



**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
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Father Joseph Culotta, Pastor

2016 Catholic Charities Pledge Drive Follow-Up: Sept. 26 & 27

Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 P.M.
Sunday: 7:45 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.
Holy Days: 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

Confession:

Saturday: 2:30-3:30 P.M. or by appointment

Weekday Mass (Chapel):

Wednesday: 6:00 P.M.
Thursday, Friday: 8:30 A.M.
First Saturday: 9:00 A.M.

Chapel Open for Prayer:

Tuesday thru Friday: 8:30AM-3:30PM
First Friday Exposition: 9:00AM-12:00Noon

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Marriage Requirements:

Meet with Father Culotta @ 980-1810, ext. #2 at least six months in advance.
Visit wedding link on Web Site prior to meeting

Baptism Requirements:

Baptism Preparation Class. Call Anne Hane @ 410-0692
ahane@bellsouth.net

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Parish Prayer List

Please remember these people in your prayers and all those who have asked for our prayers.

Helen Trabits, George James, Patricia Sheehan, Kathy Matuszak, Jeanette Larsen, Jane St. Denis, Don St. Denis, Santo Vizzina, Brennan Simkins, Elbert Bell, Ronnie Romano, Ronnie DeFalco, Peyton Abernathy, Brad Lembcke, James Trabits, Donald David, Kevin Camp, Sam Culotta, Julie Seigle, Gary Weitekamp, Jenny Lyn Pair, Michael Pair, Marietta Molay, Mary Catherine Schroeder, Shari Grantham, Robie Bencho, Henry Pitre, Jackie Tevendale, Elena Sain, Tom Smith, Betty Quinlivan, Dean Arrington, Buster Brandino, Hays Zieman, Brad Rosenwald, Brooke Wallace, Craig Pearce, Stephen Lanzi, Bootsie Porter, Cindy Troha, Bobbie Keith, Robert Dillard, Joseph Lanzi, William Morgan, Carolyn Westrich, Samuel Belcher, Isabella Belcher, Jim Meggs, Cedric Webber, Vester Webber, Patsy Evans, Gertrude Sgroi, Mary Ann Stith, Rosa Butera, Kevin Glandon, Peggy Devenisha, Nunzia Massaro, Sam Ferlisi, Jan Cavaleri, Sr. Cecelia Zamboni, Ronald Ramsden, Paul Maniscalco, Jennifer Barnes, Dung Hoang, Jeanne Wright, Michelle DiGuglielmo, Mary Jo Wilkens, Judy Rose, Dave Henderson, Lena Myers, Keith Collins, Jack Masterson, Angie Meshad, Steve Shader, Joan Rietta, Shannon Smith, Bea Baum, Kent Russell, Linda Ferguson, Toni Caton, Vita Stamba, and Myra Sutton.



You are invited to attend First Friday Adoration – October 3 from 9 A.M. to Noon.

“Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Jesus and ready to make reparation. Let your adoration never cease.” St. Pope John Paul II

Youth

BLAST Middle School Group will meet tonight from 5:00-6:30 pm and the JCrew High School Group will meet from 6:00-7:30 pm to talk about Pope Francis' visit to the United States. We will also have dinner for both groups from 6:00-6:30.

The annual St. Francis of Assisi Pet blessing will be on Saturday October 3 at 10:00 am. All are invited to bring their pets and other animals to be blessed.

On Sunday, October 4, the Saint Mark High School Youth will host a Youth Rally from 2:00-5:00 pm followed by a closing Youth Mass celebrated by Father Joe with Music provided by the Saint Mark Youth Choir. Youth from parishes around the Birmingham area are invited to attend this event where we will have fellowship time with games, keynote talks by Deacon Greg Thompson, and Small Group Discussion as we talk about the Blessed Virgin Mary and her role in our faith. All High School Aged youth are invited to join us. For more information, please contact Daniel Henninger at stmarkyouth@bellsouth.net, 205-980-1810 or 828-260-2197.

