

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*

Parochial Vicar: *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:** 718-891-3100

Ms. Angela Scannapieco

Ms. Jacqueline Biagioni

**St. Mark School:** 718-332-9304

Mrs. Carol Donnelly, Principal

Mrs. Lori Ryan, Secretary

**St. Mark Religious Education:** 718-769-6311

Ms. Jo Ann Pino

**Youth Ministry Coordinator:**

Mr. Michael Davis 347-574-1828

**St. Mark Choir:** 917-650-5704

Mr. Patrick Marvella, Director of Music

**St. Vincent De Paul Society:** 718-891-0443

Mr. Tom Scalese, President

Ms. Jean Hogan, Vice President

**Homebound Ministry:** 718-332-2663

Ms. Maureen Genoversa, Coordinator

**Ministers of Hospitality:** 718-891-3100

Mr. Tom Scalese

**Extraordinary Ministers**

**of the Eucharist:** 917-753-1795

Mr. Edgar Perez, Coordinator

**Lectors:** 718-743-5338

Ms. Stephanie Rizzo, Coordinator

**Rosary Society:**

Ms. Kathy Fackovec, President 718-934-7964

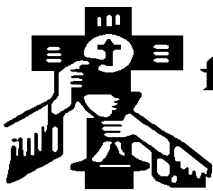
Mrs. Maria Mansuroglu, Vice President 718-332-3843

**Golden Age Society:**

Mrs. Joan Belt, President 718-646-2176

Ms. Josephine Bonnano, Vice President 718-934-2650

*"With God all things are possible"*

**Mass Intentions**  **for the week**  
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**St. Mark Church**

**Saturday, March 28**

8:30 AM Cory Monteith  
 5:00 PM Living & Deceased members of the Godwin Family



**Sunday, March 29 Palm Sunday**

8:00 AM For the Danner, Bruzzi, Chuchia, Oszustowicz, Monaco, Distasio & Laspia Families  
 9:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
 11:00 AM Mark Bolus  
 12:30 PM Members of the Purgatorial Society

**Monday, March 30**

8:30 AM Amelia DiBernardi

**Tuesday, March 31**

8:30 AM Nicholas & Thomas Rizzo & Families

**Wednesday, April 1**

8:30 AM Martin & Signe Egeland

**Holy Thursday, April 2**

7:30 PM Theodore & Grace Mucci

**Good Friday, April 3**

3:00 PM Celebration of the Passion

**Holy Saturday, April 4**

8:00 PM Victor & Mildred Mucci

**St. Margaret Mary Church**

**Sunday, March 29**

11:00 AM Michelle Volpicelli.

**Wednesday, April 1**

9:00 AM Fr. Walter A. Mitchell

**Holy Thursday, April 2**

7:30 PM Fr. Walter Mitchell

**Holy Saturday, April 4**

8:00 PM Irene Egeland

**Easter Sunday April 5**

11:00 AM Filomena Volpicelli

**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.



**MARCH 28-29, 2015**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**“CHOOSE YOUR CROWD”**

We may presume that the people in the crowd welcoming Jesus triumphantly were different than those calling for his death. Perhaps some of them belonged to both.

Do we?

**Today's Readings:**

Mark 11:1-16

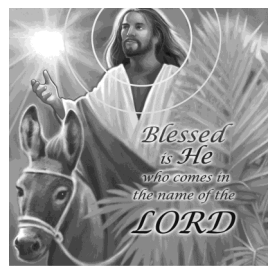
Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalms 22:2a

Philippians 2:6-11

Mark 14:1-15:47

***Purgatorial Society***  
*Thomas O'Neil*



**Week of March 28th to April 4th:**

The sanctuary lamp and candles at St Anthony were donated

***In memory of Amelia DiBernardi requested by her family.***

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Bread and wine were donated

***In memory of Paul Errante requested by the McMahon family***

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

**Please contact the parish office for information.**

**There are open dates for Mass intentions as early as next week for St. Mark & later in the year for St. Margaret Mary.**

*If you would like to make a special donation toward the cost of items for use during the celebration of Easter, please consider the following:*

***Congregation candles for use during the Easter vigil, or holy water bottles for distribution to all our parishioners.***

*Donations to defray the cost of the above items will be listed in our bulletin after Easter.*

## **Pastor's Column March 28-29, 2015**

### **The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark**

It is hard to believe, but here we are, ready to begin our celebration of Holy Week. This weekend's liturgy is formally called Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. We begin by listening to the remarkable account of our Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem while the crowds wave their palm branches and acknowledge Jesus as their Messiah and King shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Later on, we hear many of those same people yelling, "Crucify him!"

