

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF

Saint Mark

Mission Statement

Rooted in the Word...Nourished by the Sacraments... Guided by the Holy Spirit...We, the people of St. Mark, are united in our desire to serve those who are in need, to give our gifts and talents... to build the Kingdom of God by imaging Jesus Christ.

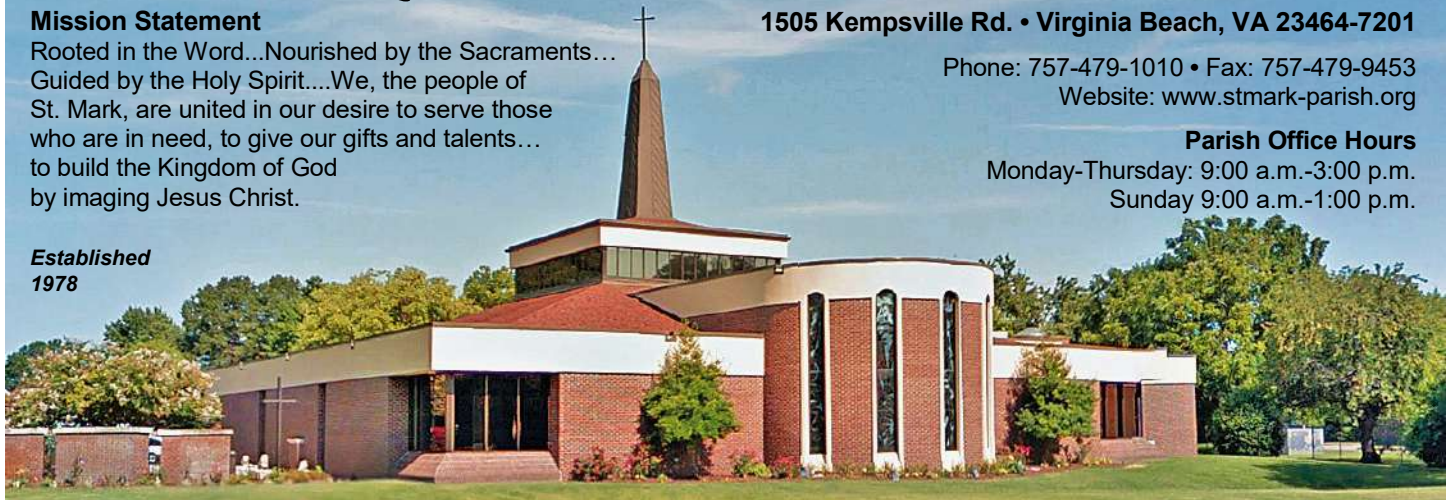
Established 1978

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

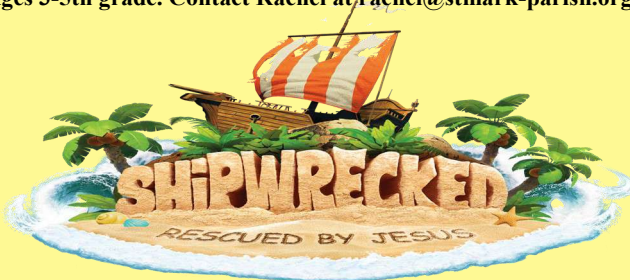


LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. • Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 a.m. • Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Check inside bulletin for possible changes.

Vacation Bible School July 30th-August 3rd 9am-12pm

Ages 3-5th grade. Contact Rachel at rachel@stmark-parish.org



PARISH STAFF

- Rev. Anthony Mpungu.....Pastor franthony@stmark-parish.org
Michael Johnson & John Kren.....Deacons
Mike Johnson .....Pastoral Associate deacon\_mike@stmark-parish.org
Mary Ellen Cussen ..... Parish Bookkeeper bookkeeper@stmark-parish.org
Denise Boyce ..... Parish Secretary secretary@stmark-parish.org
Michael K. Williams .....Director of Music musicdirector.stmark@gmail.com
Laura Ishmael..... Pianist
Marlene Games .....Nursery Supervisor
Brian Gridley..... Maintenance/IT Coordinator
Alberto Rosado.....Custodian
Hank Harzold.....Parish Council Chairman
William McMican.....Finance Council Chairman

RELIGIOUS FORMATION STAFF

- Sharon Katzman.....Director of R.F.
Rachel Rudman.....Coordinator of R.F.
Fe Guzman.....Youth Minister

