

St. Mark Catholic Church

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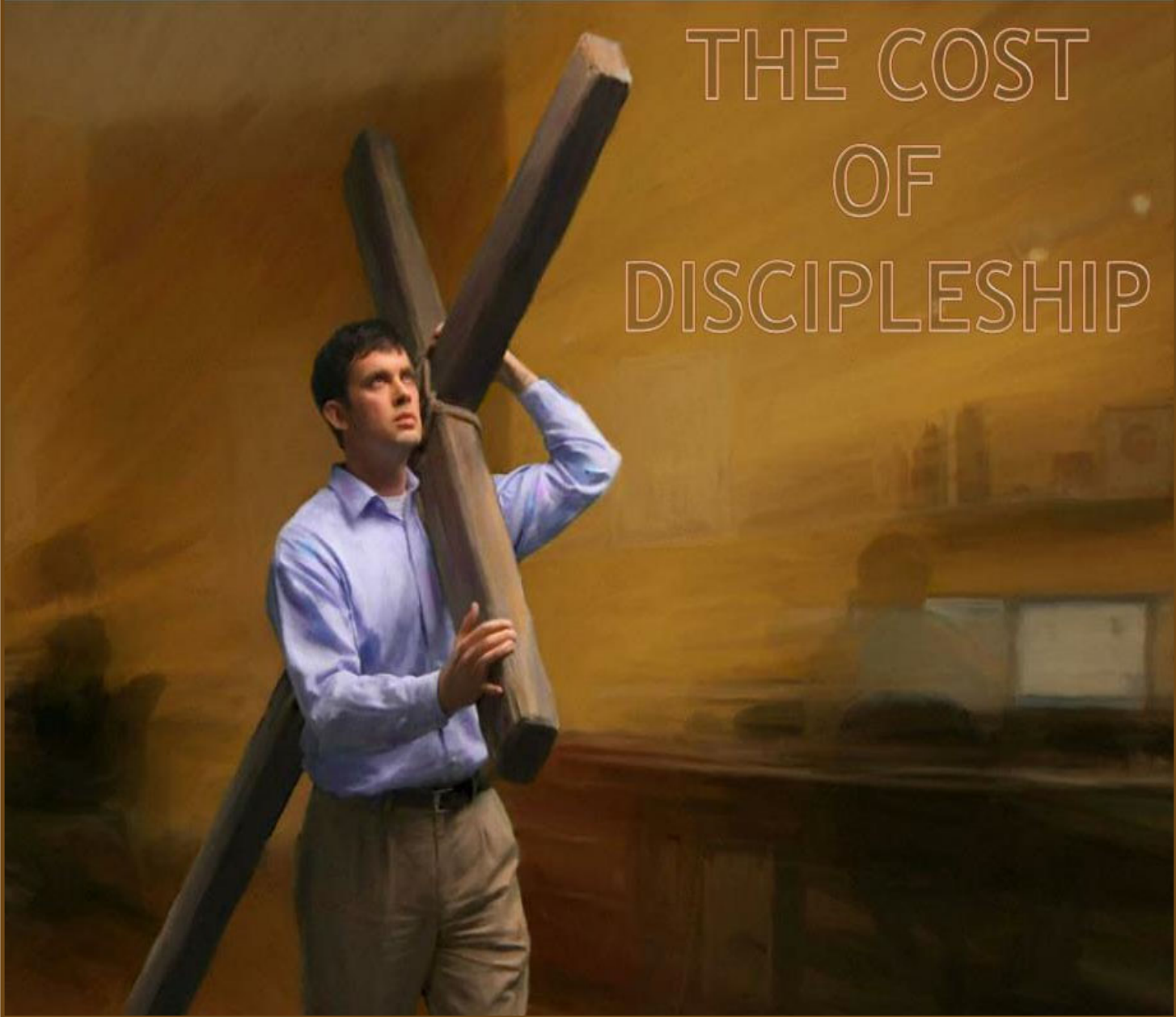
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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00AM - 4:00PM, Friday 9:00AM - Noon

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 7, 2025



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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 September 21st must be submitted to Tricia Palko by Wednesday, September 10th

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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 08/24/25

Offertory	08/24/2025	\$ 13,710.91
Deferred Maintenance	08/24/2025	\$ 180.10
Building Loan Reduction	08/24/2025	\$ 927.77
MTD Offertory		\$ 66,391.07
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 2,120.21
MTD Building Loan Reduction		\$ 4,194.75

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF 08/31/25

Offertory	08/31/2025	\$ 13,888.66
Deferred Maintenance	08/31/2025	\$ 392.28
Building Loan Reduction	08/31/2025	\$ 1,088.55
MTD Offertory		\$ 80,279.73
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 2,512.49
MTD Building Loan Reduction		\$ 5,283.30
Total amount owed on building loan as of 7/31/2025		\$ 721,056.16
Monthly Building Loan Payment		\$ 17,200.00

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Sacred Conversations

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What charisma did Jesus possess that he was able to draw The Twelve, as well as many dozens of unnamed disciples, into mission with him? I imagine him as this young, warm, kind rabbi, whose very presence compelled James and John to drop their nets (and thus to evaporate the family business) and follow him.

But at what cost! They would have to love their families "less"--the proper translation of "hate"---than they loved him. They would have to love their own lives less than they loved him! They would have to be willing to "take up the cross"--- surely the most dreaded image for anyone living in an occupied country --and follow him.

What kind of recruitment poster is that? Leave your families, and love them less than you love this highly controversial man whose promises are sacrifice, privation, death, and eternal life. Apparently, those who chose a life of hardship with him did it with great joy. They were utterly devoted to him.

