

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*

In Residence: *Rev. Sergiy Emanuel*

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

**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](http://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:**

Ms. Angela Scannapieco  
Ms. Jacqueline Biagioni

**St. Mark School:**

Mrs. Carol Donnelly, Principal  
Mrs. Lori Ryan, Secretary

**St. Mark Religious Education:**

Ms. Jo Ann Pino

**Youth Ministry Coordinator:**

Mr. Michael Davis

**St. Mark Choir:**

Mr. Patrick Marvella, Director of Music

**St. Vincent De Paul Society:**

Mr. Tom Scalese, President  
Ms. Jean Hogan, Vice President

**Homebound Ministry:**

Ms. Maureen Genoversa, Coordinator

**Ministers of Hospitality:**

Mr. Tom Scalese

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Mr. Edgar Perez, Coordinator

**Lectors:**

Ms. Stephanie Rizzo, Coordinator

**Rosary Society:**

Ms. Kathy Fackovec, President

Mrs. Maria Mansuroglu, Vice President

**Golden Age Society:**

Joan Belt, President

Josephine Bonnano, Vice President

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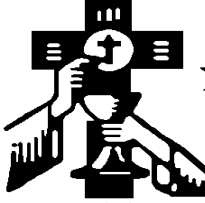
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*"With God all things are possible"*

**Mass Intentions**  **for the week**

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**St. Mark Church**

**Saturday, November 22 St. Cecilia**

8:30 AM Luigi Cioffi  
5:00 PM Francisco & Angela Molero



**Sunday, November 23**

8:00 AM Henry Sullivan  
9:30 AM Carlo & Nicola Donnoli  
11:00 AM Dorothy Maresca  
12:30 PM For the People of the Parish

**Monday, November 24 St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions**

8:30 Lorenzo & Marianna Farina

**Tuesday, November 25**

8:30 Nicholas Panno

**Wednesday, November 26**

8:30 AM Lauriello, Mulbanarty & Heath Families  
7:30 PM Vigil for Thanksgiving  
Loguisto, Raso & Sobanko Families

**Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving Day**

8:30 AM Elvira Sofia

**Friday, November 28**

8:30 AM Adam R. Rosatti (birthday)

**Saturday, November 29**

8:30 AM Carmelo Mule  
5:00 PM Mark Bolus (ann)

**St. Margaret Mary Church**

**Sunday, November 23**

11:00 AM Anna Novella



**Wednesday, November 26**

9:00 AM Emma Alba Gloria

**Sunday, November 30**

11:00 AM Luigi Libretti

**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.

**NOVEMBER 23, 2014**  
**OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST**  
**KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

**"THE SHEPHERD-KING"**

It has been said that Christians have easily made God more like earthly rulers, and haven't been as comfortable demanding that earthly rulers be more God-like in their mercy, justice, and care for the least of the world.

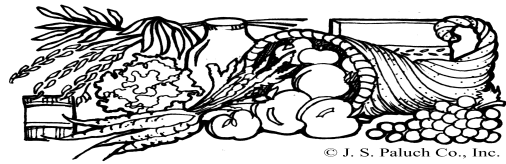
**Today's Readings:**

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Psalms 23:1

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Matthew 25:31-46



The Rectory office will be closed Nov 27 & 28.

**We wish all of our parishioners & their families a blessed Thanksgiving Day!**

*"I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in my every prayer for all of you..."*

-Philippians 1:3-4

**Please pray for the sick:**

*Names will be listed in our bulletin for 2 weeks. If you are aware of a parishioner who needs to be added to, or kept on our prayer list, please contact the parish office.*

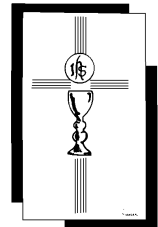
**Flowers & candles at the Blessed Mother altar are donated this week in loving memory of**

**May Madden**  
**by Tom Bowers & Family**

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Gifts to honor a loved one: living or deceased, are available (candles, flowers or bread & wine).

