

# St. Mark Catholic Church

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## Fifth Sunday of Lent

Unless a grain of wheat  
falls to the ground and dies,  
it remains just a grain of  
wheat; but if it dies, it  
produces much fruit.

*John 12:20-33*

## March 17, 2024

### 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  
or by appointment

**Bulletin News for March 31st must be submitted to Tricia Palko by Wednesday, March 20th**

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**STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF 03/10/24**

Offertory	03/10/2024	\$ 13,550.86
Deferred Maintenance	03/10/2024	\$ 325.00
Building Fund	03/10/2024	\$ 1,485.00
MTD Offertory		\$ 32,749.25
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 1,319.38
MTD Building Fund		\$ 2,403.38
Total amount owed on building loan as of 2/29/2024		\$1,035,785.68
Monthly Building Loan Payment		\$ 17,200.00

**INTERESTED IN A PART-TIME POSITION  
ST. MARK IS IN NEED OF A  
YOUTH MINISTER**

Position 15-20 hours per week.  
Visit website

**[www.saintmarkcc.org](http://www.saintmarkcc.org)**  
for job description and to apply!

To apply, go to our website  
(click on the job opening youth ministry picture on the home  
page).

If you questions contact the  
Parish Office 303-466-8720.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT**

March 22nd at 7pm.  
This Station is led by RCIA!

**The Story and You™**



Sacred Conversations

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

There are two commandments. The first is the exterior commandment, imposed by exasperated parents: **don't hit your brother**. That law lasts as long as it takes mom or dad to leave the room, and then all manner of hitting resumes.

The interior law comes later, hopefully, and it forms inside our own hearts: **Don't hit my brother. It hurts his feelings, and makes me feel terrible**. The reward for observing both those laws comes later still: warm, honest, loving relationships among siblings, long after their parents have gone to God, with Easter tables filled with loving aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews.

There are other exterior laws which are broken every day, sometimes with a terrible cost. **Drive the speed limit. Don't drink and drive**. But it's only when we internalize those laws, and truly reckon what our lives would be like if we killed someone because we violated those laws, that the likelihood of us ever breaking our interior rule to observe safe driving is very, very small.

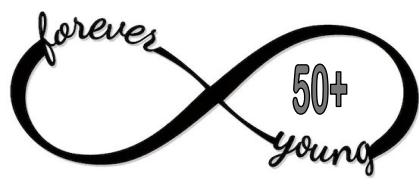
The exterior commandment is to not bear false witness against your neighbor. But the interior commandment, which forms in our hearts over time, is to not pass on any kind of gossip at all, true or not. That's the hard one, but, since gossip kills, we learn to treat gossip like a gun, and we train ourselves internally to never arm ourselves with such a deadly weapon.

Jeremiah knew that the Law Moses brought down from the mountain was only effective if it was **written in our hearts**. And how do we know it's written there? If we know that God has forgiven us. If you still feel judged, who's doing the judging?

***Have you ever confessed to breaking  
one of your interior rules?***

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**March 17, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent**



**President:**  
Lois Tochtrop  
303-469-8150  
**Dues: \$10 (single)**  
**\$15 (couple)**

- \* **Parish Game Day** Wednesday, **March 20th, 1:00pm** Center. Please bring your own beverage and a snack to share and join in a variety of games.
- \* **MAC Movie** Thursday, **March 21st, 1:30pm**, 72nd & Federal. Cost: **\$2** includes popcorn & beverage. Movie: *The Hill* (True story about Rickey Hill - Baseball Player)
- \* **Lunch/Bocce Mickey's Restaurant**, Cancelled in March
- \* **Book Club** Cancelled in March.  
Book for **April 23rd** is *The Four Winds* by: *Kristin Hannah*

**ALONENESS SUPPORT GROUP**

"Where Aloneness ends and Friendship begins"  
No meeting in March

**MINISTERS WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MASSES. PLEASE GO ONLINE AND SIGN-UP.**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING AN ALTAR SERVER FOR ANY OF THESE MASSES PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE. IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN AN ALTAR SERVER THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO SEE IF YOU WANT TO BE PART OF THIS MINISTRY ON A REGULAR BASIS.**

The St. Mark Youth Group is going to Skate City (Westminster) on Sunday, March 17 from Noon-2. The cost will be covered by a few parish donors. Any parents or family members that want to attend will have to pay for themselves. If there are any questions please let the group leaders know .

