

CHURCH OF SAINT MARK

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24, 2016

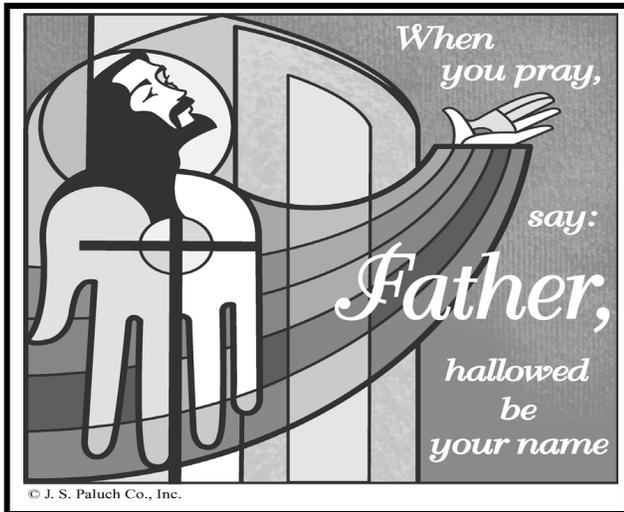
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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm
Closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Sunday Masses: Saturday: (Vigil) 5:30pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am
12 noon (Spanish) & 5:30pm

Daily Masses: Monday - Saturday 8:00am

Holy Day Masses: 8:00am, 12:15pm and
7:00pm (Bilingual)

Eucharistic Adoration : First Monday of each month
8:30am to 8:30pm

Confessions: Saturday 4:30 - 5:15pm

Baptism: 3rd weekend of each month.
Please contact the rectory office.

Marriage: 6 months notice is required.
Please contact the rectory office.

Anointing of The Sick: Sacrament for the sick is celebrated
upon request. Please contact the
rectory office.

Holy Eucharist for the Sick: Communion is given upon request.
Please contact the rectory office.

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FROM OUR PASTOR

Pastor's Corner

This weekend we are blessed to have Sister Maria Consuelo Pacheco of the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill speaking at all of our Masses as part of our Archdiocesan Mission Co-op Program.

The Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill first missioned four Sisters from Pennsylvania to Korea in 1960 in order to spread the Good News of the Gospel. At that time it took over a month for the Sisters to travel by freighter ship from the states to Korea, but the Sisters were not challenged by the time nor the distance. Their hearts were set on sharing the message of our Lord and Savior, regardless of the sacrifice required.

Today the Sisters continue their mission of bringing the love of the Lord to the people they serve. But they need our help - they can not do it alone! Our prayers and our donations will bring blessings of hope and healing. Please use the yellow envelopes that are in the pews. If you are not in a position to make a donation today, please take one of the envelopes home with you and bring it back next weekend. All of the funds you donate will go directly to assisting the Sisters in their wonderful work.

We look forward to meeting Sister Maria and hearing her stories as she shares with us the ministry of the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill. And let us remember that we all serve as missionaries in our world - whether it is here at home, or in foreign lands!

May the Lord continue to bless us always and in all ways,

Father Paul

La Esquina del Párroco

Este fin de semana estamos bendecidos porque nos visita la Hermana María Consuelo Pacheco de las Hermanas de Caridad de Seton Hill. Ella hablara en todas las Misas como parte de nuestro programa Arquidiocesano de la Mision Co-op.

Las hermanas de Caridad de Seton Hill primero fueron cuatro hermanas de Pennsylvania que fueron a Corea en 1960 con el fin de difundir la buena noticia del Evangelio. En aquel momento les llevó más de un mes de viaje en barco carguero para ir desde los Estados Unidos a Corea, pero las hermanas no fueron desafiadas por el tiempo ni la distancia. Sus corazones fueron fijados en compartir el mensaje de nuestro Señor y Salvador, sin importar el sacrificio requerido.

Hoy las hermanas continúan su misión de llevar el amor del Señor a las personas que sirven. Pero necesitan nuestra ayuda - no pueden hacerlo solas. Nuestras oraciones y nuestras donaciones llevarán bendiciones de esperanza y sanación. Por favor usen los sobres amarillos que están en las bancas. Si no están en condiciones de hacer una donación hoy, lleve uno de los sobres a sus casa y lo trae detrás próximo fin de semana. Todos los fondos que done irán directamente a ayudar a las hermanas en su maravilloso trabajo.

Esperamos conocer a la hermana María y escuchar sus historias mientras ella comparte con nosotros el Ministerio de las Hermanas de Caridad de Seton Hill. Y recordemos que todos servimos como misioneros en el mundo - ya sea en casa o en el extranjero.

