

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 30, 2009

4:00pm For the Parish

Sunday, May 31, 2009

8:30am James Gilbert

11:00am Edith Ceraso

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

6:00pm Alec Merrifield

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

6:00pm John D. Harris

Thursday, June 4, 2009

6:00pm Edith Ceraso

Saturday, June 6, 2009

4:00pm Jerry Healy

Sunday, June 7, 2009

8:30am Ruth Golden

11:00am For the Parish



OUR LADY OF
GUADALUPE CANDLE
IN MEMORY OF
CATHERINE DALGLIESH



ROSARY

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

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. 2005 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 2-12, call Cathy Cornett, 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2005.

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: liane.hinch@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 immediately after all of the weekend masses.

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

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

PASTOR'S PAGE

Notes from the Pastor:

HAPPY PENTECOST SUNDAY!! Can you believe, this weekend as we officially end the Easter Season, we also give praise and thanks to God for the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and upon us? In a special way at the 8:30 a.m. Mass we welcome those among us who receive the Sacrament of Confirmation!

On Wednesday we celebrated the graduation of our 8th graders from St. Mark Catholic School! I wish to personally thank our Principal, Paul Doty, our Middle School Teachers, T. J. Hall, Toni and Bill McHugh, and Carolyn Pennington, and a special thanks to Lynn King for her assistance in the Liturgy. How wonderful it was to celebrate a great dinner under the organizational lead of Kathy Norton and Becky Conneely who oversaw the decorations. Thank you for a job well done!

THANK YOU ALSO for the commitment that each of you are making to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Four weeks ago we started this yearly appeal and we are just \$7,000 away from our goal! Your generosity and thoughtfulness continue to inspire me and our diocese.

NEIGHBORHOOD MASSES DURING THE MONDAYS IN JUNE! I remember attending several of the neighborhood Masses that Fr. Stewart had during the summer when I was a "newbie" priest and working at St. Mark with the youth group. These Masses were wonderful, intimate times in neighborhoods with various neighbors. I would like to have this opportunity of gathering for Mass on the FIVE Mondays in June at five different residences in five different neighborhoods. Sign up sheets will be in the back and if you decide to HOST one of these simple gatherings, I will provide all the set up for Mass -- if you would invite our local Catholic community in your surrounding area. Possibly, even after Mass, we could stay together for some fellowship and continued prayer/conversation. I will list the families where Mass will be held on these Mondays of June in our next bulletin. I hope this will be a great, RELAXING summer activity for us!

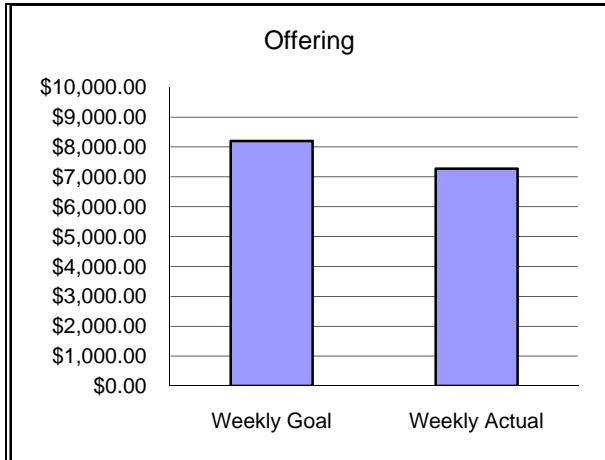
Please keep a look out for SIGN UP SUNDAY which will be happening in early AUGUST. "But Father, it's not even June yet and you are already thinking of August?" What I am hoping for you to think of and discern about, is in what ways can YOUR GIFTS be used to help us as a parish community grow? Possibly you would like to garden and do various yard projects around the parish. Maybe you have the ability to volunteer hours at our school. Is there anyone out there that likes to clean? We need help with our weekly cleaning of the Church to prepare our space for Sunday worship. What about work to be done in our CITY OF RICHMOND and COMMUNITY abroad?... The time, talent and treasures are endless and so are the LISTS of things to do, and over the summer we will be building up momentum as we move towards SIGN UP SUNDAY. Be on the look out!

