

STEWARDSHIP
RENEWAL WEEKEND

Love is Discipleship.

Love is Stewardship.

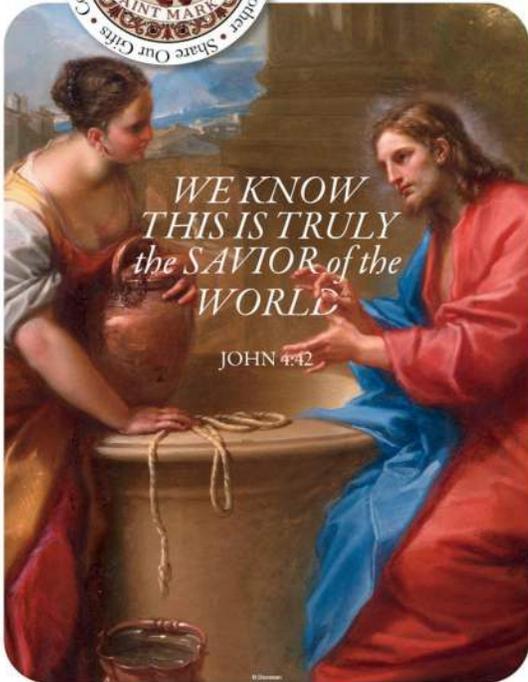


SAINT MARK

3rd Sunday of Lent
March 8, 2026



WELCOME TO ST. MARK!



Today is the Third Sunday of Lent! Readings can be found in the music handouts or on page 840 of the St. Augustine Hymnal. The Order of the Mass can be found on page 7.

We invite you to make St. Mark your parish home!

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.



Please join us in the Prayer to St. Michael after the Final Blessing.

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.



Thank you for generously sharing your gifts with the parish. You may make an online donation at stmarknc.org/online-giving

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. *You may receive Holy Communion standing or kneeling.*
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.



St. Frances

Join the Tierney family as they celebrate the feast of Saint Frances of Rome, patroness of homemaking! Learn about practicing the corporal works of mercy in the home, the very Catholic Lenten history of pretzels and beer, and watch Kendra and three-year-old Barbara make something they like to call "trash can soup." Find this episode's feature recipes and more about liturgical living in the home at Catholic All Year. <https://catholicallyear.com/at-home/>.

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FROM THE PASTOR



Today's readings for this Third Sunday of Lent center on the theme of thirst, reminding us that a stewardship way of life both satisfies our own longing for Christ and helps us respond to Christ's thirst for souls.

In our first reading from Exodus, the Israelites complain in their thirst for water, despite all God has done to free them from slavery. Yet when Moses cries out for help, God provides abundantly, bringing water from the rock to satisfy His people. The Lord's generosity did not end there. He continues to provide for us today, patiently meeting our needs again and again.

In today's Gospel, we hear the powerful encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well, beginning with His simple request: "Give me a drink." He then tells her that He can offer living water — water that truly satisfies.

These words speak directly to us as well. Christ asks us to "give Him a drink" by sharing the gifts we have received with Him and with others for His sake. Yet it is Christ Himself who fills us, offering the living water of His grace.

God invites each of us to play a part in bringing others to Him through a stewardship way of life. This Lent, may we respond to that invitation with renewed commitment, offering our time, talent, and treasure so that many may come to know Christ. In doing so, we help to quench His thirst for souls. © Catholic Stewardship Consultants, 2026

Pastoral Pondering

Continuing with last week's theme about stewardship and in harmony with our Stewardship Renewal, here are some **Key Reasons Why Stewardship Matters to Catholics**:

1. It Reflects Gratitude for God's Love

God has first loved us unconditionally (shown most perfectly in Jesus Christ). Stewardship is our loving response—recognizing all good things as gifts from Him and returning love through generous use of those gifts. As the bishops note, "Stewardship is the Response of the Disciple to God's unconditional love for us."

2. It Imitates Jesus, the Model Steward

Jesus lived as the perfect steward, using His life, time, and gifts entirely for the Father's will and the good of humanity. Catholics are called to imitate Him, making God's love visible in the world.

3. It Involves Accountability Before God

We will be held accountable for how we use what God has entrusted to us (e.g., biblical parables like the talents in Matthew 25:14-30 emphasize this). Stewardship reminds us that we are managers, not ultimate owners.

4. It Encompasses Time, Talent, and Treasure

Catholics are called to share these proportionally and sacrificially to support the Church, help the poor, and promote justice. This builds up the Body of Christ and addresses needs in society.

5. It Includes Care for Creation

As part of Catholic social teaching, stewardship extends to environmental responsibility. We respect the Creator by caring for the earth (e.g., as in Genesis 1-2, where humanity is given dominion as caretakers, not exploiters). This is a "requirement of our faith," not just an optional concern.

6. It Leads to Spiritual Growth and Holiness

Living as a steward fosters conversion, deeper prayer, and a Christ-centered life over self-centeredness. It transforms ordinary actions into acts of worship and service.

In essence, stewardship is integral to authentic Catholic life because it turns faith into action, gratitude into generosity, and discipleship into a tangible witness of God's Kingdom. It's not primarily about fundraising or programs—it's about a heartfelt relationship with God that naturally overflows into love for neighbor and creation.

