

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
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Mother Cabrini Parish Center (Parish Office)

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M-F: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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ST. MARK CHURCH

Cranston, Rhode Island

Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence

Rev. Anthony Verdelotti

Pastor

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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

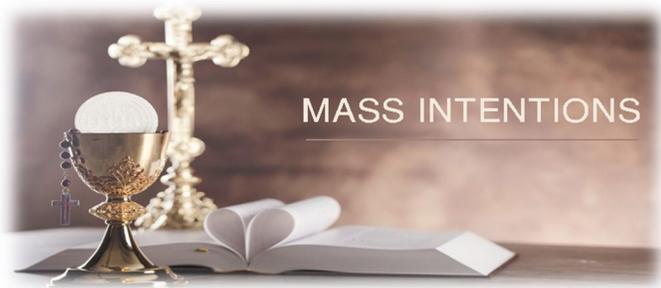
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Office of Vocations to the Priesthood: 401-331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 21, 2026

Vigil

4:00pm † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Anthony & Rose Verdelotti ~ Memorial

Sunday, March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00am ~ The People of St. Mark Parish ~ Pro Populo
10:00am † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Joseph A. Gloria ~ Memorial

Monday, March 23, 2026

Lenten Weekday

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

8:00am † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Sr. M. Geraldyn McGreevy, R.S.M. ~ Month's Mind

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Lenten Weekday

St. Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr

8:00am † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Arthur & Judith Bianco ~ Memorial

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

The Annunciation of the Lord

8:00am † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Emilio & Teresa Melchionna ~ Memorial
~ In Thanksgiving

Thursday, March 26, 2026

Lenten Weekday

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Friday, March 27, 2026

Lenten Weekday

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Saturday, March 28, 2026

Vigil

4:00pm † Aram Abraham ~ Birthday Memorial
† Dcd. Mbrs. of the Comella & Truman Families
† Dcd. Mbrs of the DeClemente & Giorgi Families

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00am † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Blessed Michael J. McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, and the Dcd. Mbrs. of the Knights of Columbus
10:00am † Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti ~ Memorial
† Domenic Mancini ~ 2nd Anniversary
† Joseph A. Gloria ~ Memorial

In Loving Memory

*The Altar Candles burn in memory of
Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti*

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 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. To book one of these memorials call the Parish Office.



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.



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.**



A MASS OFFERING

*Daily Bible Readings
Week of March 22nd*

Sunday
Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday
Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday
Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Thursday
Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday
Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday
Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56





Religious Education

Updated Confirmation Requirements 2025-2026:

Requirements:

- Service Project Reflection ~ PAST DUE
- Letter to the Bishop ~ April 26, 2026

Due Dates:

First Holy Communion Rehearsals

- Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 4:15pm. (during class time)
- Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 11:15am.
- Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at 4:15pm. (during class time)



Confirmation Rehearsal

Sunday, May 17, 2026 at 12:30pm. (during class time)

Confirmation

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 6:00pm.

The Most Reverend Bruce A. Lewandowski will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation upon the confirmands.

First Holy Communion

Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 10:00am.

May Crowning

Sunday, May 10, 2026 at the 10:00am Mass.

Meet the Candidate

We have an amazing group of young adults preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, and we would like you to meet them. Beginning next weekend, each week we will feature a brief biographical blurb of Confirmation candidates in the bulletin. These candidates will attend the 10:00 A.M. Mass and greet parishioners in the courtyard after Mass. Please help our soon-to-be Confirmed parishioners feel welcome by introducing yourself and saying hello!

MEET THE CANDIDATES

Name:

Lena May Reilly

School:

LaSalle Academy

Confirmation Saint Name:

St. Helena

Service Project Description:

I helped students make Christmas crafts to bring home to their families.

Hobbies/Interests:

I run track and field for LaSalle Academy.

Life Goals:

I want to succeed in track and academics throughout high school. I would also like to get into a good college and travel the world.



Name:

Molly Slinko-Gosetti

School:

Cranston High School West

Confirmation Saint Name:

St. Veronica

Service Project Description:

I volunteered at Cherry Hill Nursing Home. I played games and assisted the residents there.

I also prayed the rosary with a

former religious sister who was a resident at Cherry Hill.

Hobbies/Interests:

I am a competitive runner. I love skiing in the winter and going to the beach in the summer. I also love animals.

