



Saint Mark
the Evangelist Catholic Church

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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 and Friday: 8:30 A.M.
First Saturday: 9:00 A.M.

Office Hours:

Tuesday through Friday: 8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
The Church office closed on Monday.
Emergency: Father Culotta: 980-1810 #2 or 408-2766

Chapel Open for Prayer

Monday through Thursday: 6:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Friday: 6:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
First Friday Exposition: 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

Marriage Requirements at least six months in advance:

Meet with Father Culotta @ 980-1810, ext. #2
Visit wedding link on Website prior to meeting

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Contact Anne Hane 410-0692 or ahane@bellsouth.net

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PRAYER LIST

David Ball	Michelle Kidd	Mary Catherine Schroeder
Helen Barnhart	Kathy Matuszak	Trace Sexton
Ann Marie Boyd	Jim Meggs	Gertrude Sgroi
Norma Burrow	Angie Meshad	Patricia Sheehan
Donald David	Marietta Molay	Patti W. Smith
Bowen Girardeau	Craig Pearce	Tom Smith
Kevin Glandon	Betty Quinlivan	Don St. Denis
Carlos Godinez	Cecilia Ragusa	Luke Swetonic
Jonathan Granberry	Joan Rietta	Jackie Tevendale
Riley Granberry	Jim Romano	Cindy Troha
Dave Henderson	Ronnie Romano	Santo Vizzina
Dung Hoang	Judy Rose	Gary Weitekamp
George James	Elena Savino	Jeanne Welsh

Next week – Second collection aiding Catholic Relief

A warm welcome to Fr. Joel Martin OSB from St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman, AL. Fr. Joel will celebrate all masses this week.



You are invited to attend First Friday Adoration – Mar. 4 9 A.M. to Noon.

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the Sacraments..."
St. Alphonsus Liguori

Mass Intentions

- Tues. Mar. 1 - 12:00 Noon - Rev. Patrick Murphy*
- Wed. Mar. 2 - 6:00 P.M. - Georgi & Lillian Pelekis*
- Thurs. Mar. 3 - 8:30 A.M. - Communion Service*
- Fri. Mar. 4 - 8:30 A.M. - Tom Stith (S.I.)*
- Sat. Mar. 5 - 9:00 A.M. - James & Elizabeth McKeon*
- Sat. Mar. 5 - 4:00 P.M. - Margaret Tevendale*
- Sun. Mar. 6 - 7:45 A.M. - Harold Sheehan*
- Sun. Mar. 6 - 10:30 A.M. - People of the Parish*

First Saturday Mass: March 5 at 9 A.M.



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Feast of Saint Mark Italian Festival

Time's running out to get your discounted "Early Bird" tickets – \$20.00 Adult and Children (ages 6 - 12) \$10.00 tickets will be available after all Masses the weekends of March 5-6 and March 12-13. Tickets may also be purchased via the website www.FeastofSaintMark.com or in the Church Office. Children ages 5 and under, free. Adult tickets increase to \$25.00 March 15.

Want a free ticket? - Be one of the first 250 volunteers to sign up at www.FeastofSaintMark.com

Weekly Readings

- 29 Mon - 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30
- 1 Tue - Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
- 2 Wed - Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
- 3 Thu - Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
- 4 Fri - Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
- 5 Sat - Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
- 6 SUN – Fourth Sunday of Lent - Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Special Needs Community Meeting

Financial Information

February 21, 2016

	(Budgeted)	(Actual)	(YtDBdgt)	(YtDActual)
Collection:	\$24,372	\$29,386	\$209,752	\$260,835

**Current Parish Debt
\$2,368,550**

Sympathy

**Let us pray to the Lord for all who have died, especially
...Jane St. Denis, wife of Don St. Denis**

Prince of Peace Special Families is hosting a Special Needs Community Resource Meeting on Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:30. Join us for dessert and speaker Susan Ellis in the Prince of Peace school library. Susan is a parent advocate for inclusive practices in education, community, recreation and employment. She has more than 30 years of experience and lots of information to help special needs children reach their fullest potential. Susan will also speak about financial support for families such as the Medicaid waiver program. Please RSVP to Natalie Portera at downisup@aol.com

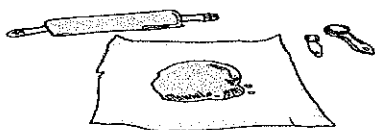
Stations of the Cross each Friday at 6:30 P.M.



followed by a Meatless Meal provided by the Youth Group

March 4th – Catholic UpDate

We thank the Knights of Columbus for providing last week's food.



Pizzelle cookie baking day for Feast of Saint Mark
Italian Festival!

Join us for a fun time as we bake authentic Italian
Pizzelle! Join us and bring your pizzelle maker or just
yourself!

When: Saturday March 12th 2016 @ 9:30 am - noon

Where: Donna Francavilla's Home.

5079 Greystone Way, Birmingham, AL 35242

Info: 205-790-6548 ask for Monica.

TASTE of ST. THOMAS

The annual "Taste of St. Thomas" will be held on Saturday, March 5th from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church on Hwy 119 in Montevallo. In its 16th year, the Taste is an international food fair offering delicacies from different countries and regions around the world. In addition to the ethnic treats, there will be a silent auction featuring many desirable items for the adults and a penny sale for the kids. Admission is free, and individual food tickets cost 50 cents. We appreciate the support of the community, and invite everyone to attend. The Silent Auction will open at 6:00 PM and food service will begin at 6:30 PM. Call 664-2066 for more information.

