

FAREWELL to
SEMINARIAN
James Tweed

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for SERVING
ST. MARK!

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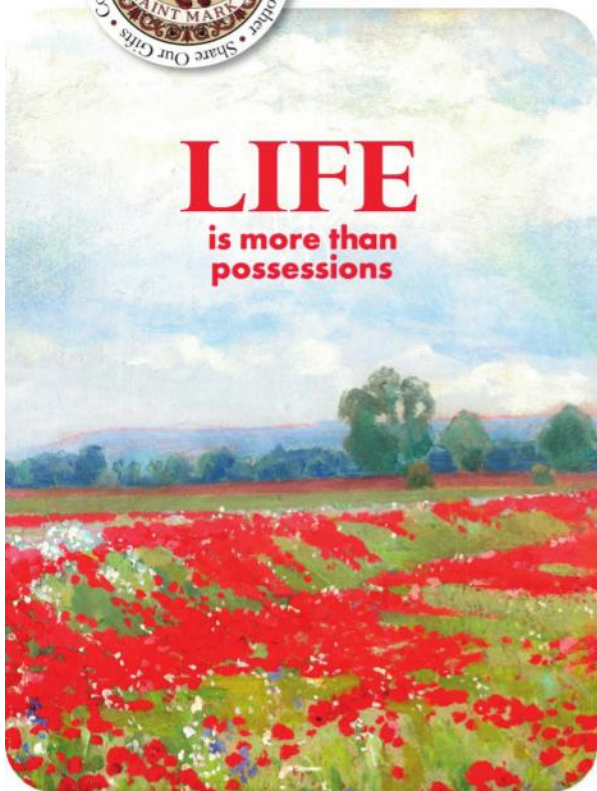
SAINT MARK

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 3, 2025 † Español pagina 15



Welcome to St. Mark

LIFE
is more than
possessions



Today is the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings can be found on page 1174. Music handouts are at the entrances; see an usher if you did not receive one.

Thank you for being a part of our parish, either as a visitor or a long-time parishioner. We are thankful that you are here and welcome you back anytime for Mass, prayer in our Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel or any of our programs.

At St. Mark, we believe we are all called as one by Christ to embrace the spirit of stewardship and engagement to Grow in Christ, Serve One Another, Share Our Gifts and Connect in Faith. This mission is our quest for holiness. It is by our intentional discipleship that each of us become stewards of the gifts God has given us and to share them with others. Our time, our talent and our treasure are given to us by God to share with others by spreading the Gospel and building His kingdom.

If you are interested in registering as a member of St. Mark, please go to stmarknc.org/registration or use the QR code. You may submit the form online or bring a paper copy to the Welcome Desk during business hours, including Sunday 8:30 am-12:15 pm. Forms can be found in the narthex. Please know, you do not need to be Catholic to join and come to our parish.



*At the close of Mass, join us in the Prayer to St. Michael. **Please do not leave the church until after the priests, deacons, and servers have exited the church.***

Thank you



Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Guidelines for Communion For Catholics

1. To be in a state of grace, that is to say, to be free from any unconfessed mortal sin.
2. To abstain for at least one hour before Holy Communion from any food and drink, with the exception of water and medicine.
3. To know what you are receiving and to approach the altar with devotion.
4. **St. Mark uses altar rails. Please go to the far end of the rail and either kneel to receive Holy Communion on the tongue or remain standing to receive in your hand. The distribution of the Precious Blood remains suspended.**
5. **Please consume the Holy Eucharist in front of the minister of Holy Communion, before walking away.**

For Non-Catholics: We welcome you to Holy Mass and are glad you are here. Please feel free to participate by singing, standing, kneeling, etc. However, the reception of Holy Communion is reserved for Catholics in a state of grace. At the time of Communion, please feel free to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest for a blessing or to remain in your pew.

See page 1302 in the hymnal for more information.

FROM THE PASTOR



Today's Gospel passage comes as a pat on the back from Heaven for all of us striving to live a stewardship way of life. It reminds us why we live the way we do and why we make the choices we make. Let's face it, if we truly embrace this way of life, there will be people who find our choices — based on serving God and others — downright foolish. But let's see what God thinks. Spoiler alert:

turns out Christian stewards are not the fools!

In this passage, Jesus makes it clear that life is not about "stuff" as he tells the parable of the wealthy businessman who thought he had everything figured out. The man had such an abundance of stuff that he didn't have room to store it all. So, thinking of earthly things and not on what is above, he decided to build a bigger place to store all that stuff. Patting himself on the back, he thought about what good times he would have in the years ahead. But Jesus tells us that day would turn out to be the man's last day on the earth. And he had spent it thinking only of himself. How foolish!

Don't be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. © Catholic Stewardship Consultants, 2025

Pastoral Pondering – With the election of Pope Leo XIV, many folks have expressed an interest in understanding the history of his most recent predecessor with the same name, Pope Leo XIII, who is considered a great proponent of Catholic Social teaching. His encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*, is the basis for our understanding of this important branch of Catholic theology, so I thought it might be useful to share a summary of that document.

Rerum Novarum, an encyclical issued by Pope Leo XIII in 1891, addresses the social and economic challenges of the modern world, emphasizing the Church's role in addressing injustices within the rapidly industrializing society. It marks the beginning of modern Catholic social teaching and sets a framework for dealing with issues related to labor, capital, and society.

Key Themes of *Rerum Novarum*:

1. **Dignity of Labor:** It affirms the dignity of work and the rights of workers, including just wages, the right to form unions, and decent working conditions. Work is not merely an economic activity but a means for the personal development of individuals.
2. **Private Property:** The encyclical upholds the right to private property, stating that it is natural and beneficial for individuals and families. However, this right carries with it the responsibility to use one's property for the common good.
3. **Role of the State:** It outlines the role of the state in promoting justice and protecting the rights of individuals, especially the poor and vulnerable. The state should act as an agent for social order and the common good but should not overreach into individual freedoms.

4. **Class Cooperation:** Pope Leo XIII advocates for the cooperative relationship between employees and employers, encouraging a spirit of mutual understanding and collaboration rather than conflict, aiming to harmonize interests for societal benefit.