LOVE IS...

Discipleship & Stewardship

Last weekend, we began our Stewardship Renewal by reflecting on what it means to follow Jesus as His disciples. This weekend, we are invited to take the next step together.

You will receive a **Stewardship Commitment Card**, which is a prayerful invitation to reflect on how God may be calling you to grow in discipleship this year and to share your gifts in love with others.

Stewardship may take many forms... through prayer, parish involvement, service to those in need, or support of our parish mission. Each response is personal and meaningful.

Every person's circumstances and gifts are different, and all are welcomed with gratitude.

Please take your commitment card home and spend time with it in prayer this week. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your heart as you discern how God may be inviting you to deepen your relationship with Him and with our parish community.

Our logo serves as a reminder of God's love for us and His invitation to participate in this love and grace through discipleship and stewardship.

The five lines on each side of the heart represent His fullness of grace, "From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace." John 1:16

As we receive grace — love in action — he calls us to share this with others.

The open posture of the person in the center of the heart symbolizes His desire for us to receive and share this grace and love openly.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please Pray For

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

Tom Addison	Charlie Donovan	Mary Kate Knight	Joann Nigro
Julie Andrews	Jane & William	Dennis Koenig	The Ober Family
Donald Arrup	Dragoon	Jackie Kopicki	Louise Painter
Maryann Bahret	Joanne Errick	Aubrey Lamb	Fernando Paverpai
Lizzy Balzer	Jack Evans	Craig Leiker	Doug Peterson
Deidre Beck	Charles Fillipo	Carolina Liendo	Nicole & Bruce
Richard Bidy	Al Fischlein	Marie Ligon	Preiss
Brian Blatchford & Family	Alan Friedl & Family	Peter R. Loew	Joette Reid
Virginia "Gini" Bond	Valeria Gerbasi	Kitty Long	Lindsay Remington
Kathy Brandt	Daniel Gilbridge	Wilfredo Lostaunau	Butch Remesch
Dave Breen	Denny & Monica Golden	Margaret Lynch	Thomas Rynne
Helen Sally Buff	Tom Goodwin	Utelia Malwitz	Phyllis Searles
Carmen Cabranes	Lucas Graf	Tom & Colette Manente	Mark Shields
Anne Caestecker	Paige Grieshop	Melissa McDonald	Pennie Singh
Michelle Chicoine	Rachel Grieshop	Cathy Milligan	Todd Singh
Rod Clair	Helen Haddad	Lucille Modica	Bill Sirnack
Jim Clark	Fran Hehn	Mary Morgan	Robert Somerville
Beth Collins	Laura Hehn	Haleigh Moss	Betsy Spartz
William Conklin	Allan Helmbrecht	Niall Mulkeen	Mike Tolbert
Vic Crognale	Madeline Louise Henwood	Elizabeth Mulligan	Alston Torres
Janice D'Angelo	Kevin Herman Sr.	Angeles Murphy	Haley Velez
Sheila DeArmon	Hannah Hopkins	Maria Magdalena Murphy	Julio Velez
Judy and Rich Deboer	Frank Hunnicutt III	Carl Muti	Kristine Yeager
John Deluca	Suzy Iskander	Paul Nealon Jr.	Margaret Yeager
Joan Demarco	Cathi Kalberier	Paul Sr. and Sally Nealon	Caroline Vogel
Henry Diener	Karen Kastl		Patricia Zeggert

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 8

7:30 am	Jack Nobers
9 am	† Patricia Kaslavage
11 am	† Kayla Wilson
1 pm	St. Mark Parishioners
5 pm	† Josiah Emanuel Gomez

Monday, March 9

7 am	† Pura Rosa Peralta Theiler
9 am	† Lewis Vellia

Tuesday, March 10

7 am	† Norma Suclupe
9 am	† Dale Whittington

Wednesday, March 11

7 am	† Charles Kern
	† Robert Williams
6:30 pm	† Lynn & Kathy Bliven
	† Sean Harrington

Thursday, March 12

7 am	† Valeria Gerbasi
9 am	St. Mark Parishioners

Friday, March 13

7 am	† Salvador and Inez Almanza
9 am	Respect Life Ministry

Saturday, March 14

9 am	† Joseph & Agnes Furmanek
5 pm	† Charles Kern

Sunday, March 15

7:30 am	St Mark Parishioners
9 am	Gege Beck
11 am	† Roberto Argente
1 pm	† Esperanza Rodriguez
5 pm	† Msgr. Richard Bellow

† Deceased

READINGS | WEEK OF MARCH 8

Sunday	Third Sunday of Lent Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday	2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Lent 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a, Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Air Force: C4C Andrew Bauders; Airman Gregory Burke; Amn Antoinio Diaz; Lt. Col. Michael Dragoon; Capt. Stephen Hack; Lt. Col. Douglas Lincoln; Capt. Ryan Loyd; Alejandro Martinez; Sgt. James McCormick; SCANG Sgt. John Andrew McCormick; 2nd Lt Connor Milligan; SrA. Benjamin Salber; Airman Chloe Scott; Amn Michael F. Yellico

Army: 2nd Lt. Amelia Andretti; 1st Lt. Patrick Camatcho; 1st Lt. Sarah Camatcho; Major Robert Caraccilo; 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; SSG Andrew Sales; Andrew Santos; Capt. Ramon Ricardo Tapia; Spl. Forces Nolan Tillotson; Josh Wagner; 1st Lt. Nick Worth

Marines: LCPL. Richard Breier; Maj. Matthew Santoli; Cpl. Ben Holden; 1st Lt. Nathanael Rusciolelli

Navy: DCFN Matthew J Bixler Jr ; LCDR. Matthew Giannone; SR Chase T. Golden; 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.

