



St. Mark

Masses: Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM

Weekdays: 8:30 AM

Confessions: Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 PM

St. Margaret Mary

Masses: Sunday 11:00 AM

Weekdays: Wednesday 9:00 AM

Pastor: Rev. Robert Mucci

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Ebenezer K Abban

In Residence: Rev. Joseph P. Quigley

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Kathy Fackovec President (718) 934 -7964
Joan Belt, Vice President (718) 646 -2176

Devotions:

Miraculous Medal Novena every

Wednesday after the 8:30AM Mass

Litany of the Sacred Heart every

First Friday 8:20AM (Each month *before* Mass).

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. Please make your music selections with our organist Pat Marvella at (917) 650 -5704.

Appointment to see a Priest:

If you desire an appointment to see a Priest of the Parish please call the Rectory (718) 891-3100 during office hours: Mon. - Fri.: 9:00 AM — 5:00 PM.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick takes place every first Saturday of the month at the 8:30 AM Mass.

Confessions: every Saturday 3:30PM to 4:30PM

Baptisms: take place on the Fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00PM. Baptism classes take place on the Third Sunday of each month at 9:30AM in the Rectory Conference Room. Call the Rectory two (2) months prior to the Baptism during office hours to make an appointment with a priest.

“With God all things are possible”

Mass Intentions for the week



Jan 18 – Jan 25

Saturday, January 18

5:00PM Catherine Fusco

Sunday, January 19

8:00AM Joan Tehan Thanks for serving Catholic War Veterans

9:30AM Peter Tesoriero

11:00AM In Thanksgiving

12:30PM Tony Venticinque

Monday, January 20

8:30 AM Elizabeth Catalano

Tuesday, January 21

8:30AM Anna & Alfred Monaco

Wednesday, January 22

8:30AM Vincenzo Linarello

Thursday, January 23

8:30AM Ari Hoogenboom & Edward Rubenchek

Friday, January 24

8:30AM Nicholas Panno

Saturday, January 25

8:30AM Jerry Distasio & Angela Distasio



Weekly Offering

Sunday Collection

St. Mark

January 12, 2013

1st Collection: \$ 4,501

2nd Collection:\$1,398 Diocesan Mission

Avg. Weekly Expenses: \$7,531.00

Attendance: 630

Envelopes Returned: 226

Envelopes Mailed Out: 763

St Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$ 539

2nd Collection:\$168 Diocesan Mission

Attendance: 50

Envelopes Returned: 28

2013 Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you for your generous contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal. St. Mark has now reached and exceeded our goal .

St. Mark Pledges:234

Goal:\$40,125

Amount Pledged:\$52,272

Amount Paid:\$45,149

St. Margaret Mary 91

Goal:\$2,354

Amount Pledged:\$5,210

Amount Paid:\$5,190



St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, January 19

11:00AM Gerard Gagliardi

Wednesday, January 22

9:00AM For the sick of the parish

Sunday, January 26

11:00AM Florence Gagliardi

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesday after the 9AM Mass.

Homebound in Manhattan Beach:

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.

MEMORIALS:

Candles Memorials

Altar Bread

Sacramental Wine

Flower Memorials



Ministers of Hospitality

(Ushers) are needed!

Men and Women for all Masses. Contact Tom Scalese (718) 891-6498 or (718) 891-3100

Thank you



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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, 2014

I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

—Isaiah 46:6b

Monday January 20, 2014

Martin Luther King day the office is closed

Purgatorial Society

Theresa Quaranta



Pastor's Column January 18 – 19, 2014

That We May All Be One – International Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The International Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, which goes from January 18th to January 25th, has been around for more than 100 years. It originated in the nearby town of Graymoor, New York through the efforts of Father Paul Wattson and Sister Lurana White who were the co-founders of the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Atonement. Originally Episcopalians, Father Paul and Sister Lurana became Roman Catholics and started a prayer movement that explicitly prayed for the return of non-Catholic Christians to the Holy See. A conversation with an English clergyman, Rev. Spencer Jones, in 1907 gave rise to the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, and in 1916 Pope Benedict XV extended this observance to the Universal Church.

As Sacred Scripture reveals, praying for Christian unity goes back to Jesus Himself, who at the Last Supper said, “I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me” (John 17:20-21). But from the beginning, Christian unity has been a challenge requiring much prayer, humility and sacrifice. Our second reading this weekend is from Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians. Corinth was one of the largest, wealthiest, and most powerful cities in the Roman Empire. It enjoyed a strategic location astride the narrow isthmus of land that connected the northern two-thirds of Greece with its southern third called the Peloponnesus. Paul founded a Christian community there on his second missionary journey around the year 50. The congregation was blessed with and had to struggle with a diverse membership. There were Jews and Gentiles, Latin-speakers and Greek-speakers, slaves and free men and women, lifelong believers in the God of Israel and newcomers to the faith. After a few years, Paul began to receive reports about disagreements, dissension, and quarreling among the members of the community which he sought to address in this letter written to “you who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy, with all those everywhere who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours” (1 Cor 1:2).

The Trinity, three divine persons in one God, shows us that there can be unity in diversity. Our parish community is another wonderful example of that same thing. Let us thank the Lord for the diversity of our gifts as we pray that we may be one. Fr. Bob

Prayer for Christian Unity

We give you thanks, O God, for you bless the Church with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Help us support one another, to be respectful of our differences and to work for the unity of all those throughout the world who call upon Jesus as Lord. Help us by your grace to continue praying the prayer of your Son that we may be one, that we may draw ever closer together and recognize our unity is that of Yours, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.



