

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

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

**Sunday: 8:00, 10:15 AM,
12:30 PM**

Weekdays: 8:30 AM

**Holy Days: 7:30 PM Vigil Mass
8:00, 10:00 AM**

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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:

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Website:

www.stmarkbrooklyn.org

ST. MARK ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

Pastor: *Very Rev. Robert V. Mucci*
Parochial Vicar: *Rev. Michael Panicali*
Deacon: *Rev. Mr. Paul Morin*

Parochial Vicar: *Rev. Sergiy Emanuel*
In Residence: *Rev. Joseph P. Quigley*
In Residence: *Rev. Joseph Zwosta*

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. Jim Trainor, Director of Music

St. Vincent De Paul Group:

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:**

Mrs. Geraldine Kubat, Coordinator

Lectors:

Ms. Stephanie Rizzo, Coordinator

Rosary Society:

Ms. Kathy Fackovec, President

Mrs. Maria Mansuroglu, Vice President

Golden Age Society:

Mrs. Joan Belt, President

Ms. Josephine Bonnano, Vice President

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"With God all things are possible"

Mass Intentions



for the week

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St. Mark Church **Saturday, Nov 11**

5:00 PM Mary Godwin

Sunday, Nov 12

8:00 AM The People of the Parish
10:15 AM Mary & Harry Scholz
12:30 PM Rosa Maria Pou-Perez



Monday, Nov 13 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:30 AM Giuseppe & Anna Gianelli

Tuesday, Nov 14

8:30 AM Marie Lancos

Wednesday, Nov 15 St. Albert the Great

8:30 AM Ronald Greco

Thursday, Nov 16 St. Margaret of Scotland

8:30 AM Lucia Isadore

Friday, Nov 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary

8:30 AM Adam R. Rosatti (ann.)

Saturday, Nov 18 Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul

8:30 AM Andrea Bruzzi (bday) & Family
5:00 PM Marianna & Joseph Kruzykowski



*Please join our Pro-Life Group
as we pray the rosary after daily Mass.*

St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, Nov 12

11:00 AM Peppino Manna

Wednesday, Nov 15

9:00 AM Ilio & Vitelmina Cardinale

Sunday, Nov 19

11:00 AM Violet Santa Barbara



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 12, 2017

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Everyone in today's Gospel reading fell asleep. The difference is that one group, though asleep, was prepared and ready to go when it was time to wake up!

Today's Readings:

Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalm 63:2b

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13



Please pray for the sick:

Al Comodo, Georgette Scalsese, Carmela Sicilia, Steven Lentini, Marie Giannotti, Carissa D'Alba, Kimberly Palmo, Alfred DeMola, Walter Brady, Catherine Staren, Jennifer Costa, Kaitlyn Rose Bernhardt, Romilda Zambelli, John Angelo Buccheri, Raymond Fazio, Mark Aragona, Olivia LaSpina, Saul Godinez, Maria Calise, Rachel Marin, Antonia Galli, Linda DeFrancesco, Joseph John Buccheri, Sally Frances Buccheri, & Diane Camacho who is in need of a kidney donor.
718-284-0704

The 2018 Mass Book will be open on Tuesday, November 14th at 10:00 AM.

Next weekend's second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. This Campaign was founded by the US bishops as their domestic anti poverty program. See the bulletin insert for more information and please be as generous as possible.

St. Mark welcomes our Ukrainian & Russian speaking parishioners:

*Mass in Ukrainian—1st Sunday of the Month
Mass in Russian—3rd Sunday of the Month
7:00 PM*



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

*Please call the rectory office for details.
There are open dates for Mass intentions Dec. 8 & 30 at St. Mark and Dec 8 at St. Margaret Mary*

“Those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him.”

This past Wednesday I attended Maimonides Medical Center's Celebration of Light, an annual event I very much look forward to with eager anticipation. For more than two decades now this Jewish institution has gathered together leaders from more than thirty Christian churches, most of them Catholic parishes like our own, and Fort Hamilton Army Base as well, to kick off the beginning of the holiday season by treating us to a delicious lunch and sending each of us home with a \$1,000 donation to help us light our communities such as we do with our own Light the Bay program each year. And while it is always an enjoyable occasion, it also serves as a wakeup call and reminder of how quickly Advent and Christmas are approaching and the many preparations that need to be made in order to be ready for the coming of our Savior.