Stewarding Your Legacy

As disciples of Christ, we are called to be faithful stewards, caring for the gifts God has entrusted to us and using them to build up His Church. This includes supporting the mission of our parish today while also helping to ensure its strength and vitality for the future.

Planned giving offers a simple, meaningful way to extend your discipleship. By remembering St. Mark in your will or estate plans, you create a legacy of faith that helps our parish continue forming disciples, serving families, and sharing Christ's love for generations to come.

To learn more, contact
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Presence Combats Loneliness

When we are truly present to one another:

- We feel seen.
- We feel known.
- We feel loved.
- And marriage becomes a **place of refuge.**



Marriage Ministry and Communio at St. Mark *Marriage Is Meant for Communion*

We all long for a love that lasts.

Not just romance. Not just compatibility. But a deep companionship. The kind of love that can look back over years of joy and struggle and say, "We went through that together."

Marriage is meant to be that communion. A shared life built day by day.

And yet in our culture, loneliness is rising. Even in marriage. We search for connection, but distraction is constant. Phones buzz. Schedules fill. Fatigue settles in. Sometimes we miss the person right in front of us.

The good news is that presence changes things.

When we are truly present to one another, we feel seen. We feel known. We feel loved. And marriage becomes what it is meant to be, a place of refuge.

A Simple Practice for This Week

As part of our Spring Date Night Challenge, couples are committing to one intentional date each month during March, April, and May. It does not need to be elaborate. It does need to be intentional. (*Sign up by scanning the above QR code or go to stmarknc.org/marriage-ministry.*)

Put the phones away. Ask deeper questions. Rediscover the friendship that sustains your marriage.

Then try this simple daily habit.

Spend five intentional minutes each evening asking:
What was the best part of your day?
What was the hardest part?

Listen. Do not fix. Just be present.

Small habits, practiced consistently, build strong marriages.

Lord, help us to choose one another daily with intention and grace.



COMMUNIO

Does Your Marriage Need Help? We recommend the Retrouvaille. Not only are there retreats, but their website has valuable resources and support. This is a welcoming and loving space for couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope for 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. For over 48 years, Retrouvaille has provided help for marriage problems/difficulties/ crises.



For more information about an upcoming couples Retrouvaille Weekend program in Charlotte area on May 1-3, email: billynfolson@gmail.com (3 L's in a row) or call 727-343-6701 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL

Diocesan Support Appeal (DSA)

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Diocesan Support Appeal (DSA). If you have not yet had the opportunity to participate, we invite you to do so this weekend. The DSA allows the Church to do together what no single parish can do on its own, especially the formation of future priests and the care of those in need throughout our diocese.

Participation is what matters most. When many members of the parish take part, even in a modest way, the responsibility is shared and the mission is sustained. When our parish goal is not met, the remaining balance must be covered from the parish offertory.

DSA pledge envelopes are available or gifts may also be made online. Please prayerfully consider your participation as part of your Lenten commitment.

Thank you for your generosity and for supporting the mission of the Church.



Practicing the Virtues: Simplicity

On this Third Sunday of Lent, we encounter thirst. The Israelites thirst in the desert and begin to complain. The Samaritan woman comes to the well carrying more than a water jar. She carries questions, history, and quiet shame. Yet in both readings, God responds not with frustration, but with grace.

Earlier this year, we reflected on turning vices into virtues. One of the quiet obstacles in the spiritual life is complication. We complicate prayer. We complicate repentance. We complicate relationships. We add layers of excuses, distractions, and self protection.

Simplicity is the virtue that untangles the heart.

Simplicity does not mean naïveté. It means honesty. It means saying what is true before God without defensiveness. It means asking for living water instead of pretending we are not thirsty.

In our church, the word Simplicity is somewhat hidden in the front right transept, just to the right of the altar. It is not placed high or prominently. You almost have to look for it. That placement is fitting. Simplicity is rarely dramatic. It is quiet. It is uncluttered. It clears space so grace can be received.

The vice opposed to simplicity is spiritual resistance. It is the habit of making things harder than they need to be. It is the interior voice that says, later. Not yet. I will fix it myself.

Lent invites us to a simpler way. Speak honestly. Pray plainly. Receive what Christ offers. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

PARKING NOTICE

Reserved Adoration Parking During Mass



Please do not park in the reserved Adoration Parking spaces if you are not a scheduled adorer for THAT hour. Those spaces are reserved for committed adorers only who are registered through the sign-up process. While we understand that finding a space can sometimes be a challenge, these spaces must be available for those who are committed to keeping watch with our Lord.

