

# St. Mark The Evangelist Catholic Church

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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.

Sacrament of Baptism

Schedule with the Pastor after participation in Parish Preparation Program.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 4:00pm -5:00pm

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.



*“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard....Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last”*

*Matthew 20:1,16*



## Prayer Requests

Sherrie Blomberg, Karen Firkins,  
Diane Fowler, Pat Henn, Anna Marsh,  
Shirley Martin, Hunter Moore,  
Betty Mouser, Joe Pierle,  
Jane Rosebrock, Joanne Burket, and Debbie O'Neal.



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

And in Thanksgiving to God, for hearing our prayers.

To add a name to our Prayer List, please contact  
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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, September 24 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. — † Mary Beth Greulich  
9:30 a.m. — Parishioners of St. Mark  
11:45 a.m. — † Elsie Des Jean

### Monday, September 25 - Weekday

9:00 a.m. — Communion Service

### Tuesday, September 26 - Weekday; Saints Comas and Damian

9:00 a.m. — † Don Serensky

### Wednesday, September 27 - Saint Vincent de Paul

9:00 a.m. — † Mary Martin

### Thursday, September 28 - Weekday; Saint Wencelaus and Saint Lawrence Ruiz

9:00 a.m. — † Chester and Carolyn Riebe

### Friday, September 29 - Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

8:15 a.m. — † Donna Dugan

### Saturday, September 30 - Saint Jerome

5:30 p.m. — † Tip Sweany

### Sunday, October 1 – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. — Parishioners of St. Mark  
9:30 a.m. — † Don Bowling  
11:45 a.m. — † Lyn Stahl

## Readings for the Week 9/24/2017 ~ 10/01/2017

Sunday: Is 59:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

## Hurricanes Harvey & Irma Evacuees Coming to Indiana

Catholic Charities Disaster Response, Archdiocese of Indianapolis, has been asked by the Indiana Department of Homeland Security to assist in preparation to receive evacuees from both Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma in the coming weeks and months. We have been asked to head up Disaster Case Management to insure that the needs of these individuals and families are met here in Indiana.

The evacuees would come into the Indianapolis area. Therefore, Disaster Case Managers who could be available to volunteer for this task need to be trained here. Training will be held at the O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian Street, in the Benedictine Conference Room on **October 4, 2017 from 9:00am to 4:00pm**. Lunch will be provided.

**If you can help, please contact Jane Crady,  
Disaster Preparedness & Response Coordinator,  
Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Indianapolis,  
jacci@tds.net or 317-642-7322.**



## A Note from the Administrator



When I arrived at St. Mark Parish, there were two positions on the Parish Staff that needed to be filled. We needed to hire a Business Manager, which we have successfully accomplished. The second opening on staff was for a Pastoral Associate. Deacon Tom Horn, now assigned to Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, worked part time assisting in parish committees and commissions. We thank Deacon Tom for his years of service to St. Mark. Deacon Paul Fisherkeller has decided that he can be most beneficial to our community by not being an employee but by being a servant, volunteering in areas of ministry to assist me. He leads the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and marriage preparation plus visiting the sick. After prayer, observing and discernment, I sense St. Mark will benefit from someone who can focus on catechesis for all ages, a parish wide catechizing, recruiting volunteers and nurturing our hard working volunteers. A community is only as vibrant and resilient as its volunteers. Therefore, I am creating the position of Coordinator of Catechesis and Parish Life.

Angi Swiezy presently is our part time Coordinator for Religious Education. Her responsibilities are directing the Sunday Religion classes, Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, Children's Liturgy and Vacation Bible School. She has been a parishioner at St. Mark for over twenty years and she is gifted with sharing the Catholic faith and works great with volunteers. I am hiring her as our new Coordinator of Catechesis and Parish Life. She will be a full time staff person. She will keep her present responsibilities with religious education plus she will work with Parish commissions, parish committees and volunteers. Another blessing of being new at St. Mark Church, it is helpful to have someone who knows our traditions and our history.

