

Saint Mark Catholic Church

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Epiphany of the Lord



Mission Statement: We are called to Help Complete the Mission of Jesus Christ by reaching out to all the lives we touch by word and example.

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5 PM Saturday & 8 AM Sunday

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Readings Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B):

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; John 1:35-42

CONFESSION: an hour to a half hour before Mass or by appointment with pastor.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: the second Tuesday of each month BEFORE the daily Mass. ** note change **

MEMBERSHIP: New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Mark. We look forward to getting to know you. Please fill out a registration form so we know who you are. Fr. Jojy or any member can help you get the form.

Members: Please let Kathy or Fr. Jojy know when you move or change your phone number. Thank you!

DIOCESAN POLICY: A full explanation of the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns can be found in the revised sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, which is on the oak book shelf in the social hall at St. Mark or on the bookshelf in the back of St. Paul and also on the diocesan web site (www.rcdok.org/safe).

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Alice Holmes, Anna Berger, Anna Brown, Barbra Hughes, Bernadette Strickland, Bill and Jean Hardesty, Brittany Davids, Bobby Joe Greenwell, Bonnie Wiening, Carol Kelly, David Harkins, Deanna Hayward, Denise Greenwell Timmons, Emma Walker, Family of Dysten Bland, Gordon "Ed" Brown, Harned Adoption, Jackie Dukes, Jean Huebschman, Jim Hibbard, Josh Catuncan, Kat Kos, Kayla Gilland & Family, Kelly George, Ken Hibbard, Lily Grace Stigall, Marcella Niehaus, Margie Hibbard, Mary Hanusin and her mother, Michelle Ashley, Pat Gill, Patricia Barber, Richard Berger, Rita Schroeder, Ryan Carr, Sharon Eich, Sr. Joan Claire, Steve & Ruth Rayley, Terence Carlin, Todd Ruxer, Treva Travis, Velma Waterman, Victor Arriola, Viola Schriefer, Wade Parrent, Zachery T McElya.

Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers: **Rivers Bend:** Linda Stevens. **Pray for our military and their families as they work every day to protect our freedom.**

Names are on the prayer list for 60 days unless you ask for them to be kept on. Put a note in the collection basket or contact Kathy Talley (270-625-3433). If anyone needs communion brought to them at home, please contact Fr. Jojy.

ST. MARK AND ST. PAUL MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Day	Church	Date	Time	Intentions	+ Deceased – blank Living
Monday	St. Paul	Jan 8	10:00 AM	Betty Wurtman Funeral Mass	
Tuesday	St. Mark	Jan 9	6:30PM	Marilyn Reibel	6pm Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday	St. Mark	Jan 10	6:30 PM	Mary McClusky	followed by CCD
Thursday	St. Paul	Jan 11	8:00 AM	Al Giordano +	
Friday	St. Paul	Jan 12	8:00 AM	Dora Lee Copeland Burke +	
Saturday	St. Mark	Jan 13	5:00 PM	Bob and Lorraine Luken +	
Sunday	St. Mark	Jan 14	8:00 AM	For Our Parish Family	
Sunday	St. Paul	Jan 14	10:00 AM	For Our Parish Family	

OPPORTUNITIES FOR LIFE: January 13-14 is the weekend designated for the Annual Collection to support Opportunities for Life (OFL) which is a life affirming ministry of the Bishops of Kentucky. The OFL ministry is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to offer confidential, non-judgmental emotional support, and information to those affected by an untimely pregnancy. Please be generous in your support of this ministry. In addition to your generous gift, please pray for the OFL volunteers and for those the ministry serves. To learn more about Opportunities for Life, and volunteer opportunities with the ministry, please call (888) 496-3638.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

Pancake breakfast: The Knights of Columbus will hold a Pancake breakfast at St. Mark to support the H.O.P.E. Clinic Lyon County on Saturday January 13th. Breakfast will be served from 8 until 10. All proceeds will go to support the clinic.

