January 5, 2020

St. Mark's Catholic Church

Rev. Msgr. Sean P. Flynn, Pastor Rev. José Fernandez-Bangueses, Parochial Vicar Rev. Bernard N. Mohan (*Wednesday & Friday*) Deacon Michael Keary

Rectory Hours Monday-Friday 8 AM-4 PM (*12 Noon-1 PM closed*) Weekend Masses Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 PM 5 PM (in Spanish) Daily Masses 7:30 AM and 11 AM (*No 11 AM Mass on Saturdays*) Devotions and Novenas Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Masses on Wednesdays Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays* after the 11 AM Mass. Divine Mercy chaplet at 3 PM and Benediction at 3:45 PM *Extended to 9 PM on 1st Fridays with Spanish prayers beginning at 6:30 PM Holy Days of Obligation Check bulletin and website for details. Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays from 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM Thursdays after daily Masses

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Date	Time	Intentions		
1/06 Monday	7:30 am	Living and Deceased Members St. Mark's Holy Name (For All Parishioners)		
1/06 Monday	11:00 am	Living and Deceased Members St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society (For All Parishioners)		
1/07 Tuesday	7:30 am	† Dr. Donald Pavlich, Sr. by Rose and Dan Crimmins		
1/07 Tuesday	11:00 am	† James and Mary Mitchell by Ed and JoAnn McGuirk † Tom Whelan by Peggy Whelan		
1/08 Wednesday	7:30 am	† Robert Hepner by Jose and Nancy Tages † Robert Phillips by Pat Phillips		
1/08 Wednesday	11:00 am	† Brock MacCallum Cusick by Pat Gallagher † Mary J. Flynn by Jerry Flynn † Patria and Clemente Tesoro by James and Asuncion Zipagan		
1/09 Thursday	7:30 am	The Robinson Family (Special Intention) by Friend		
1/09 Thursday	11:00 am	† Gloria McBride by Barbara and Richard DeGroote † Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Geiger by John and Maria Checton and Family † Deacon Richard Hauenstein by Rosemary DeStefano		
1/10 Friday	7:30 am	† Dorothy Wright by Family † Santella and Petrosino Families by Kathleen Santella		
1/10 Friday	11:00 am	† Marilyn Staub McKeon by Helen Hopkins † Miguel Zagara by Mary McCarthy and Family		
1/11 Saturday	7:30 am	† Robert DeMarco by Patricia Healey		
1/11 Saturday	4:30 pm	† Timothy, Stephan & Michael Dushnick by Mom and Dad † John A. Henry by Elaine and Don Henderson † William J. Bertscha by Tom Malloy		
1/12 Sunday	8:00 am	People of the Parish (For All Parishioners)		
1/12 Sunday	10:00 am	† Len Gibson by Judy and Gene Mulvaney † Ann Kancelaric by Tages Family		
1/12 Sunday	12:00 pm	 † Phyllis D'Agostino by Joe and Jess Tages † Paul Summer by Dr. and Mrs. Edward Shalhoub † Patrick Murray by The Boriotti Family 		
1/12 Sunday	5:00 pm	For the Spanish Community		

This Week's Mass Intentions

The Original Flight Tracker by Joanne Gibson

Most of us are familiar with online flight trackers that follow airline travel throughout the world. Yet it was actually a much-earlier version of the tracker that became popular in the most unusual way. Back in 1955, Colonel Harry Shoup was sitting in his office at the Continental Air Defense Command in Colorado Springs (known today as North American Aerospace Defense Command or NORAD). Behind him was a clear Lucite map of North America that showed flight activity inbound and outbound over the US. On his desk was a red phone, the number to which was known only by a 4-star general at the Pentagon. The colonel was a highly-disciplined career Air Force officer. He knew that if that red phone rang, it would indicate that an attack was imminent and could well mean the beginning of a war. During this cold war period, the phone never rang until this December day. The voice on the other end was not a top

The Epiphany of the Lord

ISAIAH 60:1-6 And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. PSALMS 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 May all kings fall down before him, all nations serve him! EPHESIANS 3:2-3a, 5-6 [T]hat is, how the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. MATTHEW 2:1-12 Now when lesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him."

