

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm

(Confessions Saturday 3:00-3:45 or by appt.)

Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am

1:00pm Spanish Mass

Masses at the Newman Center are suspended until late January.

Tuesday: Noon

Wednesday: 6:00pm

Thursday: Noon

Friday: 8:15am

Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm.



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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Holy Roman Catholic Church in union with the Holy Father and Diocesan Bishop. We are an active faith community in Richmond, Kentucky, that includes the ministries of St. Mark School, the Catholic Campus Ministry at ECU and Hispanic outreach. We proclaim the inspired Word and celebrate the Sacraments, rooted in the love and Spirit of Christ.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

If you would like to submit information to appear in the bulletin or be included in the weekly email, call the parish office or send an email to stmarkrichmond@cdlex.org (preferred method to verify spelling and content). The deadline is Monday at 2 p.m. **ALL content MUST be approved by Fr. Tom.**

Ministries

Altar Servers	Jim Swartz	338-5624
Baptismal Prep	Natalie Fitzsimmons	582-3069
Bereavement Committee	Carol Kinelski	623-7511
Boy Scouts	Marsha Hale	623-7252
Buildings Committee	Rich Bihl	623-2989
C.C.D.	Dianne Shuntich	582-7655
Card Ministry	Theresa Collins	466-5903
Catholic Daughters	Tricia Davis	248-2495
Church Mice	Lydia-Akin Carter	205-523-2124
Christmas Bazaar	Erin Frost	358-2202
Coffee & Donuts	Becky Ginter	744-4599
Confirmation	Lydia-Akin Carter	623-2989
Eucharistic Ministers	Alanna Sininger	623-2989
Faith Formation	Parish Office	623-2989
Finance Council	Emma Esker	623-6129
Grounds Crew	Steve Pinkstone	623-2099
Hispanic Ministry	Dcn Jim & Dot Bennett	623-7675
Home Meals Delivery	Jim Stevens	623-2989
Homebound Ministry	Angel King	582-0563
Hospitality Ministers	John Wright	893-1123
Ice Cream Social	Pat Horvat	582-0244
Knights of Columbus	George Monticello	817-600-2399
Lectors	Lois Scott	582-0616
Liturgical Decorating Committee	Ingrid Gautreaux	893-3433
Money Counters	Parish Office	623-2989
Music Ministry	William Robinson	606-309-7210
Outreach/Faith in Action	Sandy Eggett	623-2989
Parish Council	Tim Glotzbach	248-0872
Parish Picnic	Mary Katherine Barnes	623-2989
Praying Hands	Connie Wason	248-1927
R.C.I.A.	Tricia Davis	248-2495
Respect Life	Angie Wright	200-3610
Rosary	Mary Rose Bauer	408-5001
Sacred Linens	Mary Katherine Barnes	624-4136
Sacristans	Gene Young	948-1999
Social/ Fundraising Committee	Pat Horvat	582-0244
Sunday Brunch	Ingrid Gautreaux	893-3433
St. Mark School Council	Cathy Cornett	623-2989
St. Mark School PTO	Cathy Cornett	623-2989
Ultreya	Parish Office	623-2989
Ushers	John Wright	893-1123
Vacation Bible School	Mary Katherine Barnes	624-4136
Welcome Committee	Becky Etherington	353-5268
Youth & Campus Ministry	Alanna Sininger	623-2989

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: I am writing this column well before Christmas, but I know, when this bulletin appears, that I will want to thank *everyone* who helped in any way with the celebration of the Savior's Birth. I want to thank those who helped to prepare the Worship Space, including the students who helped to carry in a boatload of poinsettias when they were delivered to our doors. I want to thank those who assembled the poinsettia tree, set up the creche, and hung the Star of Bethlehem. I want to thank those who donated poinsettias, in memory of loved ones, for use in the decoration of the sanctuary. Thank you to those who helped to live-stream the Christmas liturgy, so that those watching from home could participate. Thank you to musicians (choir, cantors, and instrumentalists), who helped us all to make "a joyful noise unto the Lord." Thank you to the various liturgical ministers, and thank you to all those who took part in the various liturgies of Christmas, either in person, or remotely, watching from home. I am grateful that we could assemble safely this year, and usher in the Christmas Season in the pleasure of each other's company. May the new year lead us to the end of the pandemic!

Christmas peace and all good will, Fr Tom



More from the Pastor's Desk: The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, January 1st, is ordinarily a holy day of obligation, but not when it falls on a Saturday or on a Monday. It falls on a Saturday this year, and so the obligation to attend Mass on that day has been lifted. I plan to offer a New Year's Eve Mass at 4 PM on Friday, December 31st, and that Mass will honor the Mother of God, but I will not offer a holy day Mass on the morning on January 1st. I will, however, offer a Mass at 4 PM on Saturday, January 1st, and that will be the first weekend Mass in celebration of the Epiphany.