5. **Social Justice:** The encyclical is concerned with the effects of unchecked capitalism and socialism, critiquing both extremes and emphasizing a balance that respects human dignity while promoting social justice and the well-being of all members of society.

Rerum Novarum serves as a cornerstone for subsequent Catholic social thought, inviting us to consider how we can address economic and social issues while respecting human dignity and the common good.

RESPECT LIFE

Annual Holy Hour of Reparation

When: Wed., Aug. 6, 6:30 pm Mass; Holy Hour 7:15 pm

Where: In the Church

Each summer, our Respect Life Ministry organizes this special time

to spend in prayer. A Holy Hour helps us make reparation for the sins of the world and for our own sins.

It is a short time — just one hour — when we can turn our

undivided attention toward the Lord and plead for mercy on behalf of the whole Church.

If you have never been before, a Holy Hour of Reparation is a powerful time of prayer, healing, and intercession using the Soul Assurance prayer book (provided.) In this quiet, grace-filled hour, we unite our hearts with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to offer reparation for sins, both our own and those of the world. It's a chance to console the Sacred Heart of Jesus, draw closer to His mercy, and find peace for your own soul and for others.

Whether you're carrying burdens, seeking renewal, or simply wanting to deepen your relationship with Christ, this is a beautiful and meaningful way to respond to His call: "Could you not watch one hour with Me?"



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 3

7:30 am † John & Elizabeth Redmond
9 am † John & Donna Wingert
11 am Wes & Lisa Strickland
1 pm Gloria Echeverri
5 pm † Jose Mendoza

Monday, August 4

7 am † Martha Urcuyo
9 am † Jean Misner

Tuesday, August 5

7 am † Barbara Louise Anderson
9 am † James Packard

Wednesday, August 6

7 am † Mary Jo Lucey
6:30 pm Respect Life Ministry
6:30 pm † Millie Lo Bianco

Thursday, August 7

7 am The Rosamond Family
9 am † Anne Barnas

Friday, August 8

7 am † Raul Echevarria &
Norma Suclupe
9 am Fr. Brian Becker
7 pm Esperanza y Vida

Saturday, August 9

9 am † Joy D'Auto Young
5 pm † Bill Rose

Sunday, August 10

7:30 am St. Mark Parishioners
9 am † John & Donna Wingert
11 am † Simon & Maria Royko
1 pm The Garcia Family
5 pm † Kenneth Springer

† Deceased

Pray for Our Military

Air Force: Airman **Gregory Burke**; Airman

Antoinio Diaz; Capt. **Stephen Hack**; Lt. Col.

Douglas Lincoln; Capt. **Ryan Loyd**; **Alejandro Martinez**;

Sgt. **James McCormick**; 2nd Lt **Connor Milligan**;

SrA. **Benjamin Salber**; Airman **Chloe Scott**

Army: 2nd Lt. **Amelia Andretti**; 1st Lt. **Patrick**

Camatcho; Major **Robert Caraccilo**; Lt. **Sarah**

Camatcho; Lt. Col. **Michael Dragoon**; SSgt. **Darcy**

Fisher; **Kyle Hawk**; PFC. **J. Parker Hogan**; Capt.

John Hughes; Pvt. **Chaz Margo**; Maj. **Daniel**

McCormick; 2nd Lt. **Maria Morell**; PV2 **Matthew**

Pressley; Maj. **Stephen J. Romeo**; **Andrew Santos**;

Capt. **Ramon Ricardo Tapia**; Spl. Forces **Nolan**

Tillotson; **Josh Wagner**; 1st Lt. **Nick Worth**

Marines: LCPL. **Richard Breier**; Sgt. **Andrew Sales**;

Maj. **Matthew Santoli**; Cpl. **Ben Holden**; 1st Lt.

Nathanael Rusciollelli

Navy: LCDR. **Matthew Giannone**; Lt. **Albert Remmey**,

Jr.; LCDR. **Jordan Mayo**; ENS. **Rory Moran**, OSSN.

Daniel Pressley; LCDR. **Jenna Hehn Quist**; ENS.

Tyler Spear; LCDR. **William Vey**; CTT2. **Zachary**

Wortham and all service members not listed.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please Pray For...

Julie Andrews
Sarah Armstrong
John & Casey Ball
Daisy Bayona
Deidre Beck
Richard Biddy
Beatrice Bilodeau
Brian Blatchford & Family
Virginia "Gini" Bond
Kathy Brandt
Dave and Nancy Breen
Helen Sally Buff
Elaine Burkinshaw
Carmen Cabranes
Anne Caestecker
Michelle Chichone
Murphy Clark
Beth Collins
William Conklin
Tim Cunnane
Janice D'Angelo
Judy and Rich Deboer
John Deluca
Henry Diener
James Dupree
Barbara Dutty
Greg Duncan
James P. Durcan
Jack Evans
Frances & Kai Ferrell &
Family
Charles Fillipo
Joseph Fiore
Tom Fox
Alan Friedl & Family
Maureen K. Frost
Carmine Gallo
Teri Gay
Denny & Monica Golden
Josette Grace
Robert Graham
Hank Griffin

To submit a prayer request, visit: stmarknc.org/prayerchain

John Grivizas
Helen Haddad
Kevin Herman Sr.
Hannah Hopkins
Jerry Jackson Jr.
Cathi Kalberier
Craig Kashuba
Karen Kastle
Gary Katz
Carol & Frank Kenny
Chris Kerstetter
Jackie Kopicki
Peggie Lauricella
Joan Lesch
Marie Ligon
Peter R. Loew
Mary Jo Lucey
Dr. Sivaramalingam
Manickavasagar
Patrick & Annette Mann
Rosina Marcucci
Vernon McCord
Cathy Milligan
Terry Milstead
Lucille Modica
Vincent Montoya
Haleigh Moss
Elizabeth Mulligan
Jamie Mulvihill
Angeles Murphy
Maria Magdalena Murphy
Carl Muti
Paul Nealon Jr.
Margaret Nelson
The Ober Family
Blanca Yolanda Ojeda
Margaret Paquette
Hazel Palmer
The Patterson Family
Fernando Paverpai
John Pecoraro
Doug Peterson

