



# St. Mark The Evangelist Catholic Church

## **PALM SUNDAY** HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST

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Hours: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday;  
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### Mass Schedule

Saturday/Sunday Anticipation 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.  
Friday 8:15 a.m.  
Holy Day Masses: 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

### Welcome to St. Mark

If you would like to know more about our Parish,  
please visit the Mary Lynn Cavanaugh  
Welcome Desk  
or call the Parish Center.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Schedule with the Pastor after participation in  
Parish Preparation Program.

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrange with Pastor at least six months in  
advance. Participation in all parts of the  
Marriage preparation program is required.

### Sacrament of Healing

If you are hospitalized or home bound and in need of  
sacraments, please call the Parish Center

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## Parish Center Closed

The Parish Center will be closed on  
**Monday, April 2nd.**

Normal business hours will resume  
**Tuesday, April 3rd.**

## Easter Mass Schedule



**Saturday, March 31st,  
Easter Vigil - 8:00 PM**

**Sunday, April 1st,  
Easter Sunday Mass -  
7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM**

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, March 25 – PALM SUNDAY

7:30 a.m. — Parishioners of St. Mark  
9:30 a.m. — † George Jennings  
11:45 a.m. — † Morgan Gaither

### Monday, March 26 - Monday of Holy Week

9:00 a.m. — †

### Tuesday, March 27 - Tuesday of Holy Week

9:00 a.m. — † Randy Albertson

### Wednesday, March 28 - Wednesday of Holy Week

9:00 a.m. — † Don Bowling

### Thursday, March 29 - Holy Thursday

9:00 a.m. — **NO MORNING MASS**  
7:30 p.m. — † Mollie Cassetty

### Friday, March 30 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

8:15 a.m. — **NO MORNING MASS**  
3:00 p.m. — **SERVICE**

### Saturday, March 31 - Holy Saturday

8:00 p.m. — † Parishioners of St. Mark

### Sunday, April 1 – EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

7:30 a.m. — † Alma Godfrey  
9:30 a.m. — † Ester Pafford  
11:45 a.m. — † Randy Albertson

# Holy Week

**Tuesday, March 27th** - Chrism Mass, **2:00pm**, Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral

**Thursday, March 29th** - \*Soup Supper, **6:00pm**, Msgr. Schafer Hall  
Mass of the Lord's Supper, **7:30pm**  
Eucharistic Adoration - **9:00pm - Midnight**



**Friday, March 30th** - Good Friday Service - **3:00pm**  
Dramatic presentation of "**The Way of the Cross**", led by the St. Mark Youth Group

*\*Please bring a salad to share at the Soup Supper. Soup, all paper goods, and drinks (lemonade, coffee, tea and water) will be provided.*

## Readings for the Week 03/25/2018 ~ 04/01/2018

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7;  
Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: *Chrism Mass*: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;  
Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
*Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper*:  
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Gn 22:1-18  
or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ex 14:15-15:1;  
Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4;  
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mk 16:1-7

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 5:6b-8;  
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

## Catechesis



### Faith Wisdom Service

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDER:** There will **NOT** be class on **Sundays, March 25th and April 1st** due to Spring Break and Easter. Classes will **resume on Sunday, April 8th**.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY REMINDER:** There will **NOT** be Children's Liturgy of the Word on **Sunday, April 1st**. Have a Blessed Easter!

**SACRAMENTAL PREP REMINDER:** There will **NOT** be a meeting on **Monday, April 9th** due to Spring Break. Our next meeting will be **Monday, April 23rd at 7pm in the church**.

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** Archbishop Charles Thompson extends an invitation to any baptized Catholic adult who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to the annual Adult Confirmation taking place on Sunday, May 20, 2018. **Please contact Angi Swiezy at [aswiezy@stmarkindy.org](mailto:aswiezy@stmarkindy.org) or 787-8246 x104 for more information and to register.**

## Pastoral Council

At St. Mark there are many ways that parishioners are able to use the gifts that the Holy Spirit of God has bestowed on each of us to serve our fellow brothers and sisters as Jesus in the Gospel calls on each of us to do. The Pastoral Council would like to ask parishioners to consider volunteering their time and talent to an important area of service; Communication.

