



ANNOUNCEMENTS



SHOOT. Did you forget to fill out your talent pledge, or maybe thought, “Eh, I am already engaged in a ministry. Not for me.” Well you forgot or thought wrong, dear reader! This side of paradise the church has profound administrative needs. Tasks like this are unglamorous, but small-and-effective ways you can move the needle for the proclamation of The Gospel! And would you really want to be in a church that doesn’t ask *something* of you?! (*Sad!*) **Get on that response ASAP at stmark.xyz/talent**

Also, you probably already reserved that sitter, set your reminders, etc for November 9th's parish soiree! Great! As Father mentioned last week, those invites should have hit mailboxes the week before this last week. **But... did you RSVP?! We're asking for those by October 28th!** Remember the impetus for this event is to assemble as a parish family, enjoy each other's company (with “schmoozing and schmingling,” wine and classy charcuterie-esque fare), and also pull back the curtain on the present state of the parish. And dream dreams! **RSVP at stmark.xyz/soiree**

PES IS LEADING a pilgrimage to the Eternal City! The price is ridiculously acceptable, and, if you consider the spiritual riches that await, this is a steal! Act ASAP!

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. **And spread the word about our preschool:** maybe you know someone who's in need of preschool services, we have an outstanding offering! Inquire with the director and know that your child is in a truly Catholic program!

FR. DAVID WILL LEAD a second session on the Liturgy of the Hours, October 26th: you should come! Beginning on October 22, (before the Bible Study), Vespers will be prayed in the Adoration Chapel each Tue. - Thu. at 6:30 PM, and Lauds on Saturdays at 7:30 AM.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUE *40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil Day* | 7:00 - 6:00 PM | *Planned Parenthood at 671 Vandalia St.*
22 Babies are being killed: the least we can do is pray for that all be spared the horror of abortion! Sign
OCT up for an hour at stmark.xyz/40

Bible Study | 7:00 - 8:30 PM | *Carolyn Hall*
TUE We're apostolic! And this Tuesday we start a chronological journey, live with our pastor, through the
22 letters of the “Apostle to the Gentiles,” St. Paul! For this six-week series, bring your bible and a mere
OCT \$10 covers for the rest of the materials! A perfect opportunity, too, for your small group to join the
 greater parish community! **Register at stmark.xyz/bible (walk-ins also welcome)!** And prior to
 the study, Vespers will be prayed in the adoration chapel at 6:30 PM!

SAT *Various* | *Various* | *Various*
26 You know, *the thing*? Let this upcoming event note be an illustration of the importance of perusing
OCT all the bulletin: on this day, we've got the Community Gathering for couples (WCI), a Liturgy of
 the Hours Intro Session (see above), and a Swing Dance (volunteers are free: stmark.xyz/swing)!

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

Pastor's Parish Update on Matters Various & Sundry, Part II



The itemizing updating on ongoing happenings and proceedings has things remaining!

Parish Facility Rentals

Parishioner calls the parish office. "Can I rent the gym for my kid's birthday?

Or Carolyn Hall for my (other) kid's grooms dinner?" In recent years, our staff have had to show a rare grimace as they give the answer in the negative. Years ago, such rentals were permitted. But after the downsizing connected to the school closure, we simply did not have the custodial or administrative bandwidth to facilitate such requests.

But we've wanted to. Now, with the addition of the part time administrative assistant position a year ago this month, filled so admirably by Gina Brennan, we are thinking this might be possible again. As pastor, I'd like to make parish facilities available to parishioners, since it is your parish. Especially if it makes celebrating sacraments more affordable and builds community. And it brings some much-needed rental income to the parish.

So, *hear ye, hear ye*: after consulting parish and finance councils and developing a plan with the staff, St. Mark's will be permitting parishioner facility rentals for private events on an experimental basis, starting with the first of the new year. Rentals will be limited to events commemorating family milestones (like birthdays and anniversaries) or celebrations connected to sacraments (such as baptisms and weddings). We've created a modest fee schedule and related policies (which will certainly be a work in progress for some time). Availability will depend on the ebb and flow of the parish event calendar.

