

OKWEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sep. 20, 2008

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56; Lk 8:4-15
 4:00pm The Heil Family

Sunday, Sep. 21, 2008

Is 55:6-9; Ps 145; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;
 Mt 20:1-16a

8:30am For the Parish
 11:00am Charles Patterson
 5:00pm Rosemary Pinnell

Tuesday, Sep. 23, 2008

St. Pio of Pietrelcina, priest
 Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119; Lk 8:19-21

6:00pm John and Clara King

Wednesday, Sep. 24, 2008

Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119; Lk 9:1-6

9:00am Letcher Shephard
 6:00pm Virginia Berini

Thursday, Sep. 25, 2008

Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90; Lk 9:7-9

6:00pm Anne Snowden

Saturday, Sep. 27, 2008

St. Vincent de Paul, priest
 Eccl 11:9-12:8; Ps 90; Lk 9:43b-45

4:00pm For the Parish

Sunday, Sep. 28, 2008

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25; Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

8:30am Bernard M. Geiger
 11:00am Joel Coppola

WHAT TO DO IF...

You want to baptize your baby:

Baptisms are on the third weekend of the month during Saturday and Sunday Mass. Call Cathy Cornett at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 3203 about the preparation program.

You want to join the parish:

To register as a member, visit the Welcome Committee desk in the gathering space.

You want to get married:

Please arrange an appointment with the priest at least six months before the date you would like to be married. You must be registered in the parish.

You want to make your First Communion or be Confirmed:

If you are an adult, call Terry Culross at 623-6847 or Linda Clark at 623-0925. If you are in grades 1-8, call Cathy Cornett, 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 3203.

You have a prayer concern:

Please call Connie Wason at 623-1703 or Rose Mansfield at 623-0971, who are members of the Praying Hands Prayer Group, by Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

You would like to arrange a Mass Intention:

Come to the parish office and ask for the secretary.

You want to put something in the bulletin:

Instructions for getting announcements in the bulletin can be obtained by calling the parish office at 623-2989 and speaking with the secretary. **BULLETIN DEADLINE IS 12:00 PM ON TUESDAY.**

You would like more information about Knights of Columbus:

Please call Otto Rieck at 582-4112.

You want to register your child in St. Mark School: Call the school at 623-2989, prompt 4.

You need a ride or can offer a ride to or from Church: Call the parish office at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2001.

You wish to have an announcement read at Mass:

Anyone wishing to have an announcement said before Mass must bring the announcement in to the Parish office for the pastor's approval by Thursday before the scheduled mass. Announcement can be emailed to:

saintmarkcatholicchurch.net.

You would like the parish priest or parishioner to visit someone who is sick:

Please call the parish office at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext 2002, if there is an emergency (imminent death or need of sacrament, prompt 3) or if you or a loved one are about to have surgery, are in a hospital or nursing home, or have become homebound. The priest is ready to visit, administer the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Please provide the location and phone number of the person to be visited, and the time that is most convenient for the visit.

You want to change your name or address in the Parish records OR are leaving the parish:

Call the parish office at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2001.

You want to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes before each weekend mass.

You would like more information about the Catholic Daughters of the Americas:

Call Tricia Davis at 623-9184 or Laure Schadler at 624-9316.



**OUR LADY OF
 GUADALUPE CANDLE
 IN MEMORY OF
 THOMAS AND KATHLEEN BUZEK**



ROSARY

**The Rosary will be recited
 each Sunday at 8:10 am
 before 8:30 Mass.**

PASTOR'S PAGE

Notes from the Pastor:

Millions of fish have washed up in the city of Orange and West Orange after the water receded Monday. They have lined the banks of Adams Bayou. Everything from shad to 4-5 pound drum were found. Some of them were trapped in ditches where several locals were able to catch them.



Needless to say, my Mom and Sister are very grateful for your continued prayers and support, as are the people of my home town of Orange, Texas. I have been in touch with my mom's parish priest, who has shared that his Rectory, Parish Offices and Parish Hall have been devastated with 8 feet of water. I have assured him of our prayers and support.

Some of the sights as you see above are incredible. Just yesterday, I heard reports of over 100 caskets being unearthed by the water and floating down our Main Street. Reports of people who have no food, electricity, water and/or ice. Let's not forget, we are speaking of Southeast Texas where the temperatures are still in the upper 90's.

Your generous giving this weekend will go directly to the people in the form of gas and grocery gift cards that I will have distributed by the Mayor and the local Parish Priest. Thank you in advance for your giving.

I was informed by my sister, Marifrances, that my aunt, Aida (Edith) Ceraso of Vandergrift, Pennsylvania, passed away on Tuesday, September 16th. I was blessed and honored to officiate at her funeral on Friday, September 19th. Eternal Rest Grant Unto Her, O Lord.

