

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 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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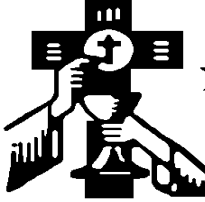
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"With God all things are possible"

Mass Intentions for the week



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St. Mark Church

Saturday, November 1 All Saints'

8:30 AM Joseph V. LaPorte
 10:00 AM Carmine & Mary Tulino & Joseph Bella
 5:00 PM Marie Danner



Sunday, November 2 All Souls'

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish
 9:30 AM Anna, Alfred & Dolores Holbrook
 11:00 AM Gerard Gagliardi
 12:30 PM Deceased Women of LoPapa Sisters

Monday, November 3 St Martin de Porres

8:30 Deceased Members of Rizzo & Farina Families

Tuesday, November 4 St Charles Borromeo

8:30 AM Maria & Salvatore Napoli

Wednesday, November 5

8:30 AM Teresa & George Napoli

Thursday, November 6

8:30 AM Ralph Coscarelli

Friday, November 7

8:30 AM Kerry Cloherty

Saturday, November 8

8:30 AM Esperanza Modesto
 5:00 PM Florence Berlinger

St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, November 2

11:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of Chille & Cione Families



Wednesday, November 5

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Mandracchia Family

Sunday, November 9

11:00 AM Lillian & Mary Clay

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 2, 2014
COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS

"AN UNUSUAL FRIEND"

We believe that God created all things, even though all things must die. Into this pattern we bring our belief in God's triumph over death in the resurrection of Christ. For those who follow Christ; death can become a friend, not a foe.

Today's Readings: *Wisdom 3:1-9*

Psalms: 23:1-3A

Romans 6:3-9

John 6:37-40

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.

COME SPEND TIME WITH JESUS

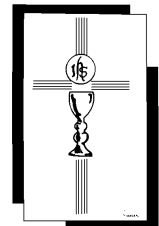
FIRST FRIDAY
 NOV. 7TH

EXPOSITION FROM
 NOON TO 3 PM



THIS IS NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK. PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE DISCERNING A CALL TO PROCLAIM THE HOPE OF THE RESURRECTION AS RELIGIOUS BROTHERS, SISTERS, PRIESTS OR DEACONS. IF YOU FEEL GOD IS OFFERING YOU THE GRACE OF A VOCATION, CONTACT THE VOCATION OFFICE AT 718-827-2454 OR VOCATIONS@DIOBROOK.ORG

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



Weekday Masses are available for the following dates: Nov. 26, & Dec. 3, 8, 14, 16, 17, 22, 27, 30, 31, 2014 at St. Mark & Dec. 10, 24, & 25, 2014 at St. Margaret Mary.

Please contact the parish office for information.

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Pastor's Column November 1-2, 2014

All Saints, All Souls, All of Us!

November is one of my favorite months. Not only does it end with the great family, civic and religious holiday of Thanksgiving, but it begins with two great feasts of our liturgical year which we celebrate this weekend: The Solemnity of All Saints on Saturday, November 1st, and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed which is also known as All Souls' Day on Sunday, November 2nd. And since this Sunday is the first Sunday in November, it also marks the beginning of National Vocation Awareness Week.

Every Sunday when we recite the creed we say we believe in the Communion of Saints. But what is the Communion of Saints and, for that matter, what is a saint? Back when I was a student at St. Athanasius School we were taught that the Communion of Saints consists of those of us alive among the faithful on earth who form the Church Militant, those faithful departed souls undergoing purification in Purgatory in preparation for Heaven who form the Church Suffering or Penitent, and those saints who are already fully united with God in Heaven who are part of the Church Triumphant. We are all part of the same mystical body under Christ our head, but each at a different stage of our journey as we strive for our goal of Heaven.

The English word "saint" comes from the Latin "sanctus" which is a translation of the Greek "hagios" which means to be holy, to be set apart, to be like God. When we think of saints we often think of those idealized images we see in our stained glass windows, statues, or those beautiful medallions that adorn St. Mark Church. But the saints were real men and women who fought and struggled on their path to holiness and sainthood.

