

# YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON.

## *St. Mark's Church*

*Fr. Miguel Virella, SVD, Pastor*  
*Fr. Miguel Valle, Parochial Vicar*  
*Dr. Joseph V. Stillo, Deacon*  
*Michael Keary, Deacon*



### Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 Noon  
5PM in Spanish

### Daily Masses

#### Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet after Daily Masses

Monday-Friday at 7:30 AM and 11 AM

Saturday 7:30 AM Only (No 11 AM Mass on Saturdays)

### Devotions and Novenas

Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Masses on Wednesdays

Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays after 7:30 AM Mass.

Benediction at 10:45 AM

1st Fridays Spanish Adoration

beginning at 7 PM.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and

Thursdays after the 7:30 AM and  
11 AM Masses

### Rectory Office 732-449-6364

Bulletin	Ext. 114
Religious Education	Ext. 105
Social Concerns	Ext. 108
Spanish Ministry	Ext. 104 or Ext. 105
Weddings	Ext. 100

### Ministries

Altar Rosary Society	732-528-6948
Bereavement Ministry	718-637-1162
CYO	732-685-6011
Music Ministry	908-415-0212
Rosary Makers	732-245-8405



*Please pray for our sick: Marilyn Woerner, Barbara Peter, Ann Lehberger Joan Trutneff, Kevin Motzenbecker, Tom Ort, Kenneth Thorne, Mary Bogan, Patty Accavallo, Donna Brundage, Daniel DeSeno, Thomas Weeks, Jan Soriano, Nadine Piccolo, Patti & John Hillenbrand, Raymond Burghart, Joan Langlois, Robert Czech, Janet Thomas, Bruce Bogan, Sr.*

**Please Note:** Names will remain on the sick list read at mass for 4 weeks and then removed unless the requester calls to remain on the list for another 4 weeks. 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. Names will remain in the bulletin until the person or family request it be removed.

*Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died.

†Helen McGrath  
†Raymond O'Meara  
†Edward Schell  
†Barbara O'Neil

*May the angels lead you into paradise.*



**St. Marks Altar Rosary Society** will be reciting the Rosary for Life on Friday, January 24th after the 11 AM Mass. Special meditations for life will be recited and music provided by Lisa Marie Yaverone. Please join us in petitioning our Blessed Mother for an end to abortion and other end of life causes.

**Rosary Makers** will meet on **Monday, January 27th** at **1pm** in Fr. Child's Hall (Saint Mark's basement). As always, we welcome anyone interested in making rosaries as well as our faithful rosary makers.

"With the Rosary, we continually raise a song of love from earth. In the excessive materialism of our life, it is a bright cloud of spirituality, rising from every home and every heart" (*Servant of God Fr. Dolindo Ruotolo*).

**Questions? Contact Maria [mgchecton@gmail.com](mailto:mgchecton@gmail.com) or (732) 245-8405**

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**January 14:** Social Concerns Ministry will meet at noon in Father child's Hall.

**January 20:** Rectory Office closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

**January 24:** St. Marks Altar Rosary Society will be reciting the Rosary for Life.

**January 25/26:** The second collection is for Latin America. Thank you for your generosity!

**January 27:** Rosary Makers will meet at 1pm in Fr. Child's Hall.

**January 29:** American Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Mark's. See page 10.



**The Social Concerns Ministry** will meet on Tuesday, January 14 at noon in Father Child's Hall. Light snacks will be provided. New members are always welcome!

## † This Week's Mass Intentions

### Monday, January 13

**7:30 AM**

† Private Intention

**11:00 AM**

Barbara Grosso by Family

† John A. Parkhill by Andi & Mike Parkhill

† Jim Macmillan by Kathleen Mathesen

### Tuesday, January 14

**7:30 AM**

† Lorette Jordan by Estate

**11:00 AM**

† Living & Deceased Members of  
St. Mark's Social Concerns Ministry

### Wednesday, January 15

**7:30 AM**

† Colette Casey by Estate

**11:00 AM**

† Mary Roche by Pat Weeks  
† Kenneth Carson by Mary McCarthy

### Thursday, January 16

**7:30 AM**

† Dorothy Wright by Family

**11:AM**

† Barbara Critchley by Delores Critchley  
† Thomas Krone by Gabrielle Scervo

### Friday, January 17

**7:30 AM**

† Julie Buonocore by Fred Buonocore  
† John King by Family

**11:00 AM**

† William K. Hamel by John & Pat Gibbs  
† Eugene Edward Ertle, Jr. by Denise & Dennis Tonry  
† Edward M. Schell by Denise & Dennis Tonry