The Knights of Columbus work to provide programs to strengthen both our families and our parishes. These programs are intended to help bring families closer together and closer to God. Consecration to the Holy Family will strengthen families spiritually by inviting Jesus, Mary and Joseph into their homes. The Knight's Building the Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive program includes monthly themes, meditations, Scripture readings and activities for the whole family to build upon and bring the light of the Gospel into their home. **The Family Fully Alive booklets** on the back tables are provided by our Blessed Trinity Council and all families are encouraged to take one home for their use in enriching their faith.

Reflection from Fr. Jojy

The Greek word Epiphany (*επιφάνεια*), means *appearance* or *manifestation*. First, the angels revealed Jesus to the shepherds. In the Western Church, the Feast of the Epiphany celebrates Jesus' first appearance to the Gentiles, represented by the Magi, while in the Eastern Church, the feast is the commemoration of the baptism of Christ where the Father and the Holy Spirit gave combined testimony to Jesus' identity as Son of God. Later, in the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus revealed himself as the promised Messiah, and at Cana he revealed his Divinity by transforming water into wine. These multiple revelations are all suggested by the Feast of the Epiphany.

Today's Gospel teaches us how Christ enriches those who bring him their hearts. The adoration of the Magi fulfills the oracle of Isaiah, prophesying that the nations of the world would travel to the Holy City following a brilliant light, bringing gold and incense to contribute to the worship of God. Paul's letter to the Church of Ephesus expresses God's secret plan in clear terms: *"the Gentiles are...copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel."* Today's Gospel reminds us that if God permitted the Magi – foreigners and pagans – to recognize and give Jesus proper respect as the King of Jews, we should know that there is nothing in our sinful lives that would keep God from bringing us to Jesus. There were three groups of people who reacted to the Epiphany of Christ's birth. The first group, headed by King Herod, tried to eliminate him, the second group, priests and scribes, ignored him, and the third group, represented by the shepherds and the Magi, came to adore him.

Let us make sure that we belong to the third group: by worshiping Jesus at Mass with the gold of our love, the myrrh of our humility and the frankincense of our adoration; by giving a new direction to our lives. Just as the Magi chose another route to return to their homes, let us choose a better way of life, abstaining from proud and impure thoughts, evil habits and selfish behavior; by becoming stars leading others to Jesus, as the star led the Magi to Jesus. Let us remove the darkness of the evil around us by radiating Jesus' love through selfless service, unconditional forgiveness and compassionate care.

Like the Magi, let us offer Jesus our gifts on this feast of Epiphany: our gift of friendship with God in the form of wholehearted love and devotion; our gift of friendship with others by leading them to Jesus by our exemplary lives of Christian charity in action; our gift of reconciliation with God by daily asking His pardon and forgiveness for our sins and giving unconditional forgiveness to those who offend us; our gift of peace by seeking God's peace in our own lives through prayer, the Sacramental life and daily meditation on the Word of God.

St. Paul Stewardship

December 31, 2017		Week 27	
Last Week's Collection:	\$1,313.00	Weekly budget expense:	\$2,502.00
Children's Envelopes	\$2.00	Year-to-date collection:	\$61,972.45
Diocesan Good Works	\$10.00	Year-to-date budget:	\$67,554.00

Disciples Response fund balance as of December 12th: St. Paul Parish Target: \$2,114.36, Amount Pledged: \$4,355, Amount Paid: \$4,035.

ST. PAUL MINISTER'S LIST: January 14, 2018

Min. Hosp. /Gift Bearers: **Suzanne Rush and Martha Stewart** Lector: **Anna Ray**
 Eucharistic Minister: **Suzanne Rush** Altar Servers: **Aidan Rush**

St. Paul Second Sunday Social: January 14th please join your fellow parishioners for good fellowship and enjoy brunch in the parish center following Mass.

Family Aid Thanks you! Our collection for December was \$569.00 thank you for helping those in our county.

St. Paul January Birthdays: 2-Jan: Hailey Bowles; 18-Jan: Debbie Wurtman; 22-Jan: Therese Falder; 28-Jan: Donna Holmes; Wish everyone a Blessed Birthday.