The BLAST and JCrew Youth will have an opportunity to participate in the Birmingham 40 Days for Life that is currently going on by spending an hour in prayer at the Birmingham Planned Parenthood Office Downtown. We will have lunch after the 10:30 Mass in the PLC before traveling to the March location for our Vigil hour at 1:00 pm. We will then return to the PLC for desert, games, and fellowship time before pick up at 3:00 pm.

The High School JCrew Youth Group (and 8th graders 14 and older) will be working with the Birmingham Habitat for Humanity on the morning of Saturday October 24th from 7:30-11:30 am. We will be traveling to Adamsville to work on the project. Any Youth that want to join us for this service opportunity are welcome and need to contact Daniel for more information.

The Center of Concern

St. James called us a few weeks ago to put our Faith into action. The Catholic Center of Concern could use helping hands to stock their shelves and sort clothes on Thursday morning from 10 AM to 1 PM. You can contact Sr. Terry more information.

Mass Intentions

Wed. Sept. 30 - 6:00 P.M. - George Young
Thurs. Oct. 1 - 8:30 A.M. - Sandy Mostellar
Fri. Oct. 2 - 8:30 A.M. - Tina Campbell
Sat. Oct. 3 - 9:00 A.M. - Ginger Scalici
Sat. Oct. 3 - 4:00 P.M. - Rosie Chandler
Sun. Oct. 4 - 7:45 A.M. - Brian & Sara Rygiel
Sun. Oct. 4 - 10:30 A.M. - People of the Parish
Sun. Oct. 4 - 5:00 P.M. - Fr. Patrick Don Bosco Forsythe

Next Week's Readings

28 Mon - Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:2, 16-23/Lk 9:46-50
29 Tue-Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-5/Jn 1:47-51
30 Wed - Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/Lk 9:57-62
1 Thu - Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12
2 Fri - Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9/Mt 18:1-5, 10
3 Sat Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24
4 Sun Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-6/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Financial Information

September 20, 2015

(Budgeted) (Actual) (YtDBdgt) (YtDActual)

Collection: \$29,109 \$21,445 \$1,140,967 \$1,125,126

Faith Direct \$24,731 \$1,149,857

Current Parish Debt

\$2,781,115

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In honor of the 500th Birthday Celebration of St. Teresa of Avila, a special Mass will be Saturday, October 10 at 11:00 A.M. at The Cathedral of St. Paul. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Family Life Center. For more about the Mass visit [bhamocds@wordpress.com](http://bhamocds.wordpress.com)

Pastoral Council September 2015

- ❖ The officers for the Pastoral Council for the 2015-2016 year are Chairman, Don Korn, Vice-Chairman, Ken Lorek, and Secretary, Christina Rickey-Krawczyk.
- ❖ Deacon Wyman will leave Saint Mark's on the weekend of October 18. He will be ordained at St. Paul's Cathedral and his first mass will be here at St. Mark's.
- ❖ Fr. Joe announced that St. Mark's has been appointed the primary Pastoral Care provider for the new Grandview Hospital on Highway 280. Our Lady of the Valley will also provide assistance.

Adult Ed/Faith Formation

The Saint Mark Adult Ed program for 2015/2016 will begin on Sunday Sept 27 at 9 AM in the Parish Life Center. This year we will focus on the Year of Mercy. Our topics will include the Book of Ruth, the Prophet Jonah and the Gospel of Luke. We will continue our practice of prayerful reflection on the Scriptures during the Advent and Lenten seasons with special emphasis on mercy. Our program will also feature discussions on family, parenting, counseling and spirituality. Please mark your calendars and join us each week starting Sunday Sept 27 at 9AM. Questions? Please call/Email Phil Boettcher at 205 541 5625 or pfboettcher@att.netParish.

Summer's Harvest

Thank you for sharing your summer's harvest of fruits and vegetables, muffins and jams with the Parish Staff and myself. We appreciate! Many Blessings during the Fall Season,

Fr. Joe

Bible Study

Join The Bible Timeline Program on Thursday mornings at 9:15 to 11 A.M. Contact Sister Terry for more information.