Granted, what we are able to provide is rather bare-bones (no luxury banquet hall on this campus!) and we still need to resolve the need for on-site facility coordinators outside of office hours. But I am pleased to make this trial in hopes that it will be of benefit both to you all and to the parish. St. Mark, whose childhood home in Jerusalem was "rented" by the Church, pray for us! (*Direct rental requests to Gina at gbrennan@onestrongfamily.org*)

I want to commend the 110 Markers who are presently participating in parish small groups, about 20 of whom are

new participants after the fall push. If we estimate that roughly two thirds of the 500 or so people who regularly attend St. Mark's for Sunday Mass are adults, that would mean that over a third of our active adult population are in parish small groups now! And this is not counting the many of you who already participate in other kinds of small groups. That vision of "every Catholic in a small group" no longer sounds so idealistic! Thank you, group leaders, for making this possible!

Let's remember the vision. Small groups are not to be just one offering among many at our parishes, but an integral part of the parish structure itself, like the tissues of an organ. As we continue to grow in that direction, we will have to discern how, as families and as parishes, we adapt "parish life as usual" to this new reality. For example, how will small groups and other parish events interrelate and be integrated into a coherent "system"? Or, if small groups will mean that each parishioner has another weekly commitment outside of Sunday Mass, will that mean we have to say "no" to other good activities we no longer have time for? (We shall see!)

Case in Point: the Bible Study

I am very excited for the fall study that your pastor will attempt to lead on the Letters of Paul kicking off next week. We will actually read large chunks of Paul's letters during the session (like the early Church!) and prayerfully reflect on them together to see what the Spirit says to us through them. Then, a shorter than usual presentation, Q&A, and table discussion. My hope is that the Bible Study will serve as something of a "large group landing pad" for people (potentially unchurched) to hear the Word of God in the context of community, and then be routed to a more permanent place of encounter through a small group.

Month of Stewardship

Last but not least, the Month of Stewardship is racing by! Next weekend is already Pledge Weekend for the "treasure" portion of our annual tri-pronged exercise in giving back to God. Be on the lookout this week for the arrival of the Annual Parish Report and the pledge card it contains. Come next Sunday ready to make or renew your financial pledge to the Lord and to this parish. God is never outdone in generosity, and you can hardly find a better cause to support than our shared mission of living and proclaiming Christ's call to holiness!

ONE STRONG FAMILY UNITED IN CHRIST

A Fall Bible Study Journey with St. Paul

CATHOLICS HAVE, in recent history, really been bucking the notion of being ignorant of scripture. So let's keep pressing on! (St. Jerome, we all know, claimed ignorance of scripture was ignorance of Christ!) For *the* Fall Bible study, Father David will walk us through the Letters of St. Paul (at least his canonical, public correspondence)! A trifling \$10 covers for all the materials, presuming you already have a bible! Register at stmark.xyz/bible

PAUL

register at stmark.xyz/bible

2024 Fall Bible Study:
Reading Through the Letters of Paul

Oct 22. - Nov. 26 | 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Live study with Fr. David!
Carolyn Hall | Bring Your Bibles

A Night of
SWING

ST. MARK'S GYM
1950 Marshall Ave. Saint Paul

7 PM. SWING LESSONS
7:30-10 PM. LIVE MUSIC

\$10 ADMISSION AT THE DOOR
(\$8 with student ID)

BEER AND WINE AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE.

SATURDAY,
OCT. 26

Featuring
THE NORTHSTAR BIG BAND

World Mission Sunday (Oct 20)



TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (if you're reading this on Sunday) and although it's proper for us to be Merriam Park focused, we can't forget we're a part of the universal Church! (And this collection is mandated by canon law (the only one)!) Support the Church in Asia, Africa, and Oceania, just as the Old World supported the missionary efforts in the New World frontier back in the day! Donate via stmark.xyz/world

Preparing Your Home for Advent & Christmas

Join us for a free & practical workshop to learn tips for keeping your family in sync with the Church's liturgical year.

Saturday, November 9
9 - 10:30 a.m.
Cathedral of Saint Paul
Hayden Hall

Coffee and donuts provided. Childcare is provided so parents can participate in the workshop
Registration is preferred.

