

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 06, 2024



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



GRATEFUL TO GIVE

TIME. TALENT. TREASURE.

CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS FOR CGS ARE WANTED, especially someone with an A.M. availability during the week to be present for a couple of hours with the 4-5 year olds from the parish/preschool! CGS training experience is a plus, but not required! Contact our preschool director, Addie Smith, at asmith@onestrongfamily.org

JOIN THEM FOR A DELICIOUS FUNDRAISER AT DAVANNI'S (corner of Cleveland and Grand Avenues) : support Cub Scout Pack 1! On Monday, Oct 14 from 4:00-8:00 PM, 20% of all sales will go to the pack. Whether you dine in or take out, just mention "Cub Scout Pack 1" when ordering. Your support will help fund activities for the scouts—they hope to see you there!

EXCITING PARENT-CHILD CANOE TRIP SPONSORED BY TROOP NO. 1 AND PACK NO. 1. The trip will be October 13 including Mass, lunch and a 2-3 hour canoe trip on the Scenic St. Croix River from Interstate State Park to the Osceola bridge. If you want more information, contact kaardal@mklaw.Canoe Trip!

IF YOU WERE ON THE WINNING FATHER DAVID KICKBALL TEAM at the Parish Picnic, RSVP (stmark.xyz/winners) **by October 18th** for a pizza dinner! Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 19th at 6:00 PM in the Community Room

2024 MINISTRY FAIR: Join us after Mass (next Sunday) in Carolyn Hall to be dazzled by all the ways that Jesus Christ is at work in the ministries of our parish. And ask the Lord to show you where he wants you to offer your gifts to his work at Saint Mark this year. Bonus -- you can also grab a fresh donut and hot cup of coffee on the side!

THERE WILL BE A CCW MEETING ON TUESDAY (Oct. 08) in the community room 1-3pm. We will be debriefing about how the rummage went, what went well and what we can improve upon. We will also be planning our next events. All women of the parish are welcome!

THAT'S RIGHT! PES is doing a pilgrimage to the Eternal City! And if you take into account the price (sans airfare), and the fact that spaces are limited, and the fact that you'll get to see it all through a PES lens, and you don't act ASAP to secure your position, then what are you doing?! The nifty flyer is at stmark.xyz/roma and you can head to stmark.xyz/interest to move the ball forward for you and yours!

GET ACTIVE! Women's workout sessions are on Mondays, 8:00 PM, in the school gym, and men play basketball in the gym on Saturday evenings! Connect with the website (women) or, men, someone who knows more (Fr. Patrick) for more info!

UPCOMING EVENTS

**WED
09
OCT** *40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign Vigil Day | 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM | 671 Vandalia Street, St. Paul, MN*
What goes on at 671 Vandalia Street should never happen anywhere, ever. But it does. Can you not spare an hour of prayerful vigil and witness?! We're partnering with Nativity of Our Lord to do just that! Sign up for an hour at stmark.xyz/40

**THU
10
OCT** *Supper at Emmaus | 5:30 - 8:00 PM | Supper at Emmaus*
Looking back on your life, you may regret not going to more Suppers at Emmaus! Share a meal (potluck at 5:30 PM), be edified by our pastors (6:00 PM), worship at twilight by candlelight (7:00 PM), and encountering the Lord's mercy! Do *at least* this to console the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

But wait, there's more. Find the Parish calendar on our website: onestrongfamily.org/events.

27th Sunday

Oh October, month of much, what are you about?

If months could choose their identity like the modern world proposes, this one would have a hard time. If you are a baseball fan, October means playoffs.

For the commercial world and its secular decorators, it's time to push the Halloween kitsch. For those of German heritage and their fair-weather friends, it's the season for outdoor beer-drinking and activities that facilitate the same. Politically speaking, these weeks are the culmination of months of campaigning and the time to avoid (or create!) sensational scandals and accusations. In Minnesota and other states at our latitude, it's also a time for fall colors and trips to the apple orchard. And according to NationalDay.com (an authority on the subject) October is also the month for awareness of (drumroll.....!): breast cancer, chili, women in A.I., menopause, Filipino American heritage, physical therapy, fire prevention, dwarfism, CBD for pets (!), and workplace politics... among other causes of greater or less merit. So be aware!

Within the Church there is only slightly less wrangling over the meaning of this moon (*did you know that's where the word mo[on]th comes from?*). In the first place, it is the Month of the Rosary, in virtue of the feast commemorating the miraculous victory obtained through prayer of the Rosary over the Turkish hordes at the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571. Now the entire month has become an opportunity to preach and practice this powerful spiritual weapon, and to recommit to making our Mother smile by prayerfully remembering the mysteries of her life with Jesus.