This is especially important during Mass times. **Each hour has at least two committed adorers but there must be four spaces available to them: two spaces for the incoming adorers and two spaces for the outgoing adorers.**

While we understand that finding a space can sometimes be a challenge, these spaces must be available for those who are committed to keeping watch with our Lord.

If you are a scheduled adorer and you stay beyond your hour, please kindly move your car before attending another event at the church. Thank you for your understanding and respect for those who commit to a Holy Hour every week.



PARISH MISSION: MARCH 16-18

LENTEN PARISH MISSION | DOMINICAN FRIARS OF THE ANGELICUM IN ROME

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

16-18 MARCH 2026 | 10AM & 7PM

BILINGUAL EUCHARISTIC HEALING SERVICE

18 MARCH (WED) | 10AM & 7PM



FR. BENEDICT CROELL, O.P.
EASTERN PROVINCE, ROME

FR. CORWIN LOW, O.P.
WESTERN PROVINCE, ROME

FR. ELIAS FORD, O.P.
WESTERN PROVINCE,
SAN FRANCISCO

SAINT MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH - 14740 STUMPTOWN RD, HUNTERSVILLE, NC 28078 | WWW.STMARKNC.ORG

This Lent, St. Mark welcomes the **Dominican Friars of the Angelicum in Rome** for a parish mission titled **The Presence of God**.

Join us March 14–18 for Masses, mission talks, Eucharistic Adoration, confessions and a bilingual Eucharistic Healing Service. Come encounter Christ more deeply in the Holy Eucharist and rediscover the transforming power of His presence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, March 14 and Sunday, March 15:

All parish Masses will be celebrated by a mission priest.

Monday, March 16

Divine Providence – Fr. Corwin Low, O.P.

- 6:15 am Confessions begin
- 7:00 am Mass with mission priest
- 8:15 am Confessions begin
- 9:00 am Mass with mission priest
- 10:00 am Mission Talk* with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions
- 6:00 pm Confessions begin
- 7:00 pm Mission Talk* with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

Tuesday, March 17

The Divine Indwelling – Fr. Benedict Croell, O.P.

- 6:15 am Confessions begin
- 7:00 am Mass with mission priest
- 8:15 am Confessions begin
- 9:00 am Mass with mission priest
- 10:00 am Mission Talk* with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions
- 6:00 pm Confessions begin
- 7:00 pm Mission Talk* with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

Wednesday, March 18

His Real Presence – Fr. Elias Ford, O.P.

- 6:15 am Confessions begin
- 7:00 am Mass with mission priest
- 9:30 am Confessions begin
- 10:00 am Mission Talk* with Eucharistic Healing Service with Confessions
- 6:00 pm Confessions begin
- 6:30 pm Mass with mission priest
- 7:00 pm MAIN EVENT / EVENTO PRINCIPAL

* Bilingual Mission Talk with Eucharistic Adoration and Healing Service & Confessions

Charla misionera bilingüe con Adoración Eucarística y Oración de Sanación y Confesiones.

Note:

All morning and evening sessions are the SAME. You are welcome to attend one or the other.

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God's presence in our lives is a gift, and bears with it responsibility. We who have been given much are called to give much in return, as good stewards of God's grace. Not out of obligation, but out of deep gratitude.

When we do this, we give God glory, reflecting the perfect love and gift of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Almsgiving...

How to give financially: OFFERTORY

We are still behind in our offertory after missing two weeks in January. We are a large parish and giving to the offertory is how you can support the work of the parish, spreading the Gospel, and serving the needs of the community. Offertory contributions fund our ministries and outreach efforts; maintain our buildings; pay staff; and provide for the care of our priests.

One of the easiest ways to give is to place your weekly envelope in the offertory basket. However, giving online allows you to prayerfully discern your level of giving so that it is intentional, planned, proportionate, consistent and sacrificial. To set up online giving, go to stmarknc.org/online-giving. And when it snows — or you are on vacation — your contributions continue whether you can get here or not.

How to give financially: SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

In addition to giving to the weekly offertory, we have multiple funds to which you can contribute: Diocesan Support Appeal, Priest Retirement Collection, St. Vincent De Paul Assistance, Catholic Charities, Seminarian Collection, Youth Ministry, Easter Flowers, Capital Reserve Fund, Respect Life, In Memoriam Gifts, World Mission Collection, and more. These collections take place throughout the year, or you can find them at stmarknc.org/online-giving.

How to give financially: FUNDRAISING

Sometimes we allow various parish organizations to ask for help through merchandise or ticket sales. Please support their fundraising efforts if you are able. For example, Boy Scout and Cub Scout Popcorn; Knights of Columbus and Ladies' Auxiliary Lenten Fish Fry, flower sale, and raffles; Davidson College Campus Ministry raffle; FOCUS and other missionary support; Ancient Order of Hibernians St. Patrick's Day dinner and trip raffle; Girl Scout Cookie sales; Healed and Restored Golf Tournament; and many other good works in our parish community.

