

St. Mark Catholic Church

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 24, 2025

Strive
to
enter
through
the
narrow
door.

Luke 13:24

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 7th must be submitted to Tricia Palko by Wednesday, August 27th

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Online Giving simply scan QR code



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

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:

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

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My cheeks burn with embarrassment when I think about those who knocked on the Master's door to ask admittance, only to have him say, "I don't know you or where you come from." It always reminds me of a conversation I had with an elderly parishioner many years ago. I knew his name, and several things about him because others who had taken the time to be his actual friends had told me about his fascinating life.

I approached him one day, acting as if we knew each other, and his response was, "I don't know you. I've never seen you before." It was so embarrassing to be called out on my presumptuousness that just because I knew OF him, that meant that I was privy to a friendship with him I'd never earned.

I've written once before about the MOST mortifying moment of my life, when, during COVID, I failed to recognize my oldest friend at an event, just because she was wearing a mask. And yesterday, I asked my friend, whose retirement party we were celebrating, who that VERY warm and sweet woman was who greeted me at the door when I arrived. "Um," she said, "that was me. I was the one who greeted you."

It had been a few years since I'd seen her, and her hair was different, but shouldn't I have recognized her voice, or known her immediately by her warmth? Will things about us have changed so much through the years---our kindness, our outreach to strangers, our faith itself--- that the Master will say, "Who are you? I don't know where you come from"?

Recognize us, Jesus. Help us recognize you more.

***Have you changed so much that
Jesus might not recognize you?***

Kathy McGovern www.thestoryandyou.com ©2025

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Baptism:

Amelia Melina

Anniversaries:

Pete & Jean Opila 30 Years!

Rest in Peace:

Vincent Werth

Mass Intentions
August 25th - 31st
+ Indicates deceased
All others are Intentions

Monday, August 25th

+ Richael Webb

Tuesday, August 26th

Christopher Soares

Wednesday, August 27th

+ Tom & Nicole Gandara

Thursday, August 28th

+ Richael Webb

Friday, August 29th

+ Donovan Roybal
+ Margaret Robinson
+ Kerry McDaniel

Saturday, August 30th

+ Mariella Pace

Sunday, August 31st

Parishioners of St. Mark
Fr. Jeronimo Afonso
+ Albert Garcia

August 24, 2025 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2025

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> Jul '24 - June '25
Cash	\$ 349,131
Land, Buildings, Equipment	<u>\$7,724,399</u>
Total Assets	\$8,073,530
Account Payable	\$ 26,401
Loans Payable	<u>\$ 734,333</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 760,734
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$7,312,796
Total	\$8,073,530

*Mortgage Payment \$17,200/month

ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 2025 - JUNE 2026

<u>Church</u>	<u>Budget</u> Jul '25 - June '26
<u>Income</u>	
Offertory, Other Misc	\$ 971,240
Building Loan Reduction	\$ 60,000
Deferred Maintenance	<u>\$ 21,000</u>
	\$1,052,240
<u>Expense</u>	
Operating	\$ 485,466
Personnel	\$ 488,878
Interest Expense	<u>\$ 53,000</u>
	\$1,027,344
<u>Net Revenue over Expense</u>	\$ 24,896
<u>Less: Depreciation</u>	<u>-\$ 327,906</u>
<u>Budgeted Revenue - Depreciation</u>	-\$ 303,010

Our annual breakeven budget reflects all projected sources of income and operating expenses for July 2025 thru June 2026 fiscal year.

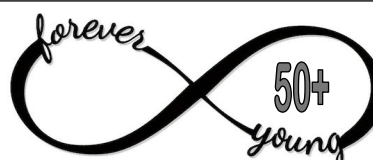
STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF 08/17/25

Offertory	08/17/2025	\$ 12,800.09
Deferred Maintenance	08/17/2025	\$ 120.00
Building Loan Reduction	08/17/2025	\$ 1,177.87
Assumption Holy Day	08/17/2025	\$ 2,428.88
MTD Offertory		\$ 52,680.16
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 1,940.11
MTD Building Loan Reduction		\$ 3,266.98

Total amount owed on building loan **\$ 721,056.16**
as of 7/31/2025

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 any of the book racks and place in the offertory basket or mail to the office, you can also make donations online. Go to online giving at www.saintmarkcc.org, click on donation - select Building Loan Reduction.



WE'RE BACK!!

