

# St. Mark Catholic Church

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*First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2024*

# LENT



*The kingdom of God is at hand.*

Mark 1:15

**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 3rd must be submitted to Tricia Palko by Wednesday, February 21st**

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**STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF 02/11/24**

Offertory	02/11/2024	\$ 14,255.78
Deferred Maintenance	02/11/2024	\$ 397.20
Building Fund	02/11/2024	\$ 480.00
MTD Offertory		\$ 47,689.94
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 1,023.20
MTD Building Fund		\$ 1,142.00
Total amount owed on building loan as of 1/31/2024		\$1,045,458.94
Monthly Building Loan Payment		\$ 17,200.00

*Thank you*

**St. Mark Catholic Church Parish  
and the Knights of Columbus**

*Thank you for all of the children's clothing, diapers,  
baby items, financial donations and gift cards you collected  
on behalf of Marisol Health. We are so grateful!*

Marisol Health, a ministry of Catholic Charities, provides life-affirming care and family support services. Our mission is to serve those who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant and walk side-by-side with them every step of the way. Thanks to your generosity, we are able to continue supporting our families. God bless you!



"The less we have, the more we give. Seems absurd, but it's the logic of love." — St. Mother Teresa

**The Story and You™**



Sacred Conversations

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sometimes it seems like God is shouting, "I'm here! I am with you! Our covenant still stands!"

It's easy to see God in Colorado, but sometimes even natives like me nearly drive off the road for the shocking beauty of those mountains, blanketed in white. It can take your breath away.

The biggest shock I ever got while driving was two summers ago. Coming home, driving southwest, listening to the radio, I somehow sensed a presence outside my driver-side window. I turned my head and BAM, right outside my window, just parallel to my car, was the brightest, biggest, closest rainbow I've ever seen.

I gasped, and gaped, and then laughed out loud. The song I was listening to was "Drawn to You," by Sarah Hart. Do you know it? It's so beautiful. I had just listened to the refrain:

*Drawn to you, Lord we are drawn to you.*

*To the beauty of your presence in this place.\**

Ha! The beauty of God's presence was practically in my CAR, following along with me until I turned to the west and it fell out of sight. Nature mediates grace, doesn't it? The natural world is God's delivery system for grace. And rainbows are, in my experience, the MOST beloved God-winks of all.

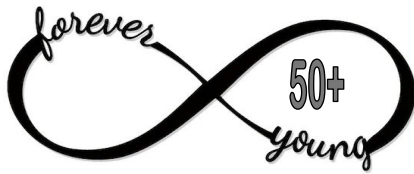
The next time you notice a rainbow pin on someone, take a minute to ask them about it. I'll bet they have a touching story about how a rainbow, appearing in the sky at the perfect moment, let them know that their deceased loved one was with God.

Our all-knowing God set rainbows in the sky for us to gasp, and gape, and to know that we are held by a loving God.

***Tell someone your own rainbow story today.***

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**February 18, 2024 First Sunday of Lent**



**President:**  
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**Dues: \$10 (single)  
\$15 (couple)**

- \* **Parish Game Day** Wednesday, February 21st, 1:00pm  
Center. Please bring your own beverage and a snack to share and join in a variety of games.
- \* **Lunch/Bocce Mickey's Restaurant,**  
Thursday, February 22nd, 11:00am, 6950 N. Broadway.
- \* **Book Club** Tuesday, February 27th, 10:00am  
St. Rose Room / Church  
Book: *A Walk in the Woods* By: Bill Bryson

**WEEKLY PLANNER FOR FEBRUARY 18TH - 25TH**

Sunday 18th	Coffee & Donuts after 7:30am & 9am masses
Monday 19th	Office Closed
Tuesday 20th	1:00pm Grief Ministry / Church 6:00pm RCIA Class / Church
Wednesday 21st	1:00pm Parish Game Day / Center 7:00pm Choir Practice / Church
Thursday 22nd	6:30pm 1st Eucharist/Confirmation / Center
Friday 23rd	6:30am TMIY / Church 9:30am Breaking of the Word Fr. Jim / Church 7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 24th	
Sunday 25th	10:15am Faith Formation / Center

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT  
FEBRUARY 23rd at 7pm**

**This Station is led by ADULTS!  
Openings are still available to read.  
Please contact Parish Office  
to sign up!**

**ALONENESS SUPPORT GROUP**

"Where Aloneness ends and Friendship begins"

Our February meeting will be the 4th Wednesday of this month,  
**February 28th at 1pm in the Church.**  
We are working on getting a speaker. More information to come in following Bulletin!

**RETIRING SOON!**

After 30+ years of working for the Archdiocese of Denver, Laurie Lopez has decided that it is time for her to retire. She will be retiring from St. Mark on May 31st. For the past 2 years St. Mark has been blessed to have Laurie as our Faith Formation Director. We wish her the very best as she starts a new chapter of her life.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



**WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY  
February 16th, March 1st & 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!)**



*Mass Intentions*  
February 19th - 25th

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| <i>Monday, February 19th</i><br>Rosanna Pazzin<br>+ Dave Cruz        | <i>Friday, February 23rd</i><br>+ Lydia Jaramillo  |
| <i>Tuesday, February 20th</i><br>+ Anna & Joachim Nguyen             | <i>Saturday, February 24th</i><br>+ Bill Proksch   |
| <i>Wednesday, February 21st</i><br>Elaine Guenette<br>+ Rueben Ortiz | <i>Sunday, February 25th</i><br>+ Joe Gallegos<br>+ Andrew Dearth<br>St. Mark Parishioners |
| <i>Thursday, February 22nd</i><br>+ Patrick & Inez Quintana          |  |

+ indicates deceased  
All others are intentions



## **2024 Calendar**

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

Every Friday beginning February 16th - March 22nd

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

Friday, March 1st & Friday, March 22nd

**Penance Service: Thursday, 6:00pm**

March 14th

**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\***