St Mark Stewardship

OFFERINGS For December 30/31 2017 - Regular Collection \$2,490.00, Christmas Offering \$130.00, Diocesan Good Works \$55.00 and Solemnity of Mary \$110.00. Thank You for your generous support!

Disciples Response fund balance as of December 12th: St. Mark Parish Target: \$1,856.99, Amount Pledged: \$2,860 and Amount Paid: \$2,460

Thank You: the St. Mark Family Aid collection for December was \$365.00. Your support for those in our county is very much appreciated.

Calendars and Envelopes: New phone list, 2018 calendars and envelopes are on the back table, look for your name. If you want envelopes and did not get them or if you do not find your calendar contact Kathy.

Correction to the phone list: please change Thompson to Thomas – Dorothy (Dotty) and John Thomas are new members. If you find other errors please let Kathy know. Thank you!

St. Mark First Sunday Breakfast will be THIS Sunday following the 8am Mass. Bring a dish to pass or just your appetite to join the St. Mark family fellowship and have a good breakfast.

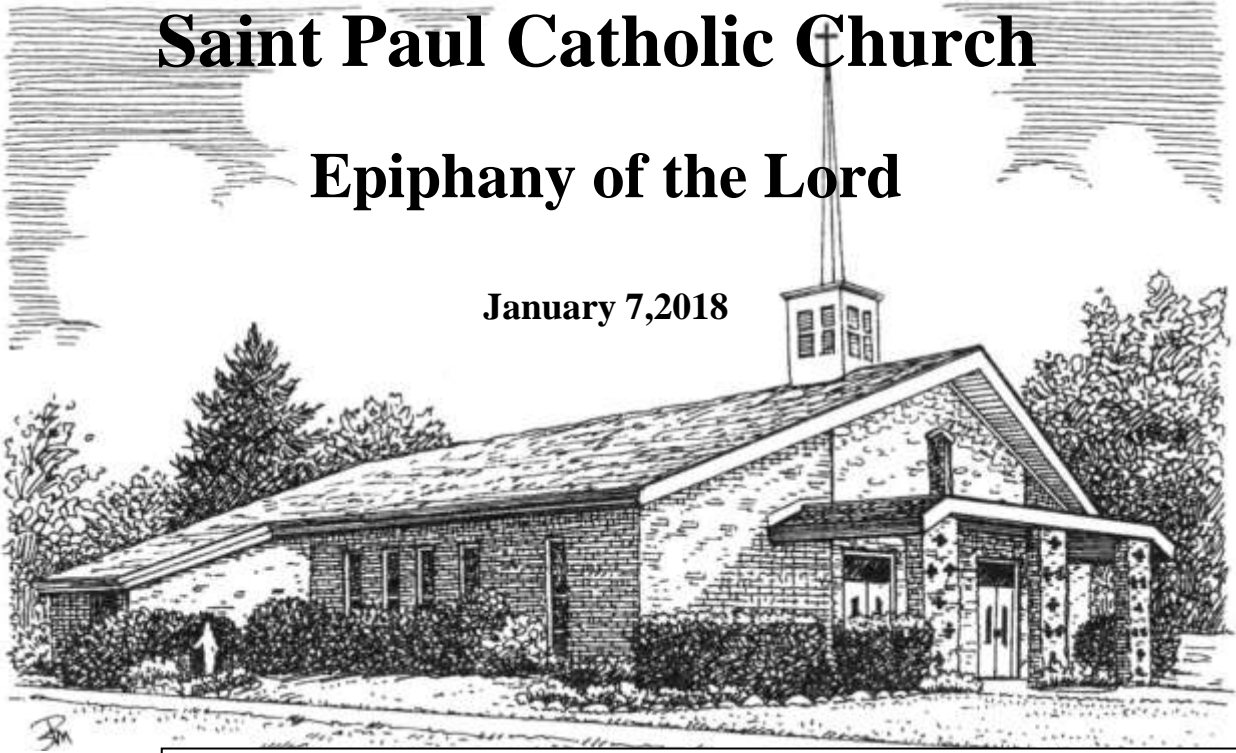
St. Mark January Birthdays: 1-Jan: Michael Oliver; 1-Jan: Aaron Carlisle Smith; 2-Jan: Mildred Greenwell; 2-Jan: Renee Marie Laurent; 3-Jan: Jean Hardesty; 8-Jan: Maureen McCartney; 13-Jan: Elise Aldridge; 25-Jan: Richard Gill; 3-Jan: Thesa Crum. Best wishes for a Blessed Birthday.