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions for week of **OCTOBER 20, 2024**

7 AM

- M: ---
- T: + Paul Schons
- W: + Jake Navin
- Tr: Rick & Jean Bidwell Family
- F: + Pilar Malilay
- S*: + Marion Russel Schwartz (8 AM); Anastasia Walsh (5:00 PM)

10 AM

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- + Jovito Tabuena Malilay
- Anastasia Walsh
- Dave McLaughlin
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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 to all of our longtime adorers with ongoing adoration commitments; we are also grateful for those who've recently joined this ministry. It's only through your efforts that we can maintain Adoration through the week!

Please pray for the continued growth of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mark's. Noted below are open hours that immediately need to be filled:

- Wednesday: 2 am
- Friday: 1am, 12(noon) 6pm and 7pm



Website: stmark.weadorehim.com
Questions? Adoration@onestrongfamily.org

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

Can you give one more hour? (Oct 22)



WE'RE INVITED TO COVER ONE MORE DAY of the 40 Days for Life Campaign (7 AM to 6 PM), along with Nativity of Our Lord: Oct 22.

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



JOIN ST. MARK'S AND MERCYWORKS FOR

MERCY MORNING

Practice the works of mercy with other members of the St. Mark's family! We'll be visiting Episcopal Homes and Lynnhurst residents, serving at various shelters, packing snack and hygiene bags on-site at St. Mark's, and more!

We're also asking for donations for the Snack and Hygiene bags we'll be packing, as well as the bingo prizes we'll be giving at the Lynnhurst Home.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024

SCHEDULE

- 8AM - Mass
- 8:45AM - Breakfast send-off
- Various times - Serving at sites

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP OR VISIT STMARK.XYZ/MORNING!



Saturday, October 26th
8am: Mass at St. Mark's

8:45-10:45 Potluck brunch, talk, discussion, and prayer in Carolyn Hall

We are a family of families; all stages of life are welcome:

- Single
 - Dating
 - Engaged
 - Married
- Children of all ages are welcome! We provide childcare during the talk and discussion.



Scan the QR code to let us know you will be joining us!



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

Parish Trustees: Kip Chaffee, Andrew Nowak

Parish Pastoral Council: Michael Duchesne, Chair

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Saint Mark's Catholic Preschool

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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!

Take advantage of the nearby seminary!

THE SAINT PAUL SEMINARY'S GRADUATE PROGRAMS are hosting a **free sample class** on Monday, October 21 from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. entitled, "What is Transubstantiation?" with Dr. John Froula at the Brady Education Center at the University of St. Thomas.

Is the doctrine of transubstantiation a philosophical imposition that limits our faith, or a door that opens into the expansive sacramental mystery? Learn exactly what transubstantiation is, and how it sheds light on the sacrificial love and communion that are at the heart of the Church's faith.

A great free resource for catechists, teachers, youth ministers, or the curious and thoughtful lay faithful! One night only! Space limited. Registration and details can be found via the QR code.




CATHOLIC ADVANCE MEN'S RETREAT

Led by the priests of PES, Dec. 6 - 8, from 6 p.m. Friday-3 p.m. Sunday at Dunrovin Retreat Center
 Cost: \$250-\$300 (depending on number of attendees)
 Questions? Email mensretreats@thecatholicadvance.org
 Financial assistance may be available; inquire within the registration form!

Don't know what the Catholic Advance is? Doesn't matter, man of God: you should still come!

The Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda invites you to the public events for the

EPISCOPAL ORDINATION
 of the
MOST REVEREND KEVIN THOMAS KENNEY
 as
 Titular Bishop of Cunaviva
 and
 Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis



VESPERS
 Sunday, October 27 | 7 p.m. | Church of Saint Olaf, Minneapolis

ORDINATION MASS
 Monday, October 28 | 1 p.m. | Cathedral of Saint Paul, Saint Paul
 A public reception will follow in the Cathedral courtyard.

MASSES OF THANKSGIVING
 Each of the Masses of Thanksgiving will be followed by a public reception.

Saturday, November 2 | 5 p.m.
 Mass of All Souls | Our Lady of Guadalupe Diocesan Shrine, Saint Paul

Sunday, November 3 | Noon | Church of Saint Olaf, Minneapolis

Wednesday, November 6 | 6 p.m. | Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Minneapolis



For more information on each of these events, please scan the QR code or visit our website.
Archspm.org/Bishop-Kenney






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DISCERNMENT RETREAT
 with the sisters of Pro Ecclesia Sancta

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

AUG 16-18
NOV 8-10

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CONVENT
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