Saturday December 25, 2021

Christmas Day

10:00am Joseph Atanga
No 4:00pm Saturday Mass

Sunday December 26, 2021

8:30am Erma & Martha Wirtz
11:00am Dalgliesh & Kasitz Families

Tuesday December 28, 2021

Noon Julia Hinkle

Wednesday December 29, 2021

6:00pm Pat Curran

Thursday December 30, 2021

Noon Sharon Mason

Friday December 31, 2021

Vigil Mass for New Year's Day
4:00pm For the Parish

Saturday January 1, 2021

4:00pm Mysti Ramsey

Sunday January 2, 2021

8:30am Larry Swartz
11:00am Cheryl Geiger

Our Active Duty Service Members

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Readings for the Week of December 26, 2021

Sunday:

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/ Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday:

1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday:

1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday:

1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday:

1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Friday:

1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Saturday:

Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday:

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Our Lady of Guadalupe Candle

ERMAN & MARTHA WIRTZ



Michael Andrew Jackowski
Mary Carroll ~ Lee Cline
Deanna Sullivan ~ Duey Cowan
Diane Unthank ~ Campbell Doty
Tricia Davis ~ Franklin Wiggins
Clinton Estep ~ Kyle Fritche
Cassandra Girten ~ Donna Schneider
Kinzler Family ~ Dillard Hill
Carol Kelly Kracsun ~ Jim James
George LaVigne ~ Ron Maturani
Elizabeth Mayer ~ Penelope Culp
Milt Nichols ~ Pam Palmisano
Christian Grimes ~ Joe Kinelski
Solomon Nachtwey
Anselm Thomas ~ Gwendolyn Towe
Jennifer Wise ~ Robert Wilson
Kelly Jo Wiggins ~ Daniel Yagami
Audrey Durbin ~ Agnes Atanga
Martha Nell Brown ~ Kitty Culp
Ray DeSloover ~ Tracy Williams
Anne Czor ~ Charles Neal
Anna Etherington ~ Philip Rhein
Thomas James Williams
Jane Pennington

Those who have entered into eternal life this past year

Michael Maudlin
Mary Therese Reilly
Douglas Adams
Kristoffer Baker
Russell H Elswick
Betty Davy
Dorothy Grep
Joseph McManus
Loretta Leszczynski
Margie Williams
John Rasche
Bicki Elswick
Jennifer McCabe
Loretta A. Prasnicky
Don "Brick" Rist
Marsha Hale
Sharon Mason


WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT FOR December 5, 2021

	<u>Amount Collected</u>	<u>Amount Needed</u>	<u>YTD Collected</u>	<u>YTD Needed</u>
Offertory	\$9,137.00	\$10,000.00	\$220,461.21	\$240,000.00
Debt Retirement	\$2,545.00		\$ 24,718.00	
School Collection	\$110.00		\$9,915.00	

**January
Extra Collection Schedule**



- 1st/2nd** - St Mark Catholic School Scholarship Fund
- 8th/9th** - Reduction of Parish Debt Principal
- 15th/16th** - Opportunities for Life
- 22nd/23rd** - Reduction of Parish Debt Principal
- 29th/30th** — Weekly



St. Mark Diocesan Annual Appeal Update

Our Goal: \$38,000.00

Pledged: \$30,332.00

Paid: \$29,246.00

Total families registered in the Parish: 610

Total families contributing: 99 (16%)

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Legacy Giving



Your support makes a difference in the life of our Parish. Consider a gift of stock, insurance, real estate, retirement plan or cash to ensure the financial health of Catholic ministry programs.

For information please contact:
Tim Glotzbach, Coordinator, St. Mark Legacy Giving Program. 859-248-0872

TORNADO DISASTER RELIEF

There is still time to donate to the Tornado Disaster Relief efforts.

Please make checks out to St. Mark Catholic Church and add Tornado Disaster Relief on your memo line.

All donations will be sent to the Diocese of Lexington in conjunction with the Owensboro Catholic Charities.

As you can see, we are starting to utilize Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharists at our weekend Masses as our attendance is growing. If you are a trained Eucharistic Minister that is vaccinated and would like to be added to the rotation or if you are vaccinated and would like to be trained, please contact Alanna at asininger@cdlex.org or look for the sign-up sheets found in the gathering space. At this time we are only distributing Holy Communion under one species.



CALLING ON OUR SACRISTANS

We are going to start scheduling our sacristans once again to help set up or break down after our weekend Masses and Holy Days of Obligation. If you are one of our trained sacristans and would like to be added back to the rotation, look for the sign-up sheets in the gathering space.

MINISTRY SIGN-UPS



As we are seeing an increased attendance for Mass on the weekends, we are starting to incorporate more and more ministries. We are going old school for awhile and using sign-up sheets that can be found in the gathering space. Please be sure to check back regularly.

We have also left reminder cards for you to fill out and take with you to remind yourself what dates you signed up for.



