

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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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*
In Residence: *Rev. Joseph P. Quigley*

Devotions:

Holy Hour 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday - Saturday
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 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. Classes for
parents and godparents are required through Baptism
Matters program. Call the rectory to make an
appointment with a priest two 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: (Communal celebrations
suspended, until further notice.)**

First Saturday of the month at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**Confessions : Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. or strongly
suggested by appointment. Call the rectory office.**

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 Catholic Academy

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:

Contact Fr. Michael Panicali

St. Vincent De Paul Group:

Mr. Tom Scalese, President

Ms. Jean Hogan, Vice President

Homebound Ministry:

Ministers of Hospitality:

Mr. Tom Scalese, President

Mr. Bernie Dufort, Vice President

Extraordinary Ministers:

Lectors:

Ms. Ninetta LoPinto, Coordinator

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Ms. Kathy Fackovec, President

Ms. Marie Sommer, Vice President

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Ms. Anita Troise, President

Mrs. Delia Volpicelli, Vice President

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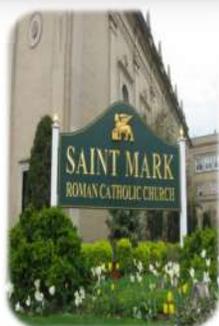
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“With God all things are possible”



St. Mark Church



Saturday, February 19

5:00 p.m. Annie Toussaint

Sunday, February 20

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:15 a.m. Joseph Frank
(Birthday Blessings)

12:30 p.m. Carmine Carrara

Monday, February 21

8:30 a.m. Marie Floretil (Birthday)

Tuesday, February 22

8:30 a.m. Richie Haynes

Wednesday, February 23

8:30 a.m. Lydia Feliciano (Happy Birthday in Heaven)

Thursday, February 24

8:30 a.m. Yvonne Hoffman (Birthday Remembrance)

Friday, February 25

8:30 a.m. Laurice Profeta

Saturday, February 26

8:30 a.m. Colombia Santos

5:00 p.m. Marie Profeta (Birthday Remembrance)

St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, February 20

11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased
members of the
Cione, Chille & McGrisken Families



Wednesday, February 23

9:00 a.m. Lillian D'Souza

Sunday, February 27

11:00 a.m. Very Rev. Robert V. Mucci

February 20, 2022

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

To love our enemies may be the hardest of all teachings of Jesus. Harder still is to look at our enemies and consider them as people, created by and valued by God.

Today's Readings:

1 Samuel 25:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Psalms 103:8a

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38



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Week of February 26th - February 5th

*Bread & Wine offered
in loving memory of
George Atsaves*

Requested by: Family



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ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday, March 2, marks the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be distributed at the Masses on that day as follows:

St. Mark

8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
3:00 p.m. (Liturgy of the Word prayer service)
7:30 p.m.

St. Margaret Mary

9:00 a.m. Mass

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

“Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”

Have you ever noticed how many everyday sayings in our language come from the Bible? Our Gospel reading this weekend, which is a continuation from last week's when we heard the beginning of Our Lord's Sermon on the Plain, St. Luke's version of the more famous Sermon on the Mount in St. Matthew's Gospel, contains what is known as the Golden Rule: “Do to others as you would have them do to you.” Other lines from our Gospel have become phrases that represent what most would consider to be going above and beyond the normal course of action, such as: “To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic,” which in our common everyday language have become, “Turn the other cheek,” and “Give someone the shirt off your back.”

But not all of Jesus' sayings have become part of our usual vocabulary. In fact, the one that is most central to this weekend's Gospel, the one which starts it off and to which Jesus returns at the end, I fear is often dismissed out of hand as being impossible to follow even by many who would consider themselves to be good Catholics. And it is a teaching we need to hear and to think about and to pray about in this politically divided and contentious society in which we live, and where it has become almost impossible to have a civil disagreement or even have a conversation with someone having a different viewpoint than our own. Jesus begins by saying, “Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.” And later he repeats, “Love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”

It is a very high standard, and one that is difficult to follow, because we are called to be like God himself. St. Cyril of Alexandria said that “showing mercy makes us like God and imprints upon our souls the signs of a heavenly nature.” Mercy is something which goes beyond our human concepts of justice and fairness. Mercy is giving someone what they need, not what they deserve. In St. Matthew's version of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus says, “Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” And the perfection that Jesus is talking about is the perfection of love, which is the definition of holiness. Jesus is not talking about romantic love or familial love but rather that love which is an act of the will, to choose to want and to work for the good of the other, for the sake of the other, no strings attached. He says, “If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same.” Instead, we must be like God who “is kind to the unjust and the wicked.”

