

ST. MARK

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 1, 2024
22ND SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME

“Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.”

-Mk 16:15-16

ST. MARK CHURCH

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil - 4 pm & 6 pm (NCW)
Sunday - 9 am, 11 am (Español)

DAILY MASS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 9 am
Thursday - 6:30 pm (Español)

RECONCILIATION & HOLY HOUR

Thursday - 5:30-6:30 pm

ST. DOMINIC CHAPEL

VIGIL MASS

Saturday Vigil - 6 pm & 7:30 pm (NCW)

DAILY MASS

Tuesday - 6 pm (Español)

PARISH OFFICE

Tuesday & Thursday - 9:00 am - 4 pm
Wednesday - 9 am - 12 pm
Monday, Friday, Saturday - Closed

Welcome!



WELCOME TO ST. MARK!

We are putting forth great effort to enhance the appearance of our parish, St. Mark, and St. Dominic Chapel. During this time, we ask for your patience as we work on improving our bulletin and website. Our goal is to serve you better, and we aim to complete these improvements as soon as possible.

OUR CLERGY

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ALTAR SERVERS

If you've received your First Communion and are interested in becoming an Altar Server, or if you'd like to assist Fr. Raul at Mass, we invite you to join us for our first training session on Saturday, September 7, at 12:30 PM at St. Mark. All are welcome to attend!

MONAGUILLOS

¿Has recibido tu Primera Comunión y estás interesado en convertirte en monaguillo? ¿Te gustaría asistir al P. Raúl en la Misa? Únete a nosotros para nuestra primera práctica el sábado 7 de septiembre a las 2:00 p.m. en la capilla de Santo Domingo.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, September 1

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 | Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 2 | St. Gregory the Great

1 Corinthians 2:10-16 | Luke 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 3

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 | Luke 3:38-44

Thursday, September 4

1 Corinthians 3:18-23 | Luke 4:38-44

Friday, September 5

1 Corinthians 4:1-5 | Luke 5:33-39

Saturday, September 6

1 Corinthians 4:9-15 | Luke 6:1-5

Sunday, September 7 | 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Isaiah 35:4-7 | James 2:1-5 | Mark 7:31-37

Starting a New Year of

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes have begun, and we encourage everyone eligible to join us! Sessions take place every Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. in St. Dominic. All are welcome!

Las clases de Educación Religiosa han comenzado, ¡y animamos a todos los elegibles a unirse a nosotros! Las sesiones se llevan a cabo todos los miércoles a las 5:45 p.m. en Santo Domingo. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Offertory & Prayers

OFFERTORY—AUGUST 25, 2024

St. Mark's Collection	\$ 5,711.71
St. Dominic Chapel	\$ 1,258.07
<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Total Collection	\$ 6,969.78

Thank you for your generosity!

DONATE ONLINE

We are diligently working to establish an online giving platform for St. Mark's parish. Your patience during this process is greatly appreciated, and we thank you for your continued support and understanding as we strive to make this new system available to better serve our community.



PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS

If you or a loved one is sick and would like to be on our prayer list please contact the parish office at phone number

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

This week, we pray for:

Intentions of the Holy Father

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 31

4:00 pm † Rosario Juliano
† Alex Shuster

Sunday, August 25

9:00 am (S) Stephanie Schultz
11:00 am † Jose Torres
† Juan Manuel
† Jose Manuel
† Maria Juan
† Miguel Jose

† - deceased (S) - sick (L) - living

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

Married life can be really challenging and so it is beneficial to receive God's blessing and to express our gratitude to the Lord for his faithfulness. Please, let us know before mass if you're celebrating your wedding anniversary so that we may give you a blessing after mass.

FAMILY CATECHESIS

Family catechesis will begin the 8th of September at 10am. If you need to register, please call the office.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

For bulletin submissions, send your request to assistant.stmp@gmail.com 2 weeks prior to the weekend you want the item published.



ADORATION

Starting Sunday, September 1st, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed every Sunday from 4:00 PM until Monday at 4:00 PM in the church. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to spend personal time with Christ in a peaceful and prayerful setting. Take this time to be with Him. Whether you wish to pray, reflect, or simply sit in His presence, know that you don't have to "do" anything during adoration—just come as you are, and allow yourself to receive the love and peace that the Lord offers. All are welcome to come and experience the quiet presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

A partir del domingo 1 de septiembre, el Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto todos los domingos desde las 4:00 PM hasta el lunes a las 4:00 PM en la iglesia. Esta es una maravillosa oportunidad para que pases tiempo personal con Cristo en un ambiente tranquilo y de oración. Toma este tiempo para estar con Él. Ya sea que desees orar, reflexionar, o simplemente sentarte en Su presencia, recuerda que no necesitas "hacer" nada durante la adoración—ven tal como eres y permite que el Señor te llene de Su amor y paz. Todos son bienvenidos a venir y experimentar la silenciosa presencia de Cristo en la Eucaristía.

Reflections & Announcements

SUNDAY MEDITATION

In today's Gospel, Jesus addresses a critical issue regarding purity, using the example of His disciples eating with "impure" hands, which the Pharisees criticized. In Jewish tradition, these ritual washings were not about hygiene but about religious purification, aimed at maintaining spiritual cleanliness.

Jesus uses this moment to clarify two important points. First, no human tradition should ever override the Word of God. Traditions and practices may be beneficial, but they must never become more important than God's commandments. Secondly, He condemns the hypocrisy of those who outwardly follow these rituals but neglect the more important matters of the heart.

Jesus reveals that true purity comes not from external actions but from the heart. He teaches that the source of impurity is within us—in our thoughts, desires, and actions. It's not what enters from the outside that defiles us, but what comes from within. Our focus should

be on the inner transformation that God desires, seeking a heart purified by His love and grace, rather than merely conforming to external rituals. Only with God's help can we achieve this true inner purity.



ST. MARK & ST. DOMINIC EVENTS

First Friday Adoration

In addition to our regular Eucharistic Adoration, we are excited to announce that we will now be offering Adoration every First Friday of the month from 8pm to 8am at St. Dominic's Chapel. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend quiet time in prayer and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join us in this sacred devotion!

Adoración del Primer Viernes

Además de nuestra Adoración Eucarística habitual, nos complace anunciar que ahora ofreceremos Adoración todos los primeros viernes del mes, de 8 p.m. a 8 a.m. en la Capilla de Santo Domingo. Esta es una excelente oportunidad para pasar un tiempo de oración y reflexión ante el Santísimo Sacramento. ¡Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a esta devoción sagrada!

Celebración de la Palabra para Niños

A partir del domingo 1 de septiembre, durante la Misa de las 11:00 AM en St. Marcos, tendremos una Celebración de la Palabra para los niños de 4 a 10 años que aún no hayan recibido la Primera Comunión. Los niños se reunirán en el Hall de San Juan, al lado de la iglesia, donde escucharán las lecturas dominicales, seguidas por una catequesis apropiada para su edad.

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