

St. Mark Church
2609 E 19th St.
Brooklyn, NY 11235

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM
Weekdays: 8:30 AM
Holy Days: 7:30 PM Vigil Mass
8:00, 10:00 AM

Phone: 718-891-3100
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St. Margaret Mary Church
Ocean Ave. & Oriental Blvd.
Manhattan Beach NY

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 11:00 AM
Wednesday: 9:00 AM

Email:
stmarkrccbkllyn@aol.com
Website:
www.stmarkbrooklyn.org

ST. MARK ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

Pastor: *Rev. Robert V. Mucci*

Parochial Vicar: *Rev. Ebenezer K. Abban*

In Residence: *Rev. Joseph P. Quigley*

Parochial Vicar: *Rev. Sergiy Emanuel*

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

Summer Priest: *Rev. Samuel Parkoo*

Devotions:

Miraculous Medal Novena every Wednesday after the 8:30 AM Mass

Litany of the Sacred Heart every First Friday 8:20 AM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday from Noon to 3PM

Baptism:

Fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM.

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

Marriage:

Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory at least 6 months in advance. Please log on to www.pre-cana.org for complete information about marriage preparation in the diocese, according to diocesan regulations.

Anointing of the Sick:

First Saturday of the month at the 8:30 AM Mass.

Confessions: Saturdays, 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

Appointment to see a Priest:

If you desire an appointment to meet with a priest, please call the parish office. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

Parish Office: 718-891-3100

Ms. Angela Scannapieco

Ms. Jacqueline Biagioni

St. Mark School: 718-332-9304

Mrs. Carol Donnelly, Principal

Mrs. Lori Ryan, Secretary

St. Mark Religious Education: 718-769-6311

Ms. Jo Ann Pino

Youth Ministry Coordinator:

Mr. Michael Davis

347-574-1828

St. Mark Choir:

917-650-5704

Mr. Patrick Marvella, Director of Music

St. Vincent De Paul Group:

718-891-0443

Mr. Tom Scalese, President

Ms. Jean Hogan, Vice President

Homebound Ministry:

718-332-2663

Ms. Maureen Genoversa, Coordinator

Ministers of Hospitality:

718-891-3100

Mr. Tom Scalese

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

347-659-4350

Mr. Edgar Perez, Coordinator

Lectors:

718-743-5338

Ms. Stephanie Rizzo, Coordinator

Rosary Society:

Ms. Kathy Fackovec, President

718-934-7964

Mrs. Maria Mansuroglu, Vice President

718-332-3843

Golden Age Society:

Mrs. Joan Belt, President

718-646-2176

Ms. Josephine Bonnano, Vice President

718-934-2650

"With God all things are possible"

Mass Intentions  **for the week**
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St. Mark Church



Saturday, July 25

5:00 PM In Thanksgiving for Favors Received

Sunday, July 26

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

9:30 AM Patricia Velotta

11:00 AM Mark Bolus (birthday)

12:30 PM Purgatorial Society

Monday, July 27

8:30 AM Donna Diegel

Tuesday, July 28

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving for Life

Wednesday, July 29 St. Martha

8:30 AM Ernie Devivo

Thursday, July 30 St. Peter Chrysologus

8:30 AM Jose Tayo

Friday, July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola

8:30 AM Eleanor Stanish

Saturday, Aug 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori

8:30 AM James Calimano

5:00 PM Grace DeMarco (ann.)

St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, July 26

11:00 AM Nicola Casiello

Wednesday, July 29

9:00 AM Living & Deceased
 Members of the Chille & Cione
 Families

Sunday, Aug 2

11:00 AM Gerard Gagliardi

Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday after the 9:00 AM Mass

Homebound in Manhattan Beach:

If you or someone you know would like 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.



JULY 26, 2015
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
"OUT OF THIN AIR"

Jesus could have fed the multitude in any number of ways, including making food appear out of thin air. But instead he worked a miracle with what is already a miracle: God's creation.

Today's Readings:

Kings 4:42-44

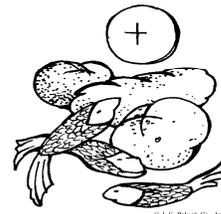
Psalms 145:16

Ephesians 4:1-6

John 6:1-15

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY
Benny DiMeglio

Please pray for the sick:
Stephanie Rizzo, James Belt, Joseph Spinella,
Sal Comodo, Joseph John Buccheri,
Sally Frances Buccheri,
Eugene Charzanowski,
& Diane Camacho
who is in need of a kidney donor.
 718-284-0704





Week of July 26 to August 2:
 The bread & wine were donated
In Honor of
Rose & Eugene Charzanowski
Requested by
Gerry & Anthony Inferrara
 +++
 Gifts to honor a loved one; living or deceased,
 are available (bread & wine, candles or flowers).
Please contact the parish office
for information.

