

St. Mark Catholic Church

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PARISH / SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION VISIT WEBSITE: www.saintmarkcc.org

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00AM - 4:00PM, Friday 9:00AM - Noon

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 16, 2026



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:00 & 11:30AM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday 8:30AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Bulletin News for August 30th must be submitted to Tricia Palko by Friday, August 21st

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Fr. Jim or any visiting Priest will never request funds or gift cards via email or text. This is a SCAM!!

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF 08/09/26

Offertory	08/09/2026	\$ 18,630.87
Deferred Maintenance	08/09/2026	\$ 602.04
Building Loan Reduction	08/09/2026	\$ 1,377.10
MTD Offertory		\$ 36,605.16
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 1,063.04
MTD Building Loan Reduction		\$ 3,513.21
Total amount owed on building loan as of 07/31/2026		\$ 481,826.23
Monthly Building Loan Payment		\$ 17,200.00

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN
SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASS**

Thursday, AUGUST 27th, Parish Hall: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

For all new catechists and any adults that are working with children in the parish. You MUST register with Nancy at the parish office 303-466-8720. Ext 116 by August 24th.



Mass Intentions

August 17th – 23rd

+ indicates deceased
All others are intentions

Monday, August 17th

+ Joseph Dao Le
+ Carolyn Miller

Tuesday, August 18th

+ Peter Quang Le & Maria Doan Uong

Wednesday, August 19th

+ Joseph Ngu Do

Thursday, August 20th

+ Joachim Luong Nguyen &
Anna Ninh Nguyen

Friday, August 21st

+ Joachim Ben Nguyen

Saturday, August 22nd

St. Mark Parishioners

Sunday, August 23rd

Michael Sasin
+ Bill Proksch
+ Karen Schafer

The Story and You



Sacred Conversations

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I don't think I'd have had the humility to do what that heroic Canaanite woman did. She was finally in the presence of the great Rabbi, the Jesus the provinces were so excited about. "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David!" she cried out. Right away we see her great humility, in addressing Jesus by his Jewish title. She was a Canaanite and knew nothing of David or Moses. But she'd done her homework, and knew that this Jew, this Jesus, was often called the Son of David.

She approached him and begged him to heal her dear daughter, who was in the clutches of a demon. The disciples with Jesus did what they so often did. They tried to shush her and get her to move on. What would the Master want with a miserable Canaanite woman?

It's so disheartening to see the people closest to Jesus, who had traveled hundreds of miles with him, so often miss the mark when it came to compassion for non-Jews.

But this time, Jesus misses the mark too, and tells her he has only come for the Jews. Our hearts break a little every three years when this reading comes up in the lectionary, when we hear Jesus say this to her. But wait! She's "doing theology," that is, talking about God, with him! And he is overjoyed that this Canaanite woman, who never had the great privilege of hearing the Word of God, has more faith than most of the Jews he'd come to save.

He cures her daughter, of course. I like to imagine Jesus and this faith-filled woman exchanging a great laugh and a long, grateful hug.

***When has humility brought you
closer to someone than pride?***

Kathy McGovern ©2026 www.thestoryandyou.com

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Baptism:

Jasper Futuyma

Anniversaries:

Julius & Rose Ellen Monge 66 Years!

Family Faith Formation News

Important Information

August 23rd

Open House at the Parish Hall

8:00am – 1:00pm

Stop by to pick-up upcoming calendars, meet your teachers and check out the classrooms. Coffee and donuts provided.



Faith Hope Love Faith Hope Love

August 30th

First Class: 10:15am – 11:20am (children in classroom)

Parent Meeting, in the center during class time (at least one parent must attend.)

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Backpack Sunday at all Masses

It is the Blessing of school backpacks at all Masses. Please have the kids bring their backpacks to Mass and the priest will Bless them. They will also receive a special “tag” to put on their backpack for the year.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS Is OCIA FOR YOU?

**NOT SURE? JOIN US FOR PIZZA AND Q&A ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 6PM,
RSVP TO OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 7TH.**

Are you missing out on receiving the Eucharist during Mass? Is it because you aren't Catholic, or maybe you are Catholic but haven't completed your Sacraments of Initiation; Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation? Have you thought about becoming Catholic to be in full communion with the Church? We have just the class for you OCIA!

**Classes are held Tuesday evenings,
beginning September 15th, 6:00PM -7:30PM**

If you have questions on the process or would like to be a church sponsor please feel free to contact Tricia in the office or email Tom at tom.palko@saintmarkcc.org

Registration available online or in the Gathering Space!

WEEKLY PLANNER FOR AUGUST 16TH - 23RD

Sunday 16th	12:30pm Parish Picnic / Center
Monday 17th	9:00am Scripture Class with Fr. Ron / Church
Tuesday 18th	9:00am-6:00pm K of C Peach Delivery / Center
Wednesday 19th	6:45pm Choir Practice / Church
Thursday 20th	7:00pm Catholic in Recovery / Church
Friday 21st	6:15am That Man is You / Church 9:30am Scripture Class with Fr. Jim / Church
Saturday 22nd	
Sunday 23rd	8:00am-1:00pm RE Open House / Center Coffee & Donuts after 7:30am & 9am Mass



President:
Lois 303-619-4253
Dues: \$10 (single)
\$15 (couple)

Potluck & Game Day Cancelled for August

- **Lunch/Bocce Mickey's Restaurant, Thursday, August 27th, 11:00am, 6950 N Broadway**
- **No Book Club in August**

We are now accepting registrations for Family Faith Formation Classes. Pre K-12th Grade.

Come join our Flock.

Registration forms can be found in the parish office, the parish web site and the entryway of the church.

For more information contact Nancy at 303-466-8720 ext. 116.

KING SOOPERS

COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Thank you to everyone who signed up for the community rewards program with your King Soopers card April-June 2026. We just received our quarterly Community Rewards Check, **\$751.56 (170 families are participating. So far in 2026 we have received \$1,663.33 FREE money to reduce the debt).** Never to late for more parishioners to sign up. Lets make the next quarter even bigger.

Help reduce the Building Debt while doing your normal shopping. At **absolutely no cost** to you and does not affect your fuel points. **King Soopers will donate 5% of every dollar you spend** while shopping, funds are sent quarterly to St. Mark's Building Loan Reduction through their Community Rewards Program. All you have to do is register your loyalty card online at kingsoopers.com or on the app.

If you haven't signed up yet please do so today.

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Step 1 – In the upper left-hand corner click on the person icon

Step 2 – Under Payments & Service click on Community Rewards

Step 3 - Click on “Enroll Now” and search bar type the organization number: **WA269** it will pull up

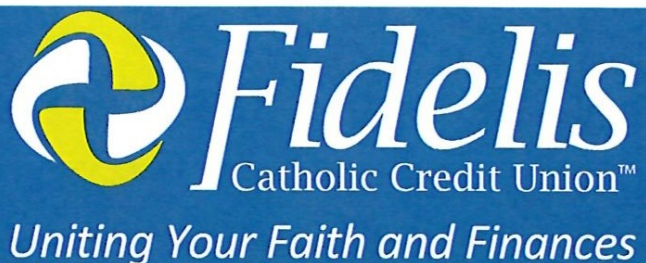
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Step 4 - Click “Enroll”



REMINDER:

**If you ordered peaches
they must be picked up
on Tuesday, August 18th
9am-6pm Parish Center.**



*Committed to Your Faith.
Invested in Your Future.*



*We've been helping Catholic families
unite their faith and finances since 1954*

Become a Member Today!

Membership is open to
all parishioners of
St. Mark's Parish



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