Light and readiness are also the themes of our Gospel reading this weekend. Jesus tells his disciples the parable about “the ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.” Five were foolish and brought no oil with them, but five were wise and brought flasks of oil with their lamps. The bridegroom was long delayed in coming. At midnight, they were awakened by the cry, “Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!” The foolish virgins tried to borrow some oil from the wise but were told there would not be enough. While they went off to buy some oil, “the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him.” Then the door was locked, and the foolish virgins when they returned were unable to enter. “Therefore stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

This parable has two important messages for us. First, it warns us that there are certain things which cannot be obtained at the last minute. It is far too late for a student who has done no work the entire year to begin preparing on the day of the final examination. And it is useless to try to acquire a skill such as playing a musical instrument on the day the concert is going to take place. It is human nature to want put things off, but we risk leaving things so late that we can no longer prepare ourselves properly to meet with God.

Second, this parable warns us that there are certain things which cannot be borrowed. The foolish virgins found it impossible to borrow oil when they discovered they needed it. We cannot borrow character; we must be clothed with it. We cannot borrow a relationship with God; we must possess it ourselves. While I know that there are many who may be counting on the faith and good works of their spouse to get them to heaven, we cannot always be living on the spiritual capital which others have amassed. There are certain things we must win or acquire for ourselves, for we cannot borrow them from others. We all need to spend some time with God in prayer each day. We all need to come to Sunday Mass each week to praise and worship God as a community of believers. We all need to confess our sins regularly to be reconciled with God and receive his grace, mercy and love. We all need to be alert and ready to meet God when he calls us home.

In a sermon on this Gospel passage St. Augustine wrote, “Watch with the heart, watch with faith, watch with love, watch with charity, watch with good works [...]; make ready the lamps, make sure they do not go out, renew them with the inner oil of an upright conscience; then shall the Bridegroom enfold you in the embrace of his love and bring you into his banquet room, where your lamp can never be extinguished.” And while we are lighting our individual lamps, don't wait. Please help us once again to Light the Bay for Christmas in order to bring Christ's light into our neighborhood and into our hearts.

– Fr. Bob



Sunday Collection: November 5, 2017

St. Mark Church

1st Collection: \$3,724.00

2nd Collection: \$871.00

Attendance: 604

Envelopes Returned: 152

St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$268.00

2nd Collection: \$66.00

Attendance: 28

Envelopes Returned: 8



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Generations of Faith:

	# Donors	Pledged	Paid
St. Mark	171	\$630,000.	\$289,180.
St. Margaret Mary	17	\$71,300.	\$25,537.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2017:

	St. Mark	St. Margaret Mary
Goal:	\$40,125	\$2,354
Pledged:	\$54,035	\$7,280
Paid:	\$46,908	\$6,185

The Little Bethlehem Community will once again be at St. Mark next weekend selling their wood carvings to support Catholic Families in the Holy Land. Stop by and get some early Christmas shopping done.

St. Vincent De Paul Monthly Food Collection November 18 & 19



We are collecting canned & dry non perishable items (please check expiration dates). Monetary donations are always gratefully accepted. The St Vincent de Paul Group is *unable* to accept clothing donations.

Help Wanted:

Looking for part time help in the rectory office. Must have pleasant phone skills, good understanding of English, light clerical work involved. Hours are 4-7 pm weekdays & 10-3 on Saturdays and will be split between four part time employees. Please call Angela at 718-891-3100 M-F between 10 & 2 PM.

Remember those who have served our country as members of the Armed Forces! This weekend, after our masses, a Golden Age Society member will be collecting items for our veterans, most especially those veterans in the Brooklyn VA Hospital.

St. Margaret Mary Annual Thanksgiving Basket Raffle

Tickets will be on sale after the masses on Nov. 12th at St. Mark and on Nov. 12th & 19th at St. Margaret Mary.

Upcoming Events

It's time to Light the Bay for Christmas!



Letters are going out to those who have previously sponsored a tree. If you have not done so in the past, but would like to participate, please call the rectory. Gift levels are \$2000 (Gold), \$1000 (Silver), \$750 (Red), \$500 (Green) and \$200 (White)

A personal message (5-10 words) will be placed on an individual sign near your tree.

