



St. Mark Catholic Church

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Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased

Tues, July 21	St. Mark 5 pm No Mass
Wed, July 22	St. Paul 6:30 pm Sr. G Schneider+
Thurs, July 23	St. Mark 9 am Tim Johns
Fri, July 24	St. Paul 9 am Karen Elder+
Sat, July 25	St. Mark 5 pm Patsy Barber+ Confession 4-4:45pm
Sun, July 26	St. Mark 8 am For the People of our Parishes
	St. Paul 10 am Woodward Family +

Next Sunday's Readings:

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Reflection:

The weed in the first parable we hear today is dandelion, an insidious weed because in its early stages of growth it looks very much like wheat. Sometimes referred to as "false wheat," it can induce sleep or even death. No wonder Jesus expected that most people would agree that it should be pulled out as soon as possible. But because in their early stages dandelion is difficult to distinguish from good wheat, trying to eradicate one hundred percent of the bad wheat would also eradicate some percentage of the good wheat. And the kingdom of heaven is not a place where even one shoot of good wheat should be thrown out with the bad. Hence the call to wait until the good wheat and the false wheat have matured and shown their true natures. In a similar way, we may perceive someone as toxic, but they may just not have matured yet.

You know what else looks alike? Three measures of wheat flour and three measures of wheat flour with a handful of yeast mixed in. No one can tell just from looking at both piles initially, or even when each is made into dough. But over time, one will rise and the other will not. The kingdom of heaven in our midst may likewise be imperceptible, hidden among all the worldly matters that manifest themselves in the headlines or within our neighborhoods or towns. But like mustard seeds, the kingdom blossoms and grows among us, microscopically at first, but eventually large enough to give a home for many.

At the Last Supper, Jesus assures the disciples that "in my Father's house there are many dwelling places" (John 14:2). As the mustard bush provides many dwelling places for birds, the kingdom provides many dwelling places for us. With God's grace, we spend our lives nurturing the mustard bush so that it continues to grow and expand, inviting more and more disciples to flock in its branches.

St. Paul Stewardship		Thanks for your support		July 12/ Wk. 2	
Total Deposit		\$7,559.22		Weekly Budget	
St. Mark part		\$3,268.22		Year to date collection	
Venezuelan Relief		\$975.00		Year to date budget	
				\$ 3,800.00	
				\$10,054.22	
				\$ 7,600.00	

St. Mark Stewardship		Thanks for your support!	
Regular Collection		\$4,458.00	
Mass Intentions		\$100.00	

July 22nd is the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene, the Apostle to the Apostles

Mary Magdalene was the first to announce the joyful message of Easter. She also proved she was among those who loved Jesus most when she stood at the foot of the Cross on Mount Calvary together with Mary, His Mother, and the disciple, St. John. She did not deny him or run away in fear as the other disciples did, but remained close to Him every moment, up to and including the tomb.

Prayer Requests –

St. Mark: Debbie Chamberlain, Mary Lathrop, Luca Carlson, Noah, Tommy Hayden, Kevin Laurent, Jim Hosey, Beth Martin, Ellen Hirsch, Joe Eich, Jim Hibbard, Kim Hill, Patria A., Joe Merimee, Chris Davies, Patricia Kelley, Kevin Manker, Alison Price, Parker, Mandy McCutchan, Tim Johns, William and Terrence Carlin, Bill Stalter, Robin Hinton, James Weber, Pete Arriola, Makenna Finnegan, Margie Hibbard, Marie Berger, Chris and Bernadette Bode, David Russell, Barbara Hughes, Joe and Wanda Loftus, Mary Huhnke, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Ann Munn, Roy Maynard, Wendy Welter Teller, Kevin Stuckner, James I. Hosey, Mawn Family, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Gerry Maynard, Jan Piche, Jim Eich, Kenny and Maggie Pierson, Lonnie O'Neill, Richard Berger, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire

Both Parishes: Persecuted Christians throughout the world, 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: Shirley Carney, Tara Jeanne Perez, Jim Herbeck, Gregg Weber, Geoff Wurts, Troy Jewell, Freddie Richardville, Amanda Davis, Dixon Family in Illinois, Madge Murphy, Eileen Harvey, Johnny Roman, Miss Sherri, Lewis Wurtman, Andrea Brumley, Steve Alldredge, Karen Riedeman Schalk, Jansen Hubbard, Pam Childress, Robert Peek, Jason Goodwin, Iris Brandon, Sandy Haberlock, Christa Strong, Rodger Rush, Max Reil, David Cansler, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman.

St. Paul's Women's Society is Looking for a few Good Women

If you are interested in joining, please let Susan Brinkley know (270) 625-9613. The meeting time will be determined by those joining.

Ursuline Sisters launch Annual Raffle - you could win \$10,000!

The Mount Saint Joseph annual Raffle has begun, and one lucky person will win the top prize of \$10,000! The raffle has been a major source of funding for the Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph for 56 years. The tickets are \$5 each. Ticket holders get a chance to win **\$10,000, \$5,000, \$2,000, or a handmade quilt valued at \$1,000.** The beautiful queen-size quilt features

The raffle drawing will take place at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, 2026, Buy your online at <https://ursulinesmsj.org/mountraffle>. If you would prefer to order tickets by mail make your check out to Ursuline Sisters and send it to: Mount Raffle, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356. Contact Dan Heckel at 270-229-2009 or dan.heckel@maplemount.org for information.

Bulletin Announcements should be sent directly to Regina (931)801-6514 or reg8926@gmail.com NLT Tuesday evening.

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.**

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 or (270) 625-3433.

DIOCESAN POLICY: The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement Eddyville Police 270-388-2287, Princeton Police 270-365-2041, the Commonwealth's Attorney (270-388-9494) or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331).

To make a report to the Diocese of Owensboro regarding abuse by anyone acting in the name of the Church, whether long past or recent, please call Scott Ingram Pastoral Assistance Coordinator 270-852-8380 (English) Miguel Quintanilla *Coordinador de Asistencia Pastoral* 270-880-8360 (*Español*) both are confidential phone lines.

The Diocese of Owensboro sexual abuse policy is available at St. Mark on the oak book shelves in the social hall, in St. Paul on the back table and also on the diocesan web site (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe/>).



Rachel's Vineyard

August 21-23, 2026
Mount St. Francis, Indiana
(Louisville area)

Come join us for a weekend of emotional healing and spiritual renewal. Rachel's Vineyard offers post-abortion healing retreats for women & men who are suffering from the lingering effects of abortion.

Contact Rita: (270) 474-4707, ext. 1
retreats@hopeafterabortionky.com
<http://hopeafterabortionky.com>



HOPE Banquet tables are forming now. If interested, sign up on the sheets on the bulletin tables.