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

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 22 & 23, 2025

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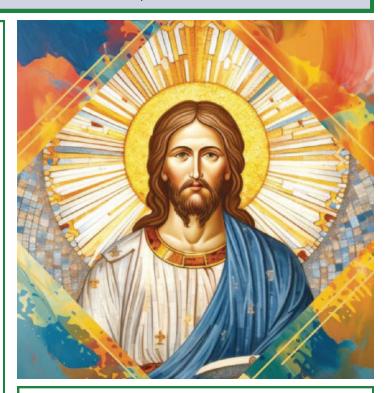
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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit articles to csanders@stmarkstl.com at least 10 days prior to desired publication date. Submission dates are subject to change.



SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

HOLY MASS

Monday-Friday

6:30 AM *at St. Martin* 8:00 AM *at St. Mark* (livestream)

Saturday Morning 8:00 AM at St. Mark (livestream)

Saturday Evening Vigils

4:00 PM at St. Martin 5:00 PM at St. Mark

Sunday Morning

7:00, 9:00 (livestream) & 11:00 AM at St. Mark 10:00 AM at St. Martin

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, & FUNERALS

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

CONFESSIONS

One half hour prior to each Vigil or Sunday Mass beginning at the quarter hour.



Saturday, February 22

Gavin Schindler+ 4:00PM @ St. Martin 5:00PM @ St. Mark Jenny Manaici+

Sunday, February 23 7th Ordinary Sunday

7:00 People of the Parishes @ St. Mark

9:00 Amanda Kopff+ @ St. Mark Bob Dedic+ 10:00 @ St. Martin Loyd Kiefer+ 11:00

@ St. Mark

Monday, February 24

Jim Hieger+ 6:30 @ St. Martin 8:00 Sean Selvaggio+

@ St. Mark Tuesday, February 25

6:30 No Scheduled Intention @ St. Martin 8:00 @ St. Mark Eddie R. Jones, Sr.+

Wednesday, February 26

6:30 No Scheduled Intention @ St. Martin 8:00 Bridget Haaseosu+ @ St. Mark

Thursday, February 27

6:30 @ St. Martin No Scheduled Intention @ St. Mark George & Celeste Ottoline+ 8:00

Friday, February 28

6:30 Schranz Family @ St. Martin

8:00 Special Intention (TDJ) @ St. Mark

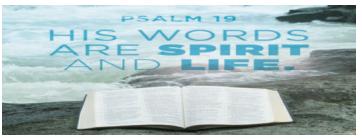
Saturday, March 1

8:00 Jeannine Belossi+ @ St. Mark 4:00PM @ St. Martin Carol Zabrowski+ 5:00PM @ St. Mark Linda Hummert Bess+

8th Ordinary Sunday Sunday, March 2

7:00 People of the Parishes @ St. Mark 9:00 Alice Hammerschmidt+ @ St. Mark

Michael Berry+ 10:00 @ St. Martin Dolores Lampe+ 11:00 @ St. Mark



TODAY'S READINGS 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-23

David said to his adversary Saul, "The Lord delivered you into my power, yet, I would not harm you."

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

"Just as we have borne the image of the earthly Adam, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Adam."

Luke 6:27-38

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24 - MARCH 2

Monday: Sirach 1:1-10

Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sirach 2:1-11

Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sirach 4:11-19

Mark 9:38-40

Thursday: **Sirach 5:1-8**

Mark 9:41-50

Friday: Sirach 6:5-17

Mark 10:1-12

Saturday: Sirach 17:1-15

Mark 10:13-16

Sirach 27:4-7 Sunday:

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Luke 6:39-45

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

As February concludes, our months' long census process is drawing to a close.

To say that this work has been arduous would be an understatement.

But, as of today, February 21, the current census tells us:

- St. Mark Parish has 659 Registered Households.
- St. Martin of Tours Parish has 324 Registered Households.

The members of these 983 Households are those now considered active participants in our two parishes.

The past parish practice of carefully culling the parish rolls varied widely between our parishes.

The numbers of the households lost to various transitions (death or change of residence) prior to the changes resulting from All Things New are hard to assess with much accuracy.

None of four former parishes which now comprise St. Mark had taken a census in well over a decade, but from the data received from the Archdiocese in 2023, 64% of the total of formerly registered households did not respond to our request for their updated census data.