The beauty of following God's way of loving our enemies, of forgiving them, of doing good to them, is that in the process we are healing and helping ourselves. Jesus says, “Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you... for the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.” The great St. Vincent DePaul observed, “To pardon an injustice received is to heal the wound in your own heart.” We need to be freed from the resentment and the bitterness and the hatred that may otherwise plague us for many years and hold us back from becoming that son or daughter of God that He created us to be.

To love our enemies may sound difficult, but when Jesus gives us a command, he also provides us with the grace we need to fulfill it. In our New Testament reading St. Paul calls Jesus “the last Adam, a life-giving spirit... The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man from heaven... Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.” So, let's try to be merciful, as our heavenly Father is merciful. – Fr. Bob 

Sunday Collection: February 13, 2022

St. Mark Church

Collection: \$3,020
 Attendance: 261
 Envelopes Returned: 75

St. Margaret Mary Church

Collection: \$324
 Attendance: 22
 Envelopes Returned: 5

Give Central

Online giving: \$1,131
 # of gifts: 40

Generations of Faith:

	# Donors	Pledged	Paid
St. Mark	192	\$600,597	\$537,718
St. Margaret Mary	50	\$69,040	\$64,220

Annual Catholic Appeal 2021:

St. Mark - St. Margaret Mary

Goal:	\$38,976
Pledged:	\$82,396
Received:	\$77,423
Number of Donors	166

*Thanks to everyone who contributed to our 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Tina Cook, Daniel Paluszek,
 Lisa Lovbosco,
 Laura Durant, Hope Schwartz,
 Marie Giannotti, Kimberly Palmo,
 Alfred DeMola, Walter Brady,
 Catherine Staren, Jennifer Costa,
 Romilda Zambelli, John Angelo Buccheri,
 Raymond Fazio, Mark Aragona, Maria Calise,
 Rachel Marin, Joseph John Buccheri,
 Sally Frances Buccheri,
 Barbara Harris, Lisa Montalto, Andrea Montalto,
 Joanne Newlin, Robert Fernandez,
 Rose Chiusano, Marcus Gonclaves,
 Lisa Weiner, Anthony Timoney, John Maese,
 Kenneth Smith, Cole Mancini,
 Ron & Danielle McGrisken, Thomas Ciccone,
 John Maffeo, John Tenetye,
 Peter & Cecilia Quinones,
 Carol Webb, Cristina Kurland, Lia Shteyman,
 Liz Ruiz, Harley Ruiz
 Joan Scondotto John W. Crawford*

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

PASCAL CANDLE

Is there a Parishioner who would like to Memorialize the Pascal Candle?



St. Margaret Mary-\$125.00

Please call the Rectory (718) 891-3100

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

We recently ordered two new altar server processional candles that are available as memorials at \$350 each.

If interested, please call the rectory office. (718) 891-3100



VOCATIONS CORNER

"I give you a new commandment says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you." Are you being called to strengthen His body through a vocation to priesthood, diaconate or in the consecrated life?

Contact the Vocation office @ (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org

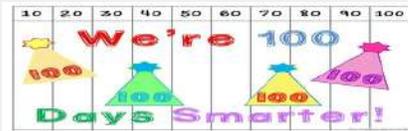


School News



Dear Families:

Thank you to the many members of our school community who participated in our “Why I Love Saint Mark” survey. It was no easy task to select the top 100 responses; all of your replies were heartfelt and sincere. On behalf of the entire school community, we truly appreciate your kind words! You can see all of the answers on the attached flyer.



Along with celebrating Catholic Schools Week and the 100th Day of School, we also celebrate Black History Month during February. Recently, I found this quote from Servant of God, Sister Thea Bowman. The title Servant of God means that Sister Thea is a candidate for sainthood. Sister Thea passed away in 1990, which would make her a modern-day saint and the first Black saint from the United States of America! Sister Thea said:

“I think the difference between me and some people is that I’m content to do my little bit. Sometimes people think they have to do big things in order to make change. But if each one would light a candle we’d have a tremendous light.”