general at the Pentagon but a little boy asking if the colonel was Santa Claus. Irritated at what he thought was a prank, he let the caller know he was not amused but when the child began to cry, his mother came to the phone. She explained that the number had appeared in a Sears Christmas ad for kids to call and talk to Santa. When he confirmed that the Sears ad had the hotline number (a typo), he got the child back on the line and played Santa. The hotline number was changed but the colonel kept the original number and assigned his airmen to answer calls as though they were Santa. When the colonel arrived at the command center on Christmas Eve. someone had placed a reindeer and sleigh on the map over Canada. The airmen offered to take it down but the colonel refused. Instead, he picked up the phone to call a local radio station. Identifying himself and stating he was calling from the air defense command, he told the

station that an unidentified flying object had appeared on radar and that it looked remarkably like a sleigh. Radio stations were eager to join in on the fun and began calling hourly to see where Santa was, which is why, 64 years later, NORAD still tracks Santa's flights. Col. Shoup lived into his 90's. He led a remarkable Air Force career. He took his responsibilities very seriously. In fact, he always carried around a locked briefcase, contents top secret. But his family knew that inside were letters from parents who thanked him for being a "good sport" with a great sense of humor. Every Christmas Eve, 1,500 program volunteers receive more than 126,000 calls throughout the day, an average of 1.8 calls per second, from Japan, Germany, Italy and more. Turns out the spirit of Christmas that brings joy and wonder to children around the world was a much better reason for that red phone to ring.

Photo: Fr. Jose blesses the children at Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration on December 11th/12th. More photos inside by Diana Zuna-Nieves.



Joanne Gibson, Editor Diana Zuna-Nieves, Associate Editor Bulletin announcements and columns are due on Mondays before 2 PM except before holidays. Bulletin drafts are submitted to Msgr. Flynn for review. Email submissions to bulletin@stmarkseagirt.com. Email photos of St. Mark's events to photos@stmarkseagirt.com.

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Next Weekend's Liturgical Ministry Schedule							
Jan. 11/12	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 10 AM	Sunday 12 PM	Sunday 5 PM		
Ushers	John Kemper Anthony Granato Joe Walsh Walter Henry	Bob O'Neill Patrick Ahern Leo Hurley Glenn Skola	Richard Siderko Ushers needed	Jim Mulvihill Howard Flood Richard DeGroote Usher needed	Veronica Oseguera Bernarda Bautista Guadalupe Sorto Josefina Baltazar		
Readers	Tom Malloy	Rose Crimmins	Amy Gallagher	Nancy Schatzman	Julia Alvarado Martha Rojas		
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Joan Wypler Amy Perry	Pam Zusi Patrick Scatuorchio	Tara Malia Kelly Mulroy	Marge Loenser Jim Mulvihill	Raúl Pérez Margarita Zuna Olga Astorga		
Altar Servers	Chloe Rivera Kelly Rivera	Casey Prior Ryan Prior Connor Prior	Luke Giegerich Shane Ludwig	Monserrat Martinez Jesus Martinez	Edgar Garcia Brian Garcia Jonathan Luengas Uriel Ramirez Mariana Ortiz		
Presentation of the Gifts		Bernarda Bautista and family					
Music Ministry	Guiliana Stillo	Breana Rehak	Kelsey White Tess Rempel	Meghan Gallagher	Néstor Román		
Altar Ladies							

If you require a low-gluten Host, please go to the priest celebrant for Holy Communion. You no longer need to provide your own.

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22–4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 **Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44 **Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52 **Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19–5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22 **Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16 **Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Please note that this bulletin was submitted early due to our publishing company's holiday schedule. Collection number reporting will resume next weekend.

We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice every week to support our parish and its ministries! We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.

Prayers for Healing

This list of parishioners, relatives, and friends are in need of your prayers for healing. Note that to ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Also, if you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion in your home or assisted living, please notify Donna at 732-449-6364 ext. 100.

Benjamin Ohlweiler	Sarah Gallagher	Patricia Cavanaugh	
Jeremy Pavlick	George Lister	Marguerite O'Regan	
Lucy Gargano	Jimmy Azzollini	Rose Courtney	
Julia Buonocore	Jean McCabe	Grace Philhower	
Christine Frauenheim	Joanne McKenna	John Barnes	
Alexandra Gavilanes	Dorothy Waugh	Vivian Wilson	
Ken Hauck			

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family

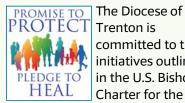
우 Patrick Murray & Sharon Arnone

"May the angels lead you into paradise..."