There are open dates for Mass intentions
for both St. Mark & St. Margaret Mary.

Pastor's Column July 25-26, 2015

The Bread of Life Discourse

Beginning this weekend and for the next four Sundays thereafter, the Church sets aside the Gospel of Mark to which we have been listening, in order to present to us the sixth chapter of St. John's Gospel which is known as The Bread of Life Discourse. It is added not just because the brevity of Mark's Gospel requires some additional material to fill the liturgical year (which is true enough); more significantly, this material is among the most important in all of Scripture for us Catholics and forms the basis for our understanding of the Holy Eucharist.

The Bread of Life Discourse begins with St. John's account of the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish which is one of Jesus' miracles recorded by all four Gospel writers. The first part of St. John's Gospel is known as the Book of Signs in which he describes in detail seven great miracles performed by Jesus. Later on in his Gospel St. John mentions that Jesus worked many other miracles as well, but clearly each of the seven is used to highlight a particular facet of the mystery of Christ. So immediately we know that this miracle is directly connected with Jesus' teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum that follows in which Jesus refers to himself as the Bread of Life. The language St. John uses in describing the miracle is so reminiscent of the words used by Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul to describe the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper which tells us that this miracle is a great foreshadowing of the Most Blessed Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. But besides all the magnificent theological symbolism and understanding this account provides, there is a lot of practical advice for us here as well.

First, there is the contrast between Philip and Andrew. When the Lord tests Philip by asking him, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat," Philip despairs, "Two hundred days wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." But Andrew, despite his doubts, brings the boy who has five barley loaves and two fish to Jesus and trusts in him. We too must have the faith not to become dispirited when things get tough and the odds by human standards are against us, but rather to trust always in the Lord.

Second, there is the boy himself. Even though he did not have much to offer, he was willing to give everything he had to Jesus. Without him, there may have been one less miracle, one less great deed in human history. It teaches us that Jesus needs and uses what we bring him. It may not seem like much, but when we lay ourselves on the altar of his service, there is no telling what he can do with us and through us.

Finally, there is Christ's instruction to pick up the leftovers which teaches us that material resources are gifts of God and should never be wasted. One of the major themes in our Holy Father Pope Francis' recent encyclical on the environment *Laudato Si'*⁷ Pope Paul VI also commented on this detail in his Address to the World Food Conference in 1974 when he said, "After liberally feeding the crowd, the Lord told his disciples to gather up what was left over, lest anything should be lost. What an excellent lesson in thrift ... for our age, given as it is to wastefulness! It carries with it the condemnation of a whole concept of society wherein consumption tends to become an end in itself, with contempt for the needy, and to the detriment, ultimately, of those very people who believed themselves to be its beneficiaries, having become incapable of perceiving that man is called to a higher destiny."

Remember, in the hands of Christ, a little can go a very long way.

– Fr. Bob

Sunday Collection: July 12, 2015

St. Mark Church

1st Collection: \$3,352.00
2nd Collection: \$3,423.50
Attendance: 478
Envelopes Returned: 161

St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$255.00
2nd Collection: \$98.00
Attendance: 36
Envelopes Returned: 10



2015 Annual Catholic Appeal

St. Mark

Goal: \$40,125
Amt. Pledged: \$74,711
Amt. Rec'd: \$58,751
of Donors: 269
% Participation: 31.28%

St. Margaret Mary

Goal: \$2,354
Amt. Pledged: \$6,540
Amt. Rec'd: \$6,250
of Donors: 19
% Participation: 20.21%

Who is St. Peter Chrysologus?

Peter was born in Imola, where Cornelius, bishop of Roman Catholic Diocese of Imola, baptized him, educated him, and ordained him a deacon. He was made an archdeacon through the influence of Emperor Valentinian III. Pope Sixtus III appointed Peter as Bishop of Ravenna in 433.



People knew Saint Peter Chrysologus, *the Doctor of Homilies*, for his short but inspired talks; he supposedly feared boring his audience. His piety and zeal won universal admiration. After hearing oratory of his first homily as bishop, Roman Empress Galla Placidia supposedly gave him the surname *Chrysologus*, meaning "golden-worded."