President:
Lois Tochtrop
303-619-4253

- * **Potluck Tuesday, September 2nd, 11:30am** in the Center. "Pizza Party". Please bring food to share according to your last name, drinks will be provided.
A-G Main (instead of food bring \$5 for the pizza),
H-M Side, N-Z Dessert
Entertainment: Bear Miller, caller and his Square Dancers will be performing.
FYI: Yearly dues will be collected \$10 single / \$15 couple
- * **First Friday Coffee & Donuts Friday, September 5th, after 8:30 mass.**
- * **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"

No Meeting in August
Next Meeting will be
Wednesday, September 24th at 1pm
Watch bulletin for complete details.

Do You Have a Will or Trust?

August is National Make-a-Will Month. Would your property and other assets go to the people, charities and/or your parish you desire? Despite the importance of having a will (or trust), many never get around to drafting one. Or many have one and it's out of date.

Now is the time to get everything in order. Give The Catholic Foundation a call to learn more on how to leave our parish in your will (or trust).

Deacon Steve Stemper, Christine M. Hoyer, Deacon Tim Kenny,
Lisa Kukura 303-468-9885 www.TheCatholicFoundation.com

WEEKLY PLANNER FOR AUGUST 24TH – 31ST

Sunday 24th	Registration sign up, all Masses
Monday 25th	
Tuesday 26th	
Wednesday 27th	6:30pm K of C Officer Planning Mtg / Center 7:00pm Choir Practice / Church
Thursday 28th	Peach Delivery 9am - 6pm / Center
Friday 29th	9:30am Scripture Class with Fr. Jim / Church
Saturday 30th	
Sunday 31st	

Family Faith Formation News

WE NEED YOU!

. Catechist and Aides for the FFF Classes
Sunday mornings, 10:00 -11:30am
(September—May)

. Catechist for Sacramental Classes
Thursday evenings, 6:00-7:30pm
(Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist, Confirmation)
Two sessions between September-May

. Special Events

Planning, Decorating, Set Up and Clean Up
We have about five events during the year.

For more information please email Nancy at
redirector@saintmarkcc.org or call the
office at 303-466-8720 ext. 16



ADORATION CHAPEL

Please come in and pray during office hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am - 4pm &

Friday 9am - Noon

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

IS OCIA FOR YOU?

NOT SURE? JOIN US FOR PIZZA AND Q&A ON

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 6PM,

RSVP TO OFFICE BY AUGUST 28TH.

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,
beginning in September 16th.**

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!

**PLEASE
UPDATE YOUR
INFORMATION
FOR PARISH
DATABASE**



It is important for the church to have updated information on file for your family. The last update was 2012. The information you provide never leaves St. Mark. No entity including The Archdiocese will ever have access to this information. Anyone over the age of 18 should have their own file in the database.

Why is it important that you are registered if you haven't registered yet? Any donations made provide you with a tax document at year end. More importantly you may be asked to be a Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor, or want your children in the Catholic school, want a funeral luncheon when a spouse, parent or child passes. **We cannot sign for or provide these services if you are not registered.** Do you know that you can be registered at more than one parish?

So please take 5 minutes to fill out the parish registration form, even if you know nothing has changed, it is very costly for the church to mail these forms out. Forms are available in the gathering space, or online under Parish Registration information. Forms can be dropped off at Mass, in the Parish office or emailed to: t.palko@saintmarkcc.org if you have any questions please feel free to contact Tricia in the parish office.



Parish PICNIC

PARISH WIDE POTLUCK SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th

**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:**



Yard Games



Door Prizes

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



Sponsorship Opportunities



This Sponsorship will help the Adults in OCIA, Children in the RE and Sacramental Prep, Youth, Family Faith Programs and any other parish classes or retreats that are offered:

The funds will be utilized for tuition, bibles, classroom materials, and anything else that may be needed to make the learning experience of all ages successful.

The funds from this sponsorship will give everyone the opportunity to learn the Catholic Faith, receive Sacraments, and attend retreats, even when they do not have the financial ability to pay.

**No one in our Parish is ever turned away for not having the financial ability to attend.
The church pays for them.**

Please support the community so we can continue to
ENCOURAGE, INSPIRE AND EMPOWER THE GROWTH OF ST. MARK!

This sponsorship is a tax-deductible donation, and any amount is appreciated!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Amount Sponsored: \$ _____

You can pay online, drop in the offertory basket or by the office.

Pay online at www.saintmarkcc.org online giving or for easy access scan QR code and be directed to website.