Angela Piraino
Gianni Piraino
Ella Postlewait
Nicole & Bruce Preiss
Thomas Ranney
Gretchen Rasheed
Joette Reid
Lindsay Remington
Lola Rodriguez
Madge Root
Maria Rubinos
Thomas Rynne
Ray Scouten
Phyllis Searles
Daniel Sheffield
Deacon Ronald Sherwood
& Family
Mark Shields
Sue Sia
Todd Singh
Robert Somerville
Betsy Spartz
Jeff Stark
Dr. Edward Staudinge
John Williams Stoker &
Family
Terri Summers
The Tate Family
Kenneth Terry & Family
Cheryl Thompson
Mike Tolbert
Alston Torres
Zaida Torres
Lucia Solis Vallarino
Robert Virgint
Caroline Vogel
Jonathan Wark
Welcome Retreat Staff
Paul Widman
Carol Woodard
Mary Jane Zimmerman

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecc1 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17;
Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Monday - Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest

Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday

Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13, Mt 14:22-36 or
Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday - Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19;
Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday

Nm 20: 1-13; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9, Mt 16:13-23

Friday

Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday

Dt 6: 4-13; Ps 18: 2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or
Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40

ADORATION

By: Donna Fodale/Adoration Coordinator

One of the prayers that many of us pray in the Adoration Chapel is the Rosary.

An adorer sent me his thoughts on praying the Scriptural Rosary. I thought it would be good to share it with you. There are so many spiritual benefits from praying the Rosary. It is an opportunity to meditate on the life of Christ.

If you need more information on how to pray the Rosary, please let me know. We have plenty of resources and just in case you forget to bring a rosary to the chapel, we have them there for you to borrow.

Our Adorer writes...

The Scriptural Rosary Reciting the rosary is usually, if not always, a challenge, at least it is for me. Distractions come easily, and keeping my mind fully engaged in prayer is not easy. The rosary is meant to be a meditative prayer, combining reflection on the mysteries of Christ's life along with the recitation of the Our Fathers, Hail Marys, and Glory Be's.

In the rosary gatherings I've attended, the title of each decade is announced, followed by the recitation of ten Hail Marys in succession. I've often wondered: are my companions able to meditate while saying one Hail Mary after another? If so, that's wonderful. If not, then they may be missing out on one of the rosary's greatest benefits.

Edward Sri, in his book *The New Rosary in Scripture*, quotes Pope Paul VI: "Without contemplation, the rosary is a body without a soul, and its recitation runs the risk of becoming a mechanical repetition of formulas."

I've found that the best way to ensure contemplation is by praying the scriptural rosary. In the Scriptural Rosary, each of the ten Hail Marys in a decade is preceded by a Biblical verse or paraphrase related to that mystery. This helps to visualize the event and reflect on it while reciting the Hail Mary. In this way, the Hail Marys become a background rhythm, supporting rather than overshadowing the meditation.

Here is a portion of the scriptural rosary of the First Joyful Mystery, the Annunciation, taken from Edward Sri's book.

1. In the sixth month the Angel Gabriel was sent from God to ... a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph ... and the virgin's name was Mary (Luke 1:26-27) Hail Mary ...

2. And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" (Luke 1:28) Hail Mary ...

3. But she was greatly troubled at the saying and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be (Luke 1:29) Hail Mary ...

4. And the Angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God." (Luke 1:30) Hail Mary ...

5. "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus" (Luke 1:31) Hail Mary ...

For me, praying the Scriptural Rosary is more enriching than saying rote prayers without meaningful contemplation. I highly recommend it to anyone seeking meditation on the life of our Lord. Praying all four sets of mysteries is like taking a short, thoughtful journey through the New Testament.

If you are interested in becoming a scheduled adorer or sub, please contact donna.fodale@stmarknc.org

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Order a T-Shirt, Walk with St. Mark at the 2025 Eucharistic Congress!

Saturday, September 6 – Charlotte Convention Center

Join fellow parishioners as we march together in the Eucharistic Procession at the Diocese of Charlotte's Eucharistic Congress, a powerful, public witness to our belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. When we walk together, unified in prayer and purpose, we proclaim to the world that Christ is truly present in our Church, in our Diocese, and in our lives.

To help us stand out and walk in unity, we are offering bilingual t-shirts featuring the Monstrance from our very own Perpetual Adoration Chapel. This is the first time we've created a custom design to reflect our parish's deep devotion to the Eucharist.

Order Deadline: August 24

T-shirts are made to order and will not be sold after this date. Order and pay online at stmarknc.org/eucharistic-congress or scan the QR code in the narthex.

Let's show up together — in spirit and in strength — for Our Lord!



STEWARDSHIP

Pilgrimage of Hope Ministry Fair

When: Sat., Aug. 16 and 17

Where: Monsignor Kerin Family Center Parish Hall

In the Decree on the Granting of the Indulgence During the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025 Called by His Holiness Pope Francis, "the Holy Father calls on all Christians to become pilgrims of hope." Vatican News reported on May 26, 2025, that His Holiness Pope Leo XIV said this holy jubilee year, "inspires us all and invites us all to look for hope, but also to be signs of hope. How important it is that each and every baptized person feels himself or herself called by God to be a sign of hope in the world today." Faith gives Christians strength and enables us "to see the light of Jesus Christ in our lives and to understand how important it is to live our faith, not only on Sundays, not only during a pilgrimage, but each and every day."

Regardless of whether we can travel to a sacred Jubilee site this year, we can participate in a pilgrimage to a place of openness, where we can receive God's love, hear his voice, and celebrate in wonder and awe. Going to a sacred space to disconnect from distractions and journey mentally and spiritually to a place where we can pray, grow our relationship with God, and "Be still and know that I am God!" (Psalm 46:11) can be accomplished in a church, chapel, garden, space in our home, hospital, nursing home, prison, or anywhere we may be confined. Our longing and hoping for joy and happiness will only be fully satisfied in eternal life with Jesus. "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28) This hope propels us with expectation, belief, and trust for good things to come. We also seek ways to share that hope with others.

