

St. Mark Church
2609 East 19th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11235

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
10:15 a.m. Family Mass
12:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.
Holy Days: 7:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Phone: 718-891-3100
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"Two Churches - One Community of Faith"

St. Margaret Mary Church
Ocean Ave. & Oriental Blvd
Manhattan Beach, New York

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.

Email:
stmarkbrooklyn@gmail.com

Website:
www.stmarkbrooklyn.org

THE PARISH OF SAINT MARK– SAINT MARGARET MARY

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*

Devotions:

Miraculous Medal Novena every Wednesday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Litany of the Sacred Heart every First Friday 8:20 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m.
Required Baptism classes take place on the third Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. 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.bqonlineformation.org/precana 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 a.m. Mass.

Confessions: Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Parish Office:

Ms. Jacqueline Biagioni
Ms. Rosemarie Barbuto

St. Mark School:

Mr. Mark Wilson, Principal
Mrs. Lori Ryan, Secretary

St. Mark Religious Education:

Ms. Jo Ann Pino

Youth Ministry Coordinator:

Mr. Michael Davis

Sports Program Director:

Mr. Wayne Walker

St. Mark Choir:

Mr. David Indyk, 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:

Mrs. Geraldine Kubat, Coordinator

Lectors:

Ms. Stephanie Rizzo, Coordinator

Rosary Society:

Ms. Kathy Fackovec, President

Ms. Marie Sommer, Vice President

Friendship Club:

Ms. Anita Troise, President

Mrs. Delia Volpicelli, Vice President

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"With God all things are possible"

Mass Intentions for the week



St. Mark Church

Saturday, January 4
5:00 p.m. Gloria Martinez

Sunday, January 5
8:00 a.m.. Beatrice Robinson
10:15 a.m. Gloria M. Guzman
12:30 p.m. Rev. Cyril Doody

Monday, January 6
8:30 a.m. Mehdi Fakharzadeh

Tuesday, January 7
8:30 a.m. Edward Rizzo

Wednesday, January 8
8:30 Cecil Gomes

Thursday, January 9
8:30 a.m. Christopher Conelly

Friday, January 10
8:30 a.m. Luis and Anna Morales

Saturday, January 11
8:30 a.m. Helen Junta & Cirillo Family
5:00 p.m. Camille Joan Bruno

St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, January 5
11:00 a.m. Filomena Gallo

Wednesday, January 8
9:00 a.m. Living and deceased members of the Chille & Cione Families

Sunday, January 12
11:00 a.m. Frank Chuchla Sr. (Birthday Rem)

Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday after the 9:00 a.m. 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.



January 5, 2020
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

We can lose sight of how unexpected and lowly the circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus were, how much of an underdog he was in the eyes of the world. But God grants underdogs a star in the sky.

Today's Readings:
Isaiah 60: 1-6
Psalm 72:11
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12



Please pray for the sick:
Jack Shanker, Tina Cook, Daniel Paluszek, Jimmy Grillo, Lisa Lovbosco, Laura Durant, Hope Schwartz, Al Comodo, Georgette Scalese, Marie Giannotti, Carissa D'Alba, Kimberly Palmo, Alfred DeMola, Walter Brady, Catherine Staren, Jennifer Costa, Romilda Zambelli, John Angelo Buccheri, Raymond Fazio, Mark Aragona, Olivia LaSpina, Saul Godinez, Maria Calise, Rachel Marin, Joseph John Buccheri, Sally Frances Buccheri, Barbara Harris, Sal Comodo, Steven Lentini, Tony Inferrara, Lisa Montalto, Andrea Montalto, Christopher Walker, Alfred DiGrazia, Joanne Newlin, Jennifer Russo, Ann Mollo, Nina Pionegro, Anna Monaco, Robert Fernandez, Rose Chiusano, Diane Camacho who is in need of a kidney donor 718-284-0704.

The feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things. Epiphany comes from the Greek verb meaning "to reveal." All of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.



Week of January 4 to January 11

*The Bread & Wine are offered
In Loving Memory of the
John & Antoinette Vera
+++++*

Main Altar Candles :
*In Loving Memory
of
Vincent Morelli, Angelina Morelli
and Natalina Di-Nuzzo
Requested by: Francine Morelli*



Clergy Column

January 5, 2020

Epiphany a Rich Feast the World Over

It can be argued that in Italy the feast day of the Epiphany is celebrated with as much piety as the day of Christmas is in the United States. I witnessed this first-hand on a January 2012 trip to Salerno to visit second-cousins, when I was astounded to see on Epiphany morning how packed the church was, and the revelry that ensued throughout the day – particularly for my very young cousins, who received gifts from the friendly Christmas witch.

[Adelaide Mena](#), in a piece first published by Catholic News Service in 2017, sheds light on some of the global traditions associated with today’s feast of the Epiphany, writing that “the celebration of the visitation of the Magi – whom the Bible describes as learned wise men from the East – has developed its own distinct traditions throughout the Roman Church. As part of the liturgy of the Epiphany, it is traditional to proclaim the date of Easter and other moveable feast days to the faithful – formally reminding the Church of the importance of Easter and the resurrection to both the liturgical year and to the faith.

Dr. Matthew Bunson, EWTN Senior Contributor, [expounds on] the ‘rich cultural traditions’ in Spain, France, Ireland and elsewhere that form an integral part of the Christmas season for those cultures. In Italy, La Befana brings sweets and presents to children not on Christmas, but on Epiphany. Children in many parts of Latin America, the Philippines, Portugal, and Spain also receive their presents on ‘Three Kings Day.’

