



**Twenty-Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time
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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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Visit wedding link on Web Site prior to meeting

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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, Raquel Martin, Kathy Matuszak, Jeanette Larsen, Jane St. Denis, Don St. Denis, Santo Vizzina, Brennan Simkins, Elbert Bell, Ronnie Romano, Ronnie DeFalco, Peyton Abernathy, Brad Lembcke, Sue Akers, James Trabits, Brent Sparkman, Donald David, Kevin Camp, Sam Culotta, Julie Seigle, Gary Weitekamp, Jenny Lyn Pair, Michael Pair, Joan Van de Veer, Marietta Molay, Mary Catherine Schroeder, Shari Grantham, Domenick Simonetti, Robie Bencho, Gena Taylor, Henry Pitre, Jackie Tevendale, Elena Sain, Priscilla Staskevich, Tom Smith, Betty Quinlivan, Dean Arrington, Buster Brandino, Hays Zieman, Brad Rosenwald, Mercy Navarette, Delfina Urrutia, Brooke Wallace, Craig Pearce, Cheryl Shader, Stephen Lanzi, Bootsie Porter, Jeanne Welsh, Cindy Troha, Bob Rhodes, Bobbie Keith, Robert Dillard, Joseph Lanzi, William Morgan, Carolyn Westrich, John Elkourie, Bill Moorefield, Samuel Belcher, Isabella Belcher, Jim Meggs, Michael Mugier.



Parish Picnic

Be sure to sign up for the Parish Picnic in the back of the church after masses. The picnic will be Pot-Luck style with chicken provided by the Knights of Columbus. There will be games, music and a 50/50 Raffle! The date is Sunday, September 14th, after the 10:30AM mass. Please register so that we know how much chicken to buy, and check the list posted in the Narthex to see what dish you are assigned to bring based on the beginning letter of your last name. Hope to see you all there!

Mass Intentions

Mon. Sept. 1 – 9:00 AM.....**Jim & Pat Smith (S.I.)**
Wed. Sept. 3 –6:00 PM.....**Katey Ballard**
Thurs.Sept. 4 –8:30 AM.....**Fr. David Buchanan**
Fri. Sept. 5 – 8:30 AM.....**Bridget Armitage**
Fri Sept.5 –6:30PM(Mary's House)...**Emily Raulerson(S.I.)**
Sat. Sept. 6- 9:00 AM.....**Lynne & David Wayne Hamilton**
Sat. Sept. 6 - 4:00 PM.....**Samuel Joseph Vacarella**
Sun. Sept. 7 – 7:45.....**James McKeon**
Sun. Sept. 7 - 10:30 AM.....**People of the Parish**

Labor Day Mass

Fr. Joe will celebrate mass at 9:00 AM on Labor Day, Monday, September 1st.

Next Week's Readings

Mon: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tues.: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wed.: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15,20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thurs: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-2,3-4ab,5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Fri.: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6,27-28,39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Sat: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sun.: *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2,6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Financial Information

August 24, 2014

	(Budgeted)	(Actual)	(YtD Budget)	(YtD Actual)
Collection:	25,135	15,434	953,359	1,002,424
Faith Direct:		23,260		
Assumption:		820		
Current Parish Debt				3,543,539

New Grief Support Group

A new Grief Support Group for parishioners of both Saint Mark's and Our Lady of the Valley will be forming Monday, September 8th from 6-8 PM in the Parish Office Conference Room at Our Lady of the Valley. Anyone in the parish who has experienced the death of a loved one is invited to participate. Please register by contacting Darlene McCulloch before September 3rd for orientation. Call her at 678-2750 or email her at jamesfmcculloch@belsouth.net.

PSR Supplies Need

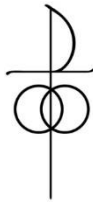
Saint Mark's Parish School of Religion could use your help in getting started this year! We are in need of plain, white copy paper and pocket folders. If you would like to contribute these items, please drop off your donations to the Parish Life Center. Thanks so much!

Walk for the Poor

Please plan to join St. Vincent de Paul groups from around the area to Walk for the Poor on Saturday, September 27th at Veterans Park on Valleydale Road. The 5K Run begins at 8:30AM and the 1 mile walk is at 9:00AM. All proceeds go directly to people in need in the greater Birmingham area. To register, help sponsor, or to make a donation, please to go www.svdpusa.net/walk/1052 or call Judy Atchison at 205-616-6537.