### Acts of Charity:

When asked to give to those affected by Hurricane Irma our parish collected \$4,315. And then our school families collected \$1,509.60 to assist those in need. Great job....

Last Saturday, September 16, we had the heartbreaking experience of a Funeral Mass for Andrew Khyang. He was a five year old who died Saturday, September 9, 2017 near his home in Indianapolis. Thank you to everyone who stepped up and supported his family and friends. Please keep his parents Francis Zay Yar Aung and Justina Tin Tin in your prayers. It is hard to get up in front of peers to share your faith but to do it in church is even more stressful. Thanks to Christy Cross, Donna Rudolf, Mary Masengale and Michael Geswein who gave a pulpit talk on Catechetical Sunday last weekend.

*Fr. Bill*

## Parish Information

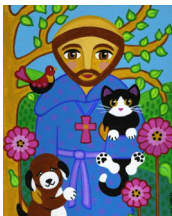
**COTTON TOPS AND Q-TIPS:** All single, widow, divorced parishioners over 50 are invited to one or both of our next fun events. **Tuesday, October 10**, we will meet on St. Mark Church parking lot at 6:15 p.m. and car pool to University of Indianapolis, Christel De Haan Fine Arts Center to enjoy a Jazz Combo performance by UofI Music Department students. If you prefer to meet us there, performance starts at 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, October 22**, we will meet on St. Mark Church parking lot at 3:00 p.m. and car pool to University of Indianapolis Christel De Haan Fine Arts Center to enjoy a Choral Concert performance by UofI Music Department students. If you prefer to meet us there, performance starts at 4:00 p.m.

Both of these performances are free of charge and last approximately 1 hour. This is a rain or shine event. Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, October 3 by calling Wilma Cross (317) 783-1512 OR Tona Cole (317) 383-7472.

*"Love, Joy, Peace within reach of everyone!"*

**BLESSING OF PETS:** The feast of St. Francis of Assisi will be **Wednesday, October 4th**. We will celebrate the feast with a blessing of pets. This is the first time St. Mark has done this. The pets can stay in the car and Fr. Bill will bless them as you drive up. The blessing will begin at 6:30pm., at the North Entrance of the Church.



### **CURSILLO: AN ENCOUNTER WITH CHRIST:**



Cursillo (Kur-see-O) is a Catholic Lay Movement that will enrich your relationship with God, yourself and others. The **Men's Cursillo is October 5th - 8th; and the Women's Cursillo is October 19th - 22nd.**

For more information contact James Haeberle (Men's), 317-882-9882 or 317-306-8839 and for the Women's, Tona Cole, 317-383-7472.

### **4TH WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY DINNERS:**

Everyone at St. Mark Parish is invited to join the Women's CRHP Team #19 this **Wednesday, September 27th** in the "4th Wednesday Community Dinners" at Anna's House, 303 N. Elder Avenue, Indianapolis! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Laura Linder, 317-294-4080 or Joanie Grooms, 317-694-4223.

**REMINDER:** If you had your picture taken for the Parish Pictorial Directory and did not order additional pictures, your free 8x10 picture is available to pick up at the Mary Lynn Cavanaugh Welcome Desk.

**INCLUSION INSIGHT:** When your thoughts are occupied with wondering what life is like for someone with an obvious disability, then there is not enough room left for what counts. Namely, discovering common interests, and making true human connection with the real, whole person.

## New Parishioners

*Welcome*

To our parish family

- ❖ Austin and Claire Gutzwiller
- ❖ Kaymah Kollison  
Amari Kollison-Dubie
- ❖ Veronica Canas  
Angelo
- ❖ Nancy Bogeman
- ❖ Tha Khup Dim and Niang Lian Dim  
Dim L. Nuam, Zam S. Kham and  
Elizabeth Pians din Hoih

## Weekly Stewardship Offering

Below is the summary for the week. Thank you for your generous support of St. Mark.