Life Goals:

I hope to work in the medical field, to live in a nice house near Newport or Narragansett beach, and travel.



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.

Be safe, be well, and God Bless,

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

stewardship

The collections for the weekends of February 22nd, March 1st, March 8th, and March 15th will be announced in next weekends bulletin.

Second Collection

The Second Collection next weekend is the **CRS/Rice Bowl Collection**
We thank you for your support!

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. 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 may have received 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

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



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.



Lenten Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction



You are invited to a special **Lenten Holy Hour** with Adoration and Benediction here at St. Mark Church on

**Sunday, March 22nd,
at 11:00 a.m.**

The Holy Hour will be led by **Hannah Jefferson**, Youth & Young Adult Evangelization Consultant for the Diocese of Providence.

This beautiful Lenten prayer experience is open to **all ages**. Come spend time with the Lord and deepen your Lenten journey. Invite your family and friends - All are welcome!

Light refreshments will follow.

Sponsored by our Religious Education Program.



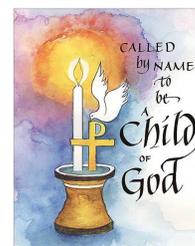
**Every Friday
during Lent
at 6:00pm.**

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.



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, March 12th 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. Donations accepted at www.heatri.com/donate.



Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ March 22, 2026



Reverend Anthony William Verdelotti
January 14, 1950 ~ March 14, 2026



*Please pray for the repose
of the soul of our Pastor,
Rev. Anthony W. Verdelotti*



Reverend Anthony W. Verdelotti, 76, Pastor here at St. Mark Church, died peacefully at home, surrounded by his loving family, early Saturday morning, March 14, 2026.

Born in Providence, Rhode Island, he was the son of the late Anthony and Rose (DeRaffaele) Verdelotti.

He is survived by his beloved sister, Mrs. Bernice Broccoli. He was the devoted uncle of five nieces and nephews: Lauren DeWaele (John), Anthony Broccoli (Sarita), James Broccoli, David Broccoli (Tracy), and Carolyn Wren (Christopher); thirteen great-nieces and great-nephews, and one great-great nephew. He is also survived by his close friend, Matthew Gebhart, whom he considered to be a member of his family.

He was predeceased by his brothers, Rev. James J. Verdelotti, Pastor Emeritus of St. Mary Parish, Cranston, and Mr. Louis A. Verdelotti; his brother-in-law Dr. Anthony Broccoli, and his dear friend Rev. Daniel G. Keefe of the Archdiocese of Hartford, Connecticut.

Fr. Verdelotti attended George J. West Junior High School and La Salle Academy, both in Providence.

Prior to being called to the priesthood, Fr. Verdelotti studied at Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island and served for 10 years as an Internal Revenue Service Special Agent in Fall River, Massachusetts.

In preparation for the priesthood, he studied at St. John's Seminary in Brighton, Massachusetts.

He was ordained a priest on November 22, 1986, at Holy Ghost Church in Providence, by Bishop Louis E. Gelineau.

Immediately following his ordination, Fr. Verdelotti served as Assistant Pastor at Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in North Providence until 1990. He also served as Assistant Pastor at St. Catherine Parish in Warwick (1990-1993); St. Mary Parish in Cranston (1993-1995); and Our Lady of Mercy Parish in East Greenwich (1995-2001).

In 2001, he was appointed Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish in Providence.

In 2005, Fr. Verdelotti was appointed Pastor of St. Mark Parish in Cranston where he remained until his death.

In addition to his parish duties, Fr. Verdelotti served from 1999 to 2013 as Director of the Diocesan Office of Catholic Cemeteries. He was also on the Diocesan Council of Priests from 2006 to 2009 and 2014 to 2017. He completed sabbatical studies at the North American College in Rome in 1998 and 2012.

Fr. Verdelotti's family wishes to thank Rev. Francis O'Hara and all the faithful staff and parishioners of St. Mark Church for their constant love, support, and prayers.

His family also wishes to thank the staff of Rhode Island Hospital and Fresenius Kidney Care Warwick for the excellent and compassionate care he received over many years.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Fr. Verdelotti may be made to:
St. Mark Church, 9 Garden Court, Cranston, RI 02920.

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.



Fr. Verdelotti had a deep devotion to St. Theresse of the Child Jesus and often shared prayer cards with those in need of her intercession.

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