

## 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  
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#### **Mr. Andrew Pappas**

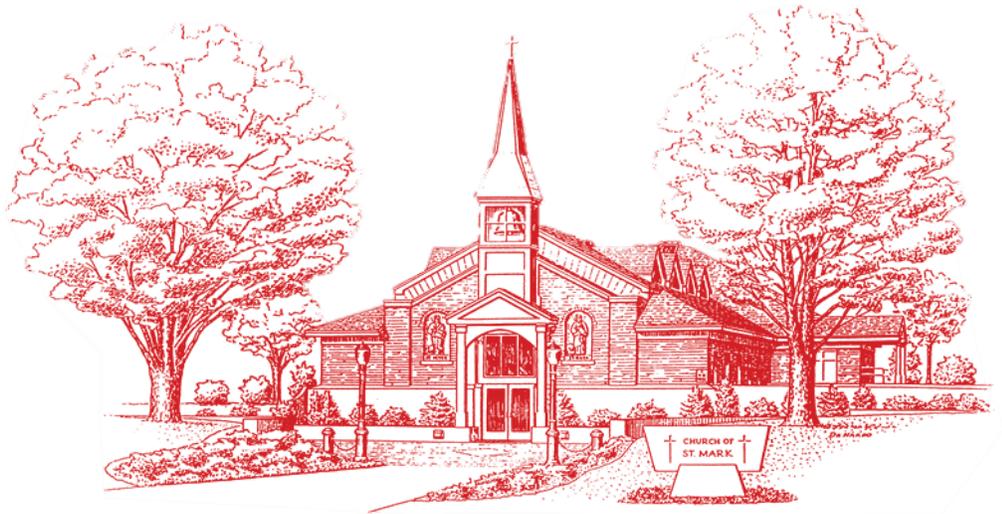
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# ST. MARK CHURCH

Cranston, Rhode Island

Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence

### **Rev. Anthony Verdelotti**

Pastor

averdelotti@stmarkri.org



### **Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday: 3:00 PM

### **Anointing of the Sick &**

### **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](http://www.catholicpriest.com)

Office of Religious: 401-278-4633 or [www.diocesepvd.org](http://www.diocesepvd.org)

Office of the Permanent Diaconate: 401-278-4604 or [www.diocesepvd.org](http://www.diocesepvd.org)

*St. Mark Church, Cranston, Rhode Island*



**Saturday, February 21, 2026**  
**Vigil**

- 4:00pm † Alfred & Helen Martin ~ Memorial
- † Frank DeClemente ~ Birthday Memorial
- † Madeline DeClemente ~ 7th Anniversary

**Sunday, February 22, 2026**  
**First Sunday of Lent**

- 8:00am ~ The People of St. Mark Parish ~ Pro Populo
- 10:00am † Robert Devine ~ 27th Anniversary
- † Patrick Pirolli ~ 10th Anniversary
- † Joseph A. Gloria ~ Memorial

**Monday, February 23, 2026**  
**Lenten Weekday**

**St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr**

- 8:00am † David W. McDonald ~ 1st Anniversary
- † Jerome Tamburro ~ 7th Anniversary

**Tuesday, February 24, 2026**  
**Lenten Weekday**

- 8:00am † Anna & Luciano Campisi ~ Memorial
- ~ Healing Intention for Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti

**Wednesday, February 25, 2026**  
**Lenten Weekday**

- 8:00am † Laura Carpentier ~ Anniversary
- † Angelina & Joseph LaBella ~ Memorial

**Thursday, February 26, 2026**  
**Lenten Weekday**

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**Friday, February 27, 2026**  
**Lenten Weekday**

**St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church**

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**Saturday, February 28, 2026**  
**Vigil**

- 4:00pm † Marie Vallier ~ 1st Anniversary
- † Rosealba Pagano ~ 1st Anniversary

**Sunday, March 1, 2026**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

- 8:00am † Derek Pagliaro ~ 23rd Anniversary
- 10:00am † Joseph A. Gloria ~ Memorial

**THE DAILY MASS BOOK**

The 2026 Mass Book is available to book Masses for your loved ones. The customary offering for weekend & Holy Day Masses is \$25.00. **The stipend for weekday Masses is now \$15.00.** To schedule a Mass, please call the Parish Office.