St. Mark's Prayer Shawl Ministry, a part of Social Concerns, is offering beautiful handmade shawls blessed by our priests. If you, a family member or neighbor are sick, lonely, grieving, or would appreciate the embrace of a warm shawl, call Donna at the Rectory at 732-449-6364 ext. 100.

members who have recently died.

Our Promise to Protect



Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the

Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse to the diocesan Abuse Hotline at 888-296-2965 or

abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Week at a Glance

Weekend, January 4/5

2nd collection is for our diocesan assessment. Thank you for your help! Monday, January 6

St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society will not meet this month. First Monday lunch and meeting will resume in February. Happy New Year to all! Wednesday, January 8

Virtus Training for St. Mark's volunteers only will be held this evening in the Church basement. See below for times and details!

Virtus Training for St. Mark's Volunteers by Diana Zuna-Nieves, CRE

Diocesan Policy mandates fingerprinting and Child Protection Virtus training for volunteers, age 18 and over, who have regular contact with children under the age of 18 and who volunteer their time here at St. Mark's. I will be hosting a training session this Wednesday, January 8th, here at St. Mark's in the Church basement. If you are enrolled in "Protection God's Children," the initial certification, please arrive at 6 PM. For "A Plan to Protect" re-certification program, please arrive by 7:30 PM.

You must be registered in order to attend this training. Visit www.virtusonline.org. Create or log in on your account and select St. Mark's training session. If you need your fingerprints renewed, we will have BLUE forms available to fill out. You do not have to get fingerprinted again. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 732-449-6364 ext. 105.

January Prayer Petitions by Marge Loenser

Welcome to the year of Our Lord, 2020! Hard to grasp--seems like not so long ago Y2K was looming, and we were consumed with fear that our computers would stop working on Dec. 31, 1999! Now we almost wish they would, so we can catch up with all our email, gmail, junk mail, etc. So, a very happy and blessed new year to all my brothers and sisters in Christ. January starts off with the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. Sts. Basil and Gregory follow as great Fathers of our early church who fought against Arvanism and defended the teaching of the Trinity. Next we have St. Elizabeth Ann Seton who was our first American-born canonized saint! She founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, and the first free Catholic school in America in 1808. On the 21st, we celebrate St. Agnes from the second century.

Her name is still invoked in the canon of the Mass. In Rome, she was from a wealthy family and refused to marry as she wanted to devote her life to Jesus. Emperor Diocletian ordered her death. Listed as a virgin martyr, her emblem is a lamb.

On the 22nd, we join together to pray for life. Please join us in praying the Rosary after the 11 AM Mass. Two other great saints we celebrate this month are St. Paul and St. Thomas Aquinas. St. Paul, a persecutor of early Christians, was converted by the resurrected Jesus Himself. He became the greatest evangelist of all time, trekking through the ancient world making conversions and writing the letters we read to this day in Mass. St. Thomas Aquinas is a doctor of the Church and his theology (in Summa Theologica) has influenced the Church for centuries. I especially love him for writing the Eucharistic hymns "Tantum Ergo" and "O Salutaris Hostia."

My dear sisters and brothers, let us never forget to pray for the petitions in our petition books at St. Mark's. Lord, we lift up to You those suffering with cancer and other debilitating diseases. Please be merciful to those suffering from Alzheimer's and dementia. We pray for the caregivers who get so worn down. Hear all our prayers for our loved ones. Lord, help those addicted to drugs and alcohol, and their families. When they turn to God, He will lead them to help and support.

Well, that's it for another month. I love being with you and I pray I have shared something to inspire you, no matter how small. God bless us all, each one, and may 2020 bring us nearer to Him. Amen.

CYO New Year by Mary Reilly, CYO Director

N.B.: Freshmen, please bring desserts in January. Thank you!!!

Sunday, January 5: 7:30-8:45 PM. CYO Drug and Alcohol Awareness Night: Part II. Dr. John Checton, a cardiologist and parishioner of St. Mark's, will be our featured speaker. He will speak about what he as a doctor sees happening to both young and old due to the ever-increasing problems with addiction and overdosing. He will discuss the effects of alcohol and drugs on all of us.