RELIGIOUS FORMATION OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Sunday 9:30a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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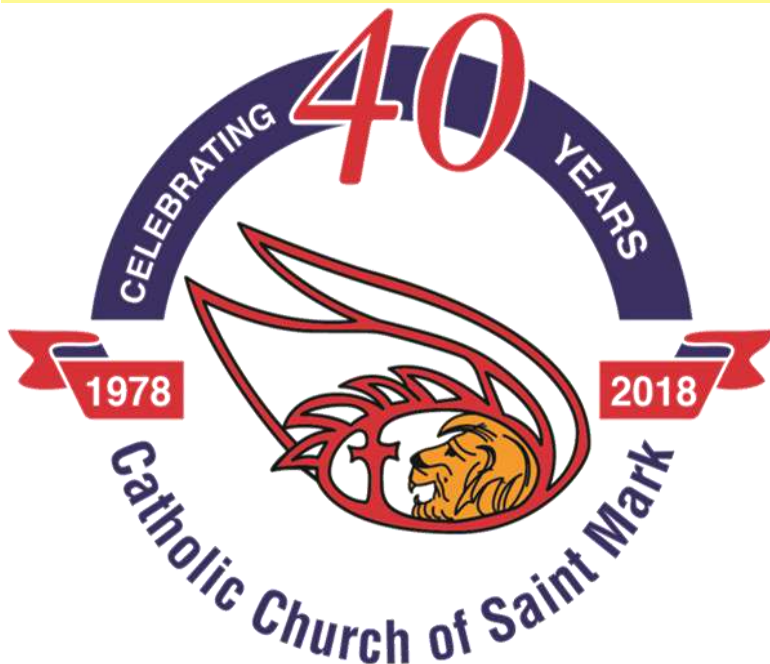
BAPTISM: Celebrated the 1st weekend of the month except during Lent. Contact Religious Formation Office for Baptism classes prior to the Sacrament.

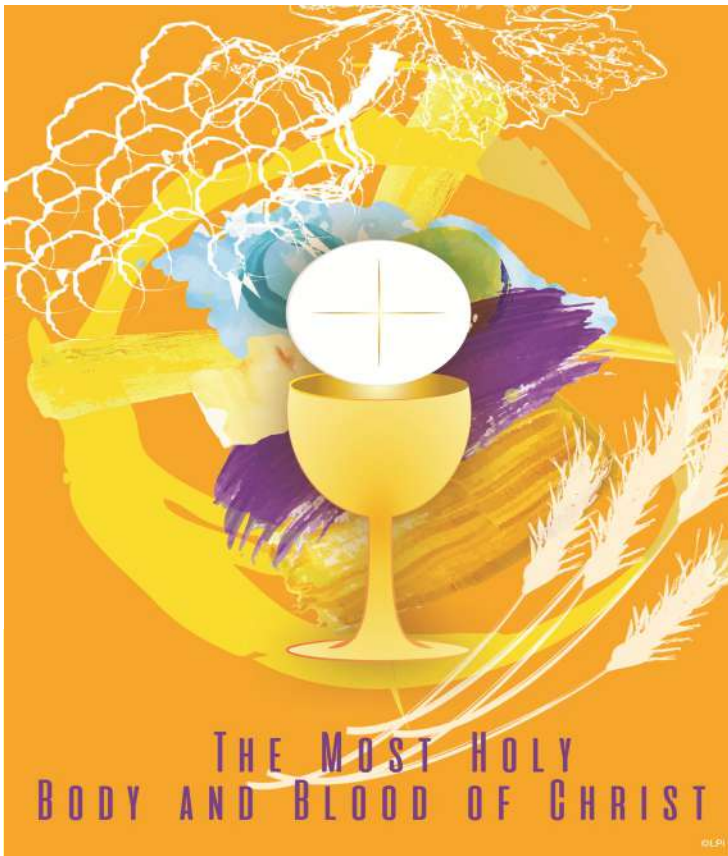
MATRIMONY: Couples required to give 6 months notice before planning a wedding in the Parish. Please do not set date before contacting the Priest.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: If you know someone who cannot attend Mass or desires a visit or the Sacrament of Anointing, call the Office.

RECONCILIATION: Celebrated 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m.

COLUMBARIUM: Parishioners interested in procuring a Columbarium niche, call the Parish Office.