Prayer and Scripture Study

ALL are welcome Wednesdays 4:30-5:45 PM. during the Religious Education classes in the PLC Conference Room for a Bible Study and Prayer with Sr. Terry.

Knights of Columbus 13446

The KofC 13446 will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Sat. Oct. 17 from 8:00 until 1:00. More details to follow, including how to sign up for an appointment, so put it on your calendar. It has been many years since St. Mark hosted a Blood Drive. At this time our resources are sorely needed by the Red Cross.

Invitation

Our Lady of the Valley program on Stem Cell Research-The Science and the Ethics presented by Dr. Claire Thuning-Robersonon will be Thursday, October 1 at 7 p.m. OLV Social Hall. Contact in advance via e-mail to deaconbob@olvsch.com.

Catholic Charities Drive

If you have not yet turned in your Catholic Charities pledge card, it is not too late to turn it in at masses this weekend or send it to the Parish Office. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 380396, Birmingham, AL 35238. If you need a card, just check at the Greeters' Desk. Your pledge is for the year 2016 and no payment is required at the present time. The Catholic Charities Office at the Diocese will invoice you throughout the year for your payments. So far, 127 Saint Mark's parishioners have pledged a total of \$96,675.00. Thank you for your generosity!

Liturgical Schedule: October 3rd & 4th, 2015

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:

Saturday: Rebecca Blythe, Daniel Henninger, Darlene McCulloch, Ann Penton

Sunday: Paul Albano, Sonny Jones, Sammy Romano, Theresa Romano
(10:30) Eleanora Castagnetta, Keri Eitzen, Marsha Floyd, Sarah Hebert, Joe Scotch, Steve Shoemaker, Brenda Slonneger, Tom Slonneger

Mass Coordinator:

Saturday: Mike & Pat Kantaris

Sunday: Phil Boettcher
(10:30) David & Eleanora Castagnetta

Altar Linens: Cindy Evans

Ushers:

Saturday: Jim Smith, Thom Berry, Pat Kantaris

Sunday: Wayne Gwaltney, Steve Boner, Amos Mitchim, Bobbie Mitchim
(10:30) Scott Riley, George Juneman, Milene Panzica, Paul Roche

Cantors:

Saturday: Jennie Jackson

Sunday: 7:45 Allison Creel, 10:30 Susan Richard

Lectors:

Saturday: Sharon Zaleski, Shane Merrill

Sunday: Jim E Smith Jr, Ginny Willis
(10:30) Lisa Arrington, J Philip Troha

Altar Servers:

Saturday Brianna Braden, Bella Garza, Levi Hardegree, Grant Rakers, Jonathan Zaleski

Sunday: Mary Caroline Gray, Tilly Gwaltney, Troy Gwaltney, Jessica Heberlein, Elliot Marrero
(10:30) Anna Arrington, Luke Arrington, Hampton Floyd, Sam Lynch, Amalia Trujillo Valino

Greeters:

Saturday: Jayne Day, Zuseth Fernandez, Tom Lager, Pat Smith

Sunday: Anthony & Diane Cuicchi
(10:30) Peter Bibbo, Carlos Godinez, Kate Seifert, Brenda Slonneger

SIGN UP TO SERVE

Saint Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

Ministries that our YOUTH can participate in

Altar Servers*

Boys and Girls who have made their First Communion and are in Grade 4 and up are invited to assist at Mass and other liturgical celebrations. **SERVERS NEEDED**
Training is provided.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the 10:30 a.m. Mass, children from age 4 – first grade are invited to participate in a Liturgy of the Word (about 20 minutes). Youth assistance is needed.

Ushers*

ASSITANT USHERS NEEDED who are in 4th Grade and up. These assistants serve with adults in taking up the collection and distributing the bulletins after Mass.



