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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 8, 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 February 22nd must be submitted to Bulletin Editor by Friday, February 13th

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STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF 02/01/26

Offertory	02/01/2026	\$ 30,097.09
Deferred Maintenance	02/01/2026	\$ 701.05
Building Loan Reduction	02/01/2026	\$ 10,941.09
MTD Offertory		\$ 30,097.09
MTD Deferred Maintenance		\$ 701.05
MTD Building Loan Reduction		\$ 10,941.09
Total amount owed on building loan		\$ 653,419.45
<i>as of 12/31/2025</i>		
Monthly Building Loan Payment		\$ 17,200.00

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Here's an earthy explanation for Jesus' words about salt, and how, after it loses its taste, is good for nothing but to be trampled underfoot.

In Israel, even today, many prefer cooking in clay ovens rather than on electric stoves. These ovens have been around since ancient times, and are undoubtedly what Jesus refers to when he speaks of the importance of salt.

The common fuel for these communal ovens was camel or donkey dung. It was the task of the girls in the family to gather the dung, mix salt in it, mold it into patties, and leave them in the sun to dry.

A slab of salt was placed at the base of the oven, and upon it the salted dung patty. Salt has catalytic properties that cause it to burn, so food can be cooked. Dung fuel is still used today.

Eventually, of course, the salt loses its catalytic capacity and becomes useless. Jesus says it's good for nothing but to be thrown outside, where it can still provide sure footing in a muddy road. Jesus is so earthy, so at home with the family life of his listeners. No wonder crowds followed him everywhere he went.

I recently read a book that I think you would love. *Theo of Golden* (by Allen Levi), demonstrates for the reader how to bring light to the world. As one reviewer put it, You think you're settling into a quiet story about companionship, but before you know it, you're rethinking what it means to live a meaningful life. It's like receiving a warm hug, or someone turning on the light in a dark room. It's what the world needs now.

Who in your life is like salt, bringing joy and Light?

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CHOIR NEWS

THINKING OF A GOOD LENTEN RESOLUTION?

Join the Choir! Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 6:45pm.

SING WITH YOUR KIDS!

Family Mass March 8, 2026 at 9:00am. Please come to the choir loft at 8:30am. Enjoy hymns about the Living Water and let Christ knock at your door!

Mass Intentions

+ indicates deceased
All others are intentions

February 9th—15th

Monday, February 9th

- + Ken Mrochek
- + Eugene Maestas

Tuesday, February 10th

- + Ken Mrochek

Wednesday, February 11th

- + Richael Webb

Thursday, February 12th

- + Teresa Nguyen

Friday, February 13th

- + Fr. Hillary

Saturday, February 14th

- + Mellie Garcia

Sunday, February 15th

- + Frank Sisk
- + Joe Gallegos
- St. Mark Parishioners

ADORATION CHAPEL

All are welcome to come and adore Jesus truly present in the Eucharist. Whether you stay for a few minutes or an hour, your time with Him is a gift of love.

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

February 8, 2026 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Family Faith Formation News



SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2026

Don't miss out on the Mardi Gras celebration on **February 17th**. Pancakes and King Cake for all. Games, Bingo and much more. Time to bury the ALLELUIA as Lent begins. Time is 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Parish Hall. Open to the whole parish.

Reminder to all sacrament parents: All forms and fees are due **February 22nd**.

RETREAT: For sacrament children grades 3rd—5th takes place on **February 28th** at St. Mark. Time is 10:00am to 3:00pm. Sponsors will join the retreat from 1:00 to 3:00pm.

DATES FOR YOUTH GROUP THIS MONTH ARE (MS and HS) February 12th and February 26th. Hope to see you there.

For questions please call Nancy a 303-466-8720, ext. 116.



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

- **BOARD MEETING:** Tuesday, February 10th, 10:00 am Church
- **BOOK CLUB:** Tuesday, February 24th, 10:00am, Church. Book: "The Correspondent" by Virginia Evans
- **LUNCH/BOCCE:** Thursday, February 26, 11:00am, Mickey's, 6950 N. Broadway.

For Your Reflection

Key Passage: Jesus said, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

Adult Question: In what way might you be hiding the light of Christ from others? What could you do to improve this?

Child Question: How can you let the light of Christ in you shine for others this week?



ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

February 17th Ash Wednesday Masses will be at 8:30am & 6pm.

In addition to the two masses, ashes will be distributed on the hour (10am, 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm & 5pm). Prior to receiving ashes there will be a short prayer service.

Ministers please go online and sign up for the 8:30am & 6pm masses. It is imperative that we get help at these Masses for all the ministries!

ALONENESS SUPPORT GROUP

"Where Aloneness ends and Friendship begins"

Wednesday, February 25 at 1:00 pm. Our speaker will be Patte Paquette, the head of St. Mark's Grief Ministry. She will speak about dealing with our own and others' experience of grief. All are welcome!



THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Dear Saint Mark Parishioners:

Thank you for your generosity of food donations for Growing Home and for the donations for the VA Nursing Home. Both organizations were very appreciative of the overwhelming kindness of our St. Mark Parish!

WEEKLY PLANNER FOR FEBRUARY 8TH—15TH

Sunday 8th	
Monday 9th	9:00am Scripture Class with Fr. Ron/Church
Tuesday 10th	10:00am Forever Young Board Meeting/Church 6:00pm OCIA Class/Center
Wednesday 11th	6:00pm KofC Council Meeting/Center 6:45pm Choir Practice/Church
Thursday 12th	
Friday 13th	6:30am That Man Is You/Church 9:30am Scripture Class with Fr. Jim/Church
Saturday 14th	
Sunday 15th	Coffee & Donuts after 7:30am & 9:00am Masses

**DON'T FORGET -
ST. MARK HAS PARTNERED
WITH DRIVEN TO DONATE**

Driven to Donate will take any vehicle (car, truck, motorcycle, RV, or boat), regardless of condition, and will provide free towing. You simply need a clear title and keys. Your donation is tax deductible, and **St. Mark will receive 80% of the proceeds!**

To donate go to our website www.saintmarkcc.org on the home page or Driven to Donate tab, click the Driven to Donate icon and fill in the information. What a great opportunity for our Parish to receive additional funds!

MARDI GRAS



ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Mark's 4th Annual Mardi Gras Party!
(Family Friendly)

Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Time: 6:00—8:00 pm

Where: St. Mark Parish Hall

Please join us for a Pancake Supper, Games, Crafts
Adult Bingo and plenty of Mardi Gras Carnival Music!

Contact Nancy at 303.466.8470 x116 or
redirector@saintmarkcc.org for more information