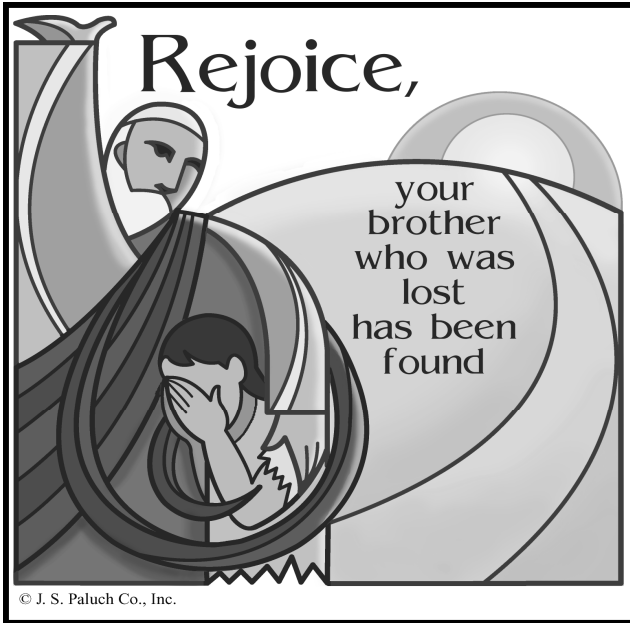


# CHURCH OF SAINT MARK

**FR. MICHAEL ROCHA** (*Pastor*)  
**FR. FRANCISCO A. GARCIA** (*Associate Pastor*)  
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**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm  
Closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm

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

**Daily Masses:** Monday - Saturday 8:00 am

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

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

**Confessions:** Saturday 4:30 - 5:15 pm

**Baptism:** 3rd weekend of each month.  
Contact 821-5058

**Marriage:** 6 months notice is required.  
Contact 821-5058 for an  
appointment.

**Anointing of The Sick:** Sacrament for the sick is  
celebrated upon request.  
Contact 821-5058

**Holy Eucharistic for the Sick:** Communion is given upon request.  
Contact 821-5058

## Parish Staff

Maintenance/Mgr.	Antonio Rodriguez .....821-5058
Rectory Care	Sandra Perez .....821-5058
Rec./Church Care	Catalina Blasi .....821-5058
Secretary	Gabriela Bravo .....821-5058
Secretary	Blanca Meza .....821-5058

## Liturgy

Altar Servers	Joan Horne.....463-9017
Altar Society	Chris Putziger.....396-3265

## Eucharistic Ministry:

To the Sick (Eng)	Fr. Francisco Garcia ...821-5058
To the Sick (Esp)	Romeo Santos .....973-4129
In Church	Mary Ann Welchance 821-6612
	Joan Horne.....463-9017

## Ministry of the Word

English	Kim Braun .....574-2649
Spanish	Erick Yela .....463-9080
Wedding Coord.	Rocio Cappalonga .....902-9045
Quinceañera Coord.	Gabriela Bravo .....821-5058

## Music

Music Director	Maeve Cummings .....902-0109
Adult Choir	Valerie Vinnard ... 323-804-7720
Spanish Choir	Alex Venegas..... 213-675-0564
Organist/Pianist	Mark Balling.....310-478-8836
	Cherry Lappin .....821-5058
	Bill Rolston (Eng) .....396-5892

## Greeter

## Ushers

## Parish School

Principal	Mary Ann McQueen ...821-6612
Secretary	Mary Ann Welchance 821-6612
Secretary	Maria Donaldson.....821-6612

## Religious Education

Director	Judy Girard.....822-1201 ext 249
Office Secretary	Maria Acosta...822-1201 ext 250
Confirmation	George Martin.822-1201 ext 248
R.C.I.A.	Susan Lewis...822-1201 ext 247

## Parish Organization

Bereavement Ministry	Fritz Hirt..... 765-3772 wk .....827-1585 hm
Guadalupanas	Isaias Flores.....391-5085
Knights of Columbus	Lupe Garcia.....505-3990
Power House of Prayer	Barbara Kennedy .....823-9387
Prayer Group (Esp)	Javier Hernandez .....735-7013
Legion of Mary	Lorene Ross.....306-2796
Cursillo Group	George & Frances Martin..... .....572-1242

## Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry (Eng)	.....822-1201
Youth Ministry (Spa)	Fabiola Andrade.....945-6044

<b>FROM OUR PASTOR</b>
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***Pastor's Corner***

It truly feels like only yesterday that 10 classmates and I processed into the Cathedral of Saint Vibiana in downtown Los Angeles on September 10, 1988 to be ordained to the Priesthood. It was a day filled with emotion and excitement. The cathedral was filled to capacity. Our parents sat in the front row and in front of them were the chasubles and stoles that we would change into later after we were ordained. The Rite of Ordination is one of the ancient rites of the church filled with great symbolism and majesty. The highlights of the rite were the Calling of each candidate by name, the Promise of Obedience to the Archbishop and his successors, the Laying of Hands on the head of each candidate by the Archbishop (this is the moment of ordination). Following the laying on of hands by the Archbishop every bishop and priest present also came forward to lay hands on each newly ordained priest. We were then invested with the stole and chasuble that was presented to our vesting priests by our parents. Afterwards each of us had our hands anointed with the Oil of Chrism. The rite concluded with the presentation of a chalice and the Kiss of Peace by the Archbishop and bishops. The rest of the Mass continued as usual until after the distribution of Holy Communion. Prior to the final blessing each newly ordained blessed the Archbishop and bishops and then went down to our parents to impart on them our first priestly blessing. The Mass concluded with the entire ordination class imparting the final blessing on the congregation together the Archbishop.

The next day, September 11, 1988 we each celebrated our First Mass in our home parishes as principal celebrant (technically we had already celebrated our first Mass as Concelebrants with the Archbishop at the Mass of Ordination). It was at my first Mass that my parents presented me with the Chalice that I use at all my Masses. It was a gift from them and their names are inscribed on the bottom of my chalice. At each Mass that I celebrate they are remembered.

There were 23 in my seminary class. Eleven of us were ordained for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The rest of my classmates were ordained for their respective dioceses, namely, the dioceses of San Diego, Orange, San Bernardino, Monterrey, Stockton, Phoenix and Tucson. Of the 23 ordained 19 remain priests today. Of the 11 ordained for Los Angeles 9 of us remain in the ministry.

Twenty-Five years later I am still excited to be a priest as well as a Pastor. I would not trade these past 25 years for anything in the world. I treasure the priesthood that I am able to share with each of you. There have been some incredible experiences and moments over the years. I have been truly blessed. There have been some challenging moments and failures along the way as well. Priests are not perfect, I am not perfect. Please forgive me for those regretful moments.

As a priest I have been blessed to have been assigned to some wonderful parishes and pastors who have served as mentors. I am grateful to the Catholic Communities of St. Martha, Valinda; St. Monica, Santa Monica; St. John Fisher, Rancho Palos Verdes and of course St. Mark, Venice.

Today we celebrate each other and today I give thanks for each of you who share in my priesthood. Please pray for me, all priests and for an increase of vocations to the priesthood. I am so blessed to be the Pastor of Saint Mark Church.