**Weekday Masses are available for the following dates: Dec. 14, 27, 2014 at St. Mark & Dec. 10, 24, & 25, 2014 at St. Margaret Mary.**



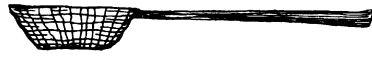
**Pastor's Column November 22-23, 2014**  
**On Being Judged and Being Thankful**

This weekend as our liturgical year draws to a close, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. And our Gospel reading is Jesus' somewhat frightening description of the Last Judgment when he will return at the end of time and separate the good from the bad "as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats." To those who fail to make the grade he will say, "Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. [...] And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life." Scary stuff to be sure. And then next week we celebrate the great civic and religious holiday of Thanksgiving when we see a softer side of our loving and merciful God and take time to thank Him for His abundant blessings. There are some who are quick to condemn who like to emphasize God's justice, while there are others who argue that God's infinite grace and mercy are such that He will exempt us from judgment. But God's mercy and judgment are intertwined and go hand in hand. Both are necessary and together show His great love for us.

Think of the analogy of a parent that exercises judgment towards a child who has disobeyed him or her. If the judgment or discipline is appropriate, we conclude that the parent used his or her judgment in a way that might produce good character in that child and help the child grow and mature. For example, if a child darts out into the street where traffic is heavy and dangerous, a mother or father would show their love in pulling the child away from the situation and teaching the child by punishing him or her with certain restrictions or loss of privileges in order to learn that their actions have consequences. While the child may not appreciate it at that moment, in time they may come to understand and be grateful for what their parent taught them.

God gives us laws and commands, not to enslave us, but to free us to be everything He created us to be. And we are created to be like Him, to love generously and freely by serving one another, especially those most in need. The Last Judgment in Matthew chapter 25 is one of the most vivid parables Jesus ever spoke and its meaning is clear. We will not be judged on the knowledge we have amassed, or the fame we have acquired, or the fortune we have gained, but rather according to our reaction to human need. We will be judged on the degree and quality of our love. And the more we are thankful for God's gifts and put those gifts to work by caring for others, the happier we ourselves will be. I recently saw a quote on Facebook that says it best: It is not happy people who are thankful; it is thankful people who are happy. Happy Thanksgiving, and Long Live Christ Our King!   – Fr. Bob

# Weekly Offering



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## Sunday Collection

### St. Mark

**November 16, 2014**

1st Collection: \$4,981.00

2nd Collection: \$1,445.00

Attendance: 627

Envelopes Returned: 201

Envelopes Mailed Out: 352

### St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$439.00

2nd Collection: \$90.00

Attendance: 41

Envelopes Returned: 12

## 2014 Annual Catholic Appeal

### St. Mark

Goal: \$40,125

Amt. Pledged: \$75,627

Amt. Paid: \$67,186

# of Donors: 280

% Participation: 33.53%

### St. Margaret Mary

Goal: \$2,354

Amt. Pledged: \$7,190

Amt. Paid: \$7,190

# of Donors: 19

% Participation: 20.21%

*Members of the St. Margaret Mary Rosary Society will be selling raffle tickets for their Thanksgiving Baskets at St. Margaret Mary on Nov. 23rd. Tickets are \$2.00, or 3 for \$5.00. The winner will be drawn on Sunday Nov. 23rd at St. Margaret Mary.*



### **Attention St Mark Parishioners!!**

If you have not yet returned your chance book to help support the Christmas display, please do so as soon as possible. Rosarians will be at the doors of the church next weekend selling and collecting! With your support we can continue to have a beautifully decorated church for the Christmas season. Winners will be chosen on December 8th at our Annual Christmas Dinner Dance, all are invited to join us! For information about the dinner, please call Kathy at 718-934-7964.

## **NEXT FAMILY MOVIE**

**Sunday, Dec. 14th**

**2:00 PM**

**\*\*\*NOW SHOWING\*\*\***

**"The Nativity Story"**

**Free Admission!**

Please pick up a ticket after Mass or at the rectory during the week. Pizza & soft drinks will be available for sale at a nominal price.