October has also been World Mission Month since 1926. That's when Pope Pius XI instituted World Mission Sunday on the last Lord's Day of the antepenultimate page of the calendar. Ever since, Catholics have been encouraged to give attention to the work of those laboring in the harvest of the Church's mission fields during the weeks preceding the annual collection in their favor.

In the U.S.A., October is also Respect Life Month (noticeably lacking mention on NationalDay.com!). The USCCB has designated the first Sunday as "Respect Life Sunday" and "calls on Catholics to renew their commitment to the legal protection of human life, to support policies and service ministries that assist mothers, and to extend compassion to those suffering from participation in abortion." Why

October? This is when the Supreme Court comes back in session after its summer recess.

Finally, here at St. Mark's October is traditionally also the Month of Stewardship, as it contains the annual Talent and Treasure pledge opportunities and provides the occasion to reflect both on God's generous gifts and the response we are called to make with them as disciples.

With so many causes vying for control of the month, the real question is: what's a pastor's bulletin article to be about?

None of the above? As I write this, I have just arrived from a house blessing for a woman named Kim. She came to Mass at St. Mark's often until about April of this year, when she moved to Falcon Heights. Many would recognize her: a short Vietnamese woman, often brought flowers to Our Lady's statue in the Rectory garden and sometimes tried to communicate through Google translate. She finally saved enough to buy a home, where she sleeps a little easier now that it's been thoroughly blessed.

House blessings are always a delight, but this one especially. Kim doesn't drive and has been suffering from a leg ailment. As a result she hasn't made it to Mass since the move. Her twenty one year-old daughter does attend at St. Aadelbert's, but has yet to receive confirmation and her first communion, and seems to never have imagined she ever could. After the blessing, and another blessing of Rosaries, and after they had showered us with gifts (more than repaying for the generous application of Holy Water!), Brother Jose and I gave some pastoral encouragement and extra prayer to them both in these regards. Hopefully something was understood. In any case, it was a touching reminder of the universality of our Faith, and also of the fact that there are so many who live so close who lack so many blessings in which we abound. Sometimes for causes we can do nothing about, and sometimes for causes that can be remedied quite easily!

Awareness months can be helpful. But there is nothing like human encounters. One October day mission to a short (but not dwarfish), Rosary-praying, perhaps post-menopausal Vietnamese (and not Filipino) woman and candidate for physical therapy who used A.I. to translate a house blessing that will hopefully further the cause of fire prevention (among other things) made me aware of much.

Now I just need to give a bowl of CBD chili to a coworker's pet for political reasons.

ONE STRONG FAMILY UNITED IN CHRIST

From the Director of Music and Organist **Boldly, perpetually, into the future!**

Saint Mark's Boys Choir Starting Up!

Boys age 7 and up (whose voices have yet to change): come sing with the angels! The Parish desires to start a boys choir this fall with the hope of singing for a few Masses yet this year. Parents of those interested (all boys whose voices have yet to change) should email Rehearsal day and time will be determined on the best option from schedules submitted.

Cantor-Psalmist Ministry

Volunteer cantors-psalmists are needed to fill out the weekend Mass schedule. We would like to restore a cantor to the 5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass and a few more volunteers are needed to serve at the 11 am Sunday Mass. Requirements: While previous experience is helpful, the ability to read music, learn music quickly, sing with a clear and pleasant tone with good intonation is essential.

Saint Mark's Adult Choir

The adult choir sings most Sundays at the 9 a.m. Mass, for a number of Feasts and holidays (Christmas Eve, Triduum-Easter). Rehearsals are Wednesday evening from 7-8:30 p.m. The choir is small but mighty and rehearsals are a lot of fun! All voice parts are welcome to join at this time. Requirements: The ability to read music, sing with good intonation and to attend most rehearsals. Students in junior and senior high as well as college students (all voice parts) are welcome to participate.

For all of the above, contact Kathy Handford (khandford@onestrongfamily.org) for auditions,

Pray for the vocations!

IF WE ASK, WE MIGHT GET SOME! Mothers of Lu prayer for vocations after 9:00 AM Mass this Sunday (first Sundays of the month!)

The following is a message from our venerable pastor:

“**EXCITING NEWS!** Since August 2009, St. Mark's has been served by priests and brothers of Pro Ecclesia Sancta in virtue of the fact that a PES priest has been appointed pastor of the parish. On the occasion of the fifteen year anniversary of the beginning of that relationship, Archbishop Bernard Hebda has formally commended St. Mark's to the care of PES indefinitely through an Entrustment Agreement between PES and the Archdiocese. This show of confidence by our Archbishop is good news for those who have come to love these dedicated religious and resonate with their charism of living and promoting the universal call to holiness from the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It ensures that St. Mark's will be staffed by PES priests for years to come.”