Enclosed in the bulletin you will find the Parish Council minutes that were approved at our recent meeting. Read over and see the good work that is being done throughout the parish.

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

STEWARDSHIP



OUR WEEKLY GOAL: \$ 8,200.00

ENVELOPES: \$ 6,160.00
LOOSE CASH: \$ 336.00
LOOSE COIN: \$ 1.03
LOOSE CHECKS: \$ 780.00
TOTAL \$ 7,277.03

Short for the week - \$ 922.97

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
GOAL: \$23,000.00
PLEGGED TO DATE: \$15,232.12

Remember: It is not WHAT you give, but THAT you give!

FINANCE COUNCIL UPDATES AND NOTES

The St. Mark Finance Council meets on a monthly basis. During these meetings we discuss various aspects of the financial condition of the Parish. We want to share with the parishioners items of interest:

Collection revenues from July 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009 are now only \$17,000 under budget. Way to go!

Fr. Jim's preaching travels to Vandergrift, Pennsylvania during March brought in donations

totaling \$2,800 for a total of \$18,000 so far this year!

SECOND COLLECTIONS

July	Home Meals Delivery	\$1,244.44
August	Families in Need	\$1,326.12
September	St. Mark School	\$1,105.55
October	Altar Society	\$ 719.07
November	Home Meals Delivery	\$1,379.23
December	Altar Society	\$1,009.38
January	St. Mark School	\$2,030.98
February	Families in Need	\$1,473.82
March	Home Meals Delivery	\$1,212.95
May	Catholic Communication	\$ 915.33

May	St. Mark School	\$1,566.73
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MINISTRIES

Linens: Debbie Pandaru

	Ministry			
Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers	Welcome Desk
4:00PM Saturday June 6	Betty Davy Kent Kessler	Patti Baker Dot Bennett Michal Eubanks Terry Foster Robert Jackowski Sidney Sebastian Bill Durbin	Jim Swartz Mariah Felix Kacie Reid	Dottie Stipes
8:30AM Sunday, June 7	Jim David Todd King	Pat Currans Carroll Hale Marsha Hale Charlotte Hill Angel King Gail King Lynn King	Joshua Schwab Bailey O'Bryan	Pam & Larry Palmisano
11:00am Sunday, June 7	Sandy Sullivan Kathy Palmer	Sandy Adams Linda Clark Mark Davis Tricia Davis Greg Discepoli Neil DiTeresa Marlene Flinchem	Lee Anne Ogle Kala Minguela Brittany Scott	Kathryn Maynard

Reminder to all Ministers

Please be mindful of Dress Code
No tennis shoes!
 Gentlemen, please wear a shirt with a collar

IF YOU ARE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER
 ONE SATURDAY MORNING A MONTH TO HELP CLEAN THE CHURCH,
 PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING SPACE
 OR CALL THE PARISH OFFICE!

We would like to have 4 teams of 3 or 4 people each so the work load is shared.
 Please consider volunteering for this much needed ministry!

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday	Pentecost Sunday Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12: 3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16- 25; Jn 20: 19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
Monday	Saint Justin, martyr Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Ps 112; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday	Saints Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday	Saint Charles Lwanga, martyr, and his companions, martyrs Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4- 9a; Ps 128; Mk 12:28-34
Friday	Saint Boniface, bishop, martyr Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday	Saint Norbert, bishop Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday	The Most Holy Trinity Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

**NEWMAN CENTER NOTES**

NO Newman Center 5:00pm Masses,
until school resumes in the fall.

**KNIGHT'S CORNER**

Thanks to Bob Jackowski and Tom Fleming for representing our Council at the annual State Convention held in Louisville. Details can be heard at either of the upcoming meetings.

Thanks in advance to all Brother Knights who helped distribute "Pocket Rosaries" at all Masses this weekend. Having these rosaries in our possession will hopefully serve as a gentle reminder to pray to our Blessed Mother daily.

REMINDER: All Knights are asked to mark their calendar for Saturday, July 11th to help at our annual Mid-Summer Jamboree Car Show. Remember, this is one of our major fundraisers of the year and everyone's help is needed to make this event successful.