***Father Michael Rocha***

***La Esquina del Párroco***

Realmente siento como fuera ayer que 10 compañeros y yo fuimos ordenados al sacerdocio en la Catedral de Santa Vibiana en centro de Los Angeles el 10 de septiembre de 1988. Fue un día lleno de emoción y excitación. La Catedral estaba llena a capacidad. Nuestros padres se sentaban en la primera fila y frente a ellos estaban las casullas y estolas que cambiaríamos más tarde después de ser ordenados. El rito de ordenación es uno de los ritos de la iglesia lleno de gran simbolismo y majestad. Los aspectos más destacados del rito eran el llamado de cada candidato por su nombre, la Promesa de Obediencia al Arzobispo y sus sucesores, la Imposición de Manos sobre la cabeza de cada candidato por el Arzobispo (este es el momento de la ordenación). Siguiendo la imposición de manos del Arzobispo cada obispo y sacerdote presente también vienen a poner las manos sobre cada sacerdote recién ordenado. Después fuimos vestidos con la estola y la casulla que fueron presentadas por nuestros padres a los sacerdotes que nos iban a investir. Luego a cada uno de nosotros le ungieron las manos con el Aceite de la Crisma. El rito concluyó con la presentación de un cáliz y el Beso de la Paz por el Arzobispo y los obispos. El resto de la Misa siguió como de costumbre hasta después de la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión. Antes de la bendición final cada uno de los recién ordenados bendijo al Arzobispo y a los obispos y luego bajamos a donde estaban nuestros padres para impartir sobre ellos nuestra primera bendición sacerdotal. La Misa concluyó con los sacerdotes que fueron ordenados junto con el Arzobispo impartiendo la bendición final a la congregación.

Al día siguiente, 11 de septiembre de 1988 cada uno celebros su primera Misa en su parroquia como celebrante principal (técnicamente habíamos ya celebramos nuestra primera Misa como concelebrantes con el Arzobispo en la Misa de Ordenación). Fue en mi primera Misa que mis padres me presentaron el cáliz que uso en todas mis Misas. Fue un regalo de ellos y sus nombres están inscritos en el fondo de mi cáliz. En cada Misa que celebros ellos son recordados.

En nuestra clase del seminario había 23 seminaristas. Once de nosotros fuimos ordenados por la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles. El resto de mis compañeros fueron ordenados por sus respectivas diócesis, las diócesis de San Diego, Orange, San Bernardino, Monterrey, Stockton, Phoenix y Tucson. De los 23 que fuimos ordenados, hoy solo 19 todavía son sacerdotes. De los 11 ordenados para Los Ángeles 9 de nosotros permanecemos en el Ministerio.

Veinticinco años más tarde todavía me emociona ser sacerdote, así como Pastor. No cambiaría estos últimos 25 años por nada en el mundo. Atesoro el sacerdocio que puedo compartir con cada uno de ustedes. Ha habido algunas experiencias increíbles y momentos durante los años. He sido verdaderamente bendecido. En el camino también ha habido algunos fracasos y momentos desafiantes. Los sacerdotes no son perfectos, no soy perfecto. Por favor, perdónenme si alguna vez los he ofendido.

Como sacerdote he sido bendecido porque he sido asignado a algunas parroquias maravillosas y pastores que han servido como mis mentores. Estoy agradecido a las comunidades católicas de Santa Marta, Valinda; Santa Mónica, Santa Mónica; San Juan Fisher, Rancho Palos Verdes y por supuesto San Marcos, Venice.

Hoy celebramos el uno al otro y hoy doy gracias por cada uno de ustedes que comparten en mi sacerdocio. Por favor oren por mí, por todos los sacerdotes y por un aumento en las vocaciones al sacerdocio. Es una bendición ser el Pastor de la iglesia de San Marcos.

***Padre Michael Rocha***

**SPIRITUAL LIFE****You are Invited!**

Sunday, September 15, 2013  
12:30pm\*

**Mass of Thanksgiving**  
in  
celebration of the

25th Anniversary of Ordination  
Of  
Father Michael Rocha, Pastor  
Saint Mark Church

Reception to follow in the  
Garfield Parking Lot

*\*Special Mass time for this special bi-lingual Mass.  
The usual 12:00noon Mass will not be celebrated.*

**SPIRITUAL LIFE****!Usted está invitado!**

Domingo, 15 de septiembre de 2013  
12:30pm \*

**Misa de acción de Gracias**  
en  
celebración del

25 ° Aniversario de la Ordenación  
del  
Padre Michael Rocha, Pastor  
Iglesia San Marcos

Después de la Misa habrá una recepción  
en el Estacionamiento de Garfield

*\*Tiempo especial para esta Misa bilingüe.  
No se celebrará la Misa de 12 del mediodía.*

**SPECIAL NOTE - SEPTEMBER 15TH**

Because of logistics related to the Jubilee celebration earlier in the afternoon for Fr. Michael's 25th Anniversary Mass and Reception there will NOT be a Sunday evening 5:30pm Mass on September 15th. If you do not wish to attend the Jubilee celebration please join us at one of our earlier Sunday Masses.