Youth Choir (6th through 12th grade)

CHOIR: Provides song and contemporary music monthly at Masses.
INSTRUMENTALISTS: acoustic and bass guitar are needed, also keyboard and percussionists.

REHEARSAL: Wednesday evenings at 6:30 with light supper provided.

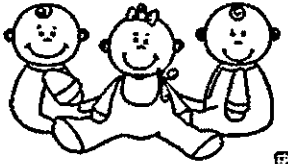
Boy Scouts Provides complete scouting opportunities.

Cub Scouts: (1st - 5th grade boys) on Mondays 6:15 pm

Boy Scouts: (11-17 yrs.) on Mondays 7:30 pm



**Jesus loves
the little children**



Nursery Assistance*

Nursery is provided in the Parish Life Center during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass, for the very young. **TEEN AIDES NEEDED** to assist the nursery coordinator.

NAME

E-Mail

Home phone

cell phone

ADULTS are needed to assist our Youth Programs



- Children's Christmas Pageant (12/24)**
4 year old to 2nd grade are in the pageant at the 4 PM Mass on Christmas eve. **ADULTS NEEDED TO HELP....at 3 practices held before the event.**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

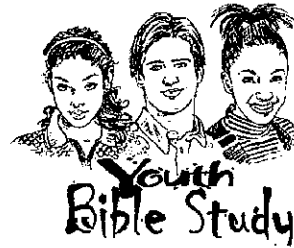
5K to 5th Grade students attend Vacation Bible School for a week teachers, aides, craft leaders, refreshment providers are needed during this 9 AM to Noon event.



- B.L.A.S.T. (Believing, Living and Sharing the Truth)**
Middle School Youth Program for Grades 6, 7 and 8 - and J-CREW (Jesus Crew) 9th to 12th grades

ADULT VOLUNTEERS needed: TEACHERS, DRIVERS, REFRESHMENT PROVIDERS & GENERAL HELPERS.
5 PM to 7:30 PM (dinner included)

R.A.P. (Reflection and Praise)
High School Religious Education Instruction
TEACHERS NEEDED refreshments provided
Sunday 9- 10:15 AM



Rhythm of God III -- Diocesan Youth Event

January 30th 1- 7:30 PM

Adults needed to assist with registration, hosting, decorating and serving dinner to this Diocesan Wide event for Middle school and High School Youth

Name

Address

Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

Email Address



Blessing of the Animals

In honor of Saint Francis of Assisi,

Saturday, October 3, 2015 at 10:00 AM

Church Plaza

Please bring your animal friends-

all creatures great and small!



St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

10th Annual Community Flea Market

Do you have clothes, furniture, sporting goods, baby cribs, and other merchandise sitting in your basement collecting dust? Get ready to join the Parish for our Flea Market. Sell off those unused items from your house.

Register today, bring your merchandise and join our community for a day of fellowship and fun.

- *Saturday October 17th from 7:30am – 12 pm*
- *85 spaces are available. Each flea market “space” is two parking lot spaces (18ft x 19ft.)*
- *Table provided for you to display your items*
- *All items small and large are welcome*
- *Advertising provided in local media prior to the event*
- *You keep 75% of the proceeds from your sale and 25% are donated to the Knights of Columbus.*
- *Any merchandise you don't sell may also be donated to Charity. Charities will be onsite and ready for any items you wish to donate.*

Registration is free. Send an email to StMarkFleaMkt@aol.com or a voice mail 866-622-STMK (7865) ext. 1.

Or search for “Community Flea Market” page on Facebook and RSVP to the event.

If you have items that you would like to donate to the Knights of Columbus booth, please send an email to KofC13446@aol.com or call our voice mail 866-622-7865 Extension 1 to make arrangements for your donation.

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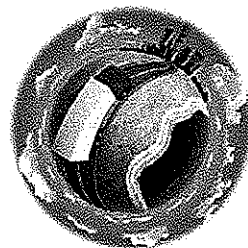


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