Mass Ministers for next 2 weekends	Saturday January 13 th	Sunday January 14 th	Saturday January 20 th	Sunday January 21 st
Communion Ministers	Dcn Paul Bachi Marilyn Reibel	Lynn Aldridge Joe Merimee	Volunteer Anna Brown	Jan Chaplin Jim Hibbard
Altar Server	Volunteer	Daniel Laurent	Volunteer	Volunteer
Lector	Aimee Brown	Kevin Laurent	Ray Heaney	Joe Merimee
Gift Bearers	Greenwell Family	Laurent Family	Keeney Family	Rooyakkers Family
Financial Rep	Shirley Keeney	Greg Aldridge	Shirley Keeney	Bob Chaplin
Money Counters		Kathy Roberts Mary McClusky		Jan Chaplin Julie Medlock

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Weekend Mass Sunday 10 AM

Daily Mass: 8 AM Thursday & Friday

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Family Aid: 270 365-6786

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism: Please contact the Pastor for scheduling of Baptism and one-month notice is required.

Confession: 9.30-10 a.m. on Sunday, First Friday after the Mass and by appointment with pastor.

Matrimony: Please contact and make an appointment with the Pastor for scheduling of wedding. At least six months is needed for preparation.

Anointing Of the Sick: Please contact the Pastor of any need for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls to the sick, shut-in or hospitalized. If you are admitted to the hospital please give them the name and phone number for the church so that the Pastor can visit.

Safe Environment Policy: Parishes are required at least quarterly to provide in printed form the procedures for making a sexual abuse report. **See the instructions on this week's St. Mark header page.**

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to St. Paul Parish. Please speak to Fr. Jojy to register. **Members:** Please help to keep your information current by giving father a note when you move or change your contact information. Thank you!

AT THIS TIME WE ARE ASKED TO PRAY FOR: Paul Norman, Clyde Walleck Jr., Jim Herbek, Annie Prowell, Brianna Bergantino, Greg Ray, Kristina Evans, Nick Sharma, Scooter Cayce, Chaney Musgove, Sue Syers, Anna Schalk, Donna Moore, Wayne Oldham, Stacy Travis, Debbie Schaus, Robert Markham, Connie Cartwright, Sandra Hatton, Alisha Quertermous, Joni Giordano, Ron Karst, Mary Oliver, Susan Grace, Sue Karst, Mary Ann Nunn, Carolyn Stohr, Fr. Richard Meredith, Louis McEnaney, Paul Messier, Alisha, Jo Gillard, Carmen Richardville, Kevin Ryan, Matthew Strong, Mary Cheeseman, Kay Cotton, Helen Pratt, Mike Schelb, Joyce Lewis, Barb Hughes, Carrie Rickard, Laura Jean Basso, Dan Adams, Karen Schalk, Jean Riddle, Mark Furjanic, Earl Schalk, Fr. Aloysius "Al" Powers, Mary Manion, Sue Norman, Nancy Norman, John Barber, Monsignor Bernard Powers, Amanda Herbek, Nancy Herbek Dziduch, Geneva Norman, and all our military worldwide.

If someone you know needs prayers please give a note to Fr. Jojy with the person's name and your name so we know who to check with when we review the prayer list. If you have added a name to the prayer list and it can be removed, call 270 365-6786 and leave a message or give Fr. Jojy a note.

Our Sympathy to the family of Betty Wurtman who died Friday. May Betty's soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Visitation Sunday 4 to 7 PM at Morgan's rosary services 7:00 PM.