

**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**  
**Fax: 718-891-9677**



**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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**718-769-6311**

**347-574-1828**

**917-650-5704**

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**718-891-3100**

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**718-743-5338**

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*"With God all things are possible"*

# Mass Intentions for the week

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## St. Mark Church

### Saturday, October 25

8:30 AM Anna Serrone (ann.)  
5:00 PM Marie Danner

### Sunday, October 26

8:00 AM Grace Fusco  
9:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
11:00 AM Mark Bolus  
12:30 PM Purgatorial Society

### Monday, October 27

8:30 Dorothy M. Moser

### Tuesday, October 28 Sts. Simon & Jude

8:30 AM Maria Ines Pena

### Wednesday, October 29

8:30 AM Helen Del Percio (ann.)

### Thursday, October 30

8:30 AM Jason William Mizell

### Friday, October 31

8:30 AM Michael Pedalino  
7:30 PM Elizabeth Genevese

### Saturday, November 1 All Saints' Day

8:30 AM Joseph V. LaPorte  
10:00 AM Carmine & Mary Tulino, & Joseph Bella  
5:00 PM George Diaczak (ann.)



## St. Margaret Mary Church

### Sunday, October 26

11:00 AM Michael Mulle

### Wednesday, October 29

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

### Sunday, November 2 All Souls' Day

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

### 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.



## OCTOBER 26, 2014 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### "THE COMMAND TO LOVE"

Obeying the Ten Commandments gets a lot of notice in current media; less so, the command to love as God in Christ has loved us. That commandment often leads us to live and work for the lowly and marginalized in our world.

Today's Readings: Exodus 22:20-26

Psalm: 18:2

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Matthew 22:34-40

### *Purgatorial Society*

*Rose Massucci*  
*Patrick Joseph Amato*

### *Spiritual Adoption* *Prayer Program* *7<sup>th</sup> Month Progress Report*



During this month, the proportion of plasma in the blood has increased and mom may need to take iron supplements to avoid serious anemia. Weight gain may be causing backaches, leg cramps, bladder problems, sore feet, headaches and general fatigue. Mom's uterus is the size of a soccer ball. The baby is getting more dexterous and will touch and hold his/her feet. He/she will probably already be displaying left or right handedness. *Thank you so much for praying for God's little ones.*

### All Saints' Day Mass

#### Schedule:

Oct 31: 7:30 pm Vigil Mass

Nov 1: 8:30 am & 10:00 am



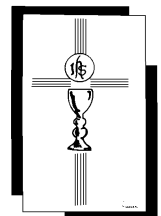
### *Sunday, November 2nd is All Souls' Day*

*The names of the deceased of our parish will be read at the 8:00 Mass.*

If you would like to enroll someone in the All Souls' Novena of Masses beginning that day, please use the envelopes provided.

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, 15, 16, 17, 20, 22 & 27, 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 October 25-26, 2014

### The K.I.S.S. Principle

In my homily last weekend about repaying to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God, I mentioned how Jesus' teaching is so timeless because, rather than laying down specific rules and regulations, he offers general principles to follow instead. That observation is even more clearly demonstrated in this weekend's gospel when one of the Pharisees, a lawyer, tries to test Jesus by asking him the question, "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the law."

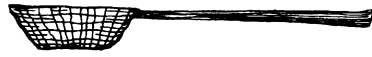
While this question may seem simple and easy enough, we must remember the centrality of the Mosaic Law to Judaism. The Law of Moses is contained in what Jews call the Torah, or what we call the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. This includes the Ten Commandments, moral laws regarding murder, theft, honest and adultery, social laws with respect to property, inheritance, marriage and divorce, dietary laws on clean and unclean food and how to prepare and store it, purity laws concerning things like menstruation and skin diseases, feasts such as the Day of Atonement, Passover, and the Festival of Weeks, sacrifices and offerings including sin offerings, peace offerings, burnt offerings and first fruits, instructions for priests, the tabernacle, and Temple, and so on. The laws were codified in the Talmud into 365 negative commands and 248 positive commands for a total of 613 laws. Various Rabbis provided detailed commentaries debating how these laws were to be interpreted, carried out and satisfied.