Pray for the Sick

Marilynn Heath	Joseph Cumella
Lucy Tagliaferro	Anna Maria Vozzo
Diane Bridgwood	Joseph Rankin
Joan Springhoffs	

Available Mass intentions for the month of February

Weekends: Sunday February 2, 8:am Saturday February 8, 5PM and many weekdays too.

Pilgrimage to Holy Land Only 4 Seats Remaining Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage To the Holy Land



March 25,—April 3, 2014
Msgr. Mc Guirl & Msgr. Harrington,
Fr. Vassalotti, Fr. K Sweeney,
Chaplains

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School News

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School News:

Congratulations to the following Seventh and Eighth Graders who were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society last night. These students were recognized because of they demonstrated the qualities of the Society – character, citizenship, scholarship, service, an excellent academic average, punctuality and good attendance records.

Grade 7: Jolina Langaman, Giselle Machin

Grade 8: Sam Daniele, Jeremy Delisca, Jennifer Falco, Kevin Langaman, and Dave Pierre

Our Eighth Graders are awaiting their Catholic High School acceptance letters. Please keep them in your prayers. As we are approaching the middle of the Second Trimester we are busy planning for Catholic Schools Week. The theme this year is **“Catholic Schools – Communities of Faith Knowledge and Service.**

Have you ever wondered “Why a Catholic School for your child?” In today’s economic climate, parents may wonder why they should send their children to Catholic schools. One compelling reason: to learn how to make the right choices in a world where such choices are counter-cultural.

In a Catholic school we give children the tools they need to analyze the world in which they live through the lens of a morality and spirituality that comes through our Lord Jesus Christ. We teach our children to show their *love in action* by willing the good of the other and acting on it.

With a solid curriculum, dedicated teachers and staff, daily mass, Morning Prayer, community celebration of the sacraments of initiation, a religion curriculum based on diocesan standards, and a desire to help those in need through charity and social justice we do so much more than educate the mind. Come learn about us...

Beginning Tuesday, January 21st – Little M&M’s, a Mommy and Me Program with Ms. Darlene. Please call the school for more information.



St. Mark R.C. Parish

Office of Faith Formation

Office Hours:

Phone: 718 769-6311

Sunday 9AM - 2PM

Monday 1PM - 5PM

Wed. & Thurs. 9AM - 2PM

GOD’S WORD TODAY

The refrain for today’s responsorial psalm is fitting as we begin this stretch of Ordinary Time between the Christmas and Lenten seasons. “Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.” With the excitement of the holidays drifting into our memories, we are once again faced with the call to present ourselves before God and follow the path laid out for us by the Lord Jesus. In today’s Gospel, John the Baptist points to Jesus and says, “Behold, the Lamb of God.” The manifestation of the Lord has been a theme running through the scriptures for the last few weeks. With John’s words, that manifestation continues today. Instead of seeing this Gospel as a historical record of events long past, why not try to imagine what it would look like today? We believe that Christ is present, through the power of the Holy Spirit, within each of us. Do our attitudes and actions at home, school, and the workplace manifest Christ to other people? Are we Christ-like enough that others could point to us and say, “Behold, the Lamb of God”? As Christians, this is what our entire lives are all about— becoming more and more like Christ with the passing of each day. Let us listen to today’s word of God, open to the transforming power of that word.



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Am I called to be a Deacon?

The Diocese of Brooklyn is beginning the admissions process for Diaconate Formation with the hope that a new class will begin in September 2014. The Diaconate Formation Office has scheduled a new set of Inquiry Sessions during January and February for men who are interested in finding out more about the admission process to the Diaconate Formation. Some questions that will be addressed during these presentations include: What is a deacon? How do I become a deacon? How do my wife, family, parish and friends fit in? What does it mean to be “called?” What can I expect once I am ordained?

All inquirers (men applying to enter into diaconate formation) must be between 35 and 60 years old and be fully initiated members of the Latin Catholic Church (i.e., baptized, confirmed and have received Holy Communion). Further, all men who have participated in the RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*) and have received full initiation into the Catholic Church must wait at least five years before applying for the diaconate. All married inquirers should be part of a stable and loving canonically valid Catholic marriage for no less than five years before making their application. All single men who seek entry into diaconal formation must remain celibate throughout their formation process and for the rest of their lives. For further information, please make an appointment to see Father Bob.

Vocation Corner Second Sunday in Ordinary time January 19, 2014



“To you who have been consecrated in Christ Jesus and called to be holy people.” Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to consider priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or Email: vocations@diobrook.org



Society of St. Vincent DePaul Gives Back

St. Mark should share in the profits! For each car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of St Vincent de Paul will give back to our church **\$50/\$100 per vehicle**. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor does have an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to donate. Call the Society of **St. Vincent de Paul at (718) 491-2525**. Thank you for your participation.

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Are you interested in joining one of our ministries?

The Diocese of Brooklyn will be holding a training workshop for those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, and Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality on April 26, 2014 at Bishop Ford High School. The workshop also includes training for High School Students who wish to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. To find out what these ministries entail, please speak to one of our coordinators: Ron Brigando (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion), Stephanie Rizzo (Lectors), or Tom Scalese (Ministers of Hospitality). If interested in attending the workshop, please see Father Bob.

Pilgrimage to Italy

Limited Space Guaranteed only Until January 20th

Join Bishop Sanchez and the Diocese of Bklyn to The Canonization of Blessed John Paul II and John XXIII with Holy Father Pope Francis

Rome, Italy

April 21– April 28, 2014

Call the Catholic Tour (1-877) 627-4268