This quote from Sister Thea truly encapsulates all that Saint Mark Catholic Academy is all about! Truly, each of us lights our own candle! Our teachers and staff light their candle through their care and support of our students. Our children light their candle through their daily effort toward academic achievement and personal growth, and our families light their candle when they commit themselves to our mission by entrusting their children to us each day. Thank you!

When each member of our school community “lights their candle,” we truly are a “guiding light in Sheepshead Bay.”

Sincerely,
Mr. Mark Wilson
Principal



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.



Reminder: No religion classes Sunday, February 20th, in observance of Presidents week.

Reminder: Confirmation Candidates

Your sponsor's declaration paper work that was given out at the first gathering, should be submitted to Ms. Pino by the end of February. If papers are not submitted, the Church will choose a sponsor for you.



Child Lures



The Catholic Bishop Conference of the United States has provided us with a program which is called “Child Lures”. It is mandated by our diocesan office that we implement this program in every parish academy and religious education program. This presentation helps the parish of St. Mark-St. Margaret Mary provide a safe and secure environment for all the children in our program. Upcoming presentations have been scheduled for the Religious Education program. A notice will be sent home informing you of these presentations. Please check your child’s folder.

Ms. Pino

40 Days for Life Kick-off Mass

Want to be part of saving lives? Your prayer and presence is needed! We are gearing up for our Spring 40 Days for Life campaign beginning on Ash Wed, March 2nd and ending on Palm Sunday, April 10th! There will be a kick-off Mass on Sunday, February 27th at 7pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church (19 Sidney Place, 11201) where you can learn more, meet others who are involved and sign up with your partner, group, or parish..

For more information, please go to :

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/> or contact Debbie at 40DaysSI@gmail.com. Street parking is limited so please consider public transportation. *Social distancing and masks are required.*



St. Mark~St. Margaret Mary



“ROARING LION”

50/50 RAFFLE

Tickets are \$100-maximum of 300 to be sold
(may be purchased individual or group).



**Winner to receive \$5,000.
and up to as much as \$10,000.**



Please do not hesitate to buy your tickets, especially if you would like to choose your ticket numbers.
Contact the rectory office.(718-891-3100)

Drawing will be held at our
St. Mark-St. Margaret Mary Picnic
Saturday, April 30, 2022
86 Tickets already sold!

Name _____

Tel. _____

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As this is the only way we can contact you



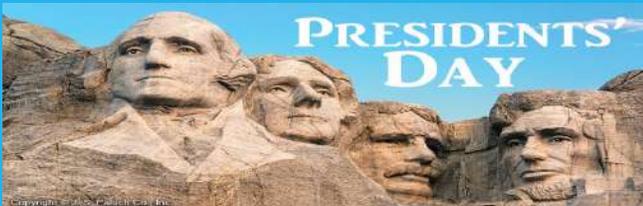
**St. Mark - St. Margaret Mary
ROARING LION RAFFLE
50/50 RAFFLE**

Drawing at the
**SAINT MARK PARISH PICNIC
SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022**

DONATION . . . \$100.00 each Maximum 300 Tickets Sold
Winner to receive \$5,000 and up to as much as \$10,000!

If tickets sales exceed 200, a 2nd Prize of up to \$2,500 offered.
If ticket sales exceed 250, a 3rd Prize of up to \$2,500 offered.
(1st Prize \$5,000 or 50% of gross proceeds of first 200 tickets sold; 2nd Prize 50% of gross proceeds of next 50 tickets sold; 3rd Prize 50% of gross proceeds of remaining tickets sold.)

*The Rectory office
will be closed
Monday, February 21st
in observance of
President's Day*



The Parish of St. Mark- St. Margaret Mary

**Mass & Holy hour is being live-streamed
on our parish website:**

<http://www.stmarkbrooklyn.org>
and on our Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/stmarkchurchbrooklyn>
8:30 a.m. Monday - Saturday, and 10:15 a.m. Sunday.
Holy Hour noon- 1:00 p.m. Monday – Saturday



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4 Reasons to Join

All the good works we do are informed by our four core principles:

Charity – Our Catholic faith teaches us to “Love thy neighbor as thyself.” Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that – together – we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So we stick together...we support one another.

Fraternity – Blessed Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died – often prematurely.

Patriotism – Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it’s in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See.

A practical Catholic accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, is in good standing in the Catholic Church.



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