

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St. Mark Catholic Church

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Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased

Tues, August 11	St. Mark	5 pm	Lisamarie Maki+
Wed, August 12	St. Paul	6:30 pm	Russell Breitweiser +
Thurs, August 13	St. Mark	9 am	Bill Baker+
Fri, August 14	St. Paul	9 am	Bruce Gaylord
Sat, August 15	St. Paul	9 am	Donna Holmes+ Feast of the Assumption
	St. Mark	5 pm	Mr and Mrs Earl J Blanchard and family+ Confession 4-4:45pm
Sun, August 16	St. Mark	8 am	For the People of our Parishes
	St. Paul	10 am	The Ray Family

Next Sunday's Readings: [Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28](#)

Reflection

In today's Gospel, we are presented with the account of Jesus walking on the water of the lake (cf. Mt 14:22-23). Right in the middle of the storm Jesus reaches the disciples' boat, walking upon the water of the lake. When they see him, the disciples are terrified, but He calms them: "Take heart, it is I; have no fear!" (v. 27). Peter, with his usual passion, practically puts him to the test: "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water"; and Jesus answers "Come!" (vv. 28-29). Peter gets out of the boat and walks on the water; but a strong wind hits him and he begins to sink. And so he yells: "Lord, save me!" (30), and Jesus reaches out his hand and catches him.

This story is a beautiful icon of the faith of the Apostle Peter. In the voice of Jesus who tells him: "Come!", he recognizes the echo of the first encounter on the shore of that very lake, and right away, once again, he leaves the boat and goes toward the Teacher. And he walks on the waters! The faithful and ready response to the Lord's call always enables one to achieve extraordinary things. But Jesus himself told us that we are capable of performing miracles with our faith, faith in Him, faith in his word, faith in his voice. Peter however begins to sink the moment he looks away from Jesus and he allows himself to be overwhelmed by the hardships around him. But the Lord is always there, and when Peter calls him, Jesus saves him from danger. Peter's character, with his passion and his weaknesses, can describe our faith: ever fragile and impoverished, anxious yet victorious, Christian faith walks to meet the Risen Lord, amid the world's storms and dangers.

And the final scene is also very important. "And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God!'" (vv. 32-33). All the disciples are on the boat, united in the experience of weakness, of doubt, of fear and of "little faith". But when Jesus climbs into that boat again, the weather suddenly changes: they all feel united in their faith in Him. All the little and frightened ones become great at the moment in which they fall on their knees and recognize the Son of God in their Teacher. How many times the same thing happens to us! Without Jesus, far from Jesus, we feel frightened and inadequate to the point of thinking we cannot succeed. Faith is lacking! But Jesus is always with us, hidden perhaps, but present and ready to support us.

This is an effective image of the Church: a boat which must brave the storms and sometimes seems on the point of capsizing. What saves her is not the skill and courage of her crew members, but faith which allows her to walk, even in the dark, amid hardships. Faith gives us the certainty of Jesus' presence always beside us, of his hand which grasps us to pull us back from danger. We are all on this boat, and we feel secure here despite our limitations and our weaknesses. We are safe especially when we are ready to kneel and worship Jesus, the only Lord of our life. **Pope Francis 8/10/14**

HOPE Banquet Tables are Forming Now

St. Mark currently has two table hosts, Roger Edelbrock's table still has room. The banquet is free. Table hosts merely handle donation forms at the table

St. Paul parishioners can sign up on the white tables in the narthex.

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>

Prayer Requests –

St. Mark: Thatcher Parrish, Emmett Wesson, Rosemarie Blades, Chris Davies, 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, Patricia Kelley, 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



BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by Blessed Trinity
Knights of Columbus

**Friday,
August 14th, 2026**

**3:00pm to 7:00pm
On the Bloodmobile**

813 S. Jefferson St. Princeton, KY
Blood Drive Coordinator: Joe Buchanan

All Blood Donors will receive a T-Shirt!

**For every pint of blood collected, WKRBC
will donate \$5 to the Knights of Columbus!**

Donor Guidelines:

Donors must be 17 years old, or 16 with a written parental consent (can download at wkrbc.org). Donor must weigh at least 115 pounds. Check all medications with staff. Eat and drink well before donating. Donors must present a photo ID



Western Kentucky
Regional Blood Center

For Medical Questions, contact
WKRBC at (888) 684-9296

Both Parishes: Theresa Weidner Griffith, Persecuted Christians throughout the world

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: Kay Tomes, Callie Adams, Michael Gray, Jalen Morris, 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, Christa Strong, Rodger Rush, Max Reil, David Cansler, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman.

St. Paul Stewardship

Thanks for your support!

Total deposit: \$2,431.00
Church in Africa \$ 15.00

Weekly Budget \$ 3,800.00
Year to date collection \$15,565.22
Year to date budget \$19,000.00

St. Mark Stewardship

Thanks for your support!

Regular Collection \$4,540.00

Church in Africa \$ 20.00

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.



Many people at St. Mark already generously contribute their time and talents to several organizations in Lyon County. The purpose of our CORE (Community Out-Reach Evangelization) is to let the Lyon County community know that our **parish** wants to be an active part of that community.

For the time being, our goal is to let Lyon County get to know St. Mark. Our first step is Founder's Day. We will have a table in the park. There will be cups stuffed with information and Christian goodies to hand out. Volunteers are needed to fold pamphlets and stuff the 500 cups. We will also need volunteers to staff the table throughout the day.

Since friends trust friends, we must nurture friendships. We hope to host community activities on a monthly or bi-monthly basis simply for fun and fellowship. For more information talk to Regina Hosey.

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

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/>).



ALL THINGS NEW · TODO LO HAGO NUEVO



Julia Eckrich
Speaker



Michael Merchand
Speaker



Clint Campbell
Musician

Owensboro Convention Center
November 20 - 21, 2026

Owensboro Diocese Youth Conference (ODYC) is an overnight conference for middle and high school students grades 6-12. It is held every other year opposite National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) to give both middle and high school youth an experience of the larger church and have a point of reference for NCYC. If you have any questions please contact the Youth Office at 270-683-1545.



Registration: You must sign up with a parish group. Please contact your parish to register.



Youth Faith Formation Teacher Needed

Please contact Susan Brinkley if you are interested in teaching sharing the Faith with the youth of our parishes.

Youth Faith Formation is starting August 19th

Registration forms are available at both churches. Please register your child. (See reverse side for calendar2)



Christ the King
Catholic Church

GATHER WITH THE YOUTH OF OUR DEANERY!

Pennyrile Region

August 30, 2026 from 2-7 PM @ Christ the King

- Mass
- Dinner
- Fun Outdoor Games and Activities
- Water Games
- Challenging Team Building Activities
- Prayer



ST. MARK AND ST. PAUL YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Mass 6:30 pm Class 7-8 pm



August 2026

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23	24	25	YES	27	28	29
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September 2026

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27	28	29	YES			

October 2026

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November 2026

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December 2026

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January 2027

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February 2027

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March 2027

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28	29	30	YES			

April 2027

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11	12	13	YES	15	16	17
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May 2027

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* Reconciliation followed by short class

First Class August 19

Final Class May 5