How to give material goods: OUTREACH COLLECTIONS

In 2016, then-parish secretary Tricia McCaa had a dream of having a permanent food collection bin in the narthex. Her dream became a reality and through partnerships with community organizations, we offer year-round opportunities to help those in need: MiraVia, Christmas Giving Tree, Loaves and Fishes, Roof Above, Room in the Inn, Hope House, Missionaries of the Poor, FeedNC, Caterpillar Ministries, and more. Thank you to volunteer KC Shinner for taking food each week to local food banks. (PLEASE: We ask that you do NOT leave clothing or fresh food in the bin.)

How to give: LEGACY GIFTS

Please remember St. Mark in your will and estate planning. Find out more about legacy giving at stmarknc.org/legacy or email Karen.Donahue@stmarknc.org.



LOVE

What does love look like?

It has the hands to help others.

It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy.

It has eyes to see misery and want.

It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men.

That is what love looks like.

— St. Augustine



ONLINE GIVING

stmarknc.org/online-giving

LENT

40 Days of Prayer, Fasting,
and Almsgiving

Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry

Friday, March 13!

Late One of the Year: March 27

4:30-7:30 pm
dine in/drive-thru

Flounder Plate: \$20

Pasta meal or Mac-n-Cheese: \$5

Baked Cod Fish Option: \$20

Includes drink, tax and fees.

Tickets at the Door — in the Parish Hall

Huge Ladies Auxiliary Bake Sale

\$1 for homemade desserts; cash or check only

Present this coupon for
Special Offer: **Free Pasta Meal**
(with coupon and purchase of 2 fish meals)



Calendar of Events

Fridays 13, 20, 27

A Day of Abstinence

Stations of the Cross, 12:10 pm,
7 pm, 7:30 pm (Spanish) in the
church

March 13 & 27

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
and Ladies Auxiliary Bake Sale

March 16-18

Parish Mission: The Presence
of God

March 19

Feast of St. Joseph Mass and
Reception

Friday, March 20

Dinner and Stations Family
Meal (free)

March 21

AOH St. Patrick's Day Dinner
& Show

March 27

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
and Ladies Auxiliary Bake Sale

March 29

Palm Sunday

March 31

Diocese of Charlotte Chrism
Mass

April 2, 3, 4, 5

Holy Triduum and Easter



Support the good work of our Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary.
Baked Fish. Fried Fish. Pasta. Fries. Baked Goods.

Fridays at the Table...

Lenten Fridays are meant to slow us down, gather us together, and re-center our hearts. The Church invites us to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving not as isolated practices, but as ways of turning outward in love.

One of the ways we live this out as a parish is around the table.

Throughout Lent, our Friday meals and Stations of the Cross are more than events on a calendar. They are acts of generosity offered by parishioners who give their time, energy, and care so that others may be fed, welcomed, and drawn into community.

On Friday, March 13, the Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary host a Lenten Fish Dinner, a fundraiser that supports their charitable works here at St. Mark Catholic Church and beyond. Dozens of volunteers plan, cook, serve, and clean not simply to raise funds, but to create a place where parish life is shared and strengthened.

Earlier this Lent, our Home School Ministry offered a Soup and Stations evening, freely prepared and freely given. On Friday, March 20, our Hispanic Community will host a Family Dinner, open to all and free of charge, followed by praying the Stations of the Cross at 7 pm (7:30 Spanish) in the church. Once again, parishioners will donate ingredients, prepare food, and offer hospitality as a gift to the wider community.

This, too, is almsgiving.

It is the almsgiving of the Knights and Ladies who serve week after week.

The almsgiving of families who cook and set tables.

The almsgiving of communities who open their traditions and invite others in.

And the almsgiving of parishioners who show up, stay awhile, and choose to belong.

This Lent, consider giving not only from what you have, but from who you are.

Come to the table. Share a meal. Pray together.

Let these Fridays form us more deeply into a parish family.

PARISH LIFE

Charter Mass for the Serra Club of Charlotte

When: Mon., March 9, 6 pm

Where: In the Church



St. Mark is honored to host a Charter Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Martin, OFM Conv. to formally establish St. Serra of Charlotte, a new lay ministry in the Diocese of Charlotte.

The new Serra club is affiliated with Serra International, a worldwide organization founded in 1935 that includes over 500 clubs in 48 countries. The St. Serra Club of Charlotte is the 190th club in the U.S. In collaboration with local dioceses, Serra clubs promote, foster and support vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life.

At a time when the Church depends deeply on holy and faithful priests and religious, the formation of a local Serra Club is an important step for our parish and our diocese. It is a visible sign of commitment to pray for vocations, support discernment, and to strengthen families as the first place where vocations are nurtured.

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this Charter Mass and join us in praying that the Lord will continue to raise up shepherds after His own Heart.

For more information or to inquire about membership, please email sterracharlotte@gmail.com.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

Saint PATRICK'S DINNER

SATURDAY MARCH 21 ST. MARK MSGR. KERIN FAMILY CENTER
6:30 - 10 P.M.