When I studied in Rome I got to know Monsignor Robert Sarno, a priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn from my old neighborhood of Bensonhurst who has served on the Congregation for the Causes of Saints for over thirty years. In an interview he gave to a magazine some years ago he said, "The important point is the struggle. Just like life is: It's a struggle to be holy as our heavenly Father is holy. We are not to lose courage but to struggle. We will fail but God provides us with the grace and the strength to get up and go on. The growth in life, and also I think the growth in holiness is always two steps forward and one step back. This can cause us to become disheartened or disenchanted or depressed when we have our doubts, mistakes, or troubles. But we must not lose heart, we must not lose courage!"

We all share a common vocation. We are all called to be holy. We are all called to one day be saints. We are all called through baptism to live a life in Christ filled with Gospel values, but each in our own unique way. We might live this vocation as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrated life. Perhaps we might live it as a mom or a dad, a husband or a wife, or as a single person. The challenge is not to find out whether you have a vocation, but to discern and identify the vocation you unquestionably have, and to struggle to live it as best you can, with the help of God's grace, until we reach our goal of seeing Him face to face in Heaven.

– Fr. Bob

Weekly Offering



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Sunday Collection

St. Mark

October 26, 2014

1st Collection: \$4,392.00

2nd Collection: \$1,416.00

Attendance: 677

Envelopes Returned: 175

Envelopes Mailed Out: 352

St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$297.00

2nd Collection: \$91.00

Attendance: 38

Envelopes Returned: 10

2014 Annual Catholic Appeal

St. Mark

Goal: \$40,125

Amt. Pledged: \$75,217

Amt. Paid: \$64,339

of Donors: 276

% Participation: 33.05%

St. Margaret Mary

Goal: \$2,354

Amt. Pledged: \$7,190

Amt. Paid: \$6,940

of Donors: 19

% Participation: 20.21%

"Parishioner Help Wanted " If you have the time, can use a small hand saw, hammer a nail, and turn a screw, you are needed! There is a short-term, small parish project where such help will be the difference. To learn more, please contact Michael Davis at 347-574-1828 -no heavy lifting involved.

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



Members of the St. Margaret Mary Rosary Society will be selling raffle tickets at St Mark on Sunday, Nov. 16th for their Thanksgiving Baskets. Tickets will also be sold at St. Margaret Mary on Nov. 16th & 23rd. Tickets are \$2.00, or 3 for \$5.00. The winner will be drawn on Sunday Nov. 23rd at St. Margaret Mary.

Save the Date!

Our next meeting is
Friday Nov. 7th.



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Upcoming Events

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



SATURDAY, NOV. 8 AT 6:30 PM

*****NOW SHOWING*****

"It's A Wonderful Life"

Free Admission!

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

"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



**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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Congratulations to the Fourth Grade under the leadership of their teacher Ms. Daly for raising \$102.00 for UNICEF. The students held a bake sale on Monday, October 27th.

A job well done!!!

We enjoyed "PINK" DRESS DOWN DAY last Friday and raised \$332.00 for Breast Cancer Research.

The following students have been recognized by their teachers as Students of the Month for October. These students demonstrate tremendous effort in their academics.

Nursery: Ava Biondolillo

Kindergarten: Samantha Iгла

Grade 1: Nicole Kalac

Grade 2: Maximillion Gray

Grade 3: Sebastian Gonzalez

Grade 4: Angelina Hernandez

Grade 5: Saamia Gondal

Grade 6: Leslie Hakim

Grade 7: Vanessa Sanchez

Grade 8: Joseph Alcena

"Congratulations!!!"



**CALLING ALL VETERANS
SAVE THE DATE...**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH AFTER THE
8:30 MASS IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA...
PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL
TRIBUTE AND SOME GOODIES, TOO!!!**



St. Mark R.C. Parish

**Office of Faith
Formation**

Office Hours:

Sunday 9AM - 2PM

Monday 1PM - 5PM

Wed. & Thurs. 9AM-2PM

**NEW LOCATION OF THE RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION/ FAITH FORMATION OFFICE:**

First Floor of St. Mark School

Phone: 718-769-6311

Religious Education classes begin @ 9:30 am on Sundays. Children should be brought to St. Mark school cafeteria - enter through the schoolyard - Avenue Z & East 18 Street.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

We would like to form a team of parishioners to help guide the newly enrolled adults who will be taking the journey to be fully initiated in the Catholic faith. Please contact Ms. Pino at 718-769-6311, or leave a message at the rectory

Adult Confirmation: Any Catholic who has been baptized and received their Communion and would like to receive Confirmation, please contact Ms. Pino.

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.