


St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Community

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Powers Catholic High School (810) 591-4741

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Monday – Thursday 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome! Individuals who actively participate with us are asked to register by contacting the Parish Office.



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MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Mark the Evangelist Parish is
a growing community of faith which strives
to help its members follow Christ's commandment:
"Love one another, as I have loved you."
John 15:12*

SACRAMENTAL LIFE:

Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day:

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Liturgies:

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
First Friday of the month 8:30 a.m.
Eucharistic adoration 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Christmas, Easter, and Holy Days: see bulletin

Penance Saturday, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Infant Baptism Contact Parish Office

Matrimony Contact Parish Office
(9 months in advance)

Anointing of the Sick Contact Parish Office
(After Masses, at home, or in hospital)

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday Noon

CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you move, have a seasonal address, or change of address, phone or e-mail, please contact the Parish Office.

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers today. Though it is celebrated on the calendar once a year, we are certainly grateful always for the gift of life given to each of us. I realize for some this day will carry sadness and grief for those whose mothers have died. As a community of faith, we bring all those cares to God and pray for guidance and grace. Below are 10 reflections which are applicable for all:

1. Trust in God (Matthew 6:34).
2. Celebrate! (Hebrews 10:25).
3. Cultivate Support (Luke 1:39-45).
4. Make Every Day Holy (Psalm 118:4).
5. Grow in Faith (I Peter 2:2-5).
6. Go Against the Grain (Joshua 24:15).
7. Let Go (Proverbs 22:6).
8. Admit Imperfections (James 5:16).
9. Share and Share Alike (luke3:10-14).
10. Laugh! (Proverbs 17:22).

Mother's Day – "Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all women of the world who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You, who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to love and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most. Amen."

(Creative Communications for the Parish @ 1993)

Blessing of Mothers on Mother's Day

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated next weekend after all liturgies. This Sacrament is available for all aspects of illness (emotional, physical, psychological, and spiritual). I look forward to celebrating this wonderful Sacrament of healing to our community. This Sacrament is available after mass, at home, or in the hospital. Please call the Parish Office or see me after a weekday or weekend liturgy.

Farewell to Bonnie Wade who finished working in our parish office this week and will be moving with her family to Boston. Bonnie has brought a vibrant presence in all aspects for us and will be missed.

Welcome to Caitie (Yancho) Essenmacher who was married this weekend here at our parish. She & Brian are on their honeymoon. Caitie was able to "shadow" before the transition which will help as she begins on May 30. Please keep both of them in your prayers as they endeavor new beginnings on their life's journey!

Peace,

MONDAY, May 15

TUESDAY, May 16

10:00 a.m. – Shawl Ministry – Contact Parish Office
6:30 p.m. – Mass: 10 Year Pastoral Plan / Parish
7:00 p.m. – Parish Commission Meeting – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, May 17

8:30 a.m. – Mass: Red Lawson / Fr. Mike Kuchar
9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph Guild – Parish Center
10:00 a.m. – AA – Room 1 & 2

THURSDAY, May 18

10:35 a.m. – Powers Senior Mass
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice – Church

FRIDAY, May 19

Hospital Visits

SATURDAY, May 20

Anointing of the Sick

4:30 – 5:15 p.m. – Confessions – Church
5:30 p.m. – Mass: +Martin Galecka /Galecka Family

SUNDAY, May 21

Anointing of the Sick

9:30 a.m. – Mass: People of the Parish / Parish
9:30 a.m. – Children's Liturgy of the Word
10:30 a.m. – Hospitality Hour – Parish Center
5:30 p.m. – Mass: World Peace / Parish

LET US PRAY:

For Peace; for Women/Men in the Military Service:

SSG J Gillett; Maj. S Halleaux; Maj. C Kaighen;
SPC T Kenney; S/Sgt. D Kendall; CPL M Zagone

For Our Sick: Those who are homebound, in the hospital or another healthcare facility.

For Prayer Ministry Requests: Contact Joan Turner, joanturner38@sbcglobal.net or 248-410-2286.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon, 5/15: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
- Tue, 5/16: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
- Wed, 5/17: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
- Thu, 5/18: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
- Fri, 5/19: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
- Sat, 5/20: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
- Sun, 5/21: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18 or 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21 or Jn 17:1-11a

Marriage Banns

1st publication: Tracey Miloche and Michael Nemeth

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule – May 27 and 28

Starting Memorial Day weekend (May 27 and 28) through Labor Day weekend (September 2 and 3). Masses are on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. & Sundays at 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

Welcome New Parishioners

We would like to welcome the Grappin family: Joseph & Elyssa and son Owen, the Miller family: James & Kelly and son Dylan and Sean & Jennifer Trowbridge to our parish.