Featuring
IRISH SINGER MICKEY SPAIN
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Camino Pilgrimage 2026 Virtual Information Session

When: March 10; 7 pm

Where: Virtual (on Zoom)

Hello Friends! Have you ever thought of doing a Camino walk, but didn't know where to begin? Please join our **virtual informational meeting** about our **11 Day Camino Pilgrimage beginning Oct. 27!** This meeting will be a wonderful opportunity to see the itinerary, ask questions, and meet your fellow Camino Crusaders! Feel free to **share this invitation** — all are welcome to join and learn more about this beautiful experience!

We can't wait to see you online and begin this exciting journey!

Please use the following Zoom meeting information or scan the QR code:

Meeting ID: 852 6054 2368

Passcode: 298332



Contact: Donny Woodard, 980-483-3620, dwoodard@WoodardLuxuryTravel.com

More Information:

www.WoodardLuxuryTravel.com/events-trips

Singles 45+ Fellowship Event

When: Sunday, March 15, 5 – 8 pm

Where: The Serve Pickleball + Kitchen, 20220 Chartown Dr, Cornelius

Join us for an evening of fellowship and fun for those aged 45+!

Whether you are a regular or a newcomer, we invite you to grab a friend and meet us for a great time of community. It's the perfect opportunity to connect and make new memories.

RSVP so we can plan for you.

Sign Up Genius: <https://tinyurl.com/2jmws4hf>

Questions? 45plussingles@gmail.com



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. 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 rkkull1216@gmail.com or visit our website at stmarknc.org/Stephen-ministry.

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ADORATION

Eucharistic Stations of the Cross | Continued Week 2

By: Donna Fodale/ Adoration Coordinator

"The Eucharist is connected with the Passion. If Jesus had not established the Eucharist we would have forgotten the crucifixion. It would have faded into the past and we would have forgotten that Jesus loved us. There is a saying that to be far away from the eyes is to be far away from the heart. To make sure that we do not forget, Jesus gave us the Eucharist as a memorial of his love... When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then, when you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now."

-St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

The Fourth Station: Jesus Meets his Mother: *"Behold your mother."* (John 19:27)

Lord Jesus, Our Lady came to strengthen you on your Way of the Cross. She comes to strengthen us, also, when we receive you in your Blessed Sacrament, for "In the Eucharist the Church is as it were at the foot of the cross with Mary, united with the offering and intercession of Christ" (CCC 1370). Help us draw strength from your presence and her prayers.

The Fifth Station: Simon Helps Carry the Cross: *"My yoke is easy, and my burden is light."* (Matthew 11:30)

Lord Jesus, you gave Simon the great grace of being allowed to join you in your sacrifice. You give us the same opportunity in the Eucharist. For, "The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" (1 Corinthians 10:16). As we participate in your sacrifice, increase the love in us which makes your yoke easy and your burden light.

The Sixth Station: Veronica wipes the face of Jesus: *"Charity covers up a multitude of sins."* (1 Peter 4:8)

Lord Jesus, Veronica, a model of charity, came forward from the crowd to console you, wiping the blood, sweat, and dirt from your face. In answer, you left her your image. We know that the Eucharist "strengthens our charity, which tends to be weakened in daily life; and this living charity wipes away venial sins" (CCC 1394). Lord, with your Blessed Sacrament, increase our love and leave your image on our soul.

The Seventh Station: Jesus Falls for the Second Time: *"Could you not watch with me one hour?"* (Matthew 26:40)

Lord Jesus, at your First Fall we remembered those who abandoned you when you announced the Eucharist. At your Second Fall we remember those who failed you after you instituted the Eucharist. You asked your apostles to stay awake with you, but they fell asleep instead. Forgive us for all the times we have taken your sacrament lightly, when we failed to visit you and received you without reverence.

The Eighth Station: Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem: *"Do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children."* (Luke 23:28)

Lord Jesus, you told the women of Jerusalem the true meaning of your sacrifice: You died not just for those of your time, but for all time. "The Eucharist is also offered in reparation for the sins of the living and the dead" (CCC 1414). Help us weep for our sins and the sins of the whole world as we make reparation before your Blessed Sacrament.

The Ninth Station: Jesus Falls for the Third Time: *"After receiving the bread, [Judas] immediately went out; and it was night."* (John 13:30)

Lord Jesus, when we contemplate your Third Fall, we remember the greatest shame of all: Judas, the Apostle who handed you over on the very night you offered yourself to him in the Eucharist. Lord, we are ashamed to admit that we, too, have betrayed your love, sinned grievously, and received you unworthily and we pray: "Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, I adore you profoundly, and I offer you the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which he himself is offended."

Please prayerfully consider becoming a weekly Adorer or a sub. Register at www.stmarknc.org/adoration

TO BE A SUB PLEASE CONTACT donna.fodale@stmarknc.org

EMPLOYMENT

Job Opportunity: Director of Faith Formation

Saint Mark Catholic Church is seeking a full-time Director of Faith Formation to lead, oversee, and supervise the parish's comprehensive Faith Formation Department.

The Director is responsible for the strategic vision, pastoral leadership, administration, and operational management of all parish faith formation programming for children, youth, and families. The Director ensures fidelity to the teachings of the Catholic Church and alignment with diocesan policies while fostering a vibrant culture of discipleship within the parish.

This role serves as a senior parish leader and reports directly to the Director of Operations and the Pastor.

Those interested should send their resume to Scott Bruno at scott.bruno@stmarknc.org.

