#### **Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday-Wednesday: 8:00 AM (Holy Rosary at 7:30 AM)

#### Church Open for Private Prayer

M-F: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM **Contact Information** 

#### **Mailing Address**

9 Garden Court Cranston, RI 02920-5787

# Mother Cabrini Parish Center (Parish Office)

31 Poplar Drive Cranston, RI 02920-5711

#### **Parish Office Hours:**

M-F: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM **Phone:** 401-942-1616 **Facsimile:** 401-942-1747

E-Mail: welcome@stmarkri.org

Website: stmarkri.org

#### **Parish Staff**

#### Mr. Matthew Gebhart

Parish Business Manager mgebhart@stmarkri.org

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Parish Outreach Coordinator agiramma@stmarkri.org

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Parish Secretary mferri@stmarkri.org

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Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence

#### **Rev. Anthony Verdelotti**

Pastor averdelotti@stmarkri.org



#### **Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday: 3:00 PM

**Anointing of the Sick** 

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#### Holy Communion for the Homebound & Hospitalized

Please call Sr. Angelina Giramma, M.P.F.

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call Sr. Angelina Giramma, M.P.F. before the birth of your child

#### **Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**

Please call the Parish Office one year prior to the marriage

#### Vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life, & Permanent Diaconate

Office of Vocations to the Priesthood: 401-331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com
Office of Religious: 401-278-4633 or www.diocesepvd.org
Office of the Permanent Diaconate: 401-278-4604 or www.diocesepvd.org

#### St. Mark Church, Cranston, Rhode Island



#### Saturday, November 29, 2025 Vigil

4:00pm + Rev. Daniel G. Keefe ~ 1st Anniversary

**†** Marie Vallier ∼ 9th Month's Mind

† Dcd. Mbrs. of the Cassidy & Geary Families

#### Sunday, November 30, 2025 First Sunday of Advent

8:00am + Rev. Daniel G. Keefe ~ 1st Anniversary

**†** Joseph A. Gloria ∼ Memorial

10:00am † Michael Igoe ~ 13th Anniversary

† Albert, Grace, and Glenn Ursillo ~ Memorial

#### Monday, December 1, 2025 Advent Weekday

8:00am † Rev. Daniel G. Keefe ~ 1st Anniversary

† Filomena "Dolly" Rossi ~ Memorial

#### Tuesday, December 2, 2025 **Advent Weekday**

8:00am + Robert Martin ~ 4th Anniversary

† Dcd. Mbrs. of the Velleco Family ~ Memorial

#### Wednesday, December 3, 2025 St. Francis Xavier, Priest

8:00am † Louie Russo ~ Birthday Memorial

**†** Marilyn Adams ~ Memorial

#### Thursday, December 4, 2025 Advent Weekday

St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Friday, December 5, 2025 Advent Weekday

Saturday, December 6, 2025 Vigil

4:00pm † Angela D'Iorio ~ Christmas Memorial † Jean Pagano ~ Birthday Memorial

#### Sunday, December 7, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am ~ The People of St. Mark Paish ~ Pro Populo

10:00am † Leslie Gebhart ~ 20th Anniversary

† Louis & Lydia DeCrosta ~ Memorial

#### THE DAILY MASS BOOK

The 2026 Mass Book is available to book

Masses for your loved ones. The suggested offering for weekend and Holy Day Masses is \$25.00 & weekday Masses is \$10.00. To schedule a Mass call the Parish Office.



## Elizabeth R. Santilli

who was buried from our church.

Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended. When the body of our earthly dwelling lies in death we gain an everlasting dwelling place in Heaven.

### In Loving Memory

The Altar Candles and the Sanctuary Lamp can be offered in memory of a deceased loved one for a donation of \$15.00 each and the Altar Bread and the Altar Wine can be offered for a donation of \$25.00 each. If you would like to book one of these memorials call the Parish Office.