The St. Mark parish website and bulletin are maintained and put together each week by parish volunteers working along side the parish office staff, and more volunteers are always welcomed. If you have any background or interest in web management, web design, or writing, the council would ask that you pray and consider contacting David Olivares (317-603-3517) to volunteer to help with either the parish website, bulletin, or both. The more hands that we have helping the better these two important platforms of communication can be for not only the St. Mark parish community, but the community outside St. Mark as well.

**“For even the Son of Man  
did not come to be served, but to serve,  
and to give his life as a ransom for many.”  
Mark 10:45**

## Solidarity Fund Appeal

**Sunday, April 8th**, our next second collection is for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. The people of Africa are joyous and faith-filled, but they also often face challenges due to poverty, the high incidence of disease, food shortages, and migration. This collection is an opportunity to stand with the people of Africa and support pastoral projects that are so needed on the continent. To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/africa](http://www.usccb.org/africa).



## Community

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL EASTER EGG RUN/WALK:**

**Saturday, March 31st.** Starts at 10:00am from Tow Yard Brewing, 501 S. Madison. For more information, call Darlene Sweeney at 317-924-5769, ext. 238. To participate, volunteer or sponsor, go to [svdpindy.org](http://svdpindy.org).

## Parish Life

### **MARY'S W.A.Y.: Wednesday, May 16, 2018**

Sister Circle is proud to announce the Mary's W.A.Y. dinner will be held in Msgr. Schafer Hall. All women of our parish, 18 and over, are invited to attend. The cost for the evening is \$10 per person. Tickets will be on sale after masses on **April 28th and 29th; May 5th and 6th.** If you would like to join the committee or have any questions, please contact Mame Johnson at [mejohns1@yahoo.com](mailto:mejohns1@yahoo.com) or 317-850-5211.

**ANNA'S HOUSE:** St. Mark's Women's CRHP team 19 is once again serving dinner at Anna's House this **Wednesday, March 28th, from 5:00pm - 8:00pm.** All



are welcome! Please call Laura Linder at 317-294-4080 or Joanie Grooms at 317-694-4323 for more information.

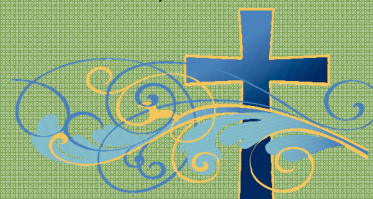
**INCLUSION MINISTRY:** It has to be said: ignoring a resume outright because it indicates the candidate has a disability (LIKE Asperger's Syndrome or traumatic brain injury) is blatantly against the law. But this is really not what matters. What counts is that these employers are denying themselves even the possibility that the candidate with the disability could overwhelmingly be the top choice.

## Please Pray For...

Mary Fortress, Sherry Brett, Carolyn Walters, Linda and Jerry Gaydos, Frances Huff, Sherrie Blomberg, Karen Firkins, Diane Fowler, Pat Henn, Shirley Martin, Hunter Moore, Betty Mouser, Joe Pierle, Joanne Burkert, Debbie O'Neal, Rosemary Delph, Katie Leach, Bill Mahlman, Pat Taylor, Deacon Paul Fisher, and Cyril DesJean.

**MILITARY:** Please pray for our women and men in the Armed Forces and their families

To add a name to our Prayer List, please contact Chris Johnson, [cjohnson@stmarkindy.org](mailto:cjohnson@stmarkindy.org) or call the Parish Center 317-787-8246, ext. 109.





**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR**  
~ SPRING INTO SERVICE ~

At Little Sisters of the Poor, we have a service opportunity that is open to single, Catholic, college age women from anywhere in the United States. This is an opportunity to experience service to the elderly poor, prayer and community life in a vibrant community of Catholic women religious.

The volunteer placements are available Spring, Summer, Fall or Winter break time. No nursing experience is required. The option for a paid experience is open to those who wish to commit to at least six weeks of service during the Summer break. There are 27 locations across the United States and unpaid overseas placements as well.

Applications for alternative break experiences are accepted at any time during the year. Applications for summer internships must be received by April 1, with notification of placements as soon as possible after that.

For more information or a Spring into Service application, contact [serenity@littlesistersofthepoor.org](mailto:serenity@littlesistersofthepoor.org) or 410-262-7514.