Homeschool Ministry Teaching Jobs

St. Mark Homeschool Ministry aspires to encourage and equip Catholic homeschool families by providing academic, social, and spiritual support and activities. We are expanding our high school offerings and are seeking qualified teachers, especially for the following subjects: Math: Personal Finance; History: American or World History; Electives & More

If you're interested in teaching or know someone who may be, please send recommendations to Rolanda Bradley at rbradley4@yahoo.com. For general questions about our Homeschool Ministry, contact homeschool.ministry@stmarknc.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Mark Life Teen

Theology of the Body: Life Night Series;

- March 1 - Original Innocence
- March 8 - The Law of the Gift
- March 15 - Nuptial Meaning of the Body
- March 22 - Shame
- March 29 - Concluding Panel



All high schoolers are invited to join us for a Life Night series about the Theology of the Body by Pope St. John Paul II. Every night will include dinner, a game, a talk, small groups or prayer time, and more.

EVERY LIFE NIGHT WILL RUN FROM 6-8PM IN THE PARISH HALL.

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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Ministry

Looking for a place to belong, grow in faith, and build real friendships? Our Young Adult Ministry invites adults ages 21-39 to gather for both faith-centered and social events throughout the year.

Whether you are new to the parish or simply hoping to connect more deeply, this group offers a relaxed and welcoming space to do just that.

Upcoming March events include:

- Friday, March 14: Game Night 5-9 pm at the Parish House**
- Friday, March 21: Spring Cookout Details to be announced**
- Friday, March 28: Movie Night: The Passion of the Christ 6-10 pm at the Parish House**

The best way to learn about upcoming events for this ministry is through their GroupMe address by scanning the QR code.

Contact: Sean Meier at seanmeier1@gmail.com



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- Jesus

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Registration Deadline - March 13



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AROUND THE DIOCESE

Catholic Grandparents Assoc. Kickoff

When: Sat., March 14, 10-11 am (Mass at 9 am)

Where: St. Therese Parish, Mooresville

We are delighted to announce the formation of a new parish group within the CGA Charlotte Diocesan Chapter – St. Therese Parish, Mooresville, NC. This exciting development allows us to establish an additional in-person meeting location in the Northern part of the diocese.

This new group will:

- Provide greater accessibility for members in the Northern region of the diocese
- Collaborate closely with the CGA Charlotte Chapter
- Hold joint events and shared programs

Strengthen our unity while expanding our reach

We look forward to the blessings that will come from this partnership and are grateful for the leadership and initiative that made it possible. The topic of discussion will be "Passing on the Faith".

Preregistration with name and number attending is required by March 13, 2026 to damicorj@gmail.com

St. Patrick's Day Mass

When: Tue., March 17, 10 am

Where: St. Joseph's Catholic Church
2139 Mountain Island Highway/NC273, Mount Holly

The Ancient Order of Hibernians invites all parishioners to join them at a Mass celebrating the feast of St. Patrick. St. Joseph's is one of the oldest standing Catholic Churches in North Carolina and is an historical site. Since the parish is inactive, the Mass of St. Patrick is one of the very few Masses celebrated there annually. The celebrant will be Fr. John Putnam. Before the Mass we will have a blessing of the grave of the church's founder and first pastor, Fr. T. J. Cronin, a native of County Cork. Be aware that there are no restroom facilities at the church.

Information: www.aohmeck2.org

Contact: Ray FitzGerald 704-992-1702, rfitzg@aol.com

Christ the King Catholic High School College Fair

When: March 18; 7pm -9pm

Where: Christ the King Catholic High School Gymnasium

Over 40 colleges and universities will be attending! Students and parents are invited to come out to explore options and connect directly with admissions representatives to learn more about academics, campus life and more!

Information: www.ctkchs.org/college-fair

Contact: Todd Porter, tporter@ctkchs.net

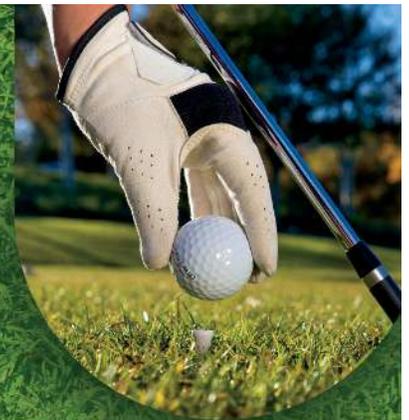
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Mass Schedule

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
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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.

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

AI-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

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:

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Las lecturas de hoy para este tercer domingo de Cuaresma giran en torno al tema de la sed, recordándonos que una forma de vida de administración satisface tanto nuestro propio anhelo por Cristo como nos ayuda a responder a la sed de alma de Cristo.

En nuestra primera lectura del Éxodo, los israelitas se quejan en su sed de agua, a pesar de todo lo que Dios ha hecho para liberarlos de la esclavitud. Sin embargo, cuando Moisés clama pidiendo ayuda, Dios provee abundantemente, trayendo agua de la roca para satisfacer a su pueblo. La generosidad del Señor no terminó ahí. Sigue proviendo para nosotros hoy, atendiendo pacientemente nuestras necesidades una y otra vez.

