

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

**Nineteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
August 9, 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 23rd must be submitted to Tricia Palko by Friday, August 14th

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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 08/02/26

Offertory	08/02/2026	\$ 17,974.29
Deferred Maintenance	08/02/2026	\$ 461.00
Building Loan Reduction	08/02/2026	\$ 2,136.11
MTD Offertory		\$ 17,974.29
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 461.42
MTD Building Loan Reduction		\$ 2,136.11
Total amount owed on building loan as of 07/31/2026		\$ 481,826.23
Monthly Building Loan Payment		\$ 17,200.00

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We don't live in the time of the ancient Jews, living in a Canaanite society, who would have heard that reading about Elijah in the cave (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a). But if we did, we might find ourselves snickering, poking, and laughing out loud as we heard all the places Elijah sought to hear God's voice. Here's why.

First, this happens on the mountain of Horeb (Sinai), the very place where Moses received the Ten Commandments twenty generations before. So, as Elijah takes shelter from the Canaanites who are searching to kill him, the Lord tells Elijah to leave his place of safety and to go out in plain sight to wait, for "the Lord will be passing by."

That's the first AHA moment for our Jewish audience, because they remember that when Moses himself stood on that very mountain (Exodus 33 and 34), the Lord passed by and revealed to him that God is compassionate, gracious, slow to anger, and full of great love and forgiveness.

God shows love to thousands of generations, but...ahem... also does not let the guilty go unpunished. Our Jewish audience roars, because they know that terrible things happened to the Canaanite prophets who confronted Elijah. Yes! The guilty were punished, but Elijah was cared for! What a comfort to a Hebrew community who were oppressed by the Canaanites at every turn.

But here's the funny part that the writer surely put in the story to give the Jews strength. God can't be found in the heavy and strong wind, nor the earthquake, nor the fire. Why? Because wind, earthquake and fire are all Canaanite gods! And you'll never find the true God there.

What places do we look for God today that can never satisfy?

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**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN
SAFE ENVIROMENT 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

+ indicates deceased
All others are intentions

August 10th – 16th

Monday, August 10th

+ Dee Brence

Tuesday, August 11th

Xavier Salvador Soares

Wednesday, August 12th

+ Susan Mazurkiewicz

Thursday, August 13th

+ Teresa Nguyen

Friday, August 14th

+ Dorothy Teribury

Saturday, August 15th

+ Kathy Pavlich

Sunday, August 16th

St. Mark Parishioners

Doreen Willey

+ Karen Schafer

ADORATION CHAPEL



The Adoration Chapel ss moving to the
Bell Tower (Candle Chapel).

Please come in and pray during office hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am - 4pm & Friday 9am - Noon

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.



August 30th

First Class: 10:15am – 11:20am

Parent Orientation also, at least one parent must attend.



August 30th

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 9TH - 16TH

Sunday 9th	RE Registration after masses
Monday 10th	9:00am Scripture Class with Fr. Ron / Church
Tuesday 11th	10:00am FY Board Meeting / Church
Wednesday 12th	6:00pm Catechist Meeting / Center 6:00pm K of C Council Meeting / Center 6:45pm Choir Practice / Church
Thursday 13th	7:00pm Catholic in Recovery / Church
Friday 14th	
Saturday 15th	
Sunday 16th	12:30pm Parish Picnic / Center



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

Potluck & Game Day Cancelled for August

- **Board Meeting** Tuesday, August 11th, 10:00am
St. Rose Room / Church.
- **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.

APP

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

St. Mark Catholic Church,
Westminster, CO

Step 4 – Click "Enroll"

Online

Step 1 - Sign in to your account at

<http://www.kingsoopers.com>

Step 2 - Click on the arrow beside "Save" (top left corner), and then click on "King Soopers Community Rewards"

Step 3 - Click on "Enroll Now" and search for

St. Mark Catholic Church, Westminster,

CO by name or by our organization number: **WA269**

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PARISH WIDE POTLUCK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16th

**Potluck items can be dropped off between
11:15am - 12:30pm in Parish Center.
Serving from 12:30pm-1:30pm**



**Bring a Potluck Item
according to
Your Last Name:**



Door Prizes

Yard Games

**Water, Tea &
Lemonade provided
by the Parish**