JCREW

JCREW will not meet this Sunday evening, August 31st, due to the Labor Day holiday. We will pick back up on September 7th for fellowship and bowling. If there are a couple of parents who would be willing to drive and help chaperone, please contact me at the parish office, 980-1810, or at stmarkyouth@bellsouth.net



Congratulations!

We offer our prayers and best wishes to Taylor Wolfe and Molly Green who were married recently at Saint Mark's.

Usher Ministry

The ministry of ushers is the oldest lay ministry in the Catholic Church. During the time of Christ, the doorkeepers of the temple numbered in the hundreds and were the forerunners of today's ushers.

The more immediate predecessor of today's usher can be found in the clerical order of porter, instituted in the 3rd Century A.D. During those times, it was the duty of the porters or ushers to guard the door of the church against any intruders who might disturb the service.

Today's ushers primary duties and responsibilities include greeting and welcoming parishioners as they enter the church, help them to find seats, taking up the collection and wishing everyone a good day at the conclusion of the Eucharistic Celebration.

Want to learn more? Usher training will be conducted after each Mass on September 6 and 7. Initial training will only take 15 – 20 minutes. See you there!

Contact Tom Perlich. tperlich@aol.com or 205-567-6990

Saint Mark's Women's Group

Please save the date for the Saint Mark's Women's Group's first meeting of the year. It will be on Tuesday, September 16th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Life Center. Our presenter will be Megan LaRussa Chenowith, sharing her ideas on "The Top 3 Ways to be Effortlessly Chic".

Cub Scout News

It's that time again. Cub Scout Pack 007 is looking for a few good boys. Cub Scouts are open to any boy ages 6-11. Hiking, camping, and fishing are just some of our normal activities. If interested, contact Tom Elie at 672-1889 or thomaseelie@aol.com. Come join the fun!

Scripture Prayer

Beginning August 28th, 9:00-10:30AM – we will offer an opportunity to pray the Sunday Gospel in the *Lectio Divina* style. This form of prayer dates to the 6th century, and recently, Pope Benedict XVI encouraged all to use this form of prayer. Here we allow God's Word to speak to our hearts. All are welcome!

Supper Club

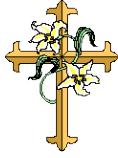
Saint Mark's Supper Club is open to all adults. It's a wonderful way to meet with your fellow parishioners and share a meal. Our upcoming supper will be held at The Village Tavern at the Summit (near Sak's) on September 13th. We'll meet at 5:15 p.m. Please be prompt because we cannot be seated unless 75% of the attendees are present. Each person is responsible for paying for their own meal. Contact for reservations is Cathy Johnson, at cathyjohnson_2@hotmail.com, or call 266-9685. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, September 11th.

New Parish Office Telephone System Installation Rescheduled

The conversion of the telephone system has now been rescheduled to Thursday, September 4, beginning at 9:00 a.m. During the time of the conversion, the existing telephone system will not be available. If you are unable to reach the Office, please try again later during the day. All telephone numbers will remain the same. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Narthex Television

There is a problem with the camera that allows the Mass to be seen on the TV in the Narthex. It will be out for the next several weeks awaiting parts and service. We appreciate your patience and apologize for the inconvenience.



Sympathy

We offer our prayers and sympathy to Diane Stith and Joan Adams on the death of their sister and daughter, Cindy Stem. May her soul rest in the presence of the Lord.

Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus Council 13446 is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sat. Oct. 18th at the Parish Life Center. Save the Date and look for additional information in the weeks to come. The Red Cross is over 80,000 units down from where they need to be, which means that blood supplies may not be available for accident victims and those that need critical surgeries. You can help by spreading the word and assisting us with a successful Blood Drive.

Lay Dominicans

Do you love God? Do you want to seek holiness? Are you looking for truth? The Lay Dominicans of Birmingham group is having an open meeting, Sunday, September 14th at 2PM at St. Rose Academy, welcoming all interested Catholics. Come and see what we are about. We are lay people from all walks of life who are dedicated to a life of liturgical prayer, study of sacred truth and zeal for the salvation of souls. For more information, please contact Angela Maiola at 999-6183.

Labor Day Festival at Our Lady of Lourdes

On Monday, September 1st, 9 AM-4 PM, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church will present its 28th annual Labor Day Festival. Come enjoy a fun-filled day of games, rides, prizes, shopping, and of course BBQ! The festival will also feature: Arts & Crafts Booths, Gigantic Garage Sale, Country Store, Silent Auction, Coca Cola Entertainment Stage, Sweet Shoppe, Bingo, Raffle, Community Blood Bank, and so much more.

