## PASTORAL BULLETIN FOR THE PARISHES OF SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS & SAINT MARK

WEEKEND OF JUNE 15–16, 2024 ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Submit articles to csanders@stmarkstl.com at least 10 days prior to the desired publication date.



## SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

HOLY MASS Monday—Friday 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, & Noon

Saturday Morning 8:00 AM

All celebrated at St. Mark Church

Saturday Evening Vigils 4:00 PM *at St. Martin Church* & 5:00 PM *at St. Mark Church* 

Sunday Morning 7:00, 9:00 &11:00 AM *at St. Mark Church* & 10:00 AM *at St. Martin Church* 

## CONFESSIONS

One half hour prior to each Vigil or Sunday Mass until the three quarter hour

**BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, & FUNERALS** 

May be scheduled at either Sts. Mark, Martin, Andrew, Bernadette, or Matthias Churches by calling the Pastoral Office.



Masses are celebrated at St. Mark Church unless otherwise noted.

## Monday, June 17

6:30 Sean Selvaggio<sup>+</sup> 8:00 Gladys Klasek<sup>+</sup> Noon Maryann Becvar<sup>+</sup>

## Tuesday, June 18

6:308:00 Raymond BlumenkemperNoon Brettle & Farrell Families

#### Wednesday, June 19

St. Romuald

6:30 Charleston F.D. L.O.D.D.S.
8:00 Kwiatkowski Family
Noon Joseph M. Sanders<sup>+</sup> & Family

## Thursday, June 20

6:30 Lee Linsnen 8:00 Mary Toomey<sup>+</sup> Noon

#### Friday, June 21

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

6:30 Roxanne Astroth<sup>+</sup>

8:00 Wil Kroener<sup>+</sup> Noon John Sanders & Family

## Saturday, June 22

St. John Fisher St. Thomas More

8:00 Amanda Kopff<sup>+</sup>
4:00PM Virgina Matecki<sup>+</sup> @St. Martin Church
5:00PM Lorenzo Gianfrancesco<sup>+</sup>

Sunday, June 23 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 People of the Parish
9:00 Bob Justin<sup>+</sup>
10:00 "Kitty" Bueter<sup>+</sup> @ St. Martin Church
11:00 Philip Mary Donna Fischer

11:00 Philip, Mary, Donna Fischer & Tony Haffercheck



## **TODAY'S READINGS - JUNE 16**

#### Ezekiel 17:22-24

Our Lord GOD said: "I have lifted high the lowly tree."

## 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

"Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord."

#### Mark 4:26-34

"The mustard seed is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants."

## **READINGS FOR JUNE 17 - 23**

Monday:	1 Kings 21:1-16 Matthew 5:38-42
Tuesday:	1 Kings 21:17-29 Matthew 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Kings 2:1, 6-14 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Sirach 48:1-14 Matthew 6:7-15
Friday:	2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 Matthew 6:19-23
Saturday:	2 Chronicles 24:17-25 Matthew 6:24-34
Sunday:	Job 38:1, 8-11 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41



#### FROM THE PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

## Answering Yet Another Timely Question If St. Martin is an independent parish, why does it have no daily Mass on weekdays?

As noted in my initial letter to both parishes upon reception of the Vatican's decision, our parishes now share in common our clergy, pastoral assistants, maintenance personnel, and the benefit of mutual group activities.

A presumed expectation voiced by some that everything at St. Martin must return to the state in which it existed in July 2023 is nowhere indicated by the Dicastery for the Clergy.