**RED MASS**

All Members of the Legal Community are invited to the 31st Annual Red Mass on Thursday, October 3, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. At the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels 555 W. Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012. The Homilist: Msgr. Craig Cox, J.C.D. There will be a reception immediately following in the Cathedral Conference Center. For further information please call 626-914-8942 or laredmass1@verizon.net

**KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS**

The Knight's of Columbus is sponsoring a Pala Casino bus trip fund raiser on Friday, October 11th. The event costs \$25 and includes \$5 in gambling money, drinks and food, and the bus. The bus will leave St Mark at 9:30 am and will return around 7:00 pm. Reservations are required. Contact Terry Ballentine at [310-351-9743](tel:310-351-9743) for more information.

Lupe Garcia, Grand Knight,  
Knights of Columbus, Marina Council 4834  
(310) 505-3990

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10  
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17  
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35  
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50  
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3  
Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13  
Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Sal 28 (27):2, 7-9; Lc 7:1-10  
Martes: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Sal 101 (100):1b-3ab, 5-6; Lc 7:11-17  
Miércoles: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Sal 111 (110):1-6; Lc 7:31-35  
Jueves: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Sal 111 (110):7-10; Lc 7:36-50  
Viernes: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Sal 49 (48):6-10, 17-20; Lc 8:1-3  
Sábado: Ef 4:1-7, 11-13; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Mt 9:9-13  
Domingo: Am 8:4-7; Sal 113 (112):1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lc 16:1-13 [10-13]

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**

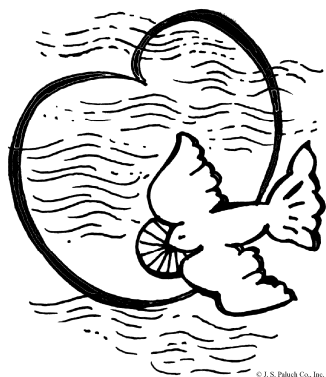
All those who share their faith with the children, youth, and adults in the ministry of Faith Formation at St. Mark will be honored during a commissioning rite next Sunday Sept. 22 at the 9am mass. The theme of the new catechetical year is "Open the Door of Faith," which is an invitation for all to bring the good news of Jesus to others. For whom will you "open the door of faith?"

**Confirmation**

The Confirmation preparation process for teens in grades 9-12 is beginning soon. Registration is required. For further information please call the Religious Education Office.

**RCIA**

Inquiry into membership in the Catholic Church and the Sacraments of Initiation meets each Wednesday at 6:30pm in St. Mark School. Please call the Religious Education Office for more information and to let us know you are coming.



**This Week at St. Mark's Sept 16 - Sept 22, 2013**

- Mon. Meditation & Gentle Stretching 6:30pm - School  
Please Call to Reserve (310)822-1201  
Bible Study 7:00pm - School  
Spanish Leaders 7:00pm - School  
Baptismal Prep Class 7:00pm - School
- Tues. Jr Hi RE 6:30 PM - School  
Legion of Mary Eng & Sp 7:00pm - School  
Communion & Liberation 7:00pm - Hall
- Wed. Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm - Church
- Thurs. Bible Study 11:00am - RE Office  
Meditation & Gentle Stretching 6:30pm - School  
Spanish Youth Group 7:00pm - Hall  
Spanish Prayer Group 7:00pm - Church
- Fri. 8:00am Mass
- Sat. 8:00am Mass
- Sun. 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Early Childhood 9:00am  
Children's Liturgy 9:00am

## Mass/Schedule

Sat,	Sept	21	5:30pm	Fr. Michael
Sun,	Sept	22	7:30am	Fr. Tom King
			9:00am	Fr. Michael
			10:30am	Fr. Michael
			12:30pm	Fr. Marc
			5:30pm	Fr. Luis Proenca

