mark Religious Education & School are invited to participate in the portrayal of the Christmas Living Gospel at the Christmas Eve Family Mass on Monday, December 24 at 4:30pm.

Participation forms will be given out to the Religious Education and School children during the first week of December.

They must be returned by December 17<sup>th</sup>. For further information call Ms. Pino at 718-769-6311

**Flatlands Guidance Center,**

located at 2037 Utica Avenue - second floor, Brooklyn, NY 11234, provides psychotherapeutic and psychopharmacological therapy as well as individual, group, family therapy, crisis intervention, medication management, case management and collateral sessions. Hours are Monday through Friday 9AM - 8PM - telephone 718-377-5755. St. Mark R. C. Church has a case manager stationed at the rectory and provides social services within the community on Wednesdays from 9AM to 5PM.

**December 2012**

Dec	5:30 PM Sat	8:00 AM Sun	9:30 AM Sun	11:00 AM Sun	12:30 PM Sun
1/2	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 1	Group 7
8/9	Group 8	Group 4	Group 5	Group 2	Group 6
15/16	Group 6	Group 7	Group 8	Group 3	Group 4
22/23	Group 1	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7
29/30	Group 2	Group 8	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6

**Christmas Masses**

December 24, 4:30 PM	Group 5
December 25, Mid-Night Mass (12:00 AM)	Groups 3 & 7
December 25, 8:00 AM	Group 2
December 25, 9:30 AM	Group 4
December 25, 11:00 AM	Group 1 & 6
December 25, 12:30 PM	Group 8

Group 1. Patron, St. Aloysius	Katie Cash, Brianna Cash, Syrina Ganpatt, Allison Nicole Louie
Group 2. Patron, Maria Goretti	Janissa Diaz, Jasmine Diaz, Katlyn Guidice
Group 3. Patron, St. John Berchmans	Chris Donlan, Deondre Thomas, Arthur Camacho, John Bao
Group 4. Patron, St. Agnes	Cassidy Andre, Gianela Campos, Chloe Jobity
Group 5. Patron, St. Stanislaus Kostka	Jonathan Louis, Nathanael Louis, Natalia Ozoemena
Group 6. Patron, St. Therese of Lisieux	Jade Quiles, Tiyana Randeniya Nimhan Randeniya
Group 7. Patron, St. Dominic Savio	Jennifer Falco, Allison Ryan Alexis Romain
Group 8. Patron, St. Pius X	John Derosse, Gregory Cleland Leticia Torres

**Society of St. Vincent DePaul Gives Back**

**Your name here** should share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, **running or not.** The Society of St Vincent de Paul will give back to our church **\$50./100 per vehicle.** Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at **(718)491-2525.**

Thank you for your participation.

St. Mark R. C. Church Rectory:

PH: 718 891-3100 FAX: 718 891-9677

website: [www.stmarkparish.org](http://www.stmarkparish.org)

Parish Secretary: Ms. Anselma Lopez



**SIGN-UP FOR JUST ENERGY AND LOWER YOUR WINTER HEATING/GAS BILLS**

JUST ENERGY, the parent company of Hudson Energy, is St. Mark Parish's preferred gas and electric supplier. Here is an easy way to not only save, but generate funds for our church as well. In fact, you will continue to be billed by your utility company. This is our way of helping you lower your gas and electric bills and at the same time make an on-going donation to the church. It is a win-win situation.

Please take a flyer home with you and consider signing up by using the application at the Bottom of the flyer.

**Remember you will continue to receive only one bill from your utility.**

**Cathedral Seminary House of Formation**

On the 4th Friday of the Month(7:30PM-10:30PM) a communal gathering of Youth and Young Adults is held at the Seminary House of Formation located at 7200 Douglaston Pkwy, Douglaston, NY 11362. This is an opportunity for young people to deepen and grow in their relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist and discover God's calling for their life.

2012: Sept. 28, Oct 26, Nov 23, except December  
2013: Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 22, Apr 26, May 24  
Refreshments, volleyball, ping pong and other activities are available.

[www.facebook.com/dbholyyhourandfellowship](http://www.facebook.com/dbholyyhourandfellowship)  
email

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