Elections for 2009-2010 officers will be held at our June meetings. Nominations have been made but are still open. Please call Dave Bonn (4th Degree) at 893-3488 or Gail King (Third Degree) at 626-9103 if you have someone you would like to nominate.

Meeting Reminders:

-Monthly Third Degree meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of each month at the Newman Center.

-Monthly Fourth Degree meetings are held on the **Third Sunday** of each month at St. Clare Community Building in Berea.

Our 4th Degree June meeting has been changed from Sunday, June 21st to Sunday, June 14th, due to Father's Day. Please note this change on your calendar.

call the church office @ 623-2989 prompt 5
ext. 2005



**Catholic Daughters of the Americas
CDA**

The next monthly meeting of The Catholic Daughters will be Tuesday, June 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. At this meeting, we will welcome Deacon Jim Bennett as the featured speaker. He'll be discussing the Home Bound Ministry Program.



There is still time to memorialize a loved one, or have your family name a permanent part of St. Mark history by having a name inscribed on the new Chalice. Please call the Parish office for more information.

14 openings remain



VBS NEWS

What: Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Where: St. Mark School

Dates: Sunday, June 7 - Thursday, June 11

Times: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Who: Any child currently in Pre-K through 5th grade is invited to participate

NEEDED: At least 30 people age 11 - 111 who would like to help out during the week

ALSO NEEDED: Snacks - please take an angel from the tree in gathering space

Contact:

cathy.cornett@saintmarkcatholicchurch.net , or

Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults
RCIA

RCIA will resume in the fall.
Check bulletin for dates.

For more information, contact:

Terry, 623-6847/ email:towen44@bellsouth.net
or Linda, 623-0925 /email: ljlclsw@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY NEWS

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

June 19-20, 2009 6pm-8am
Church on the Rock Berea, KY

Contact Nola Newman at 200-5235

ST. MARK PASTORAL COUNCIL Minutes from meeting April 28, 2009

Attending: Fr. Jim Sichko, Greg Gaerke, Ben Massaro, Linda Clark, Nicole Stuart, Jim Swartz, Beth Grant, Larry Hoffman

The April 28, 2009 meeting of the St. Mark Pastoral Council was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Faith Sharing

The Scripture for Sunday was from John 10:11-18. A shepherd knows his sheep and his sheep know their shepherd. We discussed the willingness of the shepherd to go looking for a single stray sheep even at the risk of leaving the rest unattended.

Review/Approval Minutes

The minutes from the March 26th meeting were reviewed and approved.

Introduction of Guest

Dot Bennett, who along with her husband Deacon Jim Bennett works in the Hispanic Ministry, talked with us. This ministry was begun in February of 1999, and used to have Mass 1-2 times a month, and now has Mass every Sunday afternoon, in Spanish. They perform all the ministries including the sacrament of Marriage, CCD, First Communion, and Confirmation. One of the greatest challenges is getting the members of the Hispanic community to take a greater part in and responsibility for the Mass and various ministries and activities. This may be related to Visa issues. Many members of the community are hesitant and shy. Another possible reason is language barrier and the need for Spanish missalettes. Other activities included a Health Fair and presentation of "Why Catholic" which were both very well attended.

Father thanked Dot for her faithful support of this important ministry and expressed the hope that one day soon St. Mark will have a Hispanic Pastoral Council member.

Review of Parish Goals

Nicole Stuart reported on the progress of the development of Sheltering Arms. She will try to meet with Jim Bennett between now and our next meeting.

Billy Simon was unable to attend this meeting and will report on the progress for a church newsletter at our next meeting.

Pastor's Update

- Blue Mass to be held on April 29th at 10:30 am.

Parish Life

- 12 Grand Event / Lions Share – The goal will be to combine the two events and split the proceeds. A Committee will be needed to examine this idea, and among other things how this could be profitable, when this would be held (school must be in session), etc. This will be held the last weekend in April, which will be Saturday, April 24th, 2010.
- First Communion – There will be thirty two children making their first Holy Communion at the two services on Mother's Day. There will be one for the school children at 8:30 and one for the CCD children at 11:00.
- Linda Clark spoke about Adult Faith Formation, and the possibility of having programs 2 times per year for four to six weeks, one beginning at Advent and the other during Lent. Linda will contact parishioners Cathy Cornett, Jim and Dot Bennett, Lynn King to name a few and will further examine the possibility of an Advent mission.