THE MOST HOLY  
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### *Sunday Reflection from Father Anthony*

I welcome you to this Sunday! Today we celebrate the Solemnity of The Body and Blood of Christ which is commonly known as Corpus Christi. On this day we celebrate Christ's love for us which has been revealed to us by the shedding of His blood on the cross. Jesus himself says there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for the one you love. By this act of Jesus shedding His blood, Christ teaches that to love deeply is to sacrifice oneself totally for the loved. When Jesus promised to remain with us, it was not in any other way other than through the Sacraments. The Eucharist is a constant reminder of the sacrificial love of Christ. So when we celebrate Mass, we recall the words of Jesus "Do this in memory of me!" Mass is not just a ritual but it is an act in memory of Jesus' love! This means that Jesus did something great! His offering of his body and blood and our receiving the same makes this the new covenant. The newness of this sacrifice is that it has been offered once and for all and there is no need of any other form of sacrifice. This sacrifice of Jesus carried away all our sins and so we are all invited to have that deeper relationship with Jesus without reducing Mass to just a mere ritual but rather the very meaning of our Christian life! May Christ's presence in our lives help us to be good disciples. Amen

*Need to declutter? Doing your spring cleaning? Getting ready to move? The annual St Mark Yard Sale is June 30<sup>th</sup> and we will begin accepting donations Monday June 4<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from the yard sale benefit the children of Madison Fortune Orphanage in Hinche, Haiti. More information or questions? Email Sharon Forni [sforni80@gmail.com](mailto:sforni80@gmail.com).*



## Mom's Group

Expectant to experienced moms are welcome to join us for fellowship, support, adult conversation, and prayer. We meet in the conference room every Friday morning from 9:30-11:30 am. Come for all or part of the time. The Nursery is open, and babysitting is provided. For more information, please contact Holly Krukowski at 585-749-6941.

## MASST INTENTIONS

<b>MON</b>	<b>6/4</b>		<b>2Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12</b>
<b>TUES</b>	<b>6/5</b>	8:30am	<b>ROGER ROMERO + MANUELA CABASAL + 2Pt 3:12-15a; Mk 12:13-17</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>6/6</b>	7:00pm	<b>FRANCISCA SANTOS + ICASIANO SANTOS + 2 Tm 1:1-3; Mk 12:18-27</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>6/7</b>	8:30am	<b>STEVE &amp; ZENY PALOMPO (int.) 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>6/8</b>		<b>Hos 11:1,3-4,8c-9; Jn 19:31-37</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>6/9</b>	5:30pm	<b>NORMAN ARTHUR + BERNIE KENCZEWICZ +</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>6/10</b>	8:30am	<b>ANDRES PAREDES (int.) TOM &amp; FRANCES KUMALAE +</b>
		10:30am	<b>JANICE &amp; DAVID WALTZ + HAROLD &amp; CECILIA MOOREHEAD +</b>
			<b>Gn 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35</b>

### *Prayer Requests:*

Ray and Sharon Abdun-Nur and Holden Hewlett.

**Salt Lamps Children's Ministry, will not meet again until Sunday, September 9th. Have a blessed summer.**

**Save The Date  
Parish picnic is  
2018 from**

**September 8,  
11:00am-4:00pm.**



**ANNIVERSARY MAGAZINE.** What makes St. Mark special to you: a memory, a favorite ministry, a humorous anecdote, a wish for the future? Will you share that moment or feeling? We are searching for personal stories for possible submission in a magazine, revealing St. Mark, past, present and future. One or two sentences to two paragraphs would be ideal. Responses are welcome from parishioners of all ages, whether you've been here a month, a decade or 40 years. All stories have value. We are willing to edit spelling or grammar, or even write the story after an interview of you. Please submit to: "Memories & Dreams" form at Anniversary table or Email to: bob.mccabejr@gmail.com or clivingston@verizon.net

**"MEN of ST MARK, you are invited and called to a day of Spiritual Renewal!"** Deacon Calvin Bailey (from the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Norfolk) will share insights on how, we as men, can improve the most important relationship in our life - the one with our God, through the person of Jesus Christ. Please mark on your calendar - Saturday, June 16th, from 9am to 4:30pm at the New Creation Charismatic Renewal Center, located in Chesapeake on the corner of Centerville and Elbow Roads. This will be followed by all attending the 5:30pm Mass at St Mark. **Start the summer by developing and/or enhancing your spiritual life!** Sign up at the Parish Council table in the Commons or email Deacon Mike at deacon\_mike@stmark-parish.org. You can also sign-up using the website.