A Fall Bible Study Journey with St. Paul



AS IS TRADITION, we've got a bible study coming up for the masses! Set sail for adventure with your fellow parishioners as we journey, chronologically, through the letters of St. Paul! Small groups are great and all (keep doing those), but don't miss out on this large group series, running Tuesdays from October 22nd to December 3rd, in Carolyn Hall, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM!

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions for week of **OCTOBER 06, 2024**

7 AM

M: ---
 T: **Souls in Purgatory**
 W: + Fr. Jack Donohue
 Tr: + **Daniel Martino**
 F: + Fr. Robert Valit
 S*: + **Sam Chaffee** (8 AM); + Imogene Schultc (5:00 PM)

10 AM

Isabel Monette
 + Mary Kay Ruff
 + Lorraine Peller
 + **Christine Svoboda**
 + Paul Bernabei

BECOME CATHOLIC

Are you interested in learning more about becoming Catholic? Or do you know someone who is? Our Christian Initiation Ministry provides an introduction to Catholic faith and life for adults who are not baptized, baptized in another faith, or Catholics seeking to receive Eucharist or Confirmation. To find out more, contact rcia@onestrongfamily.org. Or sign up at stmark.xyz/cim

FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

FORMED has been back for awhile! Note we may eventually get around to cleaning up the back end, so if your old credentials don't get you in, it's "not you, it's us." To access content, visit Formed.org and click "Sign up as a parishioner" and find St. Mark's via our zip code: 55104

WE ALSO USE EMAIL

THE BULLETIN IS ONE OF THE MAINSTAYS for Catholic parish communications, but, alas, it's still a limited medium! As such, we also have a weekly newsletter, which, in addition to helping remind you of goings-on, also features vanguard news from the parish, or items not featured in the bulletin! Subscribe to it!



ST. MARK'S PRESCHOOL

ST. MARK'S PRESCHOOL offers full-day and half-day programs, up to five days a week. **Enrollment for the upcoming school year is open now!** Visit the preschool website, onestrongfamily.org/preschool, or contact Addie Smith, our Preschool Director at:

preschool@onestrongfamily.org
 651-644-5030

ADORATION



Thank you for those who stepped forward to cover the needs of the Adoration Chapel! We are so grateful and we pray that our community will continue to provide continuous protection to Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. **Still interested in committing to an hour?** Sign up now at stmark.veadorehim.com.

stmark.veadorehim.com. Thank you!

"A Holy Hour before the Most Blessed Sacrament so pleases the Heart of Jesus, that every man, woman and child on earth receives a new effect from God's goodness and love, all because of a single hour of adoration in His Presence."

(St Maria Faustina Kowalska)



DONATE TO ST. MARK'S

Thank you for your generosity! To donate, visit onestrongfamily.org/give-help. For questions, contact parishcenter@onestrongfamily.org



The Church of St. Mark

Our mission is to live
 and share Christ's call to holiness.
 Learn more: onestrongfamily.org/mission

Know someone in need of prayers? Email your request to prayers@onestrongfamily.org and we'll be sure to pray for you!

OUR MISSION IS TO LIVE AND SHARE CHRIST'S CALL TO HOLINESS



SAINT LUKE IS THE PATRON SAINT OF PHYSICIANS and on his feast day (Oct 18) we're turning to his patronage and to the Divine Physician to implore healing of mind, soul, and body for all those who are ill in our family.

During the Mass, the Anointing of the Sick will be administered to those who are in need of it. Please register for it ahead of time at stmark.xyz/anoint

Following the Mass there will be an adoration vigil held until 8 AM Saturday, in the main church, for Ava Duchesne, for her healing and for divine aid for her family.

Give us men, the times demand!



MEN OF THE PARISH, this is your chance for heroics: find your place in the "St. Joseph Job Squad"! Once a month, after the **8:00 AM Saturday Mass**, men of all skill levels and talents are called to tackle projects under the direction of our Director of Maintenance, Larry Leif (may he live forever)! And with the ratio of tasks to staff, help is sorely needed! If you put your handyman skills to work at home, even better to put them to work at the house of God! *Tentative* first job is **October 19th**; inquire with Larry (lleif@onestrongfamily.org for details)

Be our guest! Dress your semi-best!



THE PASTOR HIMSELF INVITES YOU TO A SOIREE of special magnificence, so save the date: **November 9th**. Soiree here is a French word meaning "state of the parish, semi-formal evening gathering where parishioners ages 21+ will get an honest assessment of the parish and also dream dreams—or, better yet, discern—where the Lord is calling us as a parish." *Comprenez-vous?!*

So, again, **blackout that date (Nov. 09)** on your calendar for any other events, call a babysitter ASAP, maybe set aside your wardrobe, etc. Do it now! More information will be forthcoming!