### Saturday, January 18

**7:30 AM**

† Jerry Dempsey by Marie & Maurice Ryan

**4:30 PM**

† Edward F. Liston Sr. by Peggy & Gordon Pingicer  
† Pauline & Myron Skoll by Linda Zoufaly  
† Robert Coogan by Marion Reilly

### Sunday, January 19

**8:00 AM**

Private Intention

† John Fredricks by John & Pat Gibbs  
† Raymond O'Meara, Sr. by Linda Rosa

**10:00 AM**

People of the Parish

**12 Noon**

† Dr. Uril Parkhill by Andi & Mike Parkhill

† Jerry Dempsey by Diane Thurston

† Barbara O'Neil by Judy Gibson

**5:00 PM**

† Jacqueline Spencer by Patty D'Andrea



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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 through the diocesan **ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965** or e-mail [abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org).

Readings for the Week  
January 12, 2025



**Monday** Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 Mk 1:14-20  
**Tuesday** Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday** Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday** Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday** Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3 & 4bc, 6c-7, 8 Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday** Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 2:13-17  
**Sunday** Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11.



**Thank You!** We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each 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.

The collection total for January 5, 2025 is \$10,688.



St. Mark's Church is wheelchair accessible. There is a ramp on the north side, and an elevator on the south side of the church. Handicapped parking is located in the driveway, the south side of the church, and in front of the



## 2024 Christmas Flower Offering


### Flower Offering

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Trivella  
Mr. & Mrs. John Dough  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Pinto  
Mt. & Mrs. Joseph Walsh  
Dr. & Mrs. Robert J. Kane  
Mr. & Mrs. Mark G. Kitrick  
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Eldridge  
Mr. & Mrs. James Murphy  
Juan Jimenez & Margarita Ramirez  
Mr. & Mrs. William Sitar  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert O'Neill  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Toohey  
Mr. & Mrs. Todd C. Leonhardt  
Gerard & Lorraine Norkus  
Mrs. Joan Murphy  
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Rosar  
Ms. Mary Dwyer  
Mrs. Virginia Ayers  
Mr. & Mrs. James Sheridan  
Mr. & Mrs. Joachim Kane  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard DeGroot  
Mrs. Patricia Weeks  
Mr. & Mrs. Mark J. Brown  
Ms. Karen Rauli  
Elizabeth & Michael R. Bradbury  
Mrs. Mary Giunco  
Parishioners of St. Mark Church  
Mark & and Connie Duffy  
Melissa Phillips  
Dan & Rose Crimmins  
Joan Kelly  
Joseph Lisanti

### In Memory/Honor Of

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Towle *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Caputo*  
Mr. Gordon Swetland *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Caputo*  
Skoll Family *requested by Mrs. Jerome Zoufaly*  
Zoufaly Family *requested by Mrs. Jerome Zoufaly*  
Daniel McCarthy *requested by Mrs. Daniel McCarthy*





