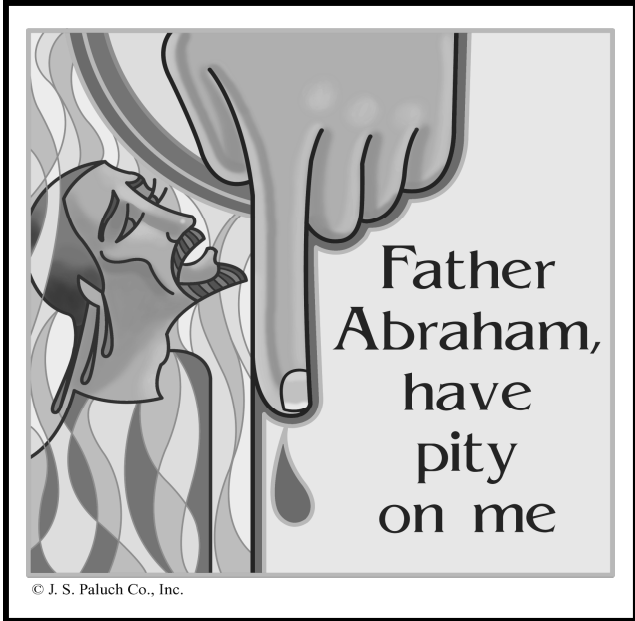


CHURCH OF SAINT MARK

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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

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| Maintenance/Mgr. | Antonio Rodriguez821-5058 |
| Rectory Care | Sandra Perez821-5058 |
| Rec./Church Care | Catalina Blasi821-5058 |
| Secretary | Gabriela Bravo821-5058 |
| Secretary | Blanca Meza821-5058 |

Liturgy

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

Eucharistic Ministry:

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| To the Sick (Eng) | Fr. Francisco Garcia ...821-5058 |
| To the Sick (Esp) | Romeo Santos973-4129 |
| In Church | Mary Ann Welchance 821-6612 |
| | Joan Horne.....463-9017 |

Ministry of the Word

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| English | Terri Ong560-0979 |
| Spanish | Erick Yela463-9080 |
| Wedding Coord. | Rocio Cappalonga902-9045 |
| Quinceañera Coord. | Gabriela Bravo821-5058 |

Music

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| Music Director | Maeve Cummings902-0109 |
| Adult Choir | Valerie Vinnard ... 323-804-7720 |
| Spanish Choir | Alex Venegas 213-675-0564 |
| Organist/Pianist | Mark Balling310-478-8836 |
| | Cherry Lappin821-5058 |
| | Steve Gunning (Eng) ..906-9035 |

Greeter

Ushers

Parish School

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

Religious Education

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| 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

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| Bereavement Ministry | Fritz Hirt.....765-3772 wk827-1585 hm |
| Guadalupanas | Isaias Flores.....391-5085 |
| Knights of Columbus | Lupe Garcia.....505-3990 |
| Power House of Prayer | Barbara Kennedy823-9387 |
| Prayer Group (Esp) | Javier Hernandez735-7013 |
| Legion of Mary | Lorene Ross.....306-2796 |
| Cursillo Group | George & Frances Martin.....572-1242 |

Youth Ministry

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

FROM OUR PASTOR

Pastor's Corner

Last Sunday we celebrated Catechetical Sunday (a week late because of my 25th Anniversary celebration the previous week). Following the homily all those in our Saint Mark Community who decided to share their gifts and faith as catechists, teachers, group leaders, educators and volunteers throughout this next year came forward and stood in the sanctuary of our church. The sanctuary was filled with smiling faces. Some have done this year after year after year. Some were newer at this than others. In the end all vowed to commit themselves to serve the catechetical needs of our parishioners - from the very youngest members of our community up to and including long time parishioners.

I think it is important to mention that all of these men and women are volunteers. They are serving here at St. Mark's because they want to serve, because they feel called to serve. Maybe at the beginning of their service they were a little nervous, or even apprehensive, but with God's grace and assistance all things are possible. One of our volunteers has been a catechist for 45 years! Through our Religious Education Program, under the direction of Judy Girard, hundreds of children, teens and adults come to St. Mark's each week to build-up, renew and be strengthened in their faith journey.