Everyone is invited. Our Lady of Lourdes is located at 980 Huffman Road, Birmingham. See more information at <https://www.facebook.com/OLL.LaborDay>

“A Joy Ever New to be Shared”

Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat, Ft. Mitchell, Alabama is offering a weekend retreat entitled “A Joy Ever New to be Shared” on September 26-28, 2014. This retreat will begin with Cardinal, now Blessed, John Newman’s focus of the Spiritual Life and be followed by the beautiful document of Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel).

The presenter is Bishop Emeritus David E. Foley. For registration information, call 334-855-4474.

Young Singles Small Groups

Our Lady of Sorrows Church is hosting a weekly small group session for all single twenty-somethings, guys and girls. Meetings begin in September and will include some scripture study. If you are interested in joining or for more information, contact Mary Ann Graeve at 908-2728.



BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Community, Alanna Grace Valencia, daughter of Faye and Jonathan Valencia, who was baptized recently at Saint Mark’s.

St. Vincent de Paul Council Formed in Birmingham

Five parishes in the Birmingham and Tuscaloosa area joined together in April to form the Birmingham Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. SVDP is an international Catholic lay society dedicated to the spiritual growth of its members and its mission to assist the poor. The five parishes, called conferences, that make up the Council are: Holy Infant of Prague (Trussville), St. Patrick’s (Adamsville), Holy Spirit (Tuscaloosa), St. Mark’s (Ashland) and our own Saint Mark the Evangelist here in Birmingham.

This Birmingham Council assists the poor by making home visits to help assess the needs of the individual or family and offering emotional and spiritual support. Current leadership in the Council comes from across the conferences with Saint Mark’s Joe Scotch serving as Vice-President and Janet Haines serving as the spiritual advisor.

Reminders

The nursery is open on Sunday mornings for the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The nursery is located in the Parish Life Center.

The Chapel is open during the week, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You are invited and welcome to come and make a visit.

Women's Bible Study

Join us for a study that will focus on the Women of the Old Testament from Eve to Esther. We will learn lessons from their lives in the choices they made and challenge ourselves to look honestly at our own lives. Women of all ages are invited to attend on Tuesday mornings from 9:00-11:00 AM beginning September 9th at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in the Family Life Center. To register, contact Mary Ann Graeve at 908-2728.

Liturgical Schedule: September 6th & 7th, 2014

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:

Saturday: Eleanora & David Castagnetta, Ruth Cook, Tom Huddleston, Cathy Johnson, Darlene McCulloch, Ann Penton

Sunday: Paul Albano, Nancy Ladshaw, Theresa & Sammy Romano, Jim E. Smith, Jr.
(10:30) Marsha Floyd, Janet Haines, Ana Hall, Chris Keller, Diana Moreno, Len Mueninghoff, Bonnie Murphy, Joe Scotch, Tom Slonneger

Mass Coordinator:

Saturday: Jeanne & Bill Welsh

Sunday: Phil Boettcher, Lynda Smith
(10:30) Len & Heidi Mueninghoff

Altar Linens: Tracy Pflaum

Ushers:

Saturday: Mike Burns, Chris Moore, Caleb Moore, Jim Smith

Sunday: Tom Perlich, Wayne Gwaltney, Nicholas Perlich, Sarah Rose Perlich
(10:30) George Juneman, Nancy Collis, Michael Rall, Paul Roche

Cantors:

Saturday: Cynthia Brown

Sunday: Ken Jannot, Anna Vaughn

Lectors:

Saturday: Dolorene Sackman, Rebecca Blythe

Sunday: Milton Davis, Barbara Varner
(10:30) Tom Greene, Darlene McCulloch

Altar Servers:

Saturday: Skyhler Schaffer, Diana Fernandez, Jared Schaffer

Sunday: Adam Pflaum, Catherine Clark, Jessica Heberlein, Isabel DiGuglielmo, Kaitlyn Shields
(10:30) Hampton Floyd, Ella Vaughn, Dolan Wilson, Elizabeth Camp, Maria Elliott

Greeters:

Saturday: Rose Burns, Demetri Coleman, Becky Green, Karen Kapp

Sunday: Marie & Ken Lorek
(10:30) Peter Bibbo, Myrna Scotch, Kate Seifert, Tom Slonneger



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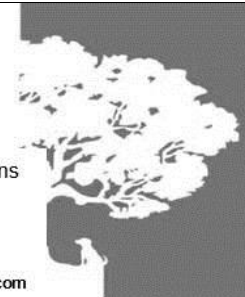
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