Women of Saint Mark March Meeting

This month join us for a Spring flowers arranging class on Tuesday, March 15:

morning session at 10:00-11:30 am

or

evening session at 6:30-8:00 pm

Pre-registration needed:

STMARKSflowers@gmail.com





A WEDDING IS A DAY
A MARRIAGE IS A LIFETIME*

STOP AND THINK About How You Spend Your Time!

For most of us our priorities are our children, our jobs, career, leisure and God. How much time do you spend just for the two of you as a couple? You deserve to learn how to make the most of your time and relationship. Make time to enrich your relationship by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend in the diocese is scheduled in Cullman, May 20-22 at St. Bernard's Abbey. You can get additional info or register online today at www.ALFL-wwme.org or by calling Bob & Joy Hernandez at 678-985-0125.

Youth

The Youth Groups will meet on Sunday February 28th from 5-7:30 pm (BLAST 5-6:30 pm and JCrew 6-7:30) for a Bible Study Night including Games and Dinner.

On Sunday March 13th, the Youth Groups will go on an afternoon hike (weather permitting) We will meet at the PLC at 1:00 pm to head to the trail. The hike won't be too long or strenuous and we should finish and be back at the PLC around 4:00 pm for pickup.



Please contact Daniel Henninger at 980-1810 or stmarkyouth@bellsouth.net for more information.

On Sunday March 27th, the BLAST Youth will host Saint Mark's Annual Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:30 Mass.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be for Toddlers to 2nd Grade with different areas for the various age groups. As a way to help the BLAST Middle School Youth anyone who would like to donate some hard candy (chocolate tends to melt during Mass) for the youth to stuff into the eggs they can be donated in the office or in a box in the PLC Lobby beginning next week March 6th.

Adult Ed

Our Lenten journey in Adult Education/Formation meetings continues and we look forward to your participation. We will continue our focus on the Gospel of Luke, the Gospel of God's Mercy. This study has been enthusiastically embraced, with great dialogue and exchange of ideas. Next week our session on Sunday March 6 will be facilitated by Eleanora and David Castagnetta.

Please join us in the PLC from 9-10:15 AM

Ecumenical Lenten Taizé Service at Our Lady of Lourdes

Our Lady of Lourdes will host an ecumenical Lenten Taizé Prayer service on Sunday, February 28, at 3:00pm.

The simple, prayerful music of Taizé, along with the inclusion of Scripture and time set aside for silent reflection, helps to provide a very meditative and personal liturgical experience for all who participate.

The theme for the hour of prayer is "With the Lord There is Mercy".

The service will take place in the church.

All are invited to participate. Our Lady of Lourdes is located at 980 Huffman Road in Birmingham. For further information, call (205)836-2274.

Liturgical Schedule	Saturday, Mar. 5 th 4:00 pm	Sunday, Mar. 6 th 7:45 am	Sunday, Mar. 6 th 10:30 am
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Kelly Ferrell, Ana Hall Tom Huddleston, Sonny Jones JoAnne Rixey, Theresa Romano Larry Swetonic	Tony Inzina, Nancy Ladshaw Theresa LoMonaco, Vincent Lovoy Bonnie Murphy	Jenny Camp, Keri Eitzen Janet Haines, Sarah Hebert Rosemary Johnson, Chris Keller Leonard Mueninghoff, Joe Scotch Steve Shoemaker
Mass Coordinators	Sammy Romano Theresa Romano	Cindy Evans Joe Evans	Janet Haines Randy Haines
Lectors	Cathy Johnson Ruth Breipohl	Donna Francavilla Milton Davis	Lisa Arrington Marilyn Chiaramonte
Ushers	Mike Burns, Connie Bailey Juan Luis Contreras, Kurt Friend	Amos Mitchim, Giovanni Garza Bobbie Mitchim, Michael Rall	Scott Riley, Kevin Camp Rachel Camp, Rob Haley Mary Grace Tucker
Altar Servers	Abby Ferrell, Tanner Gray, Grant Rakers Mary Caroline Gray, Jakob Short	Mary Keithleen Favela Jessica Heberlein, Ethan Lee - Bella Garza, Laura Valderrama	Emma Stephens Luke Arrington, Elizabeth Camp Anna Arrington, Jack Anthony Henson
Greeters	Jayne Day, Becky Green Tom Lager, Rae Sarver	Anthony Cuicchi Diane Cuicchi	Peter Bibbo, Sarah Hebert Laura Hughes, NOT FILLED
Altar Linens	Tracy Pflaum	Tracy Pflaum	Tracy Pflaum
Cantors	Cynthia Brown	Kathryn Garaca	Allison Creel

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

2016 Upcoming Events:

Saturday, May 7th, 4:00 pm

First Communion Mass

Wednesday, May 18th, 6:30 pm

Confirmation Mass

SUPPER CLUB

St. Mark's Supper Club is open to all adults. We meet at a local restaurant for dinner and socializing. It's a wonderful way to meet your fellow parishioners and share a meal.

Our upcoming supper will be held at The Pita Hut in Chelsea. The address is 100 Chelsea Corners Way, Suite 102, Chelsea 35043. It's behind the Huddle House off Hwy 280. Their web site is pitahtut280.com. We'll meet at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 12. Each person is responsible for paying for their own meal. Contact for reservations is Cathy Johnson, at pilgrimmta@att.net, or call 266-9685. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, March 10.

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