Please Note: There are a limited number of trees available so please make your pledge early.

Rosary Society

Annual Christmas Dinner Dance
December 11th 7:00 PM
Gargiulo's Restaurant
\$55.00 per person
All are welcome to attend!
For Info: Kathy 718-934-7964
Maria: 718-332-3843

Monday, Dec. 18th: Spirit of Christmas Concert at Lincoln Center

Featuring: *Alfio, Charlie Romo, Daniel Rodriguez, Alexa Green, Jesse JP Johnson, Kyle Dean Massey & Shayna Steele*



Tickets: Prime Orchestra \$125, Orchestra \$100, Rear Orchestra \$75, Tier 1 \$75, Tier 2 \$50, Tier 3 \$45. **A group discount is available.**

Please call the rectory office to reserve your space on or before Thursday, November 16th.

Annual March for Life Jan 19, 2018

This year St. Mark & St. Margaret Mary would like to join the thousands of people who gather in Washington DC each year to mark the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. If you are interested please call the rectory so that we can provide bus transportation to & from the event.



We must book the bus early—deadline to reserve a space is Monday Dec. 11th.

School News

Our students have been very busy this month with many acts of service and charity. Our yearly campaign for UNICEF was a huge success! We were able to send a generous donation of \$270.00.

We have collected four bins of personal items for our Veterans and over 15 bins of canned food to be given to our St. Vincent DePaul Pantry to help those in need during the holiday season.

Our fourth graders are participating in "Operation Gratitude" - a program that assists veterans. The fourth graders have each written a letter to a veteran expressing their thanks for their service to our country.

As a school, each grade participated in FEEDING NYC...CARDS 4 KIDS BY KIDS PROGRAM. In its 16th year, Feeding NYC is a volunteer event that delivers a box full of the ingredients needed to cook a traditional Thanksgiving meal to over 4,000 families in need.

This year, Feeding NYC added one more ingredient to each box - a Thanksgiving card handmade by kids in the NYC area. Feeding NYC launched the Cards 4 Kids By Kids program to give an extra smile to the families receiving these Thanksgiving meal boxes and to inspire kids in the classroom as well.

Protecting God's Children - Free course

VIRTUS class being offered at St. Mark on Thursday, November 16 at 7:00pm in the school cafeteria. If you are in a ministry in the parish and you are around children, you **must** register on line at Virtus.org

**NEXT MEETING:
NOVEMBER
17TH**



St. Mark R.C. Parish

Office of Faith Formation

Office Hours:

Monday: 1 PM-5 PM

Wednesday & Thursday:

9 AM-2PM

718-769-6311

religioueducation1@verizon.net

THANK YOU students for the great job you did last weekend presenting facts about the Saints!

SERVICE HOURS FOR CONFIRMATION

Preparing the gift tags for the Giving Tree which is for the needy at Christmas time.

Days and hours of Service:

Monday, October 30 - 3:30pm - 4:45pm

Monday, November 13 - 3:30pm - 4:45pm

Monday, November 20 - 3:30pm - 4:45pm

Friday, November 24 - Help in the church with

Ms. Sobanko beginning 3:30pm. report to Rectorry.

Must sign up with Ms. Pino

REMINDER:

Faith Formation classes are NOT in session on November 12 in honor of Veterans Day.

Help support our Veterans by contributing to the collection the Golden Age Society is making for them.



It is that time of year again! Once again we will be helping less fortunate children & adults during Christmas. The Advent giving trees will be displayed beginning Saturday, Nov. 25 to Sunday, Dec. 17. The trees will be decorated with tags, made by our children preparing for Confirmation. Each tag will indicate who you are to purchase a gift for. Please take a tag and follow instructions. Your gift will be donated to the Sisters of Life, Hour Children, Catholic Charities, a local shelter, & St. Mark's St. Vincent de Paul Society. We are very grateful for all that our parishioners do. Let us make this another joyous Christmas for others in need.

PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE TAG AND TAPE THE TAG SECURELY ON THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR GIFT, THEN PLACE THE GIFT UNDER ONE OF THE GIVING TREES. SOME GROUPS HAVE REQUESTED THAT THE GIFT NOT BE WRAPPED — THE TAG WILL HAVE THAT NOTED.

God Bless your Giving Heart!