Fifth Sunday of Easter THE WAY

Today we sense the apostles' trepidation as they begin to realize that the Lord would soon be leaving them. In their fear, they ask, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" (John 14:5). Jesus tells them that *he* is the way. The Easter season has been a time of growing in Easter faith so that we, too, may learn to know that Jesus is the way. We can take comfort in the Lord's promise that he is going to his Father's house to prepare a place for us, his chosen people who have been called out of darkness into God's wonderful light. As the paschal candle continues to burn during this holy season, let us remember that in baptism we were given the light of Christ. With Christ our light as the beacon lighting our way, let us march toward the glory of Pentecost.

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

May 6 and 7

Weekly Collection	\$ 4,258.75
Online Giving	\$ 5,055.00
Children	\$ 6.50
Youth.....	\$ 101.00

Capital Campaign Payments

Accelerated Payments – You can pay online per instructions given the first time: www.witnessstohope.net and click on Donations at the bottom. Checks made payable to: Witness to Hope. Indicate on the check in the memo line: St. Mark the Evangelist. Give to Parish Office.

New Pledges or One time Payments – Use envelopes and cards that were provided by Witness to Hope. These can be obtained from the parish office.

Installment Payments – Reminder letters will go out if you made a pledge with installments. These letters will include payment envelopes and instructions.

Questions – Any questions about tax forms, notifications or etc. Call Colleen Andrews at 517-342-2461 (diocese).

Gardening Group – May 23 and 24

Calling all gardeners and other volunteers! Gardening Group Meets every other Tuesday after evening mass for gardening and landscaping projects. A special project is scheduled for May 23 & 24 5:30 - 8 p.m. to divide plants. Contact Sharon Roberts at the Parish Office to volunteer.

Euchre & Luncheon – May 26

Come join us on Friday, May 26 at 10:00 a.m. for Euchre with a light lunch to follow. Cost is \$5.00. Contact Ruth and Mike Petroski at teacuplady47@hotmail.com or 810-344-7293 by May 23 to sign up.

Parish Dinner – June 3

Join us for the first Saturday Parish Dinner on Saturday, June 3rd, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Sign up by May 31 in the Gathering Space or call Parish Office 810-636-2216.

Enrollment at Powers Catholic High School

Are you interested in Catholic education? Powers Catholic High School has 10 available seats in next year's freshmen class. Contact Valaria in the Admissions Office to reserve a seat or for more information. (810) 591-4741, ext. 6

FAITH FORMATION

Deacon Ron Kenney, Director of Faith Formation
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We live in a world of the GPS... the new way to find our way, wherever we might be going. I love the GPS on my phone because with it I am never lost.

Well my friends here is my simple thought for today: I love today's Gospel from John 14, because with it I am never lost. Jesus tells Thomas, "I am the way, the truth and the life!" Set your sights on how you can put Jesus more into your life. Maybe pick up his word, find a good daily devotional, seek out videos on his message, attend church prepared, go to confession and come to the table with a clean heart, sing joyfully at mass, sign up for an upcoming Bible study, or go seek spiritual guidance, go to church focused on Jesus, not just "going" to church.

READ THIS GOSPEL TODAY AND LOVE IT LIKE I DO!
And I promise you, you will never be lost! Walk the Talk!
Be Peace! Happy Mother's Day to all Moms, I have always said you are God's Angels here on earth!

Deacon Ron

A big thank you and congratulations to Jackie Maul (2nd Grade Catechist). Jackie has been helping to prepare St. Mark First Communicants for the last 20 years. Thank you for your dedication and faith you share with our young people.

St. Mark Youth Group

- **St. Mark Youth Group COLOR FUN RUN!** Saturday, June 17th, 8:30am. Proceeds go to St. Mark Youth Mission Trip 2017. Registration forms are available on our website www.stmarkgoodrich.org or our St. Mark Faith Formation Office. All ages, families, kids, adults!
- **Summer Youth Group:** Begins June 7th, 7-9pm Meet at the Pavilion for Fun, Prayer & Pizza! All 6th-12th graders invited, bring \$3 for pizza. We have a summer full of Fun, Soup Kitchen Trips, Movie nights, and more.

Graduation Mass and Reception

- High School graduates: join us on Sunday, June 4th at the 9:30am Liturgy (Please arrive at 9:15am with cap and gown for the procession. Reception will follow in the Parish Center. RSVP by May 28th for you and your family in the Gathering Space or call the Parish Office.

REF Children and Youth

- Early Registration. To help us prepare for 2017/2018 registration is taking place in the Parish Office through the month of June.

Adult Faith Formation

- St. Mark Men's Fellowship – 1st Saturday of the Month, Next one June 3rd, 7-8am.
- Book Club: In Search of Belief – Discussion Tues. May 23rd, 7-8:30pm.

Spring Cleaning Time! – Community Closet

Catholic Charities' needs new or gently used men's items, tennis shoes, blankets, sleeping bags, towels, sheets and comforters, clothing, furniture, working appliances and household items. Drop off items in the Parish Office or in the Usher's Room in Church.