Each year our account of the Passion is taken from one of the synoptic gospels in a three year cycle. This year being Year B of that cycle, we hear the Passion according to our own patron, St. Mark. Mark's account of the Passion takes up two full chapters in his gospel. (For those of you who may not make it to Mass every Sunday don't be scared, this is by far the longest gospel reading of the liturgical year.) The oldest and the shortest of the four Gospels, the Gospel of Mark emphasizes Jesus' rejection by humanity while being God's triumphant envoy. Probably written for Gentile converts in Rome after the death of Peter and Paul sometime between A.D. 60 and 70, Mark's Gospel is the gradual manifestation of a "scandal": a crucified Messiah.

Mark's account of Our Lord's Passion describes a "young man wearing nothing but a linen cloth about his body," that ran off naked during the arrest of Christ: "Now a young man followed him wearing nothing but a linen cloth about his body. They seized him, but he left the cloth behind and ran off naked." Most biblical scholars today hold that the young man in question is Mark himself. His Gospel is the only one that includes this particular detail. Some contend that the Last Supper took place in the home of Mark's mother, Mary who is described in the Acts of the Apostles. It is entirely plausible that Judas Iscariot may have returned there first to betray Jesus. We can then understand how Mark, dressed in nothing but a linen garment, was suddenly roused from his slumber and, recognizing the treachery that was unfolding, rushed to warn Jesus. Mark could have also been awakened by the commotion caused by the large crowd seeking Jesus and followed them to the garden of Gethsemane. The insertion of this personal anecdote, which is not closely linked with either the preceding or the subsequent narrative, would be equivalent to the setting of Mark's signature to the Gospel.

We are indeed fortunate to have such a wonderful patron whose feast we will celebrate in grand style this year with our Parish Family Picnic April 25<sup>th</sup> at Nansen Park. Mark was a close friend and associate of both St. Paul, whom he accompanied on Paul's first missionary journey, and St. Peter, for whom Mark was a scribe and translator in Rome. The scene in the garden might not have been Mark's finest moment. Rather than staying close to Jesus, he allows his garment to be torn from his body and runs away naked. However, at the end of Mark's Gospel another young man appears also wearing the white garment, but this time he bears witness to the resurrection of Jesus. This offers us a magnificent insight into the place of giving our all to the Lord in worship, knowing that even if we sometimes run away from Him, in the Lord we are given a second chance to bear witness to Him. So even if you have been away from church for a while, know that you are always welcome here. And why not help us celebrate family and the feast of St. Mark by coming to our picnic too!

*-Fr. Bob*



SCHEDULE FOR  
ST. MARK &  
ST. MARGARET  
MARY

**MARCH 28-29 PALM SUNDAY**

Regular Weekend Schedule

**MARCH 30: RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

3:00 PM to 9:00 PM Confessions (St. Mark)

4:00 PM to 6:00 PM (St. Margaret Mary)

**APRIL 2: HOLY THURSDAY**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (St. Mark)

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

**APRIL 3: GOOD FRIDAY**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (St. Mark)

10:00 AM Walk for Peace

3:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7:30 PM Stations of the Cross (St. Mark)

**APRIL 4: HOLY SATURDAY**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (St. Mark)

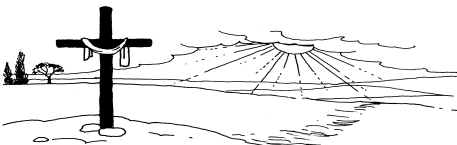
8:00 PM Easter Vigil

**APRIL 5: EASTER SUNDAY**

Regular Sunday schedule.

*The rectory office will be closed  
on Good Friday.*

*Fr. Bob, Fr. Abban, Fr. Sergiy, &  
Fr. Quigley along with the  
parish staff & volunteers wish all  
our parishioners a blessed  
Holy Week and Triduum.*



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**NEXT FAMILY MOVIE**

**Saturday, April 11th**

**6:30 PM**



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

*"The Rookie"*

**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:**

**APRIL 25, 2015**



**ST MARK & ST MARGARET MARY  
FAMILY PICNIC**

Please plan on joining us on the feast of St. Mark for a day to celebrate families, at

**Nansen Park**

**3455 Victory Blvd.**

**Staten Island, NY 10314**

Transportation will be provided to and from the park.