Also participating and committing themselves to serve as catechists were the Principal, Staff and Teachers of our parish school. Each day the entire Saint Mark School community educates and guides the students, and their families, in the ways of Christ as well as their academic courses. Presently nearly 30% of our students, and their families, are non-Catholic. Regardless of whether they are Catholic, or not, all students take religion courses and participate (as much as allowed) in religious services. Saint Mark's is a Catholic School educating all its students in Judeo-Christian principals and moral teachings. Under the leadership of Mary Ann McQueen, Principal, St. Mark School is an integral apostolate of our Saint Mark Community.

To all of volunteers, leaders and staff, both in our Parish School and Religious Education Program, thank you again for volunteering and your excellent service to our Community.

This Sunday afternoon the Knights of Columbus from St. Mark's are hosting their annual St. Mark Community Picnic at Chevron Park in El Segundo. This event is for everyone in the community. This annual event is an opportunity for us to gather as a community simply to have fun in a beautiful setting away from our usual parish surroundings. If you can join us for even a little while I am sure your efforts will be rewarded with a wonderful time. If you can, bring a dish to share at the community pot-luck table. Hamburgers, hotdogs and beverages will be provided free. See you there.

I wish to continue encouraging those who might be interested in joining the Catholic Church to consider entering this year's RCIA process. If you know of someone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church encourage them to contact Susan Lewis, RCIA Coordinator, in our Religious Education Office. Everyone's faith journey is different. Whether someone is baptized, or just baptized Catholic and no other sacraments, there is a place for you in our RCIA program. Please inquire as soon as possible to join this year (the official program begins soon).

May the Lord bless each and every one of you. I hope you feels God's love this week in a special way.

Father Michael Rocha

La Esquina del Párroco

El domingo pasado celebramos el Domingo Catequético (una semana después de mi 25 aniversario). Tras la homilía todos aquellos en nuestra comunidad de San Marcos que decidieron compartir sus dones y fe como catequistas, maestros, líderes de grupo, educadores y voluntarios a lo largo de este año que viene se acercaron y estaban parados en el Santuario de nuestra iglesia. El Santuario estaba lleno de caras sonrientes. Algunos han hecho esto año tras año tras año. Algunos eran más nuevos en esto que otros. Al final todos profesaron comprometerse para servir a las necesidades catequéticas de nuestros feligreses - desde los miembros mas jóvenes de nuestra comunidad hasta e incluyendo los feligreses que hace mucho tiempo que son miembros.

Creo que es importante mencionar que todos estos hombres y mujeres son voluntarios. Están sirviendo aquí en San Marcos porque quieren servir, porque se sienten llamados a servir. Tal vez al principio de su servicio estaban un poco nerviosos, o incluso aprensivos, pero con la ayuda de Dios todas las cosas son posibles. Uno de nuestros voluntarios ha sido catequista durante 45 años. A través de nuestro programa de Educación Religiosa, bajo la dirección de Judy Girard, cientos de niños, adolescentes y adultos vienen cada semana a San Marcos a renovar y fortalecer su fe.

La Directora, personal y maestros de nuestra escuela parroquial también participaron y se comprometieron a servir como catequistas. Cada día toda la comunidad de la escuela de San Marcos educa y guía a los estudiantes y sus familias en los caminos de Cristo, así como sus cursos académicos. Actualmente casi el 30% de nuestros estudiantes y sus familias, son no-católicos. Independientemente de si son católicos, o no, todos los estudiantes toman cursos de religión y participan (tanto como se permite) en los servicios religiosos. San Marcos es una escuela católica de educar a todos sus estudiantes en Judeo-principios cristianos y las enseñanzas morales. Bajo el liderazgo de Mary Ann McQueen, Directora, la escuela San Marcos es un apostolado integral de nuestra comunidad de San Marcos.

A todos los voluntarios, dirigentes y personal, tanto en nuestra escuela parroquial como en el programa de Educación Religiosa, gracias otra vez por ser voluntarios y su excelente servicio a nuestra comunidad.