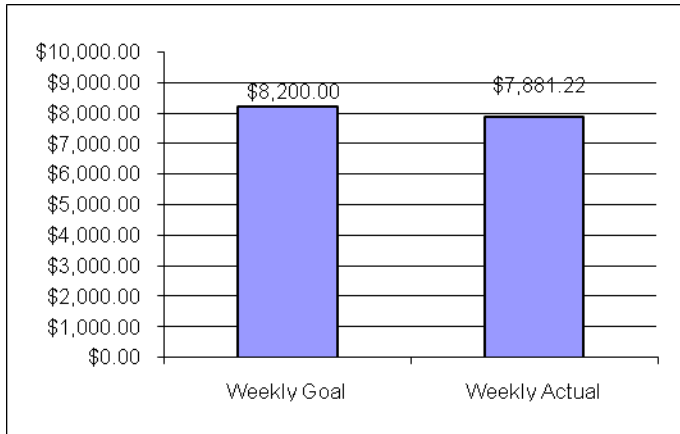
DON'T FORGET: NEXT WEEKEND IS OUR PARISH PICNIC!! There WILL BE our regular 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and our 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Our 11:00 a.m. Mass will be held out at LAKE REBA with our PICNIC TO FOLLOW. THIS IS A WONDERFUL TIME FOR US TO COME OUT AND BE ONE BIG PARISH FAMILY!! I LOVE THE PICNIC!! Please make sure you bring your lawn chairs, food for MANY and a great SPIRIT!

This next week (not weekend), I am scheduled to give the retreat to the Priests of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. However, at this time, I am unsure of whether I will go due to the death of my aunt. I ask for your prayers as I try to minister to my brother priests! It is always intimidating for me to travel to the various presbyterates and share some of the gifts that God has given me with others!

As usual, let me remind you that I am available to you in my office via email at FatherJim.Sichko@SaintMarkCatholicChurch.net or, in cases of an emergency (i.e., death or imminent need of the Sacraments), by phone at 859-623-2989, prompt #3.

See you in Church,
Fr. Jim

MINISTRIES



OUR WEEKLY GOAL: \$ 8,200.00

ENVELOPES: \$6,237.00
LOOSE CASH: \$ 660.00
LOOSE COIN: \$ 9.22
LOOSE CHECKS: \$ 975.00
TOTAL: \$7,881.22

UNDER FOR THE WEEK - \$318.78

UPDATE ON BISHOP'S APPEAL: TOTAL PLEDGES: 164 (32.1% OF GOAL)
TOTAL PLEDGE AMOUNT: \$21,749 (104.5% OF GOAL)

MINISTRIES

Linens: Mary Lou Remaley

Ministry				
Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers	Welcome Desk
4:00pm Saturday Sep 27	Betty Davy Kent Kessler	Micah Hall Robert Jackowski Joanne McCrary Jill Obergfell Jean Price Laure Schadler Phil VonMann	Jim Swartz Nicholas Norton	Georgetta Swartz
8:30AM Sunday, Sep 28	Kathy Hatton Angie Wright	Barbara Cain Kitty Culp Terry Culross Pat Currans Emma Esker Carroll Hale Marsha Hale	Joshua Schwab Joseph Abney	Linda Maxwell
11:00am Sunday, Sep 28	Ann Merriman Connie Wason	Minh Nguyen Jenny Reick Lois Scott Evelyn Spalding Bill Sullivan Erin Sullivan Caryn Vazzana	Matt Taylor Vivian Nguyen Noah Beard	Robin Walters

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Stewardship envelopes will be available for pick-up until October 15th. Please call the office to make arrangements for pickup. Thank you!



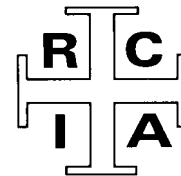
Next High School Youth Group will meet Wednesday, September 24 from 6-7:30pm. Meeting will be in the gathering space in the back of church.

- 6:00 Mass
6:30 Dinner and Meeting

Any questions contact Mike Reister mbreister@att.com.



CCD will be moving to Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 on October 1st. Because of the change in time, we are in need of teachers. If you would be interested in teaching or assisting one of the K - 8 classes, please contact Cathy Cornett ASAP. You can call the church office at 623-2989 ext. 2005 or email: cathy.cornett@saintmarkcatholicchurch.net



RCIA

RCIA Wed., Sept. 24th at 6:30 in the school cafeteria. For questions please contact Terry (623-6847) or Linda (623-0925).

VIRTUS TRAINING

If you plan on participating in any ministry at St. Mark that involves working with children, VIRTUS training is a must. This is mandated in every diocese throughout the United States.

Linda Clark will be offering a VIRTUS training session on Saturday, September 27 from 9am - Noon at St. Mark School. In order to register for this session, please log on to www.cdlex.org and click on the VIRTUS training tab. Follow the instructions given in order to register. The session is limited to 25 people, so please register as soon as possible.



Be part of the tribute to families and friends by having their name, or your family name, inscribed on our new Chalice. There is space for 19 additional names. Please call the Parish office for more information.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

(CDA): CDA's October meeting date is Tuesday, October 21st at 7pm at the Newman Center.

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008

Women's Day of Reflection! If you missed Carolyn Avakoff's last presentation, you missed something special! Come spend the morning in Prayer and fellowship!



NEWMAN CENTER NOTES

The Catholic Newman Center is proud to offer Coffee and Doughnuts again after the 8:30 Mass in the school cafeteria, all donations to benefit the Newman Center.

