

Sunday, March 7, 2021

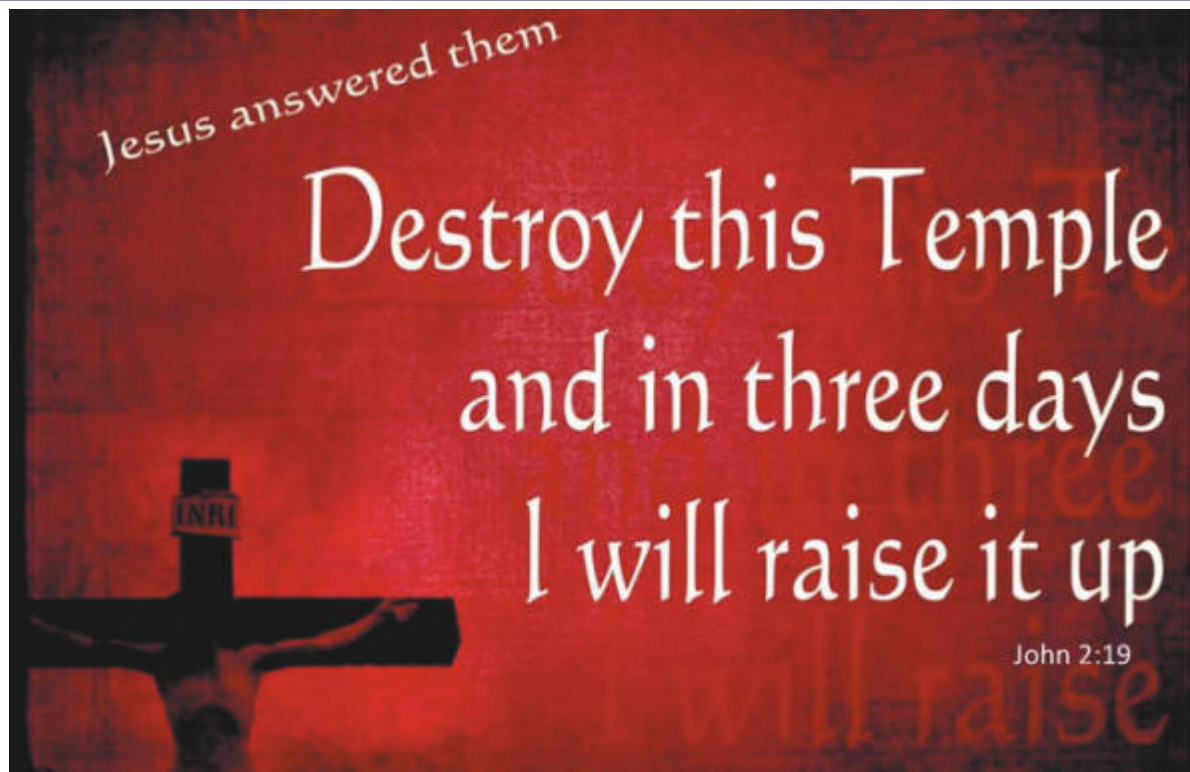
# Saint Mark's Church

Diocese of Syracuse



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## PASTORAL MINISTRIES

**Administrator:** Rev. Fr. Mark P. Kaminski, PhD, DMin  
St. Mark's 315-724-1645 ~ St. Anthony/St. Agnes 315-732-1177  
**Deacon & Music Director:** Rev. Dc. Richard Prusko, 315-527-1710  
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○ PreK-5: Mary Carville [mcarville@syrdio.org](mailto:mcarville@syrdio.org)  
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Fred Valenti, 315-534-4605  
**Parish Council:** Todd Carville, President  
**Altar-Rosary Society:** Jo Ginnity, President, 315-735-8253  
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**Church Decoration:** Dominick Trotta, 315-749-8793  
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**Lectors:** Gloria Kasprowicz, 315-735-1364  
**Men's Club:** Dominick Trotta, Fred Valenti  
**Pastoral Care:** Jo Ginnity, 315-735-8253  
**Ushers / Hospitality:** Joe Madeira, 315-240-1092

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday Mass** 10:00 am  
**Weekday Mass — Mondays at 10:00 am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3:30 pm  
*Children:* "Growing Room" is at left entrance.