*In Loving Memory*

*The Altar Candles burn in memory of*  
*Italo Colozzi*

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of*  
*Amelia Dugas*

*The Altar Bread is offered in memory of*  
*Wallace R. Tasca*

**Sacraments for the Homebound**

As baptized Catholics, we are called to bring 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.



**NEW POLICY ON MASS STIPENDS & MASS CARDS**

**Per the Bishop of the Diocese of Providence, effective January 1, 2026, the stipend for Masses in the Diocese of Providence has increased to \$15.00. The customary offering of \$25.00 for Weekend & Holy Day Masses remains in effect.**

*Mass Cards*

Remembering our loved ones, living or dead, in our Mass intentions is a noble practice. Mass Cards are available at the Parish Office. **The stipend is now \$15.00.**



*Daily Bible Readings*  
*Week of February 22nd*

- Sunday  
Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11
- Monday  
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday  
Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday  
Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday  
Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday  
Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday  
Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48



# stewardship

The collections for the weekend of February 1st:

Offertory

Mass: \$4,321.00

Maintenance

Mass: \$1,421.00

Poor Box

Mass: \$30.00

The collections for the weekend of February 8th:

Offertory

Mass: \$2,451.00

Poor Box

Mass: \$10.00

The collections for the weekend of February 15th will be announced in next weekend's bulletin.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Mark Church!

## Second Collection

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

## Year-End Contribution Statements

Contribution Statements have been mailed out. If you did not receive yours, please call 942-1616.

## 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](http://stmarkri.org/register).



## Thank you!

The Knights of Columbus, Rev. Richard A. Donnelly Council would like to thank all parishioners who supported our Souper Bowl Food Drive. We collected 600 pounds of food to support our neighbors in need. God Bless!



# HOW TO LENT

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday, February 18th, and all members of the Catholic Church should be aware of the following:

Abstinence from meat on every Friday of Lent, for those 14 and older, is required by Church law.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are fast days: Those between the ages of 18 and 59 should eat less; that is, taking no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these regulations.

## ONLINE GIVING

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](http://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.



Online Giving

## TEXT-TO-GIVE

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.



## 2026 Catholic Charity Appeal

The 2026 Catholic Charity Appeal is now underway!

Our parish goal this year is: \$62,843.00



You will be receiving a mailing from Catholic Charity requesting a gift to the 2026 Catholic Charity Appeal. We ask that you send your gift directly to the Catholic Charity Appeal using the envelope provided. Please be assured that St. Mark Church will receive credit for any gift you mail directly to the Catholic Charity Appeal.

To give online go to: [givecentral.org/2026CCA](http://givecentral.org/2026CCA)

Please prayerfully consider giving a gift to help us reach our goal. Thank you.

## St. Mark Church, Cranston, Rhode Island

### Classes resume on:

Sunday, February 22nd  
for Grades 6–9.  
Tuesday, February 24th  
for Grades 1–5.



## Religious Education

Dear St. Mark Church Parishioners,  
My name is Sophia Malong, and I am a Confirmation candidate here at St. Mark Church. I am reaching out with a special request. For my service project, I am organizing a school supply donation drive to support kindergarten students attending a public school in the Philippines. Many young children in these communities face challenges in accessing the basic supplies they need for their education. With your generous contributions, we can help provide them with the tools they need to succeed and thrive in their educational journey.

I am seeking donations of the following school supplies:

- Notebooks
- Pencils and erasers
- Pencil boxes or pouches
- Crayons and colored pencils
- Safety scissors and rulers (any size)
- Backpacks (gently used are welcome)

Donations may be dropped off in the collection boxes located in the church foyer. I will be accepting donations through the end of February, after which the items will be shipped overseas.

Every contribution, no matter how small, will make a meaningful difference in the lives of these young students. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Together, we can make a positive impact and bring hope to these children and their families.

May God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,  
Sophia Malong

### Updated Confirmation Requirements 2025-2026:

#### Requirements:

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| • <b>Service Project Proposal</b> | ~ <b>PAST DUE</b> |
| • <b>Sponsor Forms</b>            | ~ <b>PAST DUE</b> |
| • <b>Saint Report</b>             | ~ <b>PAST DUE</b> |
| • Service Project Reflection      | ~ March 15, 2026  |
| • Letter to the Bishop            | ~ April 26, 2026  |

ALL due dates are **FIRM!** Assignments must be handed in **ON or BEFORE** the due date.