**Cost: \$30 adults, \$15 children—Kids under 6 FREE.**

Continental breakfast, picnic style lunch, soda and water all included. Beer & wine available for purchase.

DJ Music & dancing, plus many sports, & activities.

A great day is planned for all.

**Please call the rectory to make your reservation.**



**Financial Peace University** is a life-changing nine-week program on personal finance. It is designed to empower people to manage their money better, eliminate debt and build wealth. The classes are taught by Dave Ramsey and the Financial Peace University teaching team on video. During the nine-week course the class will meet to watch the video lesson and participate in discussion groups that will change your whole attitude about money. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family tree forever.

Please join us for our **FPU** class, which will be held Tuesday nights from April 14<sup>th</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00-8:30pm in St. Mark School. Registration takes place at: [daveramsey.com/fpu/classfinder](http://daveramsey.com/fpu/classfinder). The cost is \$93, which includes the membership kit (with books, CDs, envelope system, access to resources on **FPU** website) and a lifetime family membership.

**Camp Veritas 2015:** Camp Veritas is a one week play-and-pray camp for teens going in to 7th to 12th grades. It will be held at three locations this summer: July 19-25 at Mt. St. Mary College in Newburgh, NY, July 26-Aug 1 at Summit Lake Camp in Emmitsburg, MD, and Aug 16-22 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. Enrollment is now open, & the price is \$400 per camper. Early bird rates (if paid in full by 4/15/15) are \$370. More details can be found at [www.campveritas.com](http://www.campveritas.com).

# School News

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Saint Mark School is proud to announce that the following students have achieved Honor Roll status for the Second Trimester:

**Principal's List (95% or better average)**

Bejewel Laguerre (gr.3); Zachary Cleland (gr.3); Sebastian Gonzalez (gr.3); Brikena Kukaj (gr. 3); Jennalynn Langaman (gr. 6); Jolina Langaman (gr.8); Giselle Machin (gr.8) & Carlitos Rodriguez (gr.8).

**First Honors (90%-94% average)**

Jasmine Enriquez (gr.4); Marcus Gomez (gr.5); Kaitlyn Lu (gr.5); Gianela Campos (gr.7); Nyeelah Thomas (gr.8); Joseph Alcena (gr.8)

**Second Honors (85% -89% average)**

Nosa Olu-Obazee (gr. 3); Anaya Qayyum (gr. 3); Aranka Biro (gr. 5); Kenneth Prophete (gr.5); Besjana Kukaj (gr. 5); Olivier Jean-Baptiste (gr.6); Allison Ryan (gr. 8); Madelyn Enriques (gr.8)

**Effort**

George vanGoodman (gr. 3); Marc Austin Jr. (gr.3); Nylah Dinkins (gr.3); Carmelle Jean-Louis (gr.3); Isoken Olu-Obazee (gr. 3); Elijah Guillaume (gr.4); Bainah Robert (gr.4); Giancarlo Granja (gr.5); Serena Li (gr.5); Eric Peterson (gr.8); Marcus Fontaine (gr.8); Nimhan Randeniya (gr.8)

**RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

Monday, March 30 is an extraordinary opportunity to let the healing power of Jesus enter our hearts and clear out the cobwebs of denial, persistent bad habits and the haunting memories of sins past. The Sacrament of Penance will be available in just about every church in Brooklyn



Reconciliation

& Queens, the Archdiocese of NY and the Diocese of Rockville Centre for much of the day, especially from 3-9 PM. Our Holy Father Pope Francis faces the challenge of leading a Church full of people living in the state of grace; let's help to ease his burden.

**Confession at St. Mark from 3-9 PM**  
**Confession at St. Margaret Mary from 4-6 PM**



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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**RCIA**

*Please continue to pray for Sabriana Raco, and Sandra Teh as they are approaching their final steps in becoming fully initiated Catholics at the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 4th.*

**IMPORTANT REMINDER**

*Saturday, April 4 @ 2:00pm practice in church for RCIA adults.*



**Holy Week**

**PLEASE NOTE CORRECTION BELOW:**

Our Good Friday walk for peace takes place on April 3 at 10am. We will begin in front of St. Mark Church. The stations of the Cross will be recited between St. Mark and The Baron DeKalb Knights of Columbus at 3000 Emmons Ave. The walk will conclude with a soup and bread lunch provided by the Knights. All parishioners are invited to participate. Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul, Religious Education and St. Mark School.

**THE WALK IS MANDATORY FOR CANDIDATES PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**NEXT MEETING:**  
**APRIL 18TH**



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