*Christmas flowers in honor
and memory of our loved ones.*

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Doug Adams | Mark Davis | Annette McKeon |
| Edd & Mary Adams | Dufour Family | Terry Meek |
| Dr. & Mrs. William Africano | Joseph Dusing | John O'Meara |
| Carl Douglas Allen | Rita, Carl & Mary Ehlman | Martin Prasnicki |
| Barbara Hall Allen | Tom Etherington | Loretta Prasnicki |
| Clinton (Chip) Allen | Anna Etherington | Mysti Ramsey |
| Dottie Baker | Darlene Eubanks | Ramsey Family |
| Morris Barnes Family | Peter J. Flaherty III | William H. (Bill) Reed |
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| Jo Ann & Earl Burns | Ann Gretencord | Grace Schwendeman |
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| Caldwell Family | H.O. Hicks Family | Allan Shandor |
| Julie Camburn | Julia Hinkle | Alycia E. Smith |
| Lynda Campbell | John & Margaret Huff | Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Smith |
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| Margaret Carter | Charles Lash | John & Gwen Trotter |
| Michael Carter | Jim Lawson | The Watson Family |
| Aymara Castillo | LeMaire Family | Warren Welsh |
| Charles Combs | Linda Lund | Margie Williams |
| Cone Family | Marcaill Marks | DeLoreo Williams |
| Cooper Family | Bette McGivern | Carl Williams |
| The Cotter Family | | Wright Family |

New Baptismal Policy

Baptismal preparation classes will now take place the first Sunday of each month following the 11:00am Mass. Please contact Natalie Fitzsimmons (859-582-3069) to make arrangements to attend. A Baptismal date cannot be set until the parents or legal guardian attend the preparation class. Expecting parents do not have to wait for the arrival of their newborn to take the class. The class can be attended during the pregnancy.



RCIA/RCIC: RCIA/RCIC are on Christmas Break until January 9th. We want to thank all parishioners who have supported this ministry during the fall, especially those who are serving as godparents and sponsors and those who have volunteered time and energy after Saturday and Sunday Masses to "flip" the library into usable space for this ministry. You are appreciated!!

NEEDED: A parishioner who can serve as a substitute teacher for our Rite of Christian Initiation for Children program. For more information, contact Deaidra at 859-544-3488 or Tricia at 859-248-2495



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS (CDA):

Ladies of the parish, please feel free to join us at our next meeting at 6:30 on Tuesday, January 18, in the Art Room.



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Knights of Columbus

This is our only fundraiser which enables us to do our charity work. Please come and support the KNIGHTS efforts.

Any questions call John Wright 859-893-1123 or Gail King 859-200-3977

In Facebook search "Bingo-with-Knights-of-Columbus" for our Facebook Page.



ULTREYA

We will begin meeting again on the 4th Monday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 24th at 7:00 pm.

For more information contact Connie Wason @ 248-1927.

*Pints
&
Prayers*

We will NOT meet for the month of December as every company in Madison County is trying to find party rooms for their company Christmas parties and the room at Gillum's is not available. We will meet again January 13, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Mark your calendar!



Madison Home (*formerly Room In The Inn*) needs volunteers who can work registration at the new check-in site on 5th Street. Volunteers are needed DAILY from 4:30-6:00 p.m., beginning December 15. To volunteer or for more information, **please contact David at 859-979-8046 or Jill 859-582-5747.**



Do you enjoy sewing and working together to help others?
Would you like to learn a new skill?
I invite you to join me for a sewing/quilting group so that we may come together to work on projects and reconnect as a church family.
Please contact , Toni McHugh at bill-toni@live.com or (606) 564-0435

We are well underway with our fundraising efforts to replace the lighting system used for celebrating Masses at the Newman Center. Our current system is estimated to be over 40 years old and it is cost prohibitive to replace the burned out lightbulbs (there are so many burned out bulbs that we can no longer use the system as there is not even adequate lighting over the altar). Our bid for the work has come in at just under \$9,000. We participated in the iGiveCatholic campaign on Giving Tuesday and have received contributions from the families of our current students as well as ECU faculty, staff and even our Newman alumni, friends and families but haven't reached the goal yet.



If you missed the iGiveCatholic campaign, you can still make a donation directly to our St. Mark Campus Ministry. Your support is greatly appreciated!



On behalf of the students of our campus ministry, I want to thank all of our parishioners for supporting our Holiday Fudge Sale in our effort for the students to contribute to the Christmas Bazaar. Our ministry along with the entire St. Mark community benefits from the funds raised by the Bazaar. To say that our fudge sale was a success would be an understatement! Students used their free time around the holidays and during finals week to help make **MANY, MANY** batches! The recipe is one I "borrowed" from my mother and she too gave her thumbs up when I provided her a sample. She was amazed at the news I shared with her regarding how many batches were requested. If we failed to fulfill any of the orders, please let me know and we will get your request filled immediately! Thank you again! Alanna



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