We are looking for a volunteer who has some contracting experience and would like to assist in a few projects at the Newman Center. If interested please call Brian Walsh 623-2989.



KNIGHT'S CORNER

BINGO--The KofC is now doing Bingo every Friday night. This fundraiser is one of many that we do as a group. To insure its success we ask for your support by attending and bringing a friend or neighbor with you. As you may or may not know a large portion of the money we make from bingo is returned in some way, shape or form to our parish and/or school. PLEASE help us so we can help our own parish community.

KARAOKE--Saturday, November 10th. Want to have a fun night of watching (or participating with) those who are willing to share their talent for singing and mocking routines of the rich and famous?? We promise that you will long remember these gifted individuals. Get the word out to all your friends and family! This is open to the public. Must be 18 to attend.

4TH DEGREE meets this Sunday, September 21 at St. Clare's in Berea. Meeting is at 5:00 with dinner following.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration – November 15, 2008

For all couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th or 50 plus wedding anniversary in 2008, the Bishop will rejoice with you at the Cathedral of Christ the King on Sunday, November 15th. The celebration begins with Mass at 5:00pm with Bishop Gainer presiding, followed by a reception in Hehman hall. We are also looking for couples newly married in 2008 to be hospitality ministers. Please contact Penny Logan at (859) 253-1993, ext. 228 to make reservations by November 6th.

SCHOOL NEWS

Ordering bows, wrapping paper, and gifts for the upcoming holiday season is easy and greatly assists the school in meeting fundraising goals.

You may either order from a student (orders will be received at the school in October) or:

Log onto www.sallyfoster.com

At the top of the Sally Foster home page look for a green tab that states "Give Credit".

Click on this "Give Credit" tab.

Look for the option that states "Enter Group Account Number/School Account Number"

Enter this code – 575443 in that area.

Click on the "Continue" tab toward the bottom of the page.

This will bring you back to the Sally Foster home page and in the top right corner, St. Mark Catholic School will be listed. Then click on any of the images on the left to shop!

* Free Shipping on all orders over \$70.00 – there are so many great gift ideas! Stock up! Payment will be made online via your credit card and your order will be shipped directly to you.

**Online order delivery status will best be determined at the time you place your order. If you order through a student, all orders will be shipped to the school by the end of October. The student will then deliver your order to you.

Friends, Christians, Parishioners, lend us your trash.

This year St. Mark School will be participating in the Kentucky Educational Speech and Drama Association's State Forensic Tournament in March 2009. Students in grades 4 through 8 will be competing in a 3-day tournament with students from across the state.

We are asking the members of St. Mark Parish to help us raise funds, not with money, but with recycled drink cans.

In the hallway, by the cafeteria, you will see a large cardboard drop-off box. All we ask is that before you bring them rinse out the cans.

Thank you so much for supporting our parish children.

St. Mark Speech and Drama Team

Proceeds from these fundraisers will help pay for playground improvements.



*You are cordially invited to attend to a
Women's Morning of Reflection,
"Mary: Full of Grace"*

Saturday, October 4, 2008

8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

St. Mark Roman Catholic Church

This Morning of Reflection is sponsored by The Catholic Daughters and is open to **ALL** Women of the parish.

The morning will include a presentation by Christine Avakoff;

Mass celebrated by Fr. Jim Sichko; and Lunch.

Registration is \$10.00 per person and may be paid at the door;

However, RSVPs are required so that catering can be arranged.

The deadline to register is Sunday, September 28th.

**You may bring your registration form to the CDA meeting on Tuesday, September 16th or drop it off at the back of church on September 27th and 28th after mass.*

** If you wish to pay at the door, please RSVP by e-mail to Lydia Akin-Carter at akinl@safy.org or by phone to the Parish Office, 623-2989 by September 28th, and bring your registration form on the morning of October 4th.*

To register for "A Woman's Morning of Reflection," please complete the information below and return it with the requested \$10.00 registration fee.

Name: _____

Phone No.: _____

E-mail Address: _____

OUTDOOR MASS AND PARISH PICNIC



Pie Eating Contest!!
Volley Ball!!
Corn Hole!!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Egg Toss!!
Water Balloons!!
And More!!

LAKE REBA PICNIC SHELTER

BEGINS WITH MASS AT 11:00AM AND PICNIC FOLLOWS

FRIED CHICKEN AND ICE WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE PARISH. PLEASE BRING: LAWN CHAIRS, FRISBEES, BATS, BALLS, ETC., YOUR OWN DRINKS AND A DISH TO FEED 10-12 PEOPLE.

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE ACCORDING TO THE FIRST LETTER OF YOUR LAST NAME:

A-M VEGETABLE DISH

N-S SALAD

T-Z DESSERT

DEADLINE TO RSVP IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND DROP IN THE BOX AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. YOU MAY ALSO RSVP BY CALLING GENE AND MARY KATHERINE BARNES AT 624-4136.

PARISH PICNIC RSVP FORM

HOUSEHOLD NAME: _____

NUMBER ATTENDING (FAMILY & GUESTS): _____