Thomas & Florence Loughran *requested by Ms. Sara VanWickle*  
Charles & Betty VanWickle *requested by Ms. Sara VanWickle*  
Robert & Edna Burke *requested by Ms. Sara VanWickle*  
Edward McGowan *requested by Mrs. Mary Ellen McGowan*  
Thomas Donohue *requested by Mrs. Mary Ellen McGowan*  
Catherine Donohue *requested by Mrs. Mary Ellen McGowan*  
Kathleen Twigg *requested by Mrs. Mary Ellen McGowan*  
James & Ellen Cullinan *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gallagher*  
Catherine Gallagher *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gallagher*  
Joseph Gallagher, Sr. *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gallagher*  
Rev. Jeff Carlsen *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gallagher*  
Robert Gobins *requested by Mrs. Robert Gobins*  
John Henry *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Henry*  
Patricia Henry *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Henry*  
Robert Gobins *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Henry*  
Frank Puzio *requested by Amy Kennedy*  
Emily Puzio *requested by Amy Kennedy*  
Giacomo & Columbia Ricciardi *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Ricciardi*  
Anthony & Helen Remiszewski *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Ricciardi*  
Lorraine Beauvais *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Ricciardi*  
Janet Gontarz *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Ricciardi*  
Michael Beauvais *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Ricciardi*  
Julia Buonocore *requested by Mr. Fredric Buonocore*  
Zusi Family *requested by Mrs. Pamela Zusi*  
Bryan Ahern *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Ahern*  
James Ahern *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Ahern*  
Ann Uliano *requested by Mr. & Mrs. James Uliano*  
Valerie Paternoster *requested by Dr. & Mrs. Frederick Paternoster*  
Emory C. & Elizabeth A. Smith *requested by Ms. Betsy Smith*  
Suzanne Smith *requested by Ms. Betsy Smith*  
Mary Quigley *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Leo Hurley*  
Tom Walsh *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Leo Hurley*  
Bill Manning *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Leo Hurley*  
Dr. Bernard Reilly *requested by Mrs. Bernard Reilly*  
Victor Bini *requested by Mrs. Patricia Bini*  
Patrick R. Scatuorchio *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Scatuorchio*  
The Skola Family *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Skola*  
James Donoghue *requested by Mrs. Mary Lou Donoghue*  
Langan Family *requested by Mrs. Mary Lou Donoghue*  
Panaccione Family *requested by Mrs. Mary Lou Donoghue*  
John Heffernan *requested by Mrs. Marion Reilly*





Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Manning *requested by Mrs. Judith M. Gibson*  
Guy C. Lueddeke *requested by Mrs. Judith M. Gibson*  
Raymond Vreeland *requested by Mrs. Judith M. Gibson*  
Kenneth Jelliff *requested by Mrs. Evelyn Jelliff*  
Frieda Nutt *requested by Mrs. Evelyn Jelliff*  
Eliza Nutt *requested by Mrs. Evelyn Jelliff*  
Madeline Murray *requested by Mr. & Mrs. James Murray*  
Eugene Murray *requested by Mr. & Mrs. James Murray*  
Walter Leonard *requested by Mrs. Jacqueline Leonard*  
Watters Families *requested by Mrs. Bernadette Reidy*  
Whelan Families *requested by Mrs. Bernadette Reidy*  
Reidy Families *requested by Mrs. Bernadette Reidy*  
Lois Zilai *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Griffin*  
Special Intention *requested by Maureen & Rick Heilmann*  
Eugene J. Duffy, Jr. *requested by Jane Duffy*  
Byrne & Range Families *requested by Adele Byrne*  
Dougherty, Cross & Debbs Family *requested by Mrs. Mary Dougherty*  
Austin Behnken *requested by Family*  
Cunningham, Walsh & Hatienko Families  
Connie & Vinnie Forlenza *requested by Connie & Mark Duffy*  
Robert Decina *requested by Diane Decina*  
John Kiefer *requested by Diane Decina*  
Katie Herdman *requested by Marge Loenser*  
Charlene Hanson *requested by Marge Loenser*  
Fiore Family *requested by Mrs. Francis Fiore*  
Alvarez Family *requested by Mrs. Francis Fiore*  
Eugenia Cymbala *requested by Mrs. Francis Fiore*  
Emanuel Berlingo *requested by Mrs. Francis Fiore*  
Francis W. Baclawski *requested by Michael & Carol McConnell*  
Mary Swierad *requested by Michael & Carol McConnell*  
Leo & Marie McConnell *requested by Michael & Carol McConnell*  
Stanley & Mary Sypek *requested by Michael & Carol McConnell*  
Pat Tracey *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Colin Nash*  
Helen Nash *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Colin Nash*  
Mary Menjok *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Colin Nash*  
Paul Tortorella *requested by Mrs. Paul Tortorella*  
G & S. Shannon *requested by Mrs. Paul Tortorella*  
P & E Tortorella *requested by Mrs. Paul Tortorella*  
Catherine Drury *requested by Mrs. Paul Tortorella*  
Helen G. Malloy *requested by Mr. Thomas F. Malloy*