Que el Señor nos siga bendiciendo siempre y en todo,

Padre Paul

SPIRITUAL LIFE

SAINT MARK YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Theology on Tap is a 4-week speaker series for young adults in their 20's and 30's organized by the Archdiocese. This incredible opportunity brings together young adults from across the city and provides opportunities to listen to and learn from renowned speakers, and to dialogue with others in areas relevant to them. The third Theology on Tap presentation will be this Sunday July 24th in the parish hall. This week's speaker is Dr. Cecilia González-Andrieu. She will discuss Illness and the struggle for faith. Admission, food and drinks are free to all that attend. Doors open at 6:30pm and the event begins at 7:00pm. For more information, contact Young Adult Ministry as listed on the front of the bulletin, visit us at Facebook.com/SaintMarkYAM, or pick up a flier from the vestibule of the church.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

The Marina Hospital is in need of Eucharistic Ministers who are available to help take communion to the sick Monday through Friday. If you are interested, or for more information, please contact Carolyn Griswold at 310-821-9862.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Saint Mark Church is in need of altar servers! Any young person, grade 5 and higher, interested in becoming an altar server for St. Mark Church, please contact Joan Horne. venicejoanie@hotmail.com

ANGELUS NEWS

The Tidings is becoming the Angeles News! Since 1895 The Tidings, the newspaper of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, has been telling the story of the Church in Los Angeles and across the globe. Beginning July 1 The Tidings transformed to become a multimedia platform: **Angelus News**. The new presence will include a weekly magazine, a website (AngelusNews.com), social media channels and a daily digital newsletter. Pope Francis has shown us how to utilize the vast communications vehicles available to us, and Angelus will follow his lead. Look for more national and worldwide reporting, stunning photography and a new design that's attractive to all ages. As the largest archdiocese in the United States, we have a great story to tell. Our parishes and community of faith are the core of our story. And Angelus News will tell it well. We're bringing on new writers—just wait and see the names—but we're keeping the contributors you already love to read: Archbishop Gomez, Bishop Barron, Father Ronald Rolheiser and Heather King. We're proud of our past, but looking to the future. They launched on July 1, the Feast of St. Junipero Serra. His motto was "Always forward, never back." We're taking his words to heart to better serve you. For more information visit, AngelusNews.com.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

HOMELESS MINISTRY

The Homeless Ministry of St. Mark in conjunction with our neighbors Safe Place for Youth (SPY) serves the homeless youth between the ages of 18-25 on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. If you would like to volunteer please call MaryAnn Long at 310-717-2645.

VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you or anyone you know is in need of receiving the sacrament of the anointing of the sick or is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion please call the rectory at 310-821-5058 to arrange a time for a visit.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Tuesday:	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Saturday:	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:	Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	2 Cor 4:7-15; Sal 126 (125):1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Martes:	Jer 14:17-22; Sal 79 (78):8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
Miércoles:	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Sal 59 (58):2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
Jueves:	Jer 18:1-6; Sal 146 (145):1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Viernes:	Jer 26:1-9; Sal 69 (68):5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 o Lc 10:38-42
Sábado:	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Sal 69 (68):15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Domingo:	Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lc 12:13-21

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education

Registrations for Religious Education programs for Early Childhood (4-5yr olds), Elementary (grades 1-6), Middle Grades (7-8) and Confirmation (grades 9 and above) are now being accepted. Please call 310-822-1201 for more information.

Volunteers Needed

Thank you to those parishioners who are considering ministry with our parish teens in our Confirmation program or with adults who are preparing for membership in the church through RCIA. If you need more information about these opportunities please call the Religious Education Office.

An Invitation

Do you know someone who has been waiting for an invitation to inquire about membership in the Catholic Church and the Sacraments of Initiation? A new group of inquirers is now forming on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the school. This is the first step in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) process. We are each called to share the Good News. Invite someone today! Please call the Office of Religious Education for more information.



This Week at St. Mark's July 25 - July 31, 2016

Mon.	8:00am Mass - Church Bible Study 7:00pm - School Meditation Group 6:30pm - School Spanish Leaders 7:00pm - School
Tues.	8:00am Mass - Church
Wed.	8:00am Mass - Church RCIA Inquiry 6:30pm - School Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm - Church Legion of Mary 7:00pm - School
Thurs.	8:00am Mass - Church Spanish Prayer Group 7:00pm - Church Spanish Youth Group 7:00pm - School
Fri.	8:00am Mass - Church
Sat.	8:00am Mass - Church
Sun.	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Times: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm (Spanish) 5:30pm - Church Theology on Tap 6:30pm - Hall

Mass Schedule

Sat. July 30	5:30pm Fr. Paul Spellman
Sun. July 31	7:30am Fr. Michael Tang 9:00am Fr. Paul Spellman 10:30am Fr. Paul Spellman 12:00pm Fr. Paul Spellman 5:30pm Msgr. John Morales



Sat. July 23	5:30pm Tommy & Agnes Russell †
Sun. July 24	7:30am Susan Ziello Miller † 9:00am Arvid Strelis † 10:30am Ys Hsieh † 12:00pm Enfermos del todo el mundo 5:30pm Adam Lucero
Mon. July 25	8:00am Mark Romero †
Tues. July 26	8:00am Jeanette Vines †
Wed. July 27	8:00am Maria Jaramillo †
Thurs. July 28	8:00am David Woods †
Fri. July 29	8:00am San Judas
Sat. July 30	8:00am George Vanderwall †

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).