**Sunday, September 16, 2017**

Weekly Collection	
Envelopes/Loose Money	\$13,632.00
Online Giving	\$4,012.00
Total:	\$17,644.00
Weekly Budgeted Amount	\$19,848.00
<b>Weekly Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(-\$2,204)</b>

# Respect Life Sunday

Respect Life Sunday, October 1, 2017

The St. Mark Pro Life Group would like to invite all parishioners to participate in **Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday, October 1**. Life Chain is a national interdenominational prayer gathering. Please consider joining us to take a stand against abortion on October 1 from 2:30-3:30. St. Mark's prayer team will be located on the East side of Meridian between 24th and 25th Streets. If you would like to carpool, please meet at St. Mark at 2:00. Please sign up to participate in Life Chain after all Masses on **September 23 & 24**.



**ONE HOUR, ONCE A YEAR! STANDING STEADFAST FOR THE UNBORN!**

*"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:13-14*

# Condolences

**We pray for the repose of the souls of...**

St. Mark extends condolences to the families of **Andrew Khyang, son of Francis Zay Yar Aung and Justina Tin Tin and Ivan Wojciechowski, father of Lin Swift**. May God grant eternal rest to them and His consolation to their families and friends. May Andrew's soul and Ivan's soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

# ဝမ်းနည်းကြောင်း

ကွယ်လွန်သွားသော သူများ၏ရိညာဉ်အတွက် ကျွန်ုပ်တို့ ဆုတောင်းပေးပါသည်။ စိန်မာကုတိုက်နယ်မှ ဦးဖရန်စစ် ဇေယာအောင်နှင့် ဒေါ်ဂျူးစတီးနာ တင်တင်တို့၏သား ကွယ်လွန်သူ မောင်အင်ဒြီးချွန်း နှင့် လင်းဆွီ၏ဖခင် ကွယ်လွန်သူ ဦးအိုင်ဗင် ဝိုင်းချိုးစတီ တို့၏မိသားစုများနှင့် ထပ်တူဝမ်းနည်းပူဆွေးလျက် ရှိပါသည်။ ဘုရားသခင် ကွယ်လွန်သူတို့ကို ထာဝရအသက်ပေးသနားတော်မူပြီး၊ ကျန်ရစ်သူမိသားစုဝင်ကို နှစ်သိပ်မှုပေးပါစေ။ မောင်အင်ဒြီး၊ ဦးအိုင်ဗင်နှင့်ကွယ်လွန်သူအားလုံးတို့၏ အသက်ရိညာဉ်သည် အနားတော်မြတ်ခံရပြီး ငြိမ်သက်ချမ်းသာစွာ ရှိစေသော်။

# Faith Formation



*Faith*Wisdom Service

**SUNDAY MORNING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SMRE) AND FIRST SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:** classes have started but it is not too late to sign up! Registration forms and additional information are available in the Narthex Information Centers and Parish Center. Any questions, please contact Angi Swiezy at [aswiezy@stmarkindy.org](mailto:aswiezy@stmarkindy.org) or 787-8246 x104.

# St. Vincent de Paul



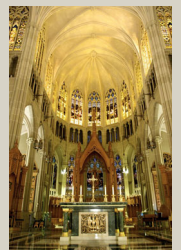
Last year, our parish re-established a relationship with the Archdiocesan Catholic Charities Christmas Store. This unique seasonal ministry allows nominated families to 'shop' for new toys and clothing for their children. It is a bit of a process matching families with our assigned appointment times, and getting the initial form completed and submitted. Along the way, we found that we needed to provide transportation for some shoppers and in a couple of cases babysitting for families while mom was shopping. We hope to secure some additional appointment times this year and could really use some additional volunteers in this effort. **If you are interested in helping, email [bweber@lightbound.com](mailto:bweber@lightbound.com) to learn more.**

A very special thank you to parishioners who recently gifted us with ALDI and Kroger gift cards for parish and neighbor families in need.

# Pilgrimage

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017**

St. Mark parishioners are invited to pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Assumption in Covington, KY. The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption is one of only 35 minor basilicas in the United States. Find out what makes a Cathedral a Basilica. Cost is \$40 per person. Sign ups have begun. To sign up or for more information, please contact Teresa Wenzel at 317-865-1528.