## OFFICE HOURS

Office hours are modified at this time. Usually someone is available Monday and Thursday from 9-12. Requests can be made any day via phone or email which is checked regularly.  
**Mass requests** can be emailed, phoned in, or placed in collection.  
**Bulletin announcements in by Monday please.**  
Email: [kacee@syrdio.org](mailto:kacee@syrdio.org) | Phone: 315-724-1645

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Please make arrangements for Baptism by contacting the Priest, Deacon or Parish Office at least two weeks prior. A baptismal session is suggested of new parents.  
**Marriage:** Please make arrangements with the Priest or Deacon at least 6 months in advance.  
**Penance**—Saturdays at 3:30pm  
**Anointing of the Sick:** Please inform us if you or a family member of our parish are sick and which facility they are in.

## NEWCOMERS & PARISHIONER UPDATES

St. Mark's welcomes visitors and new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to the Priest or Deacon after Mass. To register or update information, including requesting envelopes please contact the office by phone or email. **Thank You!**

As the Patron Saint of Motorists and Automobile drivers, pray for us to stay safe on the roads in life. Amen  
~ St. Frances of Rome  
Feast Day: Tues. Mar. 9



**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, March 6, *Lenten Weekday***

**4:00 pm** +Rev. Mark Pasik - Billy Leary  
+Judy Klimek - Wellenstein & Smith Families

**Sunday, March 7, *Third Sunday of Lent***

**10:00 am** +Rev. Gregory Zyzik & Parents - Maria Czulak  
+Tony Rosati - Maria Crocilla & Family  
-Trycinski Relatives and Friends - Pat & Zeke Zaleski  
+Dolores Simmons - Son and Family

**Monday, March 8, *St. John of God, Religious***

**10:00 am** +Stanley Haka - Joyce Haka  
+Theresa Dailey - Family

**Tuesday, March 9, *St. Frances of Rome, Religious***

**Wednesday, March 10, *Lenten Weekday***

**Thursday, March 11, *Lenten Weekday***

**Friday, March 12, *Lenten Weekday***

**5:00 pm** Stations of the Cross followed by Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**Saturday, March 13, *Lenten Weekday***

**4:00pm** +Ray Alessandrini - Lisa Zane  
+Michelle Cieri - Susan & Caitlin Cieri

**Sunday, March 14, *Fourth Sunday of Lent***

**10:00am** +Rev. Mark Pasik - Anneliese Light  
+Tony Rosati - Pat & Zeke Zaleski  
+Arthur Addington - Wife, Juana and Family

**Stewardship**

	Total for Feb 20/21	Total for Feb 27/28
Regular Collection	\$2244.00	\$1869.00
Special Collection	\$260.00	\$434.00
Candles	\$9.00	\$15.00
Mail - In	\$679.00	\$738.00
Other	\$294.00	\$372.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3486.00</b>	<b>\$3428.00</b>

*Holy Day - Ash Wednesday: \$473.00*  
Thank you for your continued support of St. Mark's Parish! We greatly appreciate your commitment.



**Lay Minister Schedule**

	3/6-3/7	3/13-3/14
<b>4:00 PM Saturday</b>	Gloria Kasprovicz	Jim Neary
<b>10:00 AM Sunday</b>	Mike Valenti	Pat Zaleski



**Votive Candles in memory of:**  
Helen & Cindi Salerno

**Votive Candles in prayer for:**  
Healing for Andrew Pogar

**Upcoming Events**

***Holy Cross Academy Open House***  
***Sunday, March 7, 1-3:30pm***

Registration now open for 2021. Come visit during the open house or by appointment. Call 315-363-1669 for more information. Holy Cross Academy is an independent, co-educational, junior-senior high school teaching in the Catholic gradation and faithful to the Magisterium. Bussing is available from 10 districts. *Holy Cross Academy is located at 4020 Barrington Rd, Oneida, NY 13421.*

***Living Out a Spirituality of the Eucharist***  
**A Lenten Retreat—Sat. March 20th 10:30am-5pm**  
**Good News Center**

We welcome once again Father Gerry McKeon, S.J., a Catholic Jesuit Priest in the Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus for a Lenten Retreat on Living Out a Spirituality of the Eucharist.