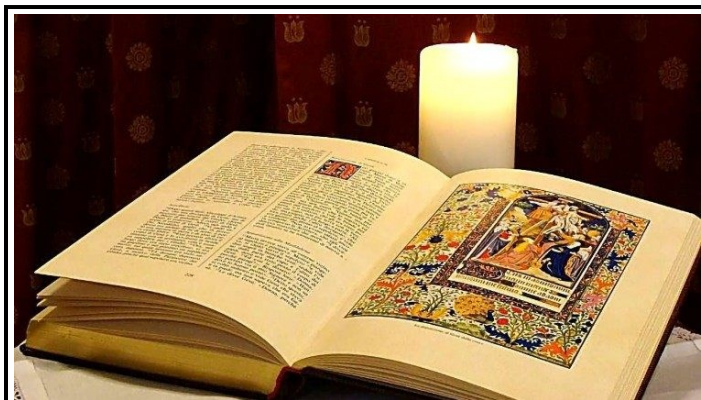
Rosemary Mylod *requested by Dr. & Mrs. Henry King*  
Christine Sommer *requested by Dr. & Mrs. Henry King*  
Yolanda Napolitano *requested by Mr. Albert Napolitano*  
Albert S. Napolitano *requested by Mr. Albert Napolitano*  
Martin Cleary *requested by Mrs. Peggy Cleary*  
J. Harry & Virginia Ertle *requested by Ms. Nadine Sullivan*  
Florence A. Colford *requested by Ms. Nadine Sullivan*  
Mae & J. Harry Ertle *requested by Ms. Nadine Sullivan*  
Anne & James Colford *requested by Ms. Nadine Sullivan*  
Rev. Thomas J. Ertle, O.P. *requested by Ms. Nadine Sullivan*  
Myron Zalom *requested by Geri Zalom*  
Walter & Ruth Schier *requested by Geri Zalom*  
Barbara Sunduall *requested by Geri Zalom*  
William Schier *requested by Geri Zalom*  
Len & Mary Savino *requested by Lori & Len Savino*  
Jean & Daniel LoPresto *requested by Mary & Ed Doran*  
Helen & Ed Doran *requested by Mary & Ed Doran*  
Feehan & Cademartori Families *requested by Gary & Pat Cademartori*  
Ward & Heslin Families *requested by Steve & Maureen Ward*  
Boyan & Davitt Families *requested by Steve & Maureen Ward*  
Scerbo Family *requested by Gabrielle Scerbo*  
Martha & Harold Loreng  
John Loreng *requested by Ms. Kathleen Loreng*  
Robert Loreng *requested by Ms. Kathleen Loreng*  
Rita Carlin *requested by Ms. Kathleen Loreng*  
Lorraine Tully *requested by Ms. Kathleen Loreng*  
Campbell & Desort Families *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Campbell*  
Mike Reilly *requested by Winifred Reilly*  
Lucy & Mike Lynch *requested by Winifred Reilly*  
Mary McNamara *requested by Winifred Reilly*  
Eddie Lynch *requested by Winifred Reilly*  
Winnie & John Muskus *requested by Winifred Reilly*  
Siconolfi & Flynn Families *requested by Annabelle Flynn*  
Somona & Cusimano Families *requested by Cusimano Family*  
Tim & Helen Hopkins *requested by Helen Hopkins*  
Albin Family *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas R. Albin*  
Drogon Family *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas R. Albin*  
Copeland Family *requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas R. Albin*