In the spirit of the Pilgrimage of Hope, we invite you to join us at our annual ministry fair on Saturday, August 16, after 5 pm Mass & Sunday, August 17, after 7 am, 9 am & 11 am Masses. Get your passports stamped and enjoy refreshments as you learn about the many ways, we equip ourselves to share hope as we Grow in Christ, Serve One Another, Share Our Gifts, and Connect in Faith at St. Mark and the greater community.

Plan Today for a Peaceful Tomorrow

August is Make-a-Will Month, an ideal time to create or update your will. Thoughtful estate planning ensures that your wishes are honored, and your loved ones are cared for, providing comfort and peace of mind.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to those who have included St. Mark Catholic Church in their estate plans. Your generosity elevates our faith community to the status of family and ensures that future generations of parishioners can enjoy the same opportunities and experiences we cherish today.

If you have already made this kind gesture but haven't informed us, please let us know by emailing or calling Karen Donahue at karen.donahue@stmarknc.org or 704-948-0231 x136. We would be delighted to welcome you into our St. Mark Legacy Society, established to honor those who have included the parish in their estate plans. Again, we thank you for lifting up your faith family at St. Mark in this meaningful way.

A poster for the Pilgrimage of Hope Ministry Fair. The background is a dark blue map of the world. The title "Pilgrimage of Hope" is in a cursive font, and "MINISTRY FAIR" is in large, bold, yellow capital letters. Below the title, it says "Saturday and Sunday August 16 & 17" and "In the Parish Hall after Mass". The text continues: "Join us for St. Mark's Annual Ministry Fair and take a Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage through the many ministries that make our parish so amazing! Pick up your passport and travel from table to table, discovering how each ministry serves our parish and how you can be part of the journey. Whether you're called to hospitality, liturgy, outreach, evangelization or formation, there's a place for you to grow, serve, share, and connect here. Food. Raffles. Fun. Friends. Let this pilgrimage lead you to new friendships, deeper faith, and meaningful service. Your journey starts here!" There is a circular logo on the right side that says "JUBILEE 2025" and "PILGRIMS OF HOPE" around a central graphic of a cross and a path. A passport is visible on the right edge of the poster.

Pilgrimage of Hope
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JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Stephen Ministry

The Stephen Ministry is made up of St. Mark parishioners who have received extensive training to give emotional and spiritual care/ support to fellow St. Mark parishioners as well as to those in our community. This ministry is a confidential, one to one opportunity to receive Christian care in a comfortable meeting place, whether in your home, parish hall, or even in a park setting. We all go through times of:

Grief	Spiritual crisis
Divorce	Terminal Illness
Job Loss	Issues related to aging
Medical crisis	Pregnancy

Stephen Ministry is here to serve you, so you don't have to suffer alone. For more information, please contact either Leanne Vaccaro at leanne.vaccaro@stmarknc.org or Rich Kull at rkull@optonline.net or visit our website at stmarknc.org/Stephen-ministry.

PARISH LIFE

Fidelis Invites ALL Women to a Wine & Cheese



Wednesday

When: Wed., Aug. 6, 7–8:30 pm

Where: Msgr. Kerin Center, Room 200

If you are interested in learning more about how you can support or volunteer with Fidelis this year, please come join the Fidelis Ladies for an evening of wine

and cheese to learn more about Fidelis and how you can help.

Fidelis is a parish sponsored program inviting girls in grades 6-12 into a sisterhood with women, young and old, leading each other to Christ. With our yes to God, we use intentional, virtuous and feminine means to form girls into women who can proclaim with confidence to God, "Paratum cor meum Deus, my heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready."

There are many opportunities to support Fidelis ranging from leading small groups during our weekly meetings, coordinating a once-a-year activity (think lock-ins, bowling, organizing volunteer opportunities), to virtual support (parent communication and data management).

You do not need to have a daughter in Fidelis to volunteer, we are calling all women, of all ages to support the young women of our parish grow into the faith-filled, virtuous women God is calling them to be. Joining us this Wednesday is not an automatic commitment, but we hope you will come and hear how you can become a part of this wonderful group of women who are joining together for the young ladies of our parish.

Just as it takes a village to raise a child, it takes a parish to raise virtuous young women.

To ensure enough wine and cheese, please RSVP using the QR code or the link below. If you forget, we still would love to have you! RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/33hvuykk>

Contact: Alaina Duncan and Elizabeth Burke, fidelis@stmarknc.org



Farewell James Tweed

When: Sun., Aug. 3, after the 9 am Mass

Where: Family Center Parish Hall

Please join us for a reception to say farewell to seminarian James

Tweed. James served a pastoral year at the parish before being

ordained to the priesthood. It has been a joy to have him at St. Mark,

and we are grateful for his presence on the altar, in the community, and at the parish. He will return to Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology with the hope of being ordained a deacon this winter and then a priest in 2026.

Thank you also to Deacon Michael Lugo for serving

at the parish this

summer. His last day at the parish will be

August 3. He will return to Mount St.

Mary's Seminary & School of Theology

for his final year of priestly formation.

Please keep both

James and Deacon Lugo in your prayers that they may be ordained priests next summer.



FILL US AT DAYBREAK WITH YOUR MERCY,
that all our days we may sing for joy

Psalm 90:14

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Coming Up: Looking Ahead through Christmas

Every Week...