St. Martin had its data updated back in a 2015 census and from the rolls received at that time 42% of those households did not respond to our request for their updated census data.

The members of these unresponsive households are now recorded inactive parishioners who, though welcome to participate at any time in the life of our parishes, will no longer be included in our regular year end "Status Animarum Reports" to the Archdiocese on our parish life.

I am most grateful to everyone who has chosen to continue or to become an active member of our Parishes of St. Martin & St. Mark.

Father Bob Burkemper



Monday, February 24

• Seniors Exercise Class

9:00am 6:30pm St. Mark Rm 112

• *PSR* 6:

St. Mark School

Tuesday, February 25

• Devotion to the Mother of Perpetual Help
After 6:30am & 8:00am Mass

• Prayer Shawl Ministry

9:00_{AM}

9:00_{AM}

Pastoral Office

• *Quilting* 9:00AM

St. Mark Rm 113

• Quilting 10

10:00AM St. Martin Runge Hall

Wednesday, February 26

• *Bible Study* 9:00AM

St. Mark Rm 101

Quilting

St. Mark Rm 113

• *Cards* 12:30pm

St. Mark Rm 114

Thursday, February 27

• Eucharistic Adoration

After 8:00AM Mass until 6:45PM Benediction

• Seniors Exercise Class

9:00am

St. Mark Rm 112

• *Quilting* 10:00AM

St. Martin Runge Hall

• Choir Practice

6:30_{PM}

St. Mark Rm 101

• Legion of Mary 7:15PM St. Mark Rm 115

Friday, February 28

• Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)

7:30_{PM}

St. Andrew School (Hoffmeister Entrance)

Saturday, March 1

Potluck & Game Night

6:00рм

St. Mark Cafeteria

Sunday, March 2

• *Bandwagon Hall Bingo* (Volunteer Team 1) 2:30PM Doors Open, 5:30PM Games Begin

PRACTICAL AIDS FOR OUR LENTEN OBSERVANCE

PUBLIC PRAYER & SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULES

Holy Mass on Weekdays:

- In St. Martin Church at 6:30 AM Monday thru Friday.
- In St. Mark Church at 8:00 AM
 Monday thru Saturday
 Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM.

Holy Mass on Weekends

- Vigil Masses on Saturdays in St. Martin at 4:00 PM & in St. Mark at 5:00 PM.
- Sunday Masses in St. Mark Church at 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM.
 & in St. Martin Church at 10:00 AM.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

- One hour prior to all Vigil & Sunday Masses until the three-quarter hour at both sites.
- Wednesdays following the 6:30 PM Mass in St. Mark Church until all are heard.
- On Tuesday, April 15
 A Lenten Penance Service offered
 in St. Martin Church at 7:00 PM.

Public Devotions

- Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion every Tuesday following both Masses.
- Adoration of Jesus, in the Holy Eucharist every Thursday from 8:30 AM until 7:00 PM with Benediction at 6:45 PM.
- Stations of the Cross every Friday in St. Martin Church at 7:00 PM.
- Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on First Friday following both Masses.

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COMMUNAL ACTS OF PENANCE

- Ash Wednesday, March 5, & Good Friday, April 18th, are Days of Communal Fasting & Abstinence for all healthy Catholics between the ages of 19 & 59.
- Fasting consists in consuming only one full meal and two smaller meals.
- All Catholics from the age of 14 are required to abstain from the consumption of meat on Ash Wednesday and all Lenten Fridays.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHARITY

- What we save by our Fasting & Abstinence may be used to support the Hungry in our area through our local St. Vincent DePaul Societies which support the St. Martin of Tours Food Pantry, & Affton Christian Food Pantry.
- Our two parishes will also engage once more in the Knights of Columbus "40 Cans For Lent" to assist those in need.

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SCHEDULES FOR THE SACRED TRIDUUM

- Holy Thursday's Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on April 17 at both St. Mark & St. Martin Churches at 7:00 PM.
- Good Friday's Liturgy of the Lord's Passion will be celebrated on April 18 at St. Mark at Noon and at St. Martin at 7:00 PM.
 - Good Friday Stations of the Cross will be made at St. Martin at Noon.
- Holy Saturday's Vigil Mass of Easter will be celebrated on April 19 at both St. Martin & St. Mark Churches at 8:00 PM.



PLEASE PRAYER FOR ...