#### Sacraments for the Homebound

As baptized Catholics, we are called to bring (are Christ to others. Take a moment to consider... Do you know of a family member who is a parishioner and homebound or unable to attend Mass, but would like to receive the Holy Eucharist? Sr. Angelina and our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit the sick and homebound members of our parish. If you, or someone you know would like to be ministered to, please contact Sr. Angelina at 942-1616.



### Mass Cards

Pastoral

Remembering our loved ones, living or dead, in our Mass intentions is a noble practice. Mass Cards are available at the Parish Office. The suggested offering is \$10.00.

### Daily Bible Readings Week of November 30th

Sunday

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

**Monday** 

Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday** 

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**First Friday** 

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

First Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35 - 10:1, 5a, 6-8



#### First Sunday of Advent ~ November 30, 2025



The collections for the weekend of November 23rd will be announced in next weekend's bulletin.

### Second Collection

The Second Collection next weekend is the **Monthly Maintenance Collection**We thank you for your support!



We sincerely thank those of you who mail or deliver your weekly envelopes to the Parish Office while you are out of town or visiting another parish. As many of you know, our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support when you cannot personally attend Mass here.

#### **HELP OR BE HELPED**

Find Food Assistance at our Catholic Food Banks.
The Diocese of Providence, through the
Office of Catholic Charities & Social Ministry,
supports families and individuals in need across
Rhode Island with food assistance programs.
A variety of food pantries are available throughout
the diocese to help you or your loved ones.
Each pantry has its own schedule.
We also encourage everyone to support your
local food pantry whenever possible; together,
we can help ensure no one goes hungry.
To find a list of Catholic Food Banks in RI
go to www.dioceseofprovidence.org
and click on the About tab, then go to
Find Assistance at our Catholic Food Banks.

#### Catholic High School Placement Test Saturday, December 6th DISCOVER RHODE ISLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS!

All 8th grade students are encouraged to take this test at their first choice school on December 6th. Contact individual school to confirm test date/time. Go to the website for the High School contacts at: https://catholicschools.org/find-a-catholic-school

Online Giving is a safe and secure way to give to the parish. If you would like to learn more or you would like to sign up for Online Giving please visit our parish website at stmarkri.org/olg. If you



do not have access to a computer and would like to sign up call the Parish Office and we will be glad to help you.

Another easy way to manage your church giving is with our **Text-to-Give** feature that is fully integrated with our Online Giving platform. You can text an amount to **401-249-4820** and your transaction will be processed through the Online Giving account associated with your phone number.



#### Register as a Parishioner

If you have been attending Mass here on a regular basis do not presume that you are automatically registered here. If you haven't received mail from St. Mark Church, you are most likely not registered. If you are over 18 you need to be registered on your own and no longer under your parents. To register call



Sr. Angelina at 942-1616 or visit stmarkri.org/register.

#### Are You Seeking Ways to Do God's Work?

The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Mark Conference invite you to share in their ministry of serving those most in need within our community. Through our work, we strive to see Christ in those who live in poverty, and in recognizing Christ, we experience the presence of God.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, or if you would like to join our ministry, call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Mark Conference at 401-942-1616, Ext. 320.

To make a monetary donation, visit stmarkri.org/donate, or drop a check made out to "SVDP St. Mark Conference" in the black mailbox at the Parish Office at 31 Poplar Drive, or you can mail it.

Our next meeting is Thursday, December 11th at 6:30pm in the Mother Cabrini Parish Center. All are welcome.

#### St. Mark Church, Cranston, Rhode Island

Religious Education

#### **Advent Confessions:**

At some point during the Advent season, students in grades 3-8 will attend Confession during class time. Please review the following with your child:

- **Act of Contrition**
- Suggested Dialogue
- **Examination of Conscience**

Hard copies of these materials were sent home, and digital copies have been shared via **Remind**.

#### **Knights of Columbus Annual Poster Contest:**

Religious Education students in grades 1–6 will participate in the Knights of Columbus Annual Christmas Poster Contest.

- Entry Deadline: Tuesday, December 2, 2025
- Prizes Awarded: Tuesday, December 16, 2025

Scan the QR Code for the registration form. Print the form and fill it out. Then submit the form with the poster.