## Youth

**GOOD FRIDAY DRAMA: Rehearsal -**  
**Sunday, March 25th at 5:00pm in the church.**

St. Mark high school students will be performing "A Way of the Cross" on **Good Friday, March 30th at 7:00pm**. It is a moving and dramatic presentation of the Stations of the Cross. All interested youth are invited to a rehearsal this **Sunday, March 25th in the church**. Please contact Julie Albertson at [jalbertson@stmarkindy.org](mailto:jalbertson@stmarkindy.org) for more information or if you would like to participate.



## Music Ministry

### ST. MARK'S MEN'S CHOIR

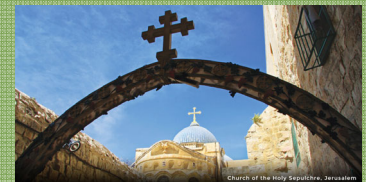


Our Church has many traditions that shape our liturgies and faith formation. One strong tradition at St. Mark Church is men's choir, especially for the Good Friday afternoon service. All men (high school age and older) are invited to be part of this choir and to help continue the men's choir tradition at St. Mark.

**THERE IS ONLY ONE REHEARSAL, Monday, March 26th at 8:00pm in the Church.** The Men will sing Good Friday Service at 3:00pm March 30th. For more information, call Drew Eagan at 787-8246. You can also send an email to: [aeagan@stmarkindy.org](mailto:aeagan@stmarkindy.org).

## Collection for Holy Places

The Holy Places collection will be taken up in most Catholic parishes around the world on **Friday, March 30th, Good Friday**. This collection will aid Christian



parishes and their outreaches in the Holy Land. This initiative has been an annual tradition in the Church since its institution by Blessed Pope Paul VI. According to him the collection is "not only for the Holy Places above for all those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities."

These funds will be used to help the parochial schools, hospitals, and community centers to protect and care for their communities, which often include refugees, asylum-seekers, children, and victims of war.

"As we prepare for Easter, let us renew our commitment to becoming artisans of peace, praying and working that peace may dwell in the heart of every person, especially our brothers and sisters of the Holy Land and the Middle East."

## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, March 25, 2018 - PALM SUNDAY

- Praying the Rosary - Church (7:15am)
- **MASS - Church (7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM)**
- SMRE - 3yrs - K, Parish Center (9:30am - 10:30am)
- SMRE - 1st - 6th Grade - Parish Center (10:40am)
- Youth "Way of the Cross" Rehearsal - Church (5:00pm - 6:00pm)
- SMRE - 7th and 8th Grade - Parish Center (6:30pm - 8:00pm)

### Monday, March 26, 2018

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- Men's Choir Rehearsal - Church (8:00pm - 9:00pm)

### Tuesday, March 27, 2018

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- \*Rosie Saylor's Small Church Community - Cenacle (10:00am - 12:30pm)

### Wednesday, March 28, 2018

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- RCIA - School, Media Center (7:00pm - 9:00pm)
- \*Small Church Community - The Joyful Hearts - Cenacle (7:00pm - 9:00pm)

### Thursday, March 29, 2018 - Holy Thursday

- Soup Supper Pitch-in - Msgr. Schafer Hall (6:00pm - 7:30pm)
- **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - Church 7:30 PM**
- Eucharistic Adoration - Church (9:00pm - 12:00am)

### Friday, March 30, 2018 - Good Friday

- **NO MASS - CHURCH - 8:15AM**
- **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - Church (3:00pm)**

### Saturday, March 31, 2018

- **EASTER VIGIL - Church - 8:00 PM**  
Reception immediately to follow Mass

### Sunday, April 1, 2018 - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

- **MASS - Church (7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM)**

*\*If you are interested in Small Church Community, call the Parish Center.*

For more information regarding events on our campus, check out the Calendar Link on our website, [www.stmarkindy.org](http://www.stmarkindy.org).

## School

### OPEN ENROLLMENT

#### *Become a St. Mark Catholic School Lion!*

There are still openings for the 2018/2019 school year. If you know of anyone who is interested in St. Mark Catholic School, please have them contact us via our website [school.stmarkindy.org](http://school.stmarkindy.org) or by phone at 317-786-4013. We will be happy to answer any questions and arrange a tour of the school.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018

Tuition will be established and letters will be sent home informing families of the new tuition rates for the 2018-2019 school year.

### MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018

All parents using FACTS Tuition Management to pay their tuition monthly must be enrolled online with their information current.

### THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2018

All parents paying their tuition upfront and receiving a discount must have full tuition payment to the school office.