The Women's Book Club continues to seek new membership. This group is comprised of women of varied ages and diverse backgrounds. It is a compatible group with members who share an appreciation for the Catholic Church and its teachings. The group strives to learn more about our Catholic faith through the works of varied authors and genre. Every other month, for approximately 90 minutes, the ladies gather to share ideas and insights acquired from a pre-selected book. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 in the St. Mark Library from 6:30-8:00 PM. We will be reading the book, *The Vatican Pimpernel: The World War II Exploits of the Monsignor Who Saved Over 6500 Lives*, by Fleming, Brian (2012). Reward yourself with time for good reading, lively conversation, relaxation, camaraderie and laughter. Give us a try and consider joining the group. You can contact Genevieve Eirich at geirich1@verizon.net sign up online at [www.stmarkparish.org](http://www.stmarkparish.org) (Religious Formation-Adult Formation-Women's Ministry- Women's Book Club).

The Wisdom Seekers are celebrating summer with our annual picnic potluck luncheon on Friday, June 8, in the Great Hall. The main dish will be provided so please bring a side dish to share. Also, sharpen your bingo skills!

## *This Week at St. Mark* June 4 - June 10

<b>MON</b>	10:00am 7:00pm	Food Pantry RCIA Team Meeting
<b>TUES</b>	8:30 am	<b>DAILY MASS</b>
<b>WED</b>	10:00am 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	Food Pantry Rosary <b>DAILY MASS</b> Parish Life Meeting in Conference Room
<b>THUR</b>	8:30am 9:00 am-6pm 6:30pm 6:30pm  7:00pm	<b>DAILY MASS</b> <b>ADORATION</b> <b>ROSARY</b> Knights of Columbus in Conference Room <b>BENEDICTION</b>
<b>FRI</b>	9:30am 10:00am 12:30pm	Mom's Group Food Pantry Wisdom Seeker's Luncheon
<b>SAT</b>	5:30pm	<b>WEEKEND MASS</b>
<b>SUN</b>	8:30am 10:30am	<b>WEEKEND MASS</b> <b>WEEKEND MASS</b>

The St Mark 2018-2019 budget was submitted on May 8, 2018 and approved by Bishop Knestout on May 22. A copy of the approved budget is on the Parish Council Table in the commons.



### **INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH OR BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA is a process to learn and grow in the Catholic Christian faith. It begins with Inquiry where you come to ask questions and determine if this is right for you. It is open to those who have never been Baptized or are coming from a different Christian faith experience or not fully formed in the Catholic faith.

Formation sessions are conducted on Monday evenings, starting at 7:15pm. If you are interested please contact Deacon Mike Johnson at 479-1010 or deacon\_mike@stmark-parish.org.



# St. Mark Parish News

## *Justice & Peace*

### **Food Pantry Item: Pork and Beans**

**HELP!!**- Our Food Pantry and our PLARN ministry are desperately in need of grocery store type plastic bags !! Please place all donated bags in the bins near Food Pantry in the Great Hall.

It's not too late!! If you have not returned your HOPE4LIFE baby bottle, we can still accept them. Please return to basket on Justice & Peace table as soon as possible!

**Mark your calendars!** The **GREAT St Mark Yard Sale 2018** will be held on Saturday June 30th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. We are currently accepting donations. Look for a specially marked area in the great hall. We are looking for gently used clothing, jewelry, , small appliances and kitchenware. As in years past we **cannot** accept large appliances, TVs, computers, tires or mattresses. you would like more information or to help with the yard sale: sorting, setup, cashier, day of sale, up - please contact Sharon Forni sforni80@gmail.com or Joyce Gridley 675-6486. All proceeds will benefit Maison Fortune Orphanage in Hinche, Haiti.