His surviving works attest to the Church's traditional beliefs about Mary's perpetual virginity, the penitential value of Lent, Christ's Eucharistic presence, and the primacy of St. Peter and his successors. He shared the confidence of Saint Pope Leo I the Great (440-461), another doctor of the Church. St Peter died circa the year 450 during a visit to Imola, the town of his birth. His feast day is July 30th



Upcoming Events

The Rosary Society Informal Summer Meeting
August 2 following the 9:30 Mass.
Hope to see you all!
-Kathy, Maria, Ninetta, Johanna & Cathy

 **PLAY BALL!**

The tickets for the Cyclones game have arrived. If you've made a *previous reservation* please come to the rectory to pick up your tickets. The price is \$13.00 each, and can be paid with cash or a check payable to St. Mark Church.

IRISH DINNER CABARET
BUCKLEY'S RESTAURANT
FRIDAY NOV. 13, 2015
"ECHOES OF IRELAND" 

Starring The Paddy Noonan Band with Tommy Mulvihill, Jimmy Walsh & PJ Cardinal
Special Guest: Sheila Noonan
For reservations & information call Regina Dunn 518-624-6699

YOUTH MINISTER WANTED:
Queen of Angela & St. Teresa in Queens are seeking an organized, full-time, energetic, committed Youth Minister who loves working with young people. Excellent leadership qualities, strong communication skills, proficiency in social media & technology, ability to coordinate, train & empower teens & adult volunteers & leadership. Candidate will work with our present Youth Ministers. Interested candidates must have Bachelor's degree in Theology, Religious Ed, Catholic Studies or related field or 3-5 years experience in this field. Must be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church.
Send resume and cover letter to:
IAmTheYouthMinister@gmail.com



Our summer program continues,
As do don't forget;
St. Mark Catholic Academy
opens on Sept. 9th 2015

FREE SAT PREP FOR JUNIORS

Bishop Kearney is proud to be the only Catholic High School in Brooklyn to partner with CollegeSpring to offer free SAT preparation & college mentoring resources for our entire junior class. Students in CollegeSpring's programs expand their college options through significant SAT score increases; they also gain the college knowledge they need to put scores into action and apply to colleges and universities that will be a good fit.

We are excited to offer this resource, valued at \$1,100 per student for no charge to all juniors through the generosity of the Heckscher Foundation for Children. Learn more at www.collegespring.org.

IMPORTANT: SAFE ENVIRONMENT

St. Mark Parish complies with the Safe Environment mandates that are set forth by the Diocese of Brooklyn and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

All teachers, volunteers, coaches, scout leaders, etc., all employees and volunteers who have any contact with children, must attend a VRITUS training workshop; sign a Code of Conduct, and agree to a background check.

The workshops are free. For more information:
www.virtus.org

The Diocese of Brooklyn does everything possible to assure that everyone, particularly children, are safe in all pastoral functions and settings.

Volunteers needed

Catechists/instructors are needed to work with the children a few hours a week on Sundays beginning in September to help them learn about God.

Helpers age 16 and older are always welcome to help in the office on Sundays. Please leave your name and phone number at 718-769-6311.



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St. Mark R.C. Parish

Office of Faith Formation

Office Hours:

Our office will be closed for the summer, but we will be checking messages.
718-769-6311

Our classes will start on ***Sunday, September 20, 2015 at 9:30am*** **New and Re-registration for Faith Formation** **Classes 2015-16**

The Faith Formation Office will be open for in-person registration during the following hours:
SUNDAY: June 28 from 9:30 to 10:45 am
and 12:30 to 1:30 pm

MONDAY: June 29 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm

New registrations will need the original Baptism & Birth Certificates. If transferring from another parish you must bring proof of attendance & dates of any sacraments received.

Re-registration: all students **MUST** be registered each year. Remember to register early. As of August 1st there will be a late fee of \$25 per child.

Fees are 1 child-\$100, 2 children-\$180, 3 children-\$240, 4 or more children-free.

REGISTRATION AFTER JUNE 30 can be done on line at our web site at:

www.stmarkbrooklyn.org or forms can be picked up in the rectory or in the church.

Adult Confirmation: Classes will be held on Thursday evenings starting October 2015 please contact Ms. Pino for more information.

We are taking registration for an evening class for those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the 8th grade. (Must have had 7 years in religion classes prior to 8th grade. This class will be held on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm probably every other week. You are obligated to attend mass every week. If we do not get enough young adults enrolled, we will not be able to hold the evening session. The Sunday weekly Confirmation class is still available if that fits your schedule Please contact the Faith Formation before the end of June or the rectory during the summer to register.

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process which helps a person prepare to become a member of the Roman Catholic church, a process of inquiry, evangelization, prayer and study leading to reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Also, for those who have been baptized but never received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation; classes are held on Sunday afternoons beginning in October 2015.