Tuesdays, 1-2 pm, Parish Hall
Young in Spirit Exercise Class

Tuesdays, 5:30 pm, Church
Holy Face of Jesus Prayer Group

Tuesdays, 7 pm, Church
Rosary Prayer Group, Church

Thurs., 10 am
Millions of Monicas Prayer, Church

Special Events...
August 2 and 3
School Supply Drive

Wednesday, August 6
Holy Hour of Reparation

Saturday, August 9
Men's Evening of Reflection

Friday, August 15
Assumption of Mary: Holy Day of
Obligation Vigil 7 pm; Solemnity 7 am,
9 am, 12:10 pm, 7 pm Sp

August 16 and 17
Ministry Fair

August 21
Cub Scout Open House

Saturday, August 23, 9 am Mass
Anniversary Dedication of St. Mark

Monday, September 1
Holiday: Labor Day, offices closed
9 am Mass only

Friday and Saturday, September 5 & 6
Diocese of Charlotte Eucharistic
Congress

Tuesday, September 9
Coffee and Conversation Resumes

Thursday, September 11
Annual Blue Mass

Friday, September 12
Healed and Res

Saturday, September 13
Put on the Armor of God Conference

September 13-21
Walking with Moms in Need Diaper Drive

Saturday, September 20
Confirmation Retreat

Wednesday, September 24
Young at Heart Luncheon

Saturday, September 27
SeptemberFest Annual Parish Social

Saturday, October 4
Wings and Trivia

Sunday, October 5
Prayer Chain for Life

October 11 and 12
Coat and Blanket Drive

Sunday, October 12
Pro-Life Ministry Fair

Monday, October 13
Columbus Day, Offices Closed

October 18
Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins

October 25
Called and Gifted Workshop

Saturday, November 1
First Saturday Dinner

November 2
Christmas Giving Tree Gift Campaign

November 8 and 9
Men's Welcome Retreat

Tuesday, November 11
Veteran's Day, Offices Closed

Saturday, November 15
Mass of Consolation

Wednesday, November 19
Young at Heart Luncheon

Thursday, November 27
Thanksgiving, Offices Closed

Sunday, November 30
Advent Begins, St. Nicholas Brunch

Saturday, December 6
First Saturday Dinner

Monday, December 8
Immaculate Conception
Holy Day of Obligation, Offices closed

Saturday, December 13
Holiday Celebration

Thursday, December 25
Christmas, Holy Day, Offices closed

*Events Scheduled to Change. Details in
the bulletin and newsletter in the weeks
before event.*

Men's Evening with Dr. Ray of EWTN

When: Aug. 9; 6 pm (after 5 pm Mass)
Where: Monsignor Kerin Hall

We are very excited to have Dr. Ray
Guarendi of EWTN speak at our next
Men's Evening of Reflection. Spread the
word! Have some food on us and enjoy
the friendship and a talk on Manhood.

RSVP: Scan QR code

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North Charlotte Cursillo Ultreya

Calling all Cursillistas,
please join us for Ultreya
on the 2nd Thursday of
each month from 7 pm to
8 pm. Our next meeting
will be held on August 14
at St. Therese, Room 15-17.



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parish, please contact Mark Fitzgerald
at 614-205-4841 or email him
at mfitzgerald@diocesan.com.



Director of Faith Formation: SARAH.RIDER@stmarknc.org www.stmarknc.org/ff

REGISTRATION CLOSES 8/11 at 4PM

ELEMENTARY

maddie.torres@stmarknc.org

Sunday 9:30-10:45

Monday 4:30-5:45 ; 6:15-7:30

*kindergarden classroom available ONLY at Sunday session

All other elementary grades available at all times.

This is not only for those receiving First Communion, all elementary aged children are welcome to participate in religious education!

FIRST COMMUNION

maddie.torres@stmarknc.org

First Communion is typically completed in 2nd grade for those who attended 1st grade faith formation. If you are unsure if your child is eligible for a First Communion class, reach out to sarah.rider@stmarknc.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL

sarah.rider@stmarknc.org

Sunday: 9:30 am - 10:45 am

Monday: 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

EDGE is a Middle School Youth Group for all students in 6-8th Grade. 7th grade EDGE is required to receive Confirmation in 8th grade.

CONFIRMATION

maddie.torres@stmarknc.org

Sunday: 9:30 am - 10:45 am

Monday: 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

Confirmation is typically completed in 8th Grade. One year in our EDGE program is required to enter Confirmation prep in 8th grade. 8th graders who did not complete 7th grade EDGE, should complete EDGE in 8th grade, and register for Confirmation in 9th grade.

If your child is not yet baptized:

If your child is under 7 years old please contact EMILY BIXLER emily.bixler@stmarknc.org .

If your child is OLDER THAN 7 and has not been Baptized, they will need to be enrolled in OCIA for children to receive their Sacraments, contact PAUL LASKOWSKI for information: paul.laskowski@stmarknc.org.

If your child is in 9th grade or older and needs Confirmation:

High School Confirmation Classes are offered on Tuesday evenings. contact: paul.laskowski@stmarknc.org.
<https://www.stmarknc.org/ocia-for-children-and-teens>

CATECHISTS NEEDED!

Adult volunteers are needed for ALL the above classes!
Tuition is waived/reimbursed for all children of catechists.
Scan this QR code for more details:





Are you new to Saint Mark?
(Or not "new" but still feel "new"?)

Women Newcomers

Please come join us to laugh, cry,
and make new friends!

Wednesdays
September 10-November 12
10-11:30 am

New to our parish or still feel "new"?
The class is based on Susan Miller's
book **"After the Boxes Are Unpacked"**
dealing with the spiritual, emotional
and practical needs when making a
move. It is a great way to meet
fellow parishioners and make new
friends.



Space is limited; reserve your spot today!
To register or for further information, please call
Catherine, 704-340-6234 or Maxine, 704-274-5453.

We look forward to meeting you!



Study: "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom" with Kathleen Lewis.

When: Thurs., Sept. 18 - Dec. 4

Where: Kerin Family Center Parish Hall

Mary's Women of Joy announces its exciting fall series
exploring the life of freedom offered by the Holy Spirit!
Interior Freedom and *In the School of the Holy Spirit* by
Father Jacques Philippe serve as the content for the
series, and Kathleen Lewis acts as teacher and guide
through twelve weekly sessions.

Learn to meditate on God's Word, cooperating with the
Lord's transforming graces. In a supportive community of
women, consider what the Scriptural invitation to live
authentic freedom means in your life!

Mary's Women of Joy is a sisterhood that celebrates our
beauty and dignity as beloved daughters of God and
honors the feminine genius so perfectly expressed by our
Mother Mary. Entrusted to the heart of Mary and the
guidance of the Holy Spirit, MWOJ seeks to encounter
Jesus Christ more deeply through prayer and the Catholic
study of scripture and Church teachings. Fostering
relationships with one another, MWOJ encourages and
supports women in their spiritual growth, understanding,
and appreciation of the Catholic faith.