In 1943, when France was occupied by German Nazis, the search for Jews began. In the face of grave peril, Sister Agnes convinced her mother superior to open their convent and offer refuge to a Jewish family. ...Let us devote ourselves anew to following wherever the Lord leads. Let us take courage from their example of faith."-USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Understanding Conscience," [www.bit.ly/understanding-conscience](http://www.bit.ly/understanding-conscience)

**June is Diocesan Refugee Awareness Month** as quoted in Matthew 2:13. Saint Joseph and the Blessed Mother Mary had to escape to Egypt with their newborn son, Jesus, because King Herod wanted to kill the infant. Our Lord himself lived as a refugee because his own land was not safe. Pope Francis reminds us that, "Likewise, we cannot but be moved by the many refugees seeking minimally dignified living conditions, who not only fail to find

hospitality, but often, tragically, perish in moving from place to place." The Catholic Church launched a worldwide, two-year campaign called "Share the Journey" which calls on Catholics to "encounter migrants and refugees in an effort to break down barriers of fear and suspicion and build bridges of understanding and hospitality." The Diocesan Office of Social Ministries invites all parishes to support refugees in their area. Resources and information on this initiative can be found at [www.sharejourney.org](http://www.sharejourney.org).

### **Diocesan Annual Appeal Update**

Our Diocesan Annual Appeal donations to date is \$54,003. This is 134% of our goal of \$40,050! Thank you so much for your generosity.

Don't take a vacation from your marriage! Come learn a technique of loving communication that you can use for the rest of your lives. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Fill your marriage with joy! The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekends are: Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC and Sep 21-23, 2018 in Herndon, VA. sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at [applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org) or 757-690-1369.

Please come out and support the **Fourth Annual TAP! TAP! Craft Beer Festival** to support the Children of Maison Fortuné ! This year's event will be AUGUST 11th, 2016 from

2PM - 7 PM, at Greenbrier Farms in Chesapeake, VA. Details and tickets can be found at [www.taptapfest.org](http://www.taptapfest.org). TAP TAP ticket includes souvenir tasting glass, unlimited tastings of over 30 craft beers and music entertainment by Vinyl Headlights and Jessie Chong Band. You may bring your own lawn chairs and snacks, but tents, tables, and outside alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted. Coolers will be subject to inspection upon arrival. Food will also be available to purchase from Festival Food Vendors. Your participation will help make our celebration an event to remember. If you'd like to volunteer at the Festival – please check out the opportunities at <http://bit.ly/2018taptapvolunteer> . We look forward to seeing you on August 11th!

### **Save the Date!**

The Knights of Columbus St. Benedict Council #9056 hosts its annual Italian Fest at 5:00 PM on 28 July at St. Gregory the Great Catholic School. Your favorite Italian dishes cooked on site and served buffet style. Homemade desserts including cannoli, drinks including beer and wine. Dance to the sounds of renowned Frank Sings Frank! \$17 Advance Sale tickets (\$10 age 7-13) available at the St. Gregory the Great Parish Office (757) 497-8330. Credit Card sales (757) 472-4380.

### **Job Opportunities:**

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Norfolk, VA** is seeking an Administrative Assistant to provide clerical, administrative and managerial support to the pastor and other staff members and provide reception services for the parish. This position will also maintain parishioner records and mailing lists via the parish database, record Mass intentions using Excel, and coordinate with the Director of Religious Education to prepare and collect sacramental paperwork, among other duties and responsibilities. Familiarity with the Mission of the Catholic Church is required, along with a minimum of three years of relevant experience in a secretarial or office management role. Must possess computer competency with Microsoft Office proficiency. Database and social networking experience required. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume and Diocesan Application to Fr. Paul Muyimbwa at [frpaul@sacredheartnorfolk.org](mailto:frpaul@sacredheartnorfolk.org).

**The Virginia Catholic Conference**, the public-policy agency of Virginia's Catholic bishops and their two dioceses, seeks applicants for the position of Associate Director. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: Advocacy of Conference positions to lawmakers, development and delivery of presentations (e.g., testimony at public hearings, speeches, panel remarks and media interviews), policy analysis, research and development, and drafting of alerts and updates. Qualified candidates will demonstrate knowledge of and commitment to Catholic social teaching, interest in legislative advocacy and outstanding written and oral communication skills. A practicing Catholic in good standing is required, as well as an understanding of the operations of the Catholic Church at the parish, diocesan and national levels. Previous advocacy experience is preferable but not required. The position will require some evening and weekend hours. Full benefits available. For consideration, please send cover letter and resume no later than June 29 to: Jeff Caruso, Executive Director at [jeff@vacatholic.org](mailto:jeff@vacatholic.org). For a more complete listing of responsibilities, please visit <https://richmonddiocese.org/office/office-of-human-resources/>.