How can we integrate prayer and worship into our everyday lives? How can we become a Eucharistic Community? During this day of prayer, we will explore what it means to embrace a 'Spirituality of the Eucharist'. Your day will end with Mass at 4 PM. Cost is \$30 per person, reservations are required. Please call 315-735-6210

**Only 8 seats remaining at St. Mark's!**

**IGNITE 2021**  
**Catholic Men's Conference:**  
*Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>*  
*7:30am-12:00noon*

There is still time to register! And remember, you can attend at home or at St. Mark's!  
***Come and Take Refuge in the Lord.***

Register at [www.ignitecatholicmen.org](http://www.ignitecatholicmen.org) or contact your parish captain: **Fred Valenti at 315-534-4605**  
**Cost is only \$10 this year!**

***Syracuse Right to Life Oratory Contest***  
***April 11, Holiday Inn, Liverpool***

9th-12th grade students are invited to participate in the Syracuse Right to Life Oratory Contest. Monetary prizes are awarded from \$50-250 with winners advancing for even more! Present an original speech, 5-7 minutes long on Abortion, Infanticide, Stem Cell Research or Euthanasia. Contact the Church office for more information, application deadline is April 5th.

**Faith Formation**

**CLASSES RESUME IN PERSON!**

**March 7, 14, 21**

**Grades K-5 11:00-11:30**

**Grades 6-8 11:40-12:10**

**Grades 2, 9, & 10 11:00-12:00**

Teale LaBarbera at [tlabarbera@syrdio.org](mailto:tlabarbera@syrdio.org)

Mary Carville at [mcarville@notredameutica.org](mailto:mcarville@notredameutica.org).



**Sweets Drive—Sharing the love of Christ**



Last call...

Next weekend is the last weekend to bring in a sweet for

Mrs. Militano's 6th grade Faith Formation class during their **SWEETS DRIVE**.

The collection is for Willow Park— an assisted living facility in Utica. The students have made cards to give to the residents that reside there. The cards will be accompanied by the donated goodies.

Due to Covid— home made treats cannot be acceptable. However, any store bought, pre-packaged cookie, cupcake or other treat will be welcomed.

Next weekend will be the last week the collection box will be out. **We appreciate your support!**



Our sympathy goes out to Richard and Gloria DiBuono. Richard is our maintenance man here at St. Mark's. Gloria's mother, Gloria Santillo, passed away in February.

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.*

**Stations of the Cross**

St. Mark's will be praying the Stations of the Cross every **Friday at 5pm**. The Stations will be followed by Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

*Francis says...*

Why is Autumn Humpty Dumpty's favorite season?  
~Because he had a great fall!



Will you let February March?  
No, but April May!

**Vocations Corner—Local Inspiration!**

**"Zeal for your house will consume me."**

*Do you feel a call from the Lord to the priesthood or religious life?*

Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: [vocations@syrdio.org](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org).



*Fr. Hage is the Director of the Vocation Promotion Team whose mission*

*statement is "God created us to live in a relationship of love with Him. He invites us to respond to His love in a particular way of life—our vocation. Our mission is to help discerners discover, embrace, and live out God's call."*

**Inspiration for a Happy Marriage "Just Decide!"**

I was waiting to pick up a friend at the airport and had one of those experiences that change people's lives. A man, carrying two bags, was walking toward me. He stopped to greet his family.

First, he laid down his bag and came closer to his young son, giving him a loving hug. Then he looked in his son's eyes, "I missed you so much, it's so good to see you, son!". The boy smiled and said: "Me too, dad".

Then the man talked to his older son. "Oh, you are quite the young man, I love you very much!" Then they had the most tender hug too.

Then the father said "Hi, baby girl" to his daughter. She was squirming excitedly in her mother's arm. The man gently took his daughter, quickly kissed her face and then held her close to his chest. The little girl laid her head on his shoulder.

After several moments the man looked at his wife and said "I've saved the best for last" and shared with her the most passionate kiss. They stared at each other, beaming big smiles, like newlyweds.

Suddenly, I heard myself asking "Wow, how long have you been married?". "Been married twelve years." "Well then, how long have you been away?". He replied with a joyous smile on his face: "Two whole days!".

I was stunned, as I imagined that he had been gone for several weeks at least. I said "I hope that my marriage is still that passionate after twelve years". The man looked straight into my eyes and told me something that changed my life: **"Don't hope, friend, decide!"**



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