Space is limited, so register early at stmarknc.org/mwoj
\$45 Non-refundable registration fee; includes study
materials.

Online registration is open until August 10.

Thursday Morning Session,
10 am-12:30 pm, Kerin Family Center Parish Hall

Thursday Evening Session
6:30-7pm Hospitality and 7-9 pm Study, Kerin Family
Center Classrooms

Sessions include prayer, worship, teaching, small group
discussions, coffee, and delicious snacks.

Contacts:

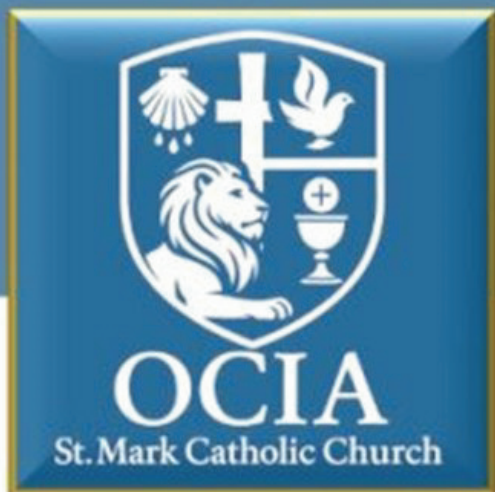
Morning session - Pat Thierfelder, patbill725@icloud.com

Evening session - Margie Vermilion, vptinc@yahoo.com



Becoming Catholic

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults



Come and See
Tuesday, August 5, 6:30 pm
St. Mark School Library

Who Should Come to OCIA?

1. *Persons in need of Baptism*
2. *Baptized Christians who wish to become Catholic*
3. *Baptized Catholics who never received First Holy Communion or Confirmation*

Are you, or someone you know, feeling drawn to the Catholic Church?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process through which individuals become Catholic and receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Inquiry sessions begin Tuesday, August 5 at 6:30 –8 pm in the St. Mark School Library.

What Is OCIA?

The OCIA is the official process established by the Universal Church for welcoming new members into the Catholic faith. It is a journey of conversion, centered on building a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church He founded. This process unfolds over time and through distinct stages, offering thorough catechesis, participation in the life of the parish, and commitment to the moral and liturgical life of the Church. The modern OCIA process restores the ancient catechumenate—used by the early Church to evangelize and prepare individuals for baptism. Revived by the Second Vatican Council, this process fosters both individual transformation and parish renewal.

Why Not Just Private Instruction?

Before OCIA, many converts were instructed privately by a priest. While helpful, this approach often isolated new Catholics from the parish community. It didn't provide a lived experience of the Church's communal, liturgical, and charitable life. OCIA invites the whole parish to walk with those entering the Church.

How Does Our Parish Attract Inquirers?

The short answer is: you. Conversions happen through authentic relationships—conversations with friends, neighbors, co-workers, and family members. When you invite someone to “come and see,” you become the hands and heart of Christ. “Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” (Mark 16:15)

How Long Does OCIA Take?

Every journey is different. Some may take six months, others up to three years. The Church respects the time each person needs for discernment and conversion. The typical journey takes about one year.



All are invited to come and see. Please let us know you are coming by emailing:

Paul Laskowski paul.laskowski@stmarknc.org or Leanne Vaccaro leanne.vaccaro@stmarknc.org

PUTTING ON THE ARMOR OF GOD *Conference*

SEPT | 13 | 2025

10AM-3PM

St. Mark Catholic Church
14740 Stumptown Rd. Huntersville, NC 28078

\$20 Single--\$35 Couple

Dr. Dan Schneider is a theologian, former amateur boxer, U.S. Army helicopter pilot and Gulf War veteran, who has worked for many years in the Catholic apostolate of deliverance and exorcism.

9 AM MASS, LUNCH INCLUDED, AND CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE

Join Us for a Day of Spiritual Strengthening!

Combat Evil, Cultivate Virtue

Increase Spiritual Protection for Families

**Marian Devotion: Deepen your connection
with Our Lady**

Hosted by the St. Mark Family Ministry



Guest speaker

DR. DAN SCHNEIDER



Holy Day of Obligation: The Assumption of Mary and Novena

When: Vigil Mass, Thurs. Aug. 14, 7 pm Feast Day Mass, Fri. Aug. 15, 7 am, 9 am, 12:10 pm, 7 pm Spanish

The Assumption of Mary is an important day in the Church and a Holy Day of Obligation. This event is celebrated every year on Aug. 15 and is the fourth Glorious Mystery. The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary instructs us on one of the important Marian Dogmas: the death of the Blessed Virgin Mary and her assumption, body and soul, into Heaven.

To prepare for The Assumption, begin praying a nine-day novena on Aug. 6. In this novena, you pray the same words each day. You can also go to praymorenovenas.com and find a prayer with individual daily intentions.

Novena Prayer

Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, I rejoice that after years of heroic martyrdom on Earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in Heaven by the Holy Trinity.

Lift my heart with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small Earth becomes when viewed from Heaven.

Make me realize that death is the triumphant gate through which I shall pass to your Son, and that someday my body shall rejoin my soul in the unending bliss of Heaven.

From this Earth, over which I tread as a pilgrim, I look to you for help. In honor of your Assumption into Heaven, I ask for this favor: (Mention your request).

When my hour of death has come, lead me safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of my God for all eternity together with you. Amen.



AROUND THE DIOCESE

Charlotte Marriage Help

When: Oct. 3-5

Where: Charlotte

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage.

Retrouvaille Marriage Help offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises.

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program in Charlotte area on Oct. 3-5, 2025 for couples, Email: 3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701 Website: HelpOurMarriage.com



Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola: A Retreat in Daily Life

When: 2nd Saturday of the Month starting Sep.13,
10 am-12 pm

Where: St. Philip the Apostle Church in Statesville, NC

Do you exercise your Spiritual Life? Want a deeper prayer life? Is God nudging you to "workout" with Him? Join us for the "Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola, A retreat in daily life. What does this retreat look like? You commit to: An openness to the great things God has in store for you, Daily prayers, Meeting one-on-one with a spiritual companion once a week, Attending 9 monthly meetings to share with others on this same journey

Registration is due Aug. 23.