In Ireland, Catholics celebrate ‘Women’s Christmas’ – where women rest from housework and cleaning and celebrate together with a special meal. Epiphany in Poland is marked by taking chalk – along with gold, incense and amber – to be blessed at Mass. Back at home, families will inscribe the first part of the year -- followed by the letters ‘K+M+B+’ -- and then the last numbers of the year on top of every door in the house. The letters, Bunson explains, stand for the names traditionally given to the wise men – Casper, Melchior and Balthazar – as well as for the Latin phrase ‘Christus mansionem benedicat;’ or, ‘Christ, bless this house.’

In nearly every part of the world, Catholics celebrate Epiphany with a Kings Cake: a sweet cake that sometimes contains an object like a figurine or a lone nut. In some locations the recipient of this prize either gets special treatment for the day, or must then hold a party at the close of the traditional Epiphany season on Feb. 2. These celebrations, Bunson shares, point to the family-centered nature of the feast day and of its original celebration with the Holy Family.

The traditions also point to what is known – and what is still mysterious – about the Magi, who were the first Gentiles to encounter Christ. While the Bible remains silent about the wise men’s actual names, as well as how many of them there were, we do know that they were clever, wealthy, and most importantly, brave. ‘They were willing to take the risk in order to go searching for the truth, in what they discerned was a monumental event,’ Bunson contends, adding that the Magi can still be a powerful example.

Bunson explains that the gifts the wise men brought – frankincense, myrrh and gold – [point] not only to Christ’s divinity and His revelation to the Magi as the King of Kings, but also to His crucifixion. In giving herbs traditionally used for burial, these gifts bring a theological ‘shadow, a sense of anticipation of what is to come.’”

For more information on the rich theological tradition within the celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany, please see the full text of this article at <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/want-to-know-the-history-behind-todays-feast-of-the-epiphany-75968> .

Fr. Michael Panicali

Sunday Collection: December 22 2019

St. Mark Church

1st Collection: \$3,951.00

2nd Collection: \$1,089.00

Attendance: 526

Envelopes Returned: 130

St. Margaret Mary Church

1st Collection: \$346.00

2nd Collection: \$130.00

Attendance: 31

Envelopes Returned: 10



Generations of Faith:

	<u># Donors</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Paid</u>
St. Mark	196	\$626,527	\$482,433
St. Margaret Mary	30	\$ 66,780	\$ 50,901

Annual Catholic Appeal 2019: THANK YOU!!

	<u>St. Mark</u>	<u>St. Margaret Mary</u>
Goal:	\$40,125	\$2,354
Pledged:	\$71,705	\$9,235
Received:	\$66,674	\$8,485

Annual Catholic Appeal 2019: SURPASSED OUR GOALS. THANKS! NOW LETS SHOOT FOR MATCHING LAST YEAR'S RESULTS!

	<u>St. Mark</u>	<u>St. Margaret Mary</u>
Goal:	\$38,119	\$2,236
Pledged:	\$71,415	\$9,285
Received:	\$65,331	\$8,485



**Meets Thursday nights 7:00
in the "Upper Room"
St. Mark Catholic Academy**

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



ATTENTION: ALL SINGERS OUT THERE!

**Come join us for Choir Rehearsals
Saturdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Church
New members are always welcome!**



**St. Marks welcomes our Ukrainian & Russian
speaking parishioners at 19:00 (7:00 p.m.)
Mass in Ukrainian - 1st Saturday of the Month
Mass in Russian - 3rd Saturday of the Month
Contact: Fr. Sergiy 718-569-9455**

**BLUE
LIGHTS
FOR
OUR LADY
MEMORIALS**



In Honor of:

- Rita Troise*
- Celia & Daniel Sr. Capriola*
- Josephine & Nick Bove*
- Catherine Guillamon*
- Ruth Cublinsky*
- Timothy Costanza*
- Joseph Scondotto*
- Rosie Romano*
- Donald Deiola*
- Blanca Cardenas*
- Blanca Hervas*
- Gafred Afrikyan*
- Agnes Natoli*
- Dee Barbuto*
- John Martire*
- Angela Scannapieco*
- Peter V. Warren*
- Peter Marcinsky*
- Peter Marcinsky Jr.*
- Caroline Muresco*
- Fred Bancheffeld*
- Sue Parker*
- Gwen Wilson*
- Agnes Soo-Hon*
- Roland Page*
- Gloria Page*
- Phyllis Lentini*
- Joseph Lentini*

School News

*The Faculty & Staff
Of
Saint Mark Catholic Academy
Happy New Year!*

We certainly hope that everyone had a restful and wonderful holiday season.

We are back in school and looking forward to getting back to our routine.

We will soon be busy preparing for the celebration of Catholic Schools Week. Over the next few weeks more information about the many events that the teachers and students have planned will be published in the bulletin.



*Reminder: Catholic Schools Week
begins Sunday, January 26, 2020*



SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday February 8, 2020
**Parish Mardi Gras
celebration**
Details to follow soon.

**St. Mark — St Margaret Mary
Friendship Club**
**For those 55 and older, We meet
every Wednesday
1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.**
Anita Troise (718)648-6488



St. Mark R.C. Parish

Office of Faith Formation
718-769-6311

religiouseducation1@verizon.net

Mon. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wed., Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sun. 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.
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Welcome back! Hope everyone had a joyous and healthy Christmas and New Year. For all those who played a role in the Christmas Pageant, Thank you very much for a job well done!

Parish Service Hours for Confirmation:

Do not wait for the last minute to complete service hours. Contact Ms. Pino or Mr. Davis for more information.



We would like to have more of our Young Adults active in our parish and one way is to become an usher, lector or altar server.

All you need is a willingness to serve your parish and share some of the God-given talents you have.

Please contact Fr. Mike or Ms. Pino and let's get together about any questions you may have or some fears to overcome.

It will be most worthwhile for you and the parish.