**WEEKLY PLANNER FOR MARCH 17TH - 24TH**

Sunday 17th	Coffee & Donuts after 7:30am & 9am Mass
Monday 18th	
Tuesday 19th	1:00pm Grief Ministry Meeting / Church 6:00pm RCIA Class / Church
Wednesday 20th	1:00pm Game Day / Center 7:00pm Choir Practice / Church
Thursday 21st	6:30pm 1st Eucharist/Confirmation / Center
Friday 22nd	6:30am TMIY / Church 9:30am Breaking of the Word Fr. Jim / Church 4pm - 6:30pm K of C Fish Fry 7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 23rd	
Sunday 24th	6:00pm Seder Meal / Center



St Mark will once again host the Jewish ceremony called the Seder, we know it as the Last Supper.  
The Seder will be on Palm Sunday evening, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm-8:30pm. The cost is \$10/person. While it is open to everyone, it is suggested that the youth be at least in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.  
Tickets will be on sale after each of the Sunday masses March 16-17.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



**THE LAST FISH FRY**

**WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, March 22nd**  
**4:00pm - 6:30pm PARISH CENTER**

Children age 5 and under **FREE**  
Children age 6 - 12 **\$6.00**  
Seniors (50+) **\$11.00**  
Adults **\$13.00** "Big Fish" **\$15.00**



**March 22nd!**  
**SHRIMP**  
**AVAILABLE FOR AN**  
**ADDITIONAL \$3.00**  
**(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!)**



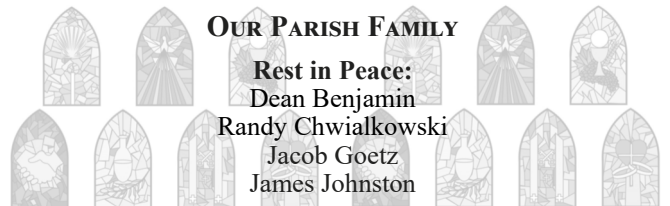
**MENU**  
Fried & Baked Fish  
French Fries  
Mac & Cheese  
Coleslaw  
Dessert  
Beverage

*Mass Intentions*  
*March 18th- 24th*

<i>Monday, March 18th</i> + Maria Uong + Peter Le	<i>Friday, March 22nd</i> + Ana Carrillo
<i>Tuesday, March 19th</i> + Joachim & Anna Nguyen + Ruben & Elisa Mata	<i>Saturday, March 23rd</i> St. Mark Parishioners
<i>Wednesday, March 20th</i> Lorraine & Carrie Sullivan	<i>Sunday, March 24th</i> + Ashley Bering + Bill Proksch St. Mark Parishioners
<i>Thursday, March 21st</i> + Doa Ngo + Glen Jacobson	+ indicates deceased All others are intentions

**OUR PARISH FAMILY**

**Rest in Peace:**  
Dean Benjamin  
Randy Chwialkowski  
Jacob Goetz  
James Johnston





## 2024 Calendar

**Stations of the Cross: Friday, 7:00pm**

Every Friday beginning February 16th - March 22nd

**Fish Fry: 4:00pm - 6:30pm**

Friday, March 22nd

**No 8:30am Daily Mass:**

March 26th, 28th & 29th

**Holy Thursday, March 28th Mass: 6:00pm**

*After the 6:00pm Mass The Blessed Sacrament will be taken to the Center and it will remain open until 10:00pm for visits to The Altar Of Repose*

**Good Friday, March 29th 1:00pm**

Passion, Veneration of the Cross, Communion

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, March 30th Mass: 8:00pm**

No 5:00pm Mass

**Easter Sunday, March 31st**

**Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am & 11:30am**

**\*Parish Office will be closed Holy Thursday, March 28th and will re-open on Tuesday, April 2nd at 9am\***