And while we're refreshing you on "Save the Dates," also set aside, *s'ils vous plait* (as *les enfants* say), the morning of **November 16th** for our Mercy Morning, wherein **the whole parish** can partake in works of mercy *together!* So, *les enfants* should come, too!

ALL SAINTS PARTY

GAMES AND CRAFTS | COSTUME PROCESSION | SNACKS

NOVEMBER 2ND

10 AM- 12 PM in the St. Mark's Gym
1954 Marshall Ave St Paul MN 55104

Come dressed as your favorite saint and join us in celebrating!

Sponsored by Family Faith Formation and the Mom's Group

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Summer Parish Center Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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CONNECT



CELEBRATIONS

Mass:

Saturday Evening Mass: 5 PM
 Sunday Mass: 9 AM and 11 AM

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 10 AM
 Tuesday-Friday: 7 AM
 Saturday: 8 AM

Confession:

Tuesday-Friday 9:30 AM; Saturday: 3:30-4:30 PM;
 Sunday: 8:30-9 AM, 10:30-11 AM

Rosary: The Rosary is prayed after all daily Masses.

SACRAMENTS

Detailed information about Sacraments and Sacramental preparation can be found at onestrongfamily.org/sacraments or by contacting the Parish Center.

BAPTISMS are celebrated on Saturdays between 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (exceptions for holidays or major parish events). You must register for Baptism at least one month before your desired date. If this is your first child being baptized in the Catholic Church a Baptism preparation class is needed at least two months before the Baptism takes place.

SACRAMENTAL MARRIAGE preparation must begin at least six months prior to your wedding date. Weddings are most often celebrated on Saturdays at 2 PM.

IF YOU KNOW OF A CATHOLIC WHO IS HOMEBOUND and would like to receive weekly Communion or have their confession heard, please contact the Parish Center to learn more about our Homebound Ministry.

RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST: All are welcome to join us in worship at the Church of Saint Mark. Nevertheless, because the Holy Eucharist is the real Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, the reception of Holy Communion is reserved to those Catholics who are in full moral and doctrinal communion with the Catholic Church, are not conscious of any grave unconfessed sin, and who have kept the Eucharistic fast of one hour.

PRO ECCLESIA SANCTA



The Church of Saint Mark is served by the priests, brothers, and sisters of Pro Ecclesia Sancta, which is an institute of consecrated life founded in Lima, Peru in 1992, whose members dedicate themselves to living and promoting the universal call to holiness in the Church. Their motto is *ad maximam trinitatis gloriam*. Everything “for the greatest glory of the Holy Trinity.”

SAINT MARK, PRAY FOR US!



Church of Saint Mark

Supper At Emmaus

Join us for a potluck dinner in Carolyn Hall at 5:30pm.

September 12th, October 10th, November 14th & December 12th

Abria GALA

SAVE THE DATE! Please join Abria for their annual Together for Life Gala October 25th, 2024.
InterContinental Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport
For more information visit supporters.abria.org/gala

Private Rental Policy

DID YOU MISS IT LAST WEEK? We shared that St. Mark's will, in the not too distant future (tentative start Jan. 01), be offering rental space for parishioners for private celebrations of milestones. (Due to the strain this would have presented to our limited staff, this was not feasible to offer in the past, but our hope is that now we have capacity to serve.) Of course, this is new, and we'll be working out some inevitable hiccups and discerning just how to offer this for the good of all, so terms and conditions apply, etc! For policy details, including the fee schedule and space availability, please contact Gina Brennan at the parish office (gbrennan@onestrongfamily.org).

Can you not give an hour this Fall?!



DID YOU KNOW THAT ABORTION IS A SANITIZING WORD for an incredibly evil action? Look it up at your own risk: many in our society probably haven't. It's a scourge and one way to respond to it is with prayer. There is a 40 day prayer campaign (part of the nationwide 40 Days for Life effort) at Planned Parenthood, from 7 AM to 6 PM daily! We're invited to cover two of the forty days, along with Nativity of Our Lord: Oct 09 and Oct 22.

Sign up for a vigil hour at stmark.xyz/40

Fundraiser for the **St. Joseph Business Guild**



Beer, sport shooting, supper, trophy, camaraderie and more! Represent the parish in a team of four and enjoy a good competition, all for a great cause!

Register by Oct. 14th

At Minnesota Horse & Hunt Club
Prior Lake, MN

Register at sjbusinessguild.com



ST. MARK AND NATIVITY OF OUR LORD YOUNG ADULTS

LET'S GET LOONY!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

8PM GAME - MEET AT ST. MARK'S RECTORY AT 7PM TO WALK WITH THE GROUP!

TICKETS ARE \$27 - GET YOURS NOW!

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