## Community

### INDIANA CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

**2017: MEN** of all ages ~ register now for the 12th Annual Indiana Catholic Men's Conference, which will be held **Saturday, September 30th** at the Indiana Convention Center. Join men from across Indiana, Archbishop Charles C. Thompson and nationally known Catholic Speakers, Msgr. Charles Pope, Deacon Larry Oney and Brian Patrick. Bring your son, father, and/or a friend for this wonderful, spirit filled day. For more information or to register, go to [www.indianacatholicmen.com](http://www.indianacatholicmen.com).



**AVE MARIA GUILD:** The Ave Maria Guild of St. Paul Hermitage will have a Fall Card Party and Quilt Raffle on Thursday, September 28th, 11:00am to 2:30pm, at St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove, IN. The cost of the card party is \$10 which includes admission and lunch. This is a great way to spend an afternoon with friends and new acquaintances. If you have any questions, please call Vicki Goss, 317-888-7625.

**ANGELS OF GRACE:** Join the Sisters of St. Benedict and the Benedict Inn as we honor 3 local women at the 10th Anniversary of the Angels of Grace awards luncheon,

**Saturday, September 30th** from 10:30am—3:00pm. Tickets are \$35 each or a table of 8 for \$260 and advance **registration is required**.

Contact the Benedict Inn at 317-788-7581, or visit our website at [www.beneditinn.com](http://www.beneditinn.com) for more information. Proceeds from this event support women's programming at the Benedict Inn Retreat & Conference Center.



### BEING AND BELONGING...A RETREAT FOR SEPARATED

**AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS:** will take place **Friday through Sunday, October 6 - 8, 2017** at **Fatima Retreat House**, 5353 E. 56th Street in Indianapolis, Indiana. You are invited to relax as you journey with others listening to their stories and exploring a common loss. The program will help deepen your understanding of the healing process, increase your sense of belonging, and help you affirm that God is with you in your struggles and hopes. To receive a brochure or to register please call **The Pro-Life Family Life Office 317-236-1586** or **Fatima Retreat House 317-545-7681**. Email [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org)

## School

### DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE 50% OF YOUR DONATION TO ST. MARK BACK TO YOU?

The word is out. The competition has increased. More people are donating to the Indiana State Tax Credit Scholarship Program and taking advantage of this unique tax opportunity. Your gift to St. Mark Catholic School, through the Institute of Quality Education (IQE), will help our students afford a high quality, Catholic education. The cap for the 2017-18 fiscal year has been raised to \$12.5 million, but these credits are expected to run out early. **Don't be left at the starting line!** Donate early to take advantage of the 50% state tax credit opportunity. This program is a win-win for donors and our St. Mark Catholic School students. Please contact Steve Helmich, Team Leader ([stevhelmich50@gmail.com](mailto:stevhelmich50@gmail.com)) or Rusty Albertson, Principal, ([ralbertson@stmarkindy.org](mailto:ralbertson@stmarkindy.org)) for more information. You can also donate online at: <http://www.i4qed.org/sgo/donors> Make sure you designate **ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL** for your donation!



"Let no one have contempt for your youth, but set an example for those who believe, in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity"

Timothy 4:12

## Youth Ministry

### CONFIRMATION MEETING FOR YOUTH AND PARENTS:

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation for high school students in grades 10-12 will begin **TODAY Sunday, September 24th at 6:00pm** in the church. **Both Parents and youth** are encouraged to attend this first meeting. Registration forms will be available at that meeting. Questions? Email Julie Albertson at [jalbertson@stmarkindy.org](mailto:jalbertson@stmarkindy.org) or call the Parish Center.



"Dear young people, let yourselves be taken over by the light of Christ, and spread that light wherever you are. The future is in your hearts and in your hands. God is entrusting to you the task, at once difficult and uplifting, of working with Him in the building of the civilization of love."