*Save  
the date*

Molli Cassetty Bowl-A-Thon  
Friday, April 27, 2018



### KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM:

A percentage of your total Kroger bill will be donated to St. Mark and we ask that all families enroll in this rewards program to help earn money for our school! Register online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com). You will need your Kroger Plus card number. Make sure to designate **SAINT MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL** as your charitable choice.



# Palm Sunday Message from Pope Francis

by Elise Harris

Vatican City, Apr 9, 2017 / 03:48 am (CNA/EWTN News).- On Palm Sunday Pope Francis said that as Holy Week begins, we should contemplate not only the glory with which Jesus is recognized as king as he enters Jerusalem, but also the suffering he endures before his death, and which is seen in the many who suffer due to war, violence and slavery today. As the Church enters into the week before Jesus' Passion and death, the Lord "does not ask us to contemplate him only in pictures and photographs, or in the videos that circulate on the internet. No." Instead, Jesus is present "in our many brothers and sisters who today endure sufferings like his own: they suffer from slave labor, from family tragedies, from diseases." Many people also suffer from "wars and terrorism, from interests that are armed and ready to strike. Women and men who are cheated, violated in their dignity, discarded."



The Pope's words came at the same time a bomb attack took place on the Coptic Christian Church of Mar Gerges in the northern city of Tanta, Egypt, as worshippers packed the area to celebrate Palm Sunday Mass. According to the Associated Press, at least 21 were killed and around 40 others wounded in the blast. "Jesus is in them, in each of them, and, with marred features and broken voice, he asks to be looked in the eye, to be acknowledged, to be loved," the Pope said. The presence of God in each of these brothers and sisters is not "some other Jesus," the Pope said, but is "the same Jesus who entered Jerusalem amid the waving of palm branches. It is the same Jesus who was nailed to the cross and died between two criminals." "We have no other Lord but him: Jesus, the humble King of justice, mercy and peace," he said, and encouraged faithful to reflect on Jesus' suffering during Holy Week and to look for him in the faces of those among us who suffer.

As usual, Pope Francis celebrated his April 9 Palm Sunday Mass in St. Peter's Square, beginning with the blessing of palms at the obelisk in the center of the piazza. After the blessing, he led a short procession up to the main altar, where he continued with the celebration of the rest of the Mass. The Mass coincided with the 32nd World Youth Day, which this year holds the theme "The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name," and is the first step in preparing for the global 2019 WYD encounter in Panama. To mark the occasion, a delegation of 200 youth from Panama, a number of other Central American countries and Mexico were present in the square to receive the WYD cross and the Marian icon "Salus Populi Romani" from Polish youth, who hosted the global 2016 event in Krakow.

In his homily during Mass, Pope Francis said the celebration of Palm Sunday is "bittersweet," since there is both joy and sorrow as the Church recalls the cries acclaiming him as king during his entrance into Jerusalem, but which is accompanied by the solemn proclamation of his Passion and death. "In this poignant contrast, our hearts experience in some small measure what Jesus himself must have felt in his own heart that day, as he rejoiced with his friends and wept over Jerusalem," he said. "Jesus himself sees in this joyful welcome an inexorable force willed by God," he said, but noted that while he enters the city in this glorious manner, Jesus "is no misguided purveyor of illusions, no new age prophet, no imposter."

"Rather, he is clearly a Messiah who comes in the guise of a servant, the servant of God and of man, and goes to his passion. He is the great 'patient,' who suffers all the pain of humanity," he said, and encouraged faithful to reflect on the suffering Jesus would face in the week before his death. As we listen to the crowd joyfully acclaim Jesus as our King, let us also reflect on "the slanders and insults, the snares and betrayals, the abandonment to an unjust judgment, the blows, the lashes and the crown of thorns, and lastly, the way of the cross leading to the crucifixion," the Pope said. Pointing to the passage in the Gospel of Matthew where Jesus tells his disciples that if anyone wants to follow him, "let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me," Francis noted that "Jesus never promised honor and success. The Gospels make this clear."

Rather, the Lord had always warned his disciples that his was a path of suffering, and that the final victory would be achieved through his Passion and death on the cross. "All this holds true for us too," the Pope said, and urged those present to pray for the grace "to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds." He also encouraged them to pray for the patience "to carry our own cross, not to refuse it or set it aside, but rather, in looking to him, to take it up and to carry it daily."