Information: lyaniero23@gmail.com

Contact: Lois at 704-968-8169.

Marian Pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes

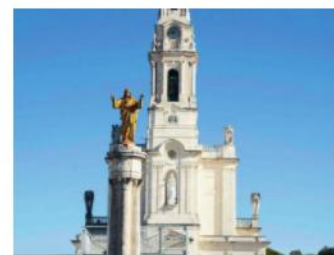
When: May 25–June 4, 2026

Where: Fatima, Spain, Lourdes

Join Father Kevin Martinez and Woodard Luxury Travel for an unforgettable 12-day pilgrimage through Fatima, Spain, and Lourdes—a sacred adventure filled with faith, food, fun, and awe-inspiring beauty!

Trip Highlights Include: The miraculous site of Fatima, where the Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children. A visit to the birthplace of St. Teresa of Avila, one of the great Doctors of the Church. Time to explore the vibrant culture and stunning sights of Madrid, Zaragoza, and La Rioja. A tour of Burgos Cathedral, a breathtaking UNESCO World Heritage Site. A moving experience in Lourdes, complete with the moving candlelight procession!

Whether you're deepening your spiritual journey or exploring Europe's holy gems, this trip is sure to uplift your heart and soul.



Space is limited.
Reserve your spot
today and make
memories that will
inspire you for a
lifetime.

More Information:

WoodardLuxuryTravel.com/events-trips

Contact: Donny Woodard,
980-483-3620,

dwoodard@WoodardLuxuryTravel.com



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Sun 8:15 am-12:15 pm | Phone: 704-948-0231

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Rev. Aaron Huber (in residence)

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Mass Schedule

Mon/Tue/Thu: 7, 9 am

Wed: 7 am, 6:30 pm

Fri: 7, 9 am

7 pm (Spanish)

Sat: 9 am, 5 pm Vigil

Sun: 7:30, 9, 11 am, 1 pm (Español), 5 pm

All Masses may be watched live: stmarknc.org/livestream

Please use Online Giving or mail in your offertory

stmarknc.org/Online-Giving

Please do not attend Mass if you are sick, have a fever or are in a high-risk group.

Confessions

Confessions are held 45 minutes prior to the start of Mass for a 30 minute duration.

In addition, Wednesday: 6 pm — 7:15 pm and Saturday: 3 pm — 5 pm

Rosary in the Church

Tue: 7–7:30 pm

Wed: Immediately preceding 6:30 pm Mass

Sat: Immediately preceding 5 pm Mass

Sun: Immediately preceding 7:30 am Mass

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Available in the Monsignor Bellow Adoration Chapel in the Family Center. See stmarknc.org/adoration for complete details.

Hospitalization

If you or your loved one are in an area hospital, call the Parish Office to reach one of the Priests. The Priests offer Confession, bring the Holy Eucharist to you or administer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Baptisms & Weddings

The use of the Church for Baptisms, Weddings and other Sacramental events is available to active parishioners. Contact the Parish Office. (Please note that weddings and baptisms cannot be celebrated during Lent.)

Financial Counseling

Complimentary and confidential services are available to provide financial literacy training, personal financial coaching, and/or advocacy support for you and your family. Contact the Parish Office.

Carolina Catholic Corner Gift & Book Store

Open daily in the Family Center

Coffee & Conversation Social Gathering

Tuesdays, 9:30 am, Parish Hall.

Cursillo

Visit www.CharlotteCursillo.com for information on upcoming retreat weekends, ultreyas and group reunions.

Natural Family Planning

Joe and Kathy Hack; Sympto-Thermal Method;

704-548-1834; hackhouse@bellsouth.net; ccli.org

Elisabeth Laskowski; Creighton Model;

creightonmodel@gmail.com; 484-332-9084

Crisis Pregnancy Help

Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman:

704-727-0535

Catholic Charities: 704-370-3262; Birthright:

704-975-8572; Post Abortion: 1-800-5-WE CARE

Poor prenatal diagnosis? You're not alone. There is help.

benotafraid.net

Taken Abortion Pill? It may not be too late: Abortion Pill

Reversal 877-558-0333 or abortionpillreversal.com

Parishioner Assistance

Financial:

St. Vincent De Paul Society:

Emily.Bixler@stmarknc.org

Life Crisis: Stephen Ministry

stmarknc.org/stephen-ministry

Food Insecurity:

Parish Office

stmarknc.org/assistance or

Emily.Bixler@stmarknc.org or

704-948-0231, Ext. 102

Al-Anon

Ellen | 704-907-8555

Alcoholics Anonymous

Tom | 704-604-7739

Alateen program

Paul G. | 704-641-0654

Divorce Support Group

For anyone going through separation and/or divorce. Meetings are held Monday evenings at 7 pm in Room 204. If parish offices are closed, meetings are held at Lowe's Foods, exit 23.

Contact: divorce.support@stmarknc.org



ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL



Del Pastor – 18 Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

El pasaje del Evangelio de hoy viene como una palmadita en la espalda del Cielo para todos los que nos esforzamos por vivir una forma de vida de mayordomía. Nos recuerda por qué vivimos de la manera en que lo hacemos y por qué tomamos las

decisiones que tomamos. Seamos realistas, si realmente abrazamos esta forma de vida, habrá personas que consideren que nuestras elecciones, basadas en servir a Dios y a los demás, son francamente tontas. Pero veamos qué piensa Dios. Alerta de spoiler: ¡resulta que los mayordomos cristianos no son tontos!

En este pasaje, Jesús deja en claro que la vida no se trata de "cosas" cuando cuenta la parábola del rico hombre de negocios que pensó que tenía todo resuelto. El hombre tenía tal abundancia de cosas que no tenía espacio para guardarlas todas. Entonces, pensando en las cosas terrenales y no en lo que está arriba, decidió construir un lugar más grande para almacenar todas esas cosas. Dándose palmaditas en la espalda, pensó en los buenos momentos que tendría en los años venideros. Pero Jesús nos dice que ese día resultaría ser el último día del hombre en la tierra. Y lo había pasado pensando solo en sí mismo. ¡Qué tonto!