# Christmas Eve Mass

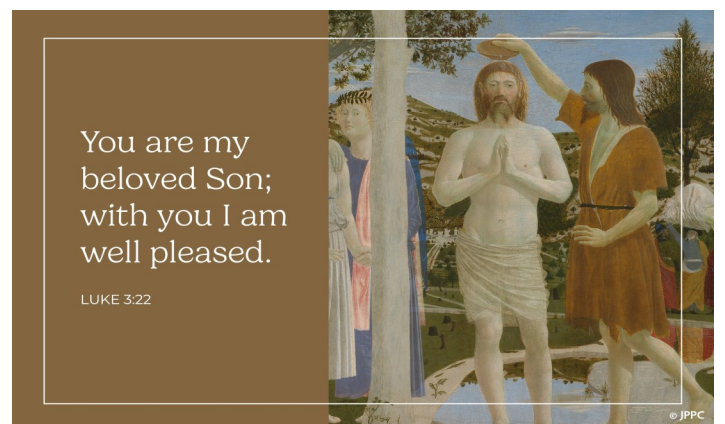
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# Christmas Nativity Play

The Pope declared that the Third Sunday in Ordinary time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God. Inspired by this call, our parish will focus the attention of how important it is to live and to know the message of salvation.

On January 26, 2025 we will commemorate this invitation from the Pope by making a special celebration with the procession of the Bible, candles, and light in recognition that the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, Jesus Christ Our Lord.





**CYO News by Mary Reilly**

The CYO always gets beautiful letters from our charities after our fundraisers like our Christmas Wreath Sale and Walks for Hunger. Here are two that were recently received acknowledging our support for the work of The Missionaries of Charity based in Asbury Park and Ugandan Missions:

*Dear Members of the St. Mark Youth Group,*

*Thank you so much for your generous check to help the children in Uganda.*

*I'm grateful each year you think of me!*

*Sr. Carole*

Missionaries of Charity  
144 Ridge Ave.  
Asbury Park, NJ 07712

*St. Mark's Catholic Church,*

**"And she gave birth to her first-born Son and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn." Luke 2:7**

*Praise be Jesus Christ, who came to Earth as the poorest of the poor, that we might receive Him in our hearts and in our homes!*

*This little letter brings with it a very big THANK YOU for what you have done to help bring the Peace, Love, and Joy of the Newborn Savior into the homes of the poor we are privileged to serve. Thank you for making a place for Jesus in the distressing disguise of the poorest of the poor in the inn of your heart this Christmas, so that He could enter the homes of His "little ones" too. May He reward you with His presence in your home in a special way this New Year.*

*Be assured of our prayers for you and your family and know that you also have the grateful prayers of our poor, in gratitude for the kindness you have shown them. We are grateful for your prayers for us too. Thank you!*

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Sr. M. Perrine, MC*

**Our CYO wishes to especially thank our parishioners and CYO families who are so generous to all of our charity fundraisers! Welcome new CYO members, Elena, Ryan, Nayla and Kelsey! See everyone Sunday, Jan. 12 at 7:30 PM!!**



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To report the sexual abuse of minors call our hotline 1-888-296-2965 or email us at [abuseline@diocesoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@diocesoftrenton.org)

*Please note: 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.*



**DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE**


# THE JOURNEY

**FEB. 1<sup>ST</sup>  
2025  
10AM**


8th-12th grade  
 Notre Dame H.S.  
 Lawrence, NJ

Advance Registration \$25  
 Walk-in Registration \$35

[dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc)



*"These who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary." (1s 40:31)*



St. Leo's in Lincroft is pleased to announce its continuing ministry for Separated and Divorced Catholics. It is called "Surviving The Holidays" Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family" ([www.catholicsdivorce.com](http://www.catholicsdivorce.com)).

St. Leo's will be hosting an Information Night on Thursday, January 16, 2025 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall located at 50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft, NJ.

This Information Night will help you decide if you would like to attend our upcoming 12-week program starting in March of 2025 on Thursday nights. All the details will be provided to you at the Information Night. If you would like more information about our offerings, please check out our Ministry page at: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry>.

**All are welcome!**

To register or if you are interested and would like more information, please email Michele Coppola Wilson at [healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com](mailto:healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com). Have any questions? Feel free to call or text anytime at 201-753-8485. **We hope you can make it!**

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**THANK YOU!**



Finding FABER




We are excited to invite you to the Diocesan **Bilingual Faith Formation and Parish Ministry Conference**.

**Date/Time:** Saturday, March 29, 2025; 9:30am - 3:00pm (For early risers, there will be an optional workshop at 8:30am.)