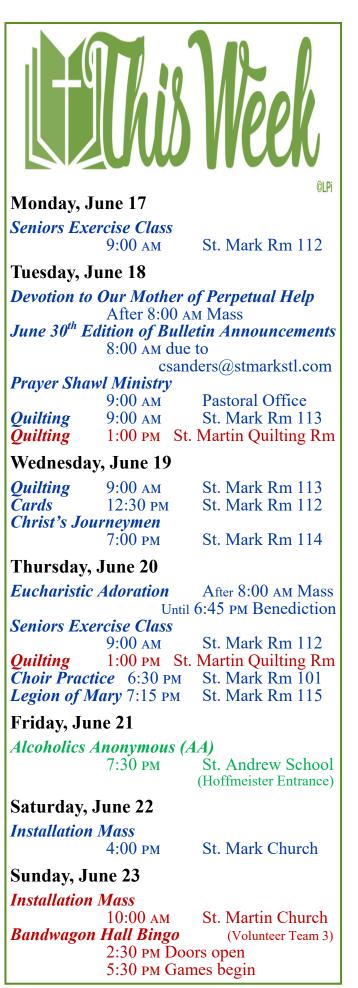
My decision with regard to daily celebrations of Holy Mass is based on several perceptions about how it is possible to fulfill my pastoral mandate.

- There is no juridical requirement that each independent parish have daily Mass, though pastors of other local parishes in this same situation have chosen that path.
- Our shared priestly staff have more required of them in this new reality than most other parishes (*more funerals in 5 churches, and the quintupling of pastoral & administrative demands*).
- For ten months the expanded schedule of weekday Masses at the St. Mark site where the priests live (6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, and Noon) has proven both beneficial & fruitful socializing members of formerly separated communities & providing a more spirited celebration of Holy Mass on weekdays.

If it is Jesus in the Holy Eucharist we seek, then for these reasons I see Him as quite available to all with no change of the current Mass schedule.

Yes, each parish is independent, but my pastoral decisions now must be made in tandem mode.

Father Bob Burkemper







#### **ON FATHER'S DAY**

It would be good for all fathers, whether natural, adoptive, grand or god to recall the most unique father in all of human history.

We don't know much about him really.

He struggled with situations that were unique to his marriage and his homelife like — all fathers.

But he addressed them by attending to counsel from God in making his decisions, even by standing up against the norms of his time which would demand he be heartless.

He faced his problems with honesty and even more to the point with tremendous compassion.

He was forced repeatedly to take risks to respond to God's mission by journeying out of his comfort zone when he may have preferred to have his own way.

He was the man who was present for the birth of his child — whom he named and claimed as his own.

He became a political refugee who had to hide out in a foreign land to fulfill his vocation as father and guardian of his family.

Of course, you know him, Joseph, the husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus the Christ.

On this Father's Day may all fathers reflect upon the lessons he can teach and apply them to their own individual families.

Saint Joseph, pray for all faithful Fathers today!

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

#### For the Recently Departed, especially:

#### Mary Anna Farrell Jim Rooney

May They and All the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace.

#### For all the Sick, especially:

#### Betty Czarnecki Alice Hammerschmidt Dolores Sunkel

May They experience God's healing power, and return to our faith community soon.

#### For all Married Couples, especially:

#### Jim & Kathy Tucker

who celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their Wedding this weekend.

May God's blessings continue to be abundant in their lives.

#### **For Refugees:**

That They find safe and loving communities, and may each of us have the courage to stand and act in defense of human dignity for all. (Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> is "World Refugee Day.")

#### **PRAYER SHAWLS**

Crocheted and knitted shawls are made with the intention of offering prayer and comfort to the recipient.

If you wish to receive a blessed prayer shawl for yourself or another, please call Marion at 314.487.2207.



## ATHLETIC COMMISSION MEETING

The Athletic Commission manages the use of sports fields and gyms across all sites of **St. Mark & St. Martin of Tours Parishes**.

Anyone interested in helping to support local CYC and community youth sports is invited to our next monthly meeting <u>This Tuesday</u>, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the St. Martin Concession Stand. For more information contact Peter Soderquist <u>psoderquist@stmarkstl.com</u>

#### PARISHES' RETREATS AT WHITE HOUSE

You are invited to attend a retreat at the White House which is located on the bluffs of the Mississippi River in Oakville, MO.