#### Confirmation 2026:

We are pleased to announce that The Most Reverend Bruce Lewandowski will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Mark Church on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 6:00 PM. Candidates from St. Anthony Parish, West Warwick, will also be joining us for this special celebration. Additional information, including rehearsal dates and times, will be shared as we get closer to the event.

#### **Confirmation Requirements 2025-2026**

Requirements:	Due Dates:  ALL due dates are <i>FIRM!</i> Assignments must be handed in <i>ON or BEFORE</i> the due date.
Baptismal & First Communion Certificates (If performed outside St. Mark Church)	Due at registration or ASAP
Commitment Forms	September 28, 2025
Sponsor Forms to Sponsor	October 19, 2025
Confirmation Retreat	NEW DATE & PLACE: Saturday November 15, 2025 Holy Apostles Church, Cranston 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Service Project Proposal	NEW DATE: November 23, 2025
Sponsor Forms to St. Mark	December 14, 2025
Saint Report	February 1, 2026
Service Project Reflection	March 15, 2026
Letter to the Bishop	April 26, 2026

#### **Absences:**

If your child will be absent, please notify us in advance. Contact us by phone at 401-942-1616, Ext. 101, by email, cjackvony@stmarkri.org, or via REMIND. Students are expected to make up any missed classwork.

### **Religious Education Calendar:**

The 2025 - 2026 Religious Education Calendar is available on our webpage (www.stmarkri.org/reled).

#### Be safe, be well, and God Bless,

Claudia A. Jackvony, Religious Education Coordinator, 401-942-1616, Ext. 101 cjackvony@stmarkri.org.

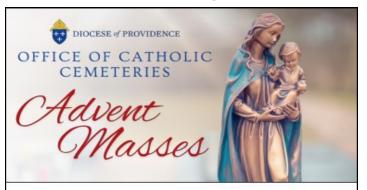


#### First Sunday of Advent ~ November 30, 2025

#### **HONORING OUR LOVED ONES**

November is a time to pray for the faithful departed. Have cremated remains at home? The Church wants to honor your loved ones with sacred burial. Catholics are invited to inter in a diocesan Catholic cemetery the cremated remains of loved ones. This November, our Diocesan Cemeteries will offer a discount for the interment of cremated remains of any Catholic who has yet to be interred or placed in a columbarium. If you haven't yet given your loved one a proper burial, please consider this invitation. Please call the diocesan Office of Catholic Cemeteries for further details at 944-8383. For resources, discount details, and more go to:

www.dioceseofprovidence.org/november-discounts 18,452 Rhode Island households in need.



#### SAINT ANN CEMETERY Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul Mausoleum

Monday, December 15 · Noon 72 Church Street, Cranston

#### SAINT COLUMBA CEMETERY Mass at Saint Lucy Church

Friday, December 5 · 9:00 a.m. 909 West Main Road, Middletown

## SAINT FRANCIS CEMETERY Mass at Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church

Thursday, December 4 · 7:30 a.m. 103 Pine Street, Pawtucket

#### GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY Mass at Cemetery Chapel

Monday, December 15 · Noon 550 Wampanoag Trail, East Providence

#### SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY Mass at Christ the King Church

Monday, November 24 · 7:30 a.m. 130 Legris Avenue, West Warwick

#### MOUNT SAINT MARY CEMETERY Mass at Saint Margaret Church

Sunday, December 14 · 8:00 a.m. 1098 Pawtucket Avenue, East Providence

#### RESURRECTION CEMETERY Mass at Saint Joan of Arc Church

Wednesday, December 24 · 7:30 a.m. 3357 Mendon Road, Cumberland

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If you would like to help local families this winter, please send tax-deductible donations to:
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02903 or visit www.heatri.com/donate to make a secure credit card donation.

#### TO BE HELPED:

If you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance, visit www.heatri.com/apply-for-help, or call 401-421-7833, ext. 207 for additional information.



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