Closing Prayer

Closing prayer was led by Beth Grant.

Pastoral Council adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Note: The minutes for the Pastoral Council meetings are read and approved a month after the meeting for which they are written.

Note received from Natalie Cole:

You have been a rock in a weary land.
I cannot thank you enough for your prayers and support. It is nothing short of awesome.

I am feeling better every day. This has been one of the most bittersweet moments of my life.....
My sister is gone - my best, best friend, and yet I celebrate a new golden kidney.....

So many things to understand by and by . . .

God is so awesome, it is a bit scary when He really goes overboard and this is surely one of those times.

Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2009

Thank you again, my friend.
God bless you and your people.

Natalie

ST MARK SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL REGISTRATION UPDATE FOR 2009/2010 SCHOOL YEAR

ENROLLMENT GOAL: 130

CURRENT ENROLLMENT: 84

OUTSTANDING BALANCE FOR TUITION: \$81,575.63

NUMBER OF PARENTS WITH OUTSTANDING BALANCES: 34

30 days or less: 5

31-60 days: 4

61-90 days: 3

91 and over: 22

NOVENA TO ST. THOMAS AQUINAS FOR INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT AT ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL



When we are not sure what else we can do, we can pray!
Please join us in a prayer novena to
St. Thomas Aquinas for our School.

For the text of the prayer we will be saying please go to:
<http://home.pacifier.com/~belisle/forms/novena.pdf>

For those without internet, please call Angel King @ 582-0563
for a copy of the prayer.

It has also been pasted in the back of all church missalettes.

NOW ENROLLING

Registration is ongoing for grades
Pre-K through 8.

Please call the school
@ 623-2989 prompt 4
in order to register
your child(ren) today.

JOB OPENING

St. Mark Catholic Church is seeking a full time Secretary for St. Mark Catholic School, a Pre-K- 8th grade school, committed to quality and excellence in developing the whole child in a faith environment.

The applicant needs to have the following qualifications:

- A High School diploma and a minimum two years secretarial experience.
- Enjoy children and working with other parents.
- Strong typing, telephone and communication skills.
- Ability to work independently and with discretion.
- Should be a faith-filled and practicing Catholic.
- Should be VIRTUS certified or must be VIRTUS certified before filling position.

Applicants should apply by June 10, 2009

For consideration, please forward cover letter with salary requirements and resume indicating:
SCHOOL SECRETARY SEARCH, c/o St. Mark Catholic Church, 608 W. Main Street or to

Church@SaintMarkCatholicChurch.net

An Evening Among Friends Encore Series

St. Mark Catholic Church
608 West Main Street
Richmond, KY 40475
December 19, 2009
7:00 p.m.

- Valet Parking
- Only 500 tickets available
- Reception with hors d'oeuvres prior to the performance
- Performance by Patti LaBelle
- Desserts and aperitifs after performance



An Evening Among Friends: The Encore Series Reservation Form

I would like to reserve _____ ticket (s) or _____ pew (s) to
Ring in Christmas with Patti LaBelle at the following level:

- General Admission: \$175 per person**
- Meet and Greet with Patti LaBelle: \$500 per person**
Limited to 50 tickets
Includes special pre-performance reception with Ms. LaBelle in the St. Mark Church gathering space, personalized photo with Ms. LaBelle and Preferred Reserved Seating
- Group Seating: \$2500 per pew for 8 guests**
Includes Preferred Reserved Seating and Patti LaBelle memorabilia for each guest (please list below)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Tickets may be purchased by cash, check, or credit card in one payment or in installment payments at a minimum deposit of \$50 per ticket, with the entire cost paid **prior to October 19, 2009.**

*Checks should be made payable to
St. Mark Catholic Church.*

Enclosed is my entire payment of \$_____.

Enclosed is my first installment of \$_____.

For credit card orders, please complete the back of this form.

To submit your reservation, complete this form and then mail the form to the parish office, place it in the collection basket at Mass, or drop it by the parish office.