En el Evangelio de hoy, escuchamos el poderoso encuentro entre Jesús y la mujer samaritana junto al pozo, comenzando con su sencilla petición: "Dame un trago." Entonces le dice que puede ofrecer agua viva – agua que realmente satisface.

Estas palabras también nos hablan directamente a nosotros. Cristo nos pide que "le demos un trago" compartiendo los dones que hemos recibido con Él y con otros por Su causa. Sin embargo, es el propio Cristo quien nos llena, ofreciendo el agua viva de Su gracia.

Dios nos invita a cada uno de nosotros a participar en acercar a los demás a Él a través de una forma de vida de mayordomía. Esta Cuaresma, que respondamos a esa invitación con un compromiso renovado, ofreciendo nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro para que muchos lleguen a conocer a Cristo. Al hacerlo, ayudamos a saciar Su sed de almas. © Consultores de Gestión Católica, 2026)

Reflexión pastoral – Continuando con el tema de la semana pasada sobre la mayordomía y en armonía con nuestra **Renovación de la Mayordomía**, aquí tienes algunas **razones clave por las que la administración importa para los católicos**:

1. Refleja gratitud por el amor de Dios

Dios nos ha amado primero incondicionalmente (lo cual se muestra perfectamente en Jesucristo). La mayordomía es nuestra respuesta amorosa: reconocer todas las cosas buenas como regalos de Él y devolver el amor mediante el uso generoso de esos dones. Como señalan los obispos, "La mayordomía es la respuesta del Discípulo al amor incondicional de Dios hacia nosotros."

2. Imita a Jesús, el mayordomo modelo

Jesús vivió como el perfecto mayordomo, usando su vida, tiempo y dones enteramente para la voluntad del Padre y el bien de la humanidad. Los católicos están llamados a imitarle, haciendo visible el amor de Dios en el mundo.

3. Implica responsabilidad ante Dios

Seremos responsables de cómo usamos lo que Dios nos ha confiado (por ejemplo, parábolas bíblicas como los talentos en Mateo 25:14-30 enfatizan esto). La gestión nos recuerda que somos gestores, no propietarios últimos.

4. Incluye el tiempo, el talento y los tesoros

Los católicos están llamados a compartir estos aspectos de forma proporcional y sacrificial para apoyar a la Iglesia, ayudar a los pobres y promover la justicia. Esto fortalece el Cuerpo de Cristo y atiende las necesidades de la sociedad.

5. Incluye el cuidado de la creación

Como parte de la doctrina social católica, la gestión se extiende a la responsabilidad medioambiental. Respetamos al Creador cuidando la tierra (por ejemplo, como en Génesis 1-2, donde a la humanidad se le otorga el dominio como cuidadores, no como explotadores). Esto es un "requisito de nuestra fe", no solo una preocupación opcional.

6. Conduce al crecimiento espiritual y a la santidad

Vivir como mayordomo fomenta la conversión, la oración más profunda y una vida centrada en Cristo por encima del egocentrismo. Transforma acciones ordinarias en actos de adoración y servicio.

En esencia, la mayordomía es parte integral de la vida católica auténtica porque convierte la fe en acción, la gratitud en generosidad y el discipulado en un testimonio tangible del Reino de Dios. No se trata principalmente de recaudación de fondos o programas, sino de una relación sincera con Dios que naturalmente desborda en amor al prójimo y a la creación.

Peregrinación a Tierra Santa 30 de agosto – 10 de septiembre de 2026

Disfruta de una peregrinación de 10 días a Tierra Santa con el padre **Christopher Angermeyer** y Christopher Cross. Celebraremos misa diaria en la mayoría de los lugares sagrados que visitemos. Vive 5 noches en Jerusalén y 3 noches en el Mar de Galilea. Mientras estamos en Jerusalén, celebraremos la misa matutina cada día en la Tumba de Cristo o en el Calvario. La mayoría de los peregrinos probablemente experimentarían esto, pero nosotros sí. Visitaremos la Iglesia de la Natividad en Belén y la Iglesia de la Visitación, donde María visitó a su prima Isabel.

Seguiremos el Vía Crucis y la ruta del Domingo de Ramos, además de tener una hora santa vespertina en el Jardín de Getsemaní. Daremos un paseo en barco por el mar de Galilea y celebraremos misa en el monte Tabor y en el monte de las Bienaventuranzas. Celebraremos la misa en Nazaret y renovaremos nuestros votos bautismales junto al río Jordán. Visitaremos todos los lugares misteriosos del Santo Rosario. Si tiene preguntas, por favor llame a Christopher Cross al 704-274-2031 o visite la página web en www.Catholicolyland.com.

Será un viaje que recordarás el resto de tu vida. El padre Putnam acaba de regresar de Tierra Santa con los seminaristas, y puede dar fe de que nuestra peregrinación espiritual a Tierra Santa fue muy segura en cada lugar que visitamos por todo el país. No dudes o nunca irás. Esta peregrinación afectará tu vida espiritual durante el resto de tu vida.






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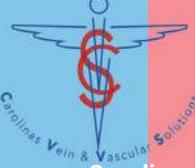


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