But once again Jesus refuses to take the bait and allow himself to be drawn down into a petty disagreement about the details. Instead, he follows a standard that has come to be known in business and politics as the **K.I.S.S. Principle**, which is an acronym for **Keep It Simple, Stupid**. In his reply, Jesus shows us how the entire law can be condensed into two great commandments: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind;" and, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Love of God comes first. To God we must give a total love which directs our thoughts, and a love which is the dynamic of our actions. It is only when we first love God that other people become truly lovable, because all men and woman are made in the image and likeness of God. A person who genuinely loves God also loves his neighbors because he realizes that they are his brothers and sisters, children of the same Father and redeemed by the same blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. And this love is not some vague sentimentality, but that total commitment which, rooted in devotion to God, manifests itself in practical service of others, especially, as our first reading points out, the alien, the widow, the orphan, the poor and oppressed. The K.I.S.S. Principle is perfect for our parish family, as we demonstrate our love of God by our care and concern for one another.

– Fr. Bob

# Weekly Offering



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## Sunday Collection

### St. Mark

**October 19, 2014**

1st Collection: \$4,153.00

2nd Collection: \$1,347.00

Attendance: 652

Envelopes Returned: 184

Envelopes Mailed Out: 352

### St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$332.00

2nd Collection: \$109.00

Attendance: 31

Envelopes Returned: 15

## 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

347-574-1828



# Upcoming Events

## **ENTER THE LION'S DEN:**

*This Sunday, Oct. 26th we will be showcasing the Lion's Den after all the masses.*

*Come join us for a cup of coffee and see our state of the art new multimedia resource center.*

## The Lion's Den



## **"BUSY PERSON'S RETREAT"**

### **ST. BERNARD CHURCH**

**NOV. 10-12, 2014**

### **"Harvesting God's Gifts"**

with

Fr. Jude Siciliano, OP & Sr. Patricia Bruno, OP  
**All are invited to come to any or all of the sessions, and renew, or grow in their relationship with Jesus.**

8:30am Mass & Homily by Retreat Directors

9:45am Light breakfast & Scripture sharing

7:30pm Session of Ritual & Prayer to nurture & heal

For more information contact the rectory at 718-763-5533

## *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*



Members of the Rosary society will be at the church doors this weekend selling raffles and to collect those books already sold. Thank you for your continued support!



[www.facebook.com/stmarkchurchbrooklyn](http://www.facebook.com/stmarkchurchbrooklyn)

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

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# School News

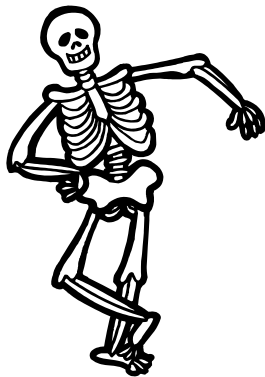
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Please join us at the 10:00 a.m. mass on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> as the Saints Go Marching In. We will celebrate **ALL SAINTS DAY** with the parish community.

Come and listen to what we have learned about the Saints.

## HALLOWEEN PARTY!

All the ghosts and goblins will be out on Friday, Oct 31<sup>st</sup>, as St. Mark School celebrates our annual Halloween Party. It will be a howling good time...lots of food, dancing and good friends. **All are welcome to attend!** Call Michael Davis for details: 347-574-1828



© Youth   
what's new.....

### ALTAR SERVERS:

There will be a meeting for all new and current altar servers and their parents on Thursday October 30th In the faculty lounge, first floor, St. Mark School. *All must attend.*

### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY (USHERS)

Any 7th or 8th grader who is interested in serving as an usher on Sundays please contact Michael Davis:347-574-1828 for more information. This work can be used as service hours toward Confirmation.



St. Mark R.C. Parish

## Office of Faith Formation

### Office Hours:

Sunday 9AM - 2PM

Monday 1PM - 5PM

Wed. & Thurs. 9AM-2PM

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### 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.