St. John Paul II

# Calendar of Events

## Sunday, September 24, 2017

- Blood Drive - Msgr. Schafer Hall (6:30am - 2:00pm)
- **MASS - Church (7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM)**
- SMRE - 3yrs - K, Parish Center (9:30am - 10:30am)
- SMRE - 1st - 6th Grade - Orientation (10:40am)
- **Burmese Mass - Church (2:00 PM)**
- Confirmation Meeting - Church (6:00pm - 7:00pm)
- SMRE - 7th and 8th Grade - Parish Center (6:30pm - 8:00pm)

## Monday, September 25, 2017

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- Brownies Troop 961 - Msgr. Schafer Hall Cafeteria (3:00pm - 4:45pm)
- Girls' 4th Grade Basketball Practice - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (3:00pm - 4:45pm)
- Girls' Basketball Practice - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (4:30pm - 6:00pm)
- Flag Football Practice - the Field (6:00pm - 7:00pm)
- Girls' 5/6 Basketball Practice - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (6:00pm - 7:30pm)
- Family Reconciliation Workshop - Church (7:00pm - 8:00pm)

## Tuesday, September 26, 2017

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- Faith Sharing Book Club - Cenacle (10:00pm - 12:00pm)
- Prayer Group - Parish Center (1:00pm - 3:00pm)
- Girls' Cadet Basketball Practice - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (4:30pm - 6:30pm)
- Girl Scout Troop 1339 - Men's Club Room (5:00pm - 6:00pm)
- Boy's Basketball Camp - Msgr. Schafer Hall (6:00pm - 7:30pm)
- Cub Scouts - Msgr. Schafer Hall Cafeteria (6:15pm - 7:45pm)
- Bell Choir Rehearsal - Church (6:00pm - 7:30pm)
- SPRED - Catechist - School, Media Center (7:00pm - 9:00pm)
- Boy's Basketball Camp - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (7:30pm - 9:00pm)

## Wednesday, September 27, 2017

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- Parish Staff Meeting - Parish Center (1:00pm - 2:00pm)

## Wednesday, September 27, 2017, cont'd

- 8th Grade Fundraiser Cookie Pick Up - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (2:00pm—6:00pm)
- ESL - School (5:30pm - 7:00pm)
- St. Mark Colts Flag Football Team Practice - the Field (6:00pm - 7:00pm)
- Girls' Basketball Practice - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (6:00pm - 7:30pm)
- RCIA - School, Media Center (7:00pm - 9:00pm)
- Small Church Community - The Joyful Hearts - Cenacle (7:00pm - 9:00pm)
- Ensemble Rehearsal - Church (7:30pm - 9:00pm)

## Thursday, September 28, 2017

- **MASS - Church - 9:00 AM**
- Card Party - Church Narthex (1:00pm - 3:00pm)
- CYO Meeting - Parish Center Boardroom (1:00pm - 2:00pm)
- Girls' 4th Grade Basketball Practice - Msgr. Schafer Hall Gym (3:00pm - 4:30pm)
- Children's Choir - Church (4:00pm - 4:45pm)
- Flag Football Practice - the Field (6:00pm - 7:00pm)
- Pastoral Council - Cenacle (7:00pm - 9:00pm)
- Adult Choir - Church (7:30pm - 9:00pm)

## Friday, September 29, 2017

- **MASS - Church - 8:15 AM**
- OA Meeting - Parish Center Boardroom (12:00pm - 1:00pm)
- Roncalli - Church (5:00pm - 7:00pm)
- Roncalli - Cenacle (7:00pm - 8:00pm)

## Saturday, September 30, 2017

- Carwash Fundraiser for Roncalli Lacrosse Team - Church Center Parking Lot (9:00am - 1:00pm)
- Reconciliation - Courtesy Room (4:00pm - 5:00pm)
- **MASS - Church - 5:30 PM**
- Rental - Msgr. Schafer Hall (6:45pm - 11:45pm)

## Sunday, October 1, 2017

- **MASS - Church (7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:45 AM)**
- SMRE - 3yrs - K, Parish Center (9:30am - 10:30am)
- SMRE - 1st - 6th Grade - Orientation (10:40am)
- SMRE - 7th and 8th Grade - Parish Center (6:30pm - 8:00pm)