Psalm — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).

Gospel — Jesus speaks of God's sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Por el bien de los diez no destruiré la ciudad (Génesis 18:20-32).

Salmo — Te damos gracias de todo corazón (Salmo 138 [137]).

Segunda lectura — Enterrados con Cristo en el bautismo, también fuimos resucitados con él, todas nuestras transgresiones son perdonadas (Colosenses 2:12-14).

Evangelio — Pidan y recibirán, el Padre da el Espíritu Santo a los que se lo piden (Lucas 11:1-13).

SAFE GUARD THE CHILDREN

Parents should avoid lecturing and start talking

Lecturing teenagers may feel like the right path to take, especially if they are starting to develop bad habits or make poor choices, but lecturing is usually the least effective way to get your message across. Children tend to see lectures as condescending and abstract, and this detracts from the wisdom and advice you are trying to provide. Instead of lecturing, try to engage your child in calm, open conversation that addresses the issue while allowing you both to talk about what's going on. For more tips and a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Communication Tip No. 11: Why Lecturing Doesn't Work," email vjvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call (213) 637-7227.

For particular help you may call Suzanne Healy, director of Assistance Ministry at [\(213\) 637-7650](tel:(213)637-7650) or Helene Hickey at 310-821-6612.

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Los padres de familia deben evitar sermonear y comenzar a platicar

Sermonear a los adolescentes puede sentirse como el mejor camino a seguir, especialmente si ellos comienzan a desarrollar malos hábitos o a hacer malas decisiones, pero sermonear es usualmente la forma menos efectiva para transmitir su mensaje. Los niños tienden a ver los sermones como altivos y abstractos, y esto le quita valor a la sabiduría y consejo que usted está tratando de dar. En lugar de sermonear, trate de involucrarse con su hijo/hija en una conversación calmada y abierta, en la que trate el asunto de una forma que les permita a ambos hablar sobre lo que está pasando. Para más consejos y una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® "Communication Tip No. 11: Why Lecturing Doesn't Work" (Consejo de Comunicación No. 11: ¿Por qué sermonear no funciona?) escriba un correo electrónico a bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org o llame al (213) 637-7508.

Para obtener ayuda puede llamar a Suzanne Healy, directora del Ministerio de Ayuda al [\(213\) 637-7650](tel:(213)637-7650) o llame a Helene Hickey 310-821-6612.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes when bishops are consecrated, they are not given the care of a diocese as an "ordinary." A very old tradition, however, assures that they are invested with a "see," a link with a local church. Many hundreds of places around the world were dioceses at one time, but are no longer. In England, for example, some of the historic dioceses such as London, Salisbury, and Manchester ceased to be Catholic at the Reformation and their cathedrals passed to the Church of England. The reestablishment of the Catholic Church in the nineteenth century meant that new dioceses had to be created, such as at Liverpool and Westminster. Similarly, in Scandinavia the ancient Catholic dioceses vanished under Lutheranism. In North Africa, tiny dioceses disappeared under the sands or were swept away by Islam.

In the United States, some original dioceses never really developed as population centers, such as the old dioceses of Bardstown, Vincennes, Sault Ste. Marie, or Walla Walla. The tradition of "titular sees" assures that the ancient churches are always held in prayer, as the bishop celebrates Mass in its memory a few times a year.

KEEP PRAYING

St. Monica, whose feast we celebrate in August, is often known as "the persistent mother." She watched her oldest son, Augustine, turn his back on his Christian faith.

Monica was exasperated. For years she gave up talking directly to her son on the advice of a local bishop, who told her that it was better to talk to God about Augustine than to Augustine about God.

The mother never gave up praying for her son. Eventually Augustine gave up his wild ways, was baptized, and later ordained and named bishop of Hippo. St. Augustine went on to become one of the Church's greatest scholars.

Today's readings address the importance of persistent prayer. Abraham, in spite of trepidation that he is bothering the Lord, continues to ask about the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Jesus, in Luke's Gospel, tells his disciples to "ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). This is our charge: keep praying.