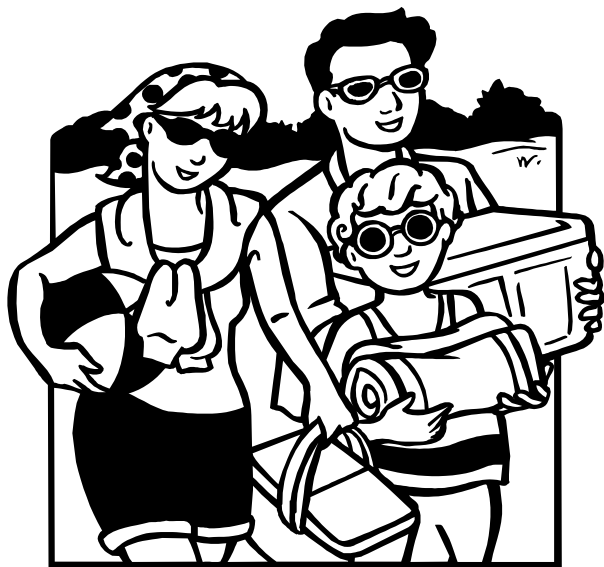
Este domingo por la tarde los caballeros de Colón de San Marcos están organizando su Picnic anual en el Parque Chevron en El Segundo. Este evento es para todos en la comunidad. Este evento anual es una oportunidad para reunirse como comunidad. Simplemente para divertirse fuera de nuestro entorno habitual de la parroquia. Si puede unirse a nosotros estoy seguro de que sus esfuerzos serán recompensados con un tiempo maravilloso. Si pueden, traigan un plato de comida para compartir. Se proporcionaran gratis hamburguesas, perritos calientes y bebidas. Nos vemos allí.

Quiero seguir animando a aquellos que puedan estar interesados en unirse a la iglesia católica y que consideren entrar este año en el proceso de RCIA. Si usted sabe de alguien que este interesado en unirse a la iglesia católica animelo a que se pongan en contacto con Susan Lewis, Coordinadora de RCIA, llamando a nuestra oficina de educación religiosa. La jornada de fe de cada uno es diferente. Si alguien esta bautizado, o simplemente bautizado católico y no tiene otros sacramentos, existe un lugar para ti en nuestro programa de RCIA. Investigue por favor tan pronto como sea posible a unirse a este año (el programa oficial comienza pronto).

Que el Señor bendiga a todos y cada uno de ustedes. Espero que esta semana sientan el amor de Dios de una manera especial.

Padre Michael Rocha

SPIRITUAL LIFE



ST. MARK COMMUNITY PICNIC

The St. Mark Community Picnic is this weekend, Sunday September 29th at Chevron Park, in El Segundo from 12:00 - 4:30pm. Come and celebrate with the entire Saint Mark Community. Bring your favorite dish to share. We'll have plenty of hamburgers, hotdogs, corn and soft drinks.

KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS

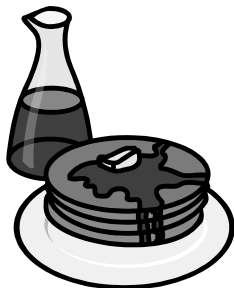


The Knight's of Columbus is sponsoring a Pala Casino bus trip fund raiser on Friday, October 11th. The event costs \$25 and includes \$5 in gambling money, drinks and food, and the bus. The bus will leave St Mark at 9:30 am and will return around 7:00 pm. Reservations are required. Contact

Terry Ballentine at [310-351-9743](tel:310-351-9743) for more information.

On October 20th, please join us for the Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass at 9:00am. The Knights will also be hosting a delicious pancake breakfast in the parish hall after all morning masses! Yum!

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



SPIRITUAL LIFE

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

GUADALUPE SOCIETY

The Guadalupe Society invites you to a Mexican Luncheon! Sunday, October 27th from 10:30aam to 2:30pm in the Deacon Compean Hall. Please join us for tamales, enchiladas or menudo. Adults \$5.00 per plate and Children \$3.00 per plate.