**Registration is open! [Download the Registration booklet today.](#)**

Early registration \$25 per person ends January 31, 2025.



**American Red Cross  
 Blood Drive**

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025  
 2:00 PM-6:00 PM**

**St. Mark's Church**  
 215 Crescent Parkway, Sea Girt, NJ 08750

Appointments are needed. [CLICK HERE](#) to schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

**Parish Mission Statement:** We, the Parish Family of St. Mark's in our quest to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ, are building a faith-based community that assists all people in life's journey to be open to God's love and to share His joy. We are further committed to address the spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs of all people through service to individuals, families, parish and the greater community. As responsible stewards using our individual gifts, we promise to celebrate, renew and strengthen our faith, and to live our lives as a reflection of Christ's love for others. St. Mark's is designated as a Center for Hispanic Ministry in the Diocese of Trenton.

**Word of Life**

**Intercessions for Life**

**January 12, 2025**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

For all Christians,  
 may we live out our baptismal call to proclaim the Gospel of God's love and the dignity of every human life,

*let us pray to the Lord:*



# Altar Servers Wanted



Fr. Miguel and Fr. Valle would like to invite your children to become Altar Servers here at St. Mark's.

An Altar Server is an invaluable support to the priest during the Mass as well as contributing to the enrichment of the server by allowing them to get fully involved and understanding the Mass better.

The ministry requires a sincere commitment on your part as well, but it is a beautiful way for your children to participate in the life of the church and learn some fantastic life skills. This is a great way to become involved in our church community!

**TRAINING SESSION:**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH**  
**5:30- 6:30 P.M.**

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

- MUST HAVE RECEIVED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.
- HAVE A STRONG DESIRE TO SERVE THE LORD.
- SERVE TWO MASSES PER MONTH.



For more information, please call or email Diana Zuna at (732) 449-6364 ext. 105 or [diana@stmarkseagirt.com](mailto:diana@stmarkseagirt.com)



## Social Concerns Programs

### Feeding the Hungry



Are you looking for an easy way to help those in need? Here's one way you can make a difference. St. Mark's Social Concerns Ministry is resuming the Frozen Meals Program for the Center in Asbury Park which was discontinued due to the Covid pandemic. The Center in Asbury Park, Inc., is a volunteer-based New Jersey not-for-profit service organization, providing support services for people living with HIV/AIDS and their caregivers since 1992.

The process is simple! Here's what to do:

- Pick up food trays and lids next to the kitchen refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall (St. Mark's Church basement)
- Fill the trays with generous portions of food
- Label the tray lids with the contents and date of preparation
- Return the meals to the freezer compartment of the refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall.

**Please use only the trays provided.**

St Mark's volunteers will deliver the meals to The Center for distribution to their clients.

**Please contact Marybeth or Joe Walsh at 732 449-5656 with any questions. Your participation is greatly appreciated.**

### Collecting Travel Size Toiletries



St. Mark's Social Concerns Committee is collecting travel size toiletry items (soap, shampoos, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs etc.) for delivery by volunteers to those in need in the Asbury Park area. Containers are located at Church entrances. **Thank you!**

## Mercy Center UPDATE!

**PLEASE NOTE: The Mercy Center is no longer accepting clothing donations; however, there is an urgent need for canned soup.**

Additional items needed are:

Diapers, size 4 and larger, and baby wipes, Coffee/tea, Mayo, mustard, ketchup, salad dressing.

Thank you for your support in helping our community!

**St. Joseph By the Sea**—Our programs are offered to enrich, renew and deepen one's interior communication with the Lord in an atmosphere of prayer, quiet and solitude. The scenic environment of the Atlantic Ocean and Barnegat Bay provides additional contemplative opportunity. **Current brochure can be found on our website at [www.sjbsea.org](http://www.sjbsea.org) or [CLICK HERE](#).**

**Offerings at Francis House of Prayer:** Spiritual direction, a one-on-one conversation with a spiritual director about God in your life, is always available. We offer the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius on a monthly and weekly basis, many opportunities to learn and practice contemplative prayer, reading programs on St. John of the Cross and other Carmelite Saints, and contemporary writers.