No te avergüences de vivir de manera diferente a las personas que te rodean. Tenga confianza al establecer prioridades basadas en lo anterior.

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Reflexión pastoral – Con la elección del Papa León XIV, muchas personas han expresado interés en comprender la historia de su predecesor más reciente con el mismo nombre, el Papa León XIII, quien es considerado un gran defensor de la doctrina social católica. Su encíclica, *Rerum Novarum*, es la base para nuestra comprensión de esta importante rama de la teología católica, por lo que pensé que podría ser útil compartir un resumen de ese documento.

Rerum Novarum, una encíclica publicada por el Papa León XIII en 1891, aborda los desafíos sociales y económicos del mundo moderno, enfatizando el papel de la Iglesia en el tratamiento de las injusticias dentro de la sociedad que se industrializa rápidamente. Marca el comienzo de la enseñanza social católica moderna y establece un marco para tratar temas relacionados con el trabajo, el capital y la sociedad.

Temas clave de *la Rerum Novarum*:

- 1. Dignidad del trabajo:** Afirma la dignidad del trabajo y los derechos de los trabajadores, incluidos los salarios justos, el derecho a formar sindicatos y las condiciones de trabajo decentes. El trabajo no es simplemente una actividad económica, sino un medio para el desarrollo personal de las personas.
- 2. Propiedad privada:** La encíclica defiende el derecho a la propiedad privada, afirmando que es natural y beneficiosa para las personas y las familias. Sin embargo, este derecho conlleva la responsabilidad de usar la propiedad de uno para el bien común.
- 3. Papel del Estado:** Describe el papel del Estado en la promoción de la justicia y la protección de los derechos de las personas, especialmente de los pobres y vulnerables. El Estado debe actuar como agente del orden social y el bien común, pero no debe extralimitarse en las libertades individuales.
- 4. Cooperación de clase:** El Papa León XIII aboga por la relación de cooperación entre empleados y empleadores, fomentando un espíritu de comprensión mutua y colaboración en lugar de conflicto, con el objetivo de armonizar los intereses para el beneficio de la sociedad.
- 5. Justicia social:** La encíclica se ocupa de los efectos del capitalismo y el socialismo sin control, criticando ambos extremos y enfatizando un equilibrio que respeta la dignidad humana al tiempo que promueve la justicia social y el bienestar de todos los miembros de la sociedad.

La Rerum Novarum sirve como piedra angular para el pensamiento social católico posterior, invitándonos a considerar cómo podemos abordar los problemas económicos y sociales respetando la dignidad humana y el bien común.

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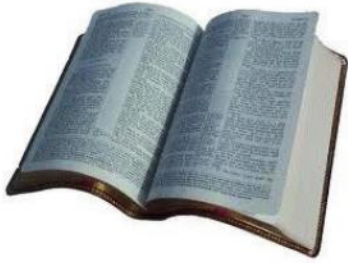
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Domingo Décimo Octavo Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario
Ecl 1, 2; 2, 21-23; Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-
13. 14 y 17; Col 3, 1-5. 9-11;
Lc 12, 13-21

Lunes Memoria de San Juan Vianney
Nm 11, 4-15; Sal 80, 12-13. 14-15.
16-17; Mt 14, 13-21

Martes Nm 12, 1-13; Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6.
12-13; Mt 14, 22-36 o
Mt 15, 1-2. 10-14

Miércoles Fiesta de la Transfiguración
Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14; Sal 96, 1-2. 5-6. 9; 2
Pd 1, 16-19; Lc 9, 28-36

Jueves Nm 20, 1-13; Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7.
8-9, Mt 16, 13-23

Viernes Dt 4, 32-40; Sal 76, 12-13. 14-
15. 16 y 21; Mt 16, 24-28

Sábado Dt 6, 4-13; Sal 17, 2-3a. 3bc-4.
47 y 51ab; Mt 17, 14-20

Domingo Décimo Noveno Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario
Sab 18, 6-9; Sal 32, 1 y 12. 18-19. 20 y
22; Heb 11, 1-2. 8-19 o Heb 11, 1-2. 8-
12; Lc 12, 32-48 o Lc 12, 35-40

¡Camina con St. Mark en el Congreso Eucarístico 2025!

Sábado, 6 de septiembre – Charlotte Convention Center

Únase a otros feligreses para marchar juntos en la Procesión Eucarística durante el Congreso Eucarístico de la Diócesis de Charlotte. Es un testimonio público y poderoso de nuestra fe en la Presencia Real de Jesucristo en la Eucaristía. Caminar juntos, como una sola comunidad, proclama al mundo que Cristo está verdaderamente presente — en nuestra Iglesia, en nuestra Diócesis y en nuestras vidas.

Este año, por primera vez, ofreceremos camisetas bilingües con la imagen de la custodia de nuestra propia Capilla de Adoración Perpetua. ¡Una hermosa manera de representar a nuestra parroquia con unidad y orgullo!

Fecha límite para ordenar: 24 de agosto

Las camisetas se hacen por pedido y no estarán a la venta después de esa fecha. Ordene y pague en línea en stmarknc.org/eucharistic-congress, o después de Misa, donde tendremos formularios disponibles.

¡Presentémonos juntos — en espíritu y en unidad — por Nuestro Señor!



Retiro para Mujeres

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Elan Gpachdy
Autora, conferencista, líder de retiros, fundadora y directora ejecutiva de Healed and Restored.



Carmela Morao
Life coach, acompañamiento espiritual y fundadora de El Plan del Amor

“ El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta; en verdes praderas me hace recostar. Me conduce hacia fuentes tranquilas y repara mis fuerzas; me guía por el justo camino, por amor de su nombre. ”
-Salmo 23: 1-3

¡Regístrate aquí!



Escanea el código QR o visita healedandrestore.org para completar tu registro.
¿Necesitas más detalles?
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