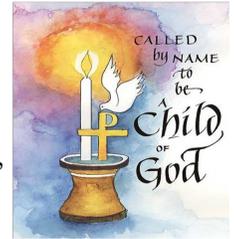
**Be safe, be well, and God Bless,**  
Claudia A. Jackvony,  
Religious Education Coordinator,  
401-942-1616, Ext. 101 [cjackvony@stmarkri.org](mailto:cjackvony@stmarkri.org).

## Baptism

Baptism is one of the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. Baptism holds a special place in the Church since it is the “door” to all the other sacraments.

**To schedule a baptism contact:**

**Sr. Angelina Giramma, M.P.F. at 942-1616, ext. 102  
or email [agiramma@stmarkri.org](mailto:agiramma@stmarkri.org).**



### St. Vincent de Paul - St. Mark Conference

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 942-1616, Ext. 320.



**Our next meeting is Thursday, February 26th at 6:30pm  
in the Mother Cabrini Parish Center. All are welcome.**

### Keep the Heat On

No Rhode Islander should be forced to endure frigid temperatures during the winter months. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call **421-7833 ext. 207** or visit [www.heatri.com/apply-for-help](http://www.heatri.com/apply-for-help). Donations accepted at [www.heatri.com/donate](http://www.heatri.com/donate).



### Sponsor Certificate Requests

To qualify as a Godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation you must be registered with the parish. If you are over 18 you must be registered on your own not under your parents, participating in Sunday Mass regularly for 6 months, Baptized and Confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church, and if you are married your marriage must be recognized by the Roman Catholic Church. For information call **Sr. Angelina at 942-1616, Ext. 102.**

### St. Patrick Church-Mary House Food Pantry

The following items are needed:

**Canned Soups, Cereal, Jelly,  
Peanut Butter, Pasta, Tuna,  
and non-perishable food.**

**Please no glass or perishable items!**

Thank you for your continued support, Sr. Angelina.



We welcome anyone who would like to sing for either the season of Lent, Holy Week, and/or Easter. This is a great opportunity for those who like to sing but can't make a year-long commitment to the choir. The choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm and sing once a month at Mass, either at the 4:00pm Mass on Saturday or the 10:00am Mass on Sunday. No prior experience or the ability to read music is required. Practice recordings are provided. If you have any questions, please see Ron after any of the Masses or email him at [RALmeida@stmarkri.org](mailto:RALmeida@stmarkri.org).



*First Sunday of Lent ~ February 22, 2026*

## *2026 St. Mark Parish Lenten Supper*



Please join us for a delicious Lenten meal as we journey together through this season of renewal toward the glorious Resurrection of our Lord and Savior!

**The Event Committee is once again sponsoring a Lenten Supper on Friday, March 13th from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in the Mother Cabrini Parish Center.**

Join us for delicious homemade Strozzapreti Pasta with Vodka and Bechamel Sauce, Salad, Fresh Italian Bread, and assorted cookies for dessert.

**All proceeds will benefit the needs of our parish.**

**Delectable Details:**

**Homemade Strozzapreti Pasta with Vodka and Bechamel Sauce, Salad, Italian Bread, Assorted Cookies, Soda, Water, Coffee, and Tea**

**All for only \$20 per person!**

Supper will be served continuously from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM – allowing those who wish to attend Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM to do so.

**Seating is limited to 75 – register early!**

**TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR!**

**We will also hold a 50/50 Raffle. Come and try your luck!**

Please return the form below along with your payment: by placing it in the collection basket in an envelope marked “Lenten Supper”, by placing it in the black mailbox at the Parish Office, or by mail.

**The deadline to purchase tickets is Monday, March 9th.**

### *Lenten Supper*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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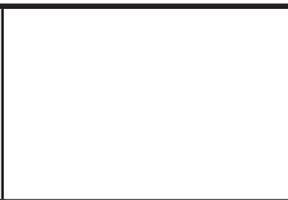
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