All the Sick, especially:

Gerry Duffin Antonio LaScala & Lucy Roberts

May they experience God's Healing Power, & be returned to the Community of Faith!

Our Muslim Neighbors:

As they celebrate their month of Ramadan (which begins this Saturday, March 1st)

May the month be rich in divine blessings and spiritual advancement for all peoples.



TODAY - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

& Every 4th Sunday of the Month FOLLOWING 10:00 AM MASS IN RUNGE HALL

All are Welcome!

Serving: Coffee, Donuts, Milk & Juice



SCRIPTURE STUDY

A GUIDED STUDY IN THE SUNDAY SCRIPTURES

A weekly one-hour gathering to study the Holy Scriptures to be proclaimed in the Mass of the following Lenten Sunday.

Beginning March 4th, Fr. Bob Burkemper will offer this guided study at 1:00 PM and then again at 7:00 PM in the Pastoral Office Meeting Room (4200 Ripa Avenue).

Fr. Bob hopes that this Scripture study will prove to be an opportunity for prayerful informed instruction, open discussion, and thoughtful application of the Word of God for all who may choose to participate.

PREPARE YOUR HEART Lenten Study











Please join us the first five Sundays of Lent!

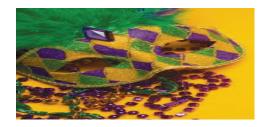
St. Mark Cafeteria @ 6:30-8:30 PM March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and April 6th

Participate in small-group discussion designed around powerful presentations from the Eucharistic Congress.

Registration requested, but not required, Contact Jill 314-302-7740

Light snacks provided; bring your own beverage * Attendance to all 5 sessions is not mandatory

We hope this time will prepare your heart to follow the Holy Spirit in new ways!



POTLUCK & GAME NIGHT NEXT SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST AFTER 5:00 PM MASS ST. MARK'S CAFETERIA

- * All St. Martin & St. Mark families & friends are invited to this Mardi Gras gathering.
- * Bring your favorite food dish (main, side, or dessert) to share.
- * Bring your favorite games to play.
- * This is a family-friendly alcohol-free evening.

For more information, please call Glenn at 314.803.6475.

CORNED BEEF CABBAGE DINNER & RAFFLE



Sunday, March 16th
11AM to 5PM
in St. Martin's Runge Hall

<u>Dinner</u> (All You Can Eat): corned beef (or ham), cabbage, Irish potatoes, & carrots.

Hot dogs, ham sandwiches, & corned beef sandwiches are available.

Desserts are included with a dinner.

Tickets For Sale

Adults: \$16 in advance & \$19 at the door. Children (13 & under): \$9.

- Weekend Masses from now until March 16th at St. Mark & St. Martin churches
- ♣ Friday, March 7th & 14th, 9AM-1PM at Runge Hall
- ♣ Tuesday, March 4th & 11th 6PM-8PM at Dubowl

Volunteer Sign Up After All Weekend Masses!

For more info call: Kevin - 314.541.8840 or Apollo - 314.486.4399.



LET THE SHENANIGANS COMMENCE!!!

Catholic Senior Club Meeting

In Runge Hall Wednesday, March 5th Doors open @ 11AM

Wear your *green* & join in *Irish* songs with St. Louis Hibernian guitarist Pat White.

Bring your lunch, & a few dollars for the Pot of Gold (50/50) & a raffle to benefit our local St. Vincent De Paul councils (prize: St. Mark Fish Fry Dinners—chances \$1 each or 6/\$5).

Drinks (non-alcoholic) provided.

As we are meeting on Ash Wednesday, no desserts or snacks will be served this month.

Questions: call Debbie 314.894.1940 or Toni 314.583.4199.



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March 7, 14, 21 & 28

April 4,11 & 18

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SIDES: slaw, fries, green beans, spaghetti, applesauce, mac & cheese

Extra hushpuppies are available: 3 for 50¢

DRINKS: coffee & iced tea

(soda, beer & bottled water sold separately)

HOMEMADE DESSERTS WILL BE NEEDED EACH WEEK

Please drop off your desserts each Thursday & Friday at St. Mark's Cafeteria

VOLUNTEERS WILL ALSO BE NEEDED

Please Sign-up Soon following Weekend Masses in both Churches



MON, TUE, THUR, FRI: 9AM - 5AM WED: 9AM - 6PM SAT: 10AM - 4PN

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