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### MASSES

Mon - Thurs: 9:00 AM Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Holy Days: 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM COMMUNION SERVICE - Friday: 9:00 AM

PENANCE Saturdays: 3-3:30 PM

ADORATION - First Wednesday of Every Month

Sunday Mass Livestream

10:30AM on our website

and available afterward



### Parish Mission Statement

As a parish family guided by the Holy Spirit, the faith community of St. Mark is committed to Jesus Christ and His Church.

We are called to proclaim the Gospel through the celebration of Life, the Sacraments, and Liturgy. To glorify God and love one another we will strive to carry out this mission by sharing our talents and resources, serving all those in need, nurturing God's gift of hope in our community and welcoming all to grow in the Catholic faith.

### BISHOP BERNARD J. FLANAGAN

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New Parishioners please use our website (SaintMarksParish.org) or contact the Rectory to register.



Sunday December 26, 2021
Feast of the Holy Family
8 AM Frances J. Shugrue
Req by Father Michael
10:30AM Lou Divirgilio
Req by Mark Bailey and Mary Kate Doherty

Monday December 27, 2021 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist 9 AM For the people of St. Mark's Parish Tuesday December 28, 2021 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 9 AM Anne Chartrand Reg by Bertha Gvazdauskas Wednesday December 29, 2021 9 AM Walter Dobkowski (56 th Anniversary) Req by Robert and Irene Hughes Thursday December 30, 2021 9 AM All Souls Friday December 31, 2021 Vigil of Mary, Mother of God 4 PM For the people of St. Mark's Parish Saturday January 1, 2022 Mary, Mother of God 10:30 AM Tony Mancini Req by family (No Vigil Mass this afternoon)

Sunday January 2, 2022
Feast of the Ephiphany
8 AM Edward Plante
Req by Bertha Gvazdauskas
10:30 AM Russel Erickson
Req by Janet and John Bakstran

# YOUTH WINISTRY YOUTH events and Faith Formation Programs

Faith Formation gatherings for Middle and High School parishioners resume in January.

Wishing all of our St. Mark's family a beautiful and joyous Christmas!

Peace be with you.

May God's peace be upon you and remain with you throughout the year.

### **January Food Pantry donations**



The Sutton Food Pantry is in good shape at present and is not requesting any items for January.

That said, St. Mark's would like to collect non-perishable items to support the pantry at Urban Missionaries.

We've recently visited this Food Pantry and can assure you there is great need to help them get items onto their shelves.

Any Food Pantry item is needed and appreciated, especially

PAPER TOWELS
TOILET PAPER
FACIAL TISSUES
Mustard / Mayonnaise / Ketchup
PEANUT BUTTER
JELLY

Quick Bread Mix
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit
Canned Chicken / Ham
TUNA
Chili / Soups / Broths

Please bring all donations to church the first weekend of January (Jan 1st/2nd) to place in collection bins in place at all Masses.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY





### Tabernacle Refinishing

The bronze scene of the Last Supper on the front of the tabernacle is back, and has been re-finished. The cost has been donated by Jim Egan, our parishioner and owner of Egan Church Restoration, and we thank him for his generous donation. It is really beautiful, and we can thank our friends from the former St. Anne's Parish, who had the tabernacle in St. Anne's Church and we can remember Father Frank O'Toole in whose memory it was given to St. Anne's.

### Church Hall Waterproofing

Despite our best efforts to replace the sump pumps in the church hall, we still have not had success in keeping the hall from occasionally flooding. This is one of the reasons we have not spend much on renovating that space. In consultation with my staff and the finance committee, we decided that this was the time to get a waterproofing company to address the situation. You might have noticed digging around the church, and now the project is completed.

We did the following:

 replaced the two main pumps with more powerful units equipped with automatic battery back up units
 continued-> Reflections, continued

- replaced all the pipes with pipes of larger diameters for increased capacity
- and eliminated all above ground water discharge, including the roof drains.

I hope that this will finally solve our water problems, and we can think about making the hall a bit more comfortable for our many ministries. Sincerely,

Father Michael



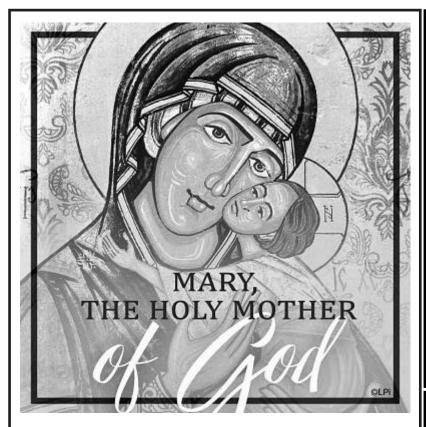
### Wishing you a very blessed and holy Christmastime! From all of us at St. Mark's

Father Michael
Deacon Dan
Lisa DeHaan
Kathleen Huggins
Paul Machunski
Mark Bailey
Jim LeClaire
Dick Person

"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be sign for you:

you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



We celebrate the New Year by contemplating Mary and Theotokos: that is Mother of God.

Masses will be celebrated as follows:

Friday December 31

4 PM Mass

Saturday January 1, 2022

10:30 AM Mass

There will be no afternoon vigil Mass on New year's Day.

### Merry Christmas to all members of our St Mark's Family!

Please visit our website to find a special gift from our parish children to all of you. This year, we did a virtual presentation of our Nativity, as well as live on Christmas Eve. You can find the former on our website along with the livestream of the mass.



### Looking for teen volunteers!

Please join us from 10am-2pm on Tuesday December 28th (snow date the 29th) as we color, cut, and craft materials for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium. Pizza lunch provided. For more details please contact:

kathleen@saintmarksparish.org



Thank you to all the families who participated in this year's Nativity Pageant.

It was wonderful being able to share the true meaning of Christmas with the children through the return of this Christmas Eve tradition.













An Evening with St. Nicholas December 12, 2021





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