

# St. Mark Catholic Church

302 Peachtree Ln,  
Eddyville, KY 42038

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Behold the Lamb of God,  
who takes away the sins of the world.

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Confession:  
Saturdays 4 - 4:45 pm  
and by appointment

### Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased blank Living

Tuesday, Jan. 20	St. Mark	5 pm	Charles Gaylord
Wednesday, Jan. 21	St. Paul	6:30 pm	Pascual C Eslava + <b>CCD</b>
Thursday, Jan. 22	St. Mark	9 am	Family of James and Ellen Mawn +
Friday, Jan. 23	St. Paul	9 am	Joe and Effie Edge Family + and living
Saturday, Jan. 24	St. Mark	5 pm	Harper/Nelson families + <b>Confession: 4 - 4:45</b>
Sunday, Jan. 25	St. Mark	8 am	For the People of our Parishes
	St. Paul	10 am	Mommy Pham

Next Sunday's Readings: [Isaiah 8:23—9:3](#); [1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17](#); [Matthew 4:12-23](#)

*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.*

***Behold, the Lamb of God*** - A summary of Bishop Barron's Homily for today, which inspired the image on the bulletin's front page.

As the Church transitions into Ordinary Time, the Gospel presents John the Baptist's defining declaration regarding Jesus: "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

While many Christians interpret this title merely as a reference to Jesus' gentleness or innocence, Bishop Barron argues that John is pointing to something far more radical: the reality of sacrifice. Drawing on the ancient Jewish context of the Temple, where animal sacrifice was central to worship, the title identifies Jesus as the ultimate offering who deals with the reality of sin.

To explain how this sacrifice functions, Bishop Barron uses the analogy of a broken car. **The Dilemma:** Just as lining up other broken cars cannot fix a specific mechanical failure, broken humanity cannot save itself through politics, philosophy, or psychology. **The Solution:** We require a "mechanic"—someone who not only understands the machine because He created it, but is also willing to get His hands dirty.

This is the essence of the Incarnation. God did not remain at a distance offering advice; He entered the "muck and mud" of human existence. Jesus is the Lamb of God because He dove into the heart of human dysfunction, sin, and death to repair us from the inside out. He is not merely a moral teacher, but the Divine Physician who pays the ultimate price to effect our healing.

**Bishop Barron's complete homily is available on Hallow, Word on Fire- Sunday Sermons, and YouTube.**

**Prayer Requests** - *Please keep Kayla Stevenson's family in your prayers. Betty Jean Stewart, her grandmother, died on Thursday. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.*

**St. Mark:** Bill Stalter, Robin Hinton, James Weber, Elaine Collins, Patrick Flear, Bent, Janet Terry, Luca Carlson, Pete Arriola, Makenna Finnegan, Margie Hibbard, McBroom Family, Peggy and Tim Brown, Logan Thomas, Steven Dahl, Marie Berger, Chris and Bernadette Bode, David Russell, Barbara Hughes, Joe and Wanda Loftus, Karen Finnegan, Will Jones, Tom Johnson, Chris Davies, Mary Huhnke, Gail Biskupich, Terry O'Neill, Curtis Fritz, Kathleen and Alan Dale, Zane Pierson, Matt (in MI), Chuck Thomas, Rose Oliver, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Ann Munn, Roy Maynard, Pat Merimee, Wendy Welter Teller, Kevin Stuckner, Teresa Fuhrman, James I. Hosey, Mawn Family, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Gerry Maynard, Jan Piche, Jim Eich, Karen Reibel, Kenny Pierson, Lonnie O'Neill, Maggie Pierson, Richard Berger, Ron Eich, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Terence Carlin

**Both Parishes:** The people of Western KY, Theresa Weidner Griffith ***Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers:*** Barb Adams, William Moertl, and all those living in nursing homes. ***Pray for our military and their families,*** especially Monica Dukes, Tucker Pittmann, Aiden Davies, and Jack Rooyakkers.

**St. Paul:** Lewis Wurtman, Andrea Brumley, Robyn Taylor, Jill Choate, Steve Alldredge, Karen Riedeman Schalk, Tara Jeanne Perez, Jansen Hubbard, Rachel Smotherman, Lee Weidner, Shirley Carney, Ronald Harper, Michael Gray, Liam Stevenson, Pam Childress, Emily Stolz, Robert Peek, Jason Goodwin, Iris Brandon, Sandy Haberlock, Laura Jean Basso, Christa Strong, Teresa Boyd, Rodger Rush, Norm and Millie Thomas, Max Reil, David Consler, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Teresa Angelilli, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman.

Happy Birthday!

Christian Patton Jan. 28

## Save the Date!

January 31 - Liturgical Ministers' Retreat - **POSTPONED**

### Sacraments:

**Baptism:** Please contact the Pastor to schedule a Baptism. One-month notice is required.

**Matrimony:** To schedule a wedding, please make an appointment with Fr. Brad. At least six months are needed for preparation.

Please contact Fr. Brad at (270) 365-6786 for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls to the sick, shut-in, or hospitalized.

	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMC)	Counters Financial Rep.*
Jan. 24 5 pm		Michelle Thayer	Joe Merimee Volunteer	Sonny Finnegan Joe Merimee	Joann Bogle*
Jan. 25 8 am	Aeydon	Bob Chaplin	Michelle Jasis Jasper	Joey Rivera Jan Chaplin	Bob Chaplin* Lynn Jamieson Rose Swierczynski

**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 available on the bookshelf in Fr. Brad's office, and online at <https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>.

**WELCOME!** Please see Fr. Brad or Kathy Talley to register. If you are a current parishioner with a change in contact information, please notify Kathy Talley [kfct@umich.edu](mailto:kfct@umich.edu) or (270) 625-3433.

**Bulletin Announcements** should be sent directly to Regina Hosey by text (931) 801-6514 or [reg8926@gmail.com](mailto:reg8926@gmail.com) NLT Tuesday evening.

Jan. 10-11	Stewardship	Thanks for your support!
Regular Collection \$7,769.00		Solemnity of Mary \$70.00
Support Life Ministries \$322.00		Mass Intentions \$100.00

## Building a Family of Faith – Parent Workshop Series

The Diocese of Owensboro is hosting *Building a Family of Faith*, a winter workshop series to help parents integrate faith into everyday family life. Parents at all stages of life are invited.

Workshops will include practical tools, conversation, and faith-centered guidance from the Offices of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Marriage & Family Life, and Hispanic/Latino Ministry.

**Dates & Locations:** **Jan 31, 2026** – Holy Spirit, Bowling Green

**Mar 7, 2026** – St. Thomas More, Paducah

**Register:** [owensborodiocese.org/building-a-family-of-faith](https://owensborodiocese.org/building-a-family-of-faith).

## Foster Care Support

The Diocese of Owensboro and Springs of Love Ministry are collaborating to enhance support for children and families by identifying those who are currently fostering, have adopted, are discerning a call to foster or adopt, or feel led to support foster and adoptive families. Your response will help us build community, provide resources, and accompany those answering God's call to care for vulnerable children. We invite you to consider completing this short survey prayerfully.



### New Seminarian

The Office of Vocations is happy to introduce you to Tuan Nguyen, our newest seminarian from Vietnam. Tuan has a younger brother and sister. He is 29 years old. His home parish in Vietnam is: "Khe Gat." Like our other seminarian from Vietnam, Hoan Tran, Tuan has completed his philosophy studies. After studying English at Divine Word College in Iowa, he looks forward to continuing his theology studies at Saint Meinrad.

Please pray for our eight seminarians as they continue their studies.

## Gasper River Summer Camp

Sign up now. Spots are going fast!