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sept	14	5:30pm	Marie Killane †
Sept	15	7:30am	Kassandra Hernandez †
		9:00am	Maria Cueva †
		10:30am	People of the Parish
		12:30pm	Fr. Michael Rocha & his special intentions
Sept	16	8:00am	Peter Tri Lai
Sept	17	8:00am	Peter Tri Lai
Sept	18	8:00am	Sean McNamara †
Sept	19	8:00am	Fr. Michael Rocha
Sept	20	8:00am	Celia Albi †
Sept	21	8:00am	Maria Mason †

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — "Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt?" (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

**Psalm** — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

**Second Reading** — The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

**Gospel** — There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — Porque Moisés intercedió, el Señor se ablandó y no castigó al pueblo por su maldad (Éxodo 32:7-11, 13-14).

**Salmo** — Me levantaré y volveré a mi padre (Salmo 51 [50]).

**Segunda lectura** — Pablo expresa su gratitud por haber sido nombrado al ministerio de Cristo (1 Timoteo 1:12-17).

**Evangelio** — Hay gran regocijo en el cielo cuando un pecador se arrepiente (Lucas 15:1-32) [1-10].

**SAFE GUARD THE CHILDREN**

**All Catholic school personnel are screened, trained to detect child abuse**

Did you know that all Catholic school personnel in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are screened for their ability to work safely with children, are provided information and training to help them recognize and deal with issues of child sexual abuse and are offered guidance and instruction on appropriate professional conduct with students? Likewise, all seminarians and candidates for the diaconate go through extensive evaluation and psychological assessment before entering formation. After ordination, priests and deacons receive ongoing training on maintaining the integrity of the ministerial relationship.

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

**PROTEGIENDO A LOS NINOS**


**El personal de escuelas es evaluado, entrenado para detección de abuso infantil**

¿Sabía usted que todo el personal de las escuelas católicas en la Arquidiócesis de Los Angeles son evaluados para determinar su capacidad de trabajo y seguridad con los niños, reciben información y entrenamiento para ayudarles a reconocer y a ocuparse de los asuntos del abuso sexual de niños y se les ofrece dirección e instrucción sobre la conducta profesional apropiada con los estudiantes? Asimismo, todos los seminaristas y candidatos al diaconado son extensamente evaluados psicológicamente antes de incorporarse a la formación. Después de la ordenación, los sacerdotes y los diáconos reciben entrenamiento en cursos continuos sobre el mantenimiento de la integridad en la relación ministerial.

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

**LEGION OF MARY**

Are you striving towards holiness and spiritual growth? Join the Legion of Mary on Tuesday's at 7:00pm in the school. For information call: Lorene Ross at 310-306-2796



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**ST. MARK SCHOOL**



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SMS is back to school!

It has been an exciting start to school with many new students joining the SMS community and some exciting new changes. Just today students were given their new gmail accounts, which will allow them to store and share documents over time as well as communicate with their teachers and classmates each day. The ipad and laptop carts that were recently acquired are now fully operational and being used by teachers and students in the classroom each day. The wireless access points that were added are providing great access to all who are online and accessing Chrome applications. It's all very exciting!

Football and volleyball teams are beginning their fall schedules and practicing regularly. Other after school programs will begin next week and include studio arts and crafts, yoga and gymnastics. Next week the Spanish language program will begin as well.

If you are interested in finding out about admission for SMS plan to attend an informational session and tour on October 8, 2013 from 8:00 – 10:00 am.

We are offering a Virtus class Saturday, September 21, 2013 from 1-4pm. RSVP is required.

We are all excited about the upcoming special jubilee celebration for Father Michael and want to congratulate him on this amazing milestone!

For more information please contact us at (310) 821-6612 or by email at principal@stmarkschool.com.

Have a great week!  
Mary Ann McQueen, Principal

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*Saint Mark School*  
◆Educating Children in the Way, the Truth, and the Life◆  
*Transitional Kindergarten through Grade 8*  
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