Sunday, January 12: 7:30-9 PM. Girls' Night Only hosted by our senior girls and with a cooking demonstration and dinner. You must sign up with me.

Sunday, January 19: No CYO. Martin Luther King holiday.

Sunday, January 26: 7:30-9 PM: Guys' Night Only hosted by our senior boys with a cooking demo and dinner. You must sign up with me.

Happy New Year, my CYO angels and all at St. Mark's! Mrs. Reilly

Community Activities

Young Family Pizza Night

Young Family Pizza Night is this Friday, January 10th, 7-8:30 PM, and every second Friday of the month thereafter. Where: St. Margaret's Church Duffy Hall, which is located in the basement of the Church. Come hang out with other young families of surrounding Cohort 19 parishes. All are welcome.

June 2020 Cruise

From June 6th to June 21st, join Fr. Garry Koch and Sr. Margaret Tierney on a 10-night cruise aboard the Sky Princess to Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Germany & Russia. For a brochure, call Sr. Margaret at 732 449-5765 ext. 124.

Job Opening at Food Pantry

The Manasquan Food Pantry is looking for a manager to work parttime, four 3-hour days, approximately 12 hours a week. Computer and communication skills necessary for working with clients and volunteers. Interested applicants please respond to fbcmanasquan@juno.com. EXPLORE HOW TO LIVE AS A CHRISTIAN IN THE MIDST OF A PAGAN CULTURE IN First Corinthians

AN 11-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING

TIM GRAY

Dates - Times - Location Church of St. Uriel's The Archangel 219 Philadelphia Blvd. Sea Girt, NJ 08750

January 8, 2020 - March 25, 2020

10:30am-12:00 - Morning Session 7pm - 8:30pm Evening Session

Cost - Registration \$35 includes study materials Registration Parish Office: 732.449.6173 email: urielsg@optonline.net

For More Information Participants may attend either the morning or the evening sessions. St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians addresses many of the same topics in the news headlines today: scandals, promiscuity, debates and controversies, and issues related to prosperity versus poverty. Clearly, the struggles faced by the early Christians are in many ways similar to our own.

First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community explores the key elements of the gospel message that Paul introduced to a new and growing Church. Presenter Tim Gray examines Paul's advice for living an authentic Christian life in a pagan culture, as well as his teachings about the nature of grace, the Church as the body of Christ, and the most powerful gift of all—the Eucharist.

This study has given me a renewed love of the Word, a desire to learn more, and most of all a closeness to Jesus that I have not experienced before

-Linda F.



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Epifanía del Señor

PRIMERA LECTURA: Isaías 60, 1–6. "Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque ha llegado tu luz y la gloria del Señor alborea sobre ti". El Señor, nuestra luz, ha venido a guiarnos por sus caminos.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL: Salmo 7, 1-2. 7–8. 10 –11. 12–13. Se postrarán ante ti, Señor, todos los pueblos de la tierra.

SEGUNDA LECTURA: Efesios 3, 2–3a. 5–6. En Cristo, los no judíos compartirán la misma herencia y pertenecerán al mismo cuerpo y recibirán las mismas promesas de Dios. El Espíritu Santo reveló a los apóstoles y profetas el misterio del amor de Dios.

EVANGELIO: Mateo 2, 1–12. Los magos siguieron la estrella de Belén hasta que encontraron a Jesús, que estaba con María, su madre, y se postraron ante él para adorarlo y darle regalos.

6 Lunes: Memoria opcional de san Andrés Bessette, religioso. 1 Jn 3:22–4:6; Sal 2:7-8, 10-12; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25. **7 Martes**: Memoria opcional de san Raimundo de Peñafort, presbítero. 1 Jn 4:7-10; Sal 71:2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Mc 6:34-44. 8 Miércoles: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Sal 71:2, 10-11, 12-13; Mc 6:45-52. 9 Jueves: 1 Jn 4:19–5:4; Sal 71:2, 14 y 15bc, 17; Lc 4:14-22. **10 Viernes**: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lc 5:12-16. 11 Sábado: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-2, 3-4, 5, 6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30.













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