# Upcoming Events

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Sat. Nov. 29th**

**9 am –3 pm**

## St. Mark Christmas Decorating Party

### Food, Fun, Sing a long!

### *"Light the Bay for Christmas"*

The very first trees to adorn our Church lawns are now sponsored ---some to memorialize a loved one at Christmas, others to express a personal sentiment and/or wishes at Christmas.

Thank you to these very first "pioneers" in this new important project.

The funds of '**LIGHT THE BAY**' will directly help our church meet its full and annual operating costs for our ministries, services, and special programs. Please call the parish office to learn how you, your family, and friends might memorialize or honor a loved one or simply offer your Christmas greetings.

Printed literature is also available at the church entrances.



### *Rosary Society*

*Annual*

*Christmas*

*Dinner -Dance*

*Dec. 8, 2014 7:00 PM*

*Gargiulo's Restaurant*

*\$55.00 per person*

*Make your reservation now.*

*Call Kathy*

*718-934-7964*

The Futures in Education of the Diocese of Brooklyn presents a Christmas Concert featuring Debbie Gibson.

Thursday, December 18th at 8:00 pm.

St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral- 856 Pacific St

Order Now for best preferred seating

\$100. Premium, \$75. Prime, \$50. General

718-965-7308 Ext. 1628

info@futuresineducation.org

**We will be organizing a bus from St. Mark to attend the concert. Call the rectory to reserve your space**

# School News

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Our note to our families this week is one of thanks.

We thank you for all your support and co-operation this first trimester. The students have all adjusted nicely, have fallen into routine, and are showing great signs of learning and growth.

We will be celebrating Thanksgiving by going to Mass on Wednesday, November 26 at 8:30 AM and then returning to school for our Annual School Community Thanksgiving Dinner. This will give the Saint Mark School family an opportunity to sit down together and share a wonderful Thanksgiving meal.



## VENDORS WANTED

**St. Mark School  
Annual Christmas  
Boutique**

**Dec 6-7, 2014**

Rental space starts at \$45.00  
For more information, please contact  
Michael Davis: 347-574-1828

## CALLING ALL ANGELS, SHEPHERDS & KINGS!

All children of St. Mark & St. Margaret Mary are invited to participate in the portrayal of the Living Gospel at the Christmas Eve Family Mass on Wednesday, December 24th at 4:30 pm.

Participation forms will be given out to the Religious Education and School children during the first week of December. Forms will also be available in the church. They must be returned by December 17th in order to arrange for a practice. Contact Ms. Pino at 718-769-6311 for more info.



St. Mark R.C. Parish

## Office of Faith Formation

### Office Hours:

Sunday 9AM - 2PM

Monday 1PM - 5PM

Wed. & Thurs. 9AM-2PM

***Reminder: No religion classes on  
November 30.***

*The Office of Faith Formation wishes everyone a happy & healthy Thanksgiving. Let us be grateful for all we have and give thanks to God.*

### **Advent Giving Tree**

It is the time of year again when we help the less fortunate children and adults during Christmas. The Advent giving trees will be displayed in the church beginning Saturday, November 29 through Sunday, December 14th.

The trees will be decorated with tags, made by our children preparing for Confirmation. Each tag will indicate who you will purchase a gift for. Your support in the past has been wonderful. Let us make this another wonderful Christmas for those in need.

One of our groups asked that the gifts not be wrapped, so **please follow the directions on the tag, which will state DO NOT WRAP**. All other gifts can be wrapped. Please tape the tag **securely** on the outside of your gift and place it under one of the trees. Please return by Sunday, December 14th.

God Bless your giving Heart!

### **When in Church:**

Some of us need to be reminded at times of how blessed we are to have a place as beautiful as ours in which to worship God. When we come to church we are on *holy ground*, in a *consecrated place*, that calls all of us to a spirit of reverence and respect. This is shown by arriving on time for Mass & not leaving before the end of the liturgy. It means no loud talking, no cell phones ringing or being used so that others may pray. What we wear to church also says a lot about how important the Eucharist is to us. All these things can be done by thinking about where we are and respecting those around us. These simple steps will continue to make our church a place of welcome, warmth and friendship for all who come to worship.