**For programs or to register call Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 609-877-0509 or [FHOP@verizon.net](mailto:FHOP@verizon.net) or [CLICK HERE](#).**

**RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held February 14 - 16, 2025 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

## Mass for Life & Life Expo

CELEBRATED BY



**Bishop David M.  
O'Connell, C.M.**

#### PRAY, CONNECT, ENGAGE

Embrace the transformative power of the Eucharist, foster solidarity, and take decisive action to nurture a culture of life that honors every stage from womb to tomb.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Join us for a special Mass celebrated by Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.
- Engage with local organizations dedicated to upholding and promoting human dignity throughout all stages of life.
- Enjoy delicious refreshments, fostering new friendships, and strengthening bonds within our community.

Friday  
**JANUARY 24**  
11:00AM

Co-Cathedral of  
St. Robert Bellarmine,  
Freehold

**All are Welcome • No RSVP needed**



For full information about the day's events, visit:  
[dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life)

Iglesia de "San Marcos" Apostolado Hispano Misa Dominical: Domingo 5:00 p.m.

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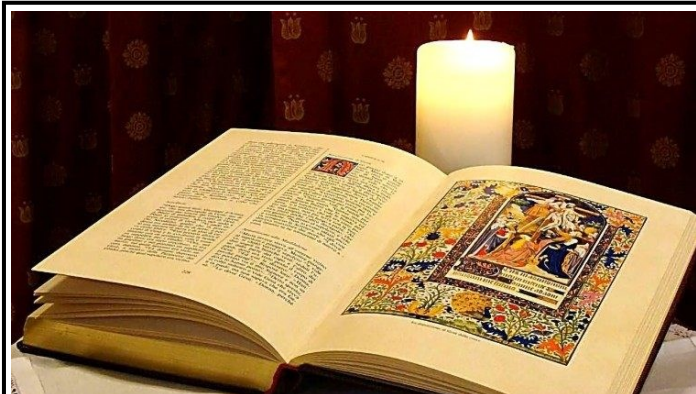
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Calendario de Ministerios

Domingo, Enero 19, 2025

Misa 5:00 p.m.

Celebrante	Padre Valle
Lectores	Edgar García Jonathan Garcia
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Ujieres	Bertin Angel Filemón Jose Roberto Luna Jose Luis Munoz
Monaguillos	Sophia Sanchez Madeline Jimenez Valeria Cruz Kiara Cruz Joanna Martinez



El Papa Francisco declaró que el Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario debe ser dedicado a la celebración, estudio y difusión de la Palabra de Dios.

Inspirada por este llamado, nuestra parroquia enfocará la atención en lo importante que es vivir y conocer el mensaje de salvación.

El 26 de enero de 2025, conmemoraremos esta invitación del Papa, haciendo una celebración especial con la procesión de la Biblia,

velas y luz en reconocimiento a que la palabra de Dios se hizo carne y habita entre nosotros.

Jesucristo Nuestro Señor.



IGLESIA SAN MARCOS LOS INVITA A INTEGRARSE  
AL GRUPO DE HOMBRES ADULTOS

# HOMBRES DE VALOR

DOMINGOS DE 6:00-8:00 A.M  
SOTANO DE LA IGLESIA

Este taller de oracion se reúne los domingos para el rezo de laudes, vídeos, reflexión del evangelio y refrigerios.

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# THE JOURNEY

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"pero los que confían en el Señor tendrán siempre nuevas fuerzas y podrán volar como las águilas; podrán correr sin cansarse y caminar sin fatigarse." (Is 40:31)



# Monaguillos

Te gustaría servir a Dios en el altar?



El Ministerio de Monaguillos les hace una cordial invitación a todos los niños (as) y jóvenes que desean servir en el altar durante la misa los domingos. Tendremos un taller de información y entrenamiento para los que desean servir.

## REQUISITOS:

- HABER RECIBIDO LA PRIMERA COMUNIÓN
- SERVIR POR LO MENOS 2 VECES AL MES
- ASISTIR AL TALLER DE ENTRENAMIENTO

## TALLER DE ENTRENAMIENTO:

LUNES, ENERO 13TH

5:30- 6:30 P.M.



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