There will be three annual three-day retreats:

- Men's retreat beginning 7:00 рм Thursday, August 22 (Contact: Patrick Lampe at 314.638.4452)
- Men's retreat beginning 7:00 рм Thursday, September 5 (Contact: Patrick O'Donnell at 314.544.5998)
- Women's retreat beginning 1:00 PM Monday, November 11 (Contact: Annie Beckerle at 314.502.8148)

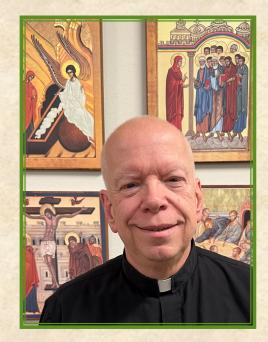
Enjoy the peace, quiet and tranquility of this beautiful Jesuit-directed retreat center to renew your spirit and bring you closer to our Lord God.

To reserve a place, or for more information, call one of the listed contacts today.

**NOTE:** The White House exhibit table <u>will</u> <u>not</u> be in the Cafeteria at St. Mark next weekend because of the Installation Mass. Kindly note the date and time change.

All Parishioners of St. Mark and St. Martin are Invited to Attend

> The Masses of Installation of our Pastor Fr. Robert Burkemper



Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 5:00 PM at St. Mark

With Father Scott Jones, Episcopal Vicar & Sunday, June 23, 2024

## at 10:00 AM at St. Martin

With Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski



## PASSES THROUGH ST. LOUIS FROM JULY 5<sup>TH</sup> - 7<sup>TH</sup>

Join this pilgrimage as it moves through the Archdiocese of Saint Louis.

To find out more about this first undertaking of such a scale — with pilgrims walking the USA coast-to-coast with Our Eucharistic Lord go to <u>www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org</u>.



## SUNDAYS @ BANDWAGON HALL Lemay Ferry @ Reavis Barracks

2:30 рм doors open | 5:30 рм games begin

Volunteers needed, once a month, for various jobs: cashier, pull-tab seller, call back person. The hall is non-smoking, & hours are flexible.

For more information, please call: Ken at 314.409.3114 or Kevin at 314.541.8840.



MID-LIFE (MID-30s TO 50s) SINGLES

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging?

**Register for a life-changing REFLECT Weekend Retreat** at the Pallottine Renewal Center in Florissant on the Weekend of July 19-21.

For details: visit <u>www.ReflectRetreat.com</u>, e-mail: <u>reflect.stlouis@gmail.com</u>, or call 630.222.8303 for details.

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#### **MOST NEEDED ITEMS**

With the closing of St. Andrew and St. Matthias pantries, Affton Christian Food Pantry is now a preferred Food Pantry serving our neighbors-in-need in this area.

The ACFP is in **urgent need** of the following items, please use the two containers located in the Cry Room and Vestibule of St. Mark's Church for your donations.

- □ Canned Meats, Stew, Chili, Pasta, & Soup
- Dry Pasta, Rice, & Mashed Potatoes
- □ Canned Beans & Dry Beans
- □ Canned Vegetables (please NO corn or green beans)
- □ Canned Fruit
- □ Cereal & Oatmeal
- Meal Supplements
   (ex: Hamburger Helper, Knorr sides)



## THANK YOU

For 19 years St. Mark Parish has provided free meals to the homeless of St. Louis at St Peter & Paul Soup Kitchen (Soulard-area).

This year we have 65 parishioners, including 17 from our new Lemay churches, who cook Mostaccioli, bake cakes and serve the meal at the Soup Kitchen.

Thank you so very much for sharing your time and talents for this important ministry for the homeless.



## **BOUQUET OF LIFE**

Fathers, Mothers, other family members, and friends of those expecting a biological or adopted child have an opportunity to add a red rose in the Bouquet of Life vase at St. Mark's Church.

The vase and extra roses are located beneath the icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the choir area.

Each rose has a tag on which the names of the expectant parents and the due date of the unborn child can be written to encourage prayer for their family.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE NEEDS USED GOODS DONATIONS

SVdP Thrift Store (2500 Lemay Ferry Rd.) is in need of <u>used goods</u> that are either given away to people in need or sold at an affordable price.

Pickups are <u>only</u> available for furniture (call 314.881.6006); otherwise, you can drop off donations between 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM Monday through Saturday.

# THANK YOU FOR GIVING TO THEANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Even if you cannot donate this year, please return ACA pledge envelope or pledge card to the Pastoral Office.

If you have any questions, please phone the Pastoral Office at 314.743.8600.