It's good to be cautious when you make a commitment, of course. You need to make a list of pros and cons. You need to determine if you can win before you take on a new project or a new job. But the cost of this discipleship? To be a faithful follower of Jesus, you must renounce all your possessions!

What an impossible call this is. The Catholic tradition reserves this particular sacrifice for those who embrace poverty in Religious life. But all of us are called to love Jesus more than possessions, family, or even our own lives.

Do I do this? The answer is: sometimes. And those times have brought me my greatest joys.

When have you found deep joy in following Jesus?

Kathy McGovern www.thestoryandyou.com ©2025

Mass Intentions

September 8th - 14th

+ Indicates deceased
All others are Intentions

Monday, September 8th

+ Maria Doa

Tuesday, September 9th

+ Gesuino Zucca

Wednesday, September 10th

+ Joseph Dao Le

Thursday, September 11th

Tammy Custodi

Friday, September 12th

+ Teresa Tuyet Nguyen

Fr. Hilary

Saturday, September 13th

+ Esther Mai

Sunday, September 14th

+ Peter Quang Le &

Maria Doan Uong

+ Toby & Gloria Anglada

Parishioners of St. Mark

Family Faith Formation News

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

September 21st

Back to School Sunday

Open house: 8:30am - 1:00pm



Stop by to pick up upcoming calendar, meet your teachers, check out the classrooms, coffee and donuts for everyone.

Faith Hope Love Faith Hope Love

September 28th

First Class: 10:15am - 11:20am

Parent Orientation also, at least one parent must attend.

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September 28th

Backpack Sunday: 9am & 11:30am Masses

Lastly, it is the Blessing of school backpacks at the 9:00am Mass and the 11:30am Mass. Please have the kids bring their backpacks to Mass and Fr. Jim will bless them. They will receive a special "tag" to put on the backpack for the year.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS IS OCIA FOR YOU?

CLASSES BEGIN SOON SIGN-UP NOW

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 6:00PM-7:30PM

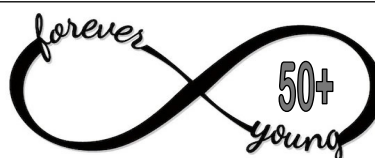
Are you missing out on receiving the Eucharist during Mass? Is it because you aren't Catholic, or maybe you are Catholic but haven't completed your Sacraments Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation? Have you thought about becoming Catholic to be in full communion with the Church? We have just the class for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

**Classes will be on Tuesday evenings 6:00PM-7:30PM,
September 2025 - April 2026**

If you are already in full communion with the Catholic church but would be interested in helping out. We are always in need of church sponsors to mentor those going through the process. Sponsors are required to attend class, retreat and several 9am Masses throughout the year.

If you have questions on the process or being 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!



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

- * **Board Meeting** Tuesday, September 9th, 10:00am
St. Rose Room / Church.
- * **Parish Game Day** Wednesday, September 17th, 1:00pm
St. Rose Room/Church. Please bring your own drink and a snack to share. Join in a variety of games. Everyone welcome
- * **Book Club** Tuesday, September 23rd, 10:00am
St. Rose Room/Church.
Book: "Running with Sherman" By: Christopher McDougall
- * **Lunch/Bocce Mickey's Restaurant,**
Thursday, September 25th, 11:00am, 6950 N. Broadway.

ALONENESS SUPPORT GROUP

"Where Aloneness ends and Friendship begins"

We will have an Ice Cream Social at

Squires Park 99th and Lowell

Wednesday, September 24th at 1pm.

If bad weather we will have it at St. Mark Parish Center!

- BUILDING LOAN REDUCTION DONATIONS -

If you would like to help lower the debt of the Building Loan - donations are always appreciated and welcomed, **any amount at any time.** Please pick-up a "Building Fund" pink labeled envelope from book rack and place donation in offertory basket or go to online giving at www.saintmarkcc.org, click on donation - select Building Loan Reduction.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:

Saturday, September 13, 2025 immediately following the
5:00pm Mass (6:00pm - 7:15pm)

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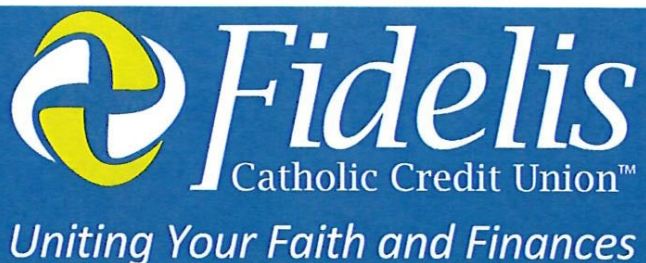
Sunday, September 14, 2025 immediately following the
9:00am Mass (10:00am - 11:15am)

Children, 3rd grade and up, and adults are welcome.

Hope to see you all there. If you have questions
please call Nancy at 303-466-8720.

WEEKLY PLANNER FOR SEPTEMBER 7TH - 14TH

Sunday 7th	12:30pm Parish Picnic / Center
Monday 8th	
Tuesday 9th	10:00am Forever Young Board Meeting / Church
Wednesday 10th	6:00pm K of C Council Meeting 6:00pm FFF Catechist Meeting / Church 7:00pm Choir Practice / Church
Thursday 11th	6:00pm Youth Catechist Meeting / Center
Friday 12th	9:30am Scripture Class with Fr. Jim / Church
Saturday 13th	4:00pm Rock-a-thon Outside 6:00pm Altar Servers Training
Sunday 14th	8:00am Rock-a-thon Outside 10:15am Altar Servers Training



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