LA SOCIEDAD GUADALUPANA DE SAN MARCOS

La Sociedad Guadalupeana de San Marcos los invita a su lonche de Comida Mexicana, domingo 27 de octubre de 10:30am a 2:30pm en el Salón Parroquial Diacono Compean. Adultos \$5.00 por plato y niños \$3.00 por plato.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
- Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
- Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 91:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
- Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
- Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
- Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: Zac 8:1-8; Sal 102 (101):16-21, 29, 22-23; Lc 9:46-50
- Martes: Zac 8:20-23; Sal 87 (86):1b-7; Lc 9:51-56
- Miércoles: Ne 2:1-8; Sal 91 (90):1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Jueves: Ne 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Lc 10:1-12
- Viernes: Bar 1:15-22; Sal 79 (78):1b-5, 8-9; Lc 10:13-16
- Sábado: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Sal 69 (68):33-37; Lc 10:17-24
- Domingo: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lc 17:5-10

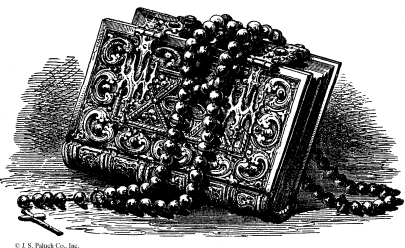
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RCIA

A person becomes a member of the Catholic Church by entering a four-step process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This process leads each non-Christian or non-Catholic to the celebration of the Easter sacraments and assists the person to live the journey of faith in relationship to the person of Jesus Christ within the Catholic community. RCIA is also for those adults who may be baptized Catholic but may never have been active and wish to celebrate Confirmation and Eucharist. (There is a separate preparation for adults who seek Confirmation only.) This weekend at the conclusion of masses on Saturday evening and Sunday morning we will hear a brief sharing from some of those parishioners who have been part of the RCIA process and are now active at St. Mark.


The theme for this new catechetical year is “Open the Door of Faith.” This is a call to all of us. If you are a fully initiated Catholic, there may be someone in your life who is waiting for an invitation to inquire about membership in the church. For whom will you “open the door?”

Various RCIA team members will also be outside on the patio after these masses to answer your questions about RCIA or feel free to call the Religious Education Office at 310-822-1201.



This Week at St. Mark’s Sept 30 - Oct 6, 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
- 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. 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Early Childhood 9:00am
Children’s Liturgy 9:00am


Mass/Schedule

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| Sat, Oct 5 | 5:30pm | Fr. Michael |
| Sun, Oct 6 | 7:30am | Fr. Michael |
| | 9:00am | Msgr. John Morales |
| | 10:30am | Fr. Michael |
| | 12:00pm | Fr. Marc |
| | 5:30pm | Fr. Luis Proenca |


MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sept 28 | 5:30pm | Frances Ramirez † |
| Sept 29 | 7:30am | Kassandra Hernandez † |
| | 9:00am | Gus Curcio † |
| | 10:30am | People of the Parish |
| | 12:00pm | Familia Ramirez Rocha † |
| | 5:30pm | Peter Tri Lai |
| Sept 30 | 8:00am | Power House of Prayer |
| Oct 1 | 8:00am | Q.J. Jacobs & Family † |
| Oct 2 | 8:00am | Deacon M. Compean † |
| Oct 3 | 8:00am | Inez Watson |
| Oct 4 | 8:00am | Rudaciano Avila |
| Oct 5 | 8:00am | Angel Jose Franco † |

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Woe to the complacent, stretched comfortably on their couches! (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146)

Second Reading — Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

Gospel — There was a rich man who dined sumptuously each day. Lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Ay de los complacidos. Sus juergas disolutas desaparecerán (Amós 6:1a, 4-7).

Salmo — Alabemos al Señor, que viene a salvarnos (Salmo 146 [145]).

Segunda lectura — Compete bien por la fe. Guarda los mandamientos hasta que aparezca el Señor Jesús (1 Timoteo 6:11-16).

Evangelio — Recuerda que recibiste las cosas buenas durante tu vida; Lázaro recibió lo que era malo. Ahora Lázaro es consolado mientras que tú eres atormentado (Lucas 16:19-31).

SAFE GUARD THE CHILDREN

ST. MARK SCHOOL

Nearly 200,000 adults have undergone child abuse prevention training

Nearly 200,000 adults who work with children and youth have undergone child abuse prevention training through the VIRTUS program. The mandatory training helps adults to identify the types of inappropriate behavior that can lead to abuse. A key part of keeping our children safe means knowing how to prevent abuse. To learn more, please contact your parish office or call Joan Vienna, coordinator of the Archdiocese's Safeguard the Children Program, (213) 637-7227.

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



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PROTEGIENDO A LOS NINOS

Casi 200 mil adultos han sido entrenados en prevención de abuso de menores

Casi 200,000 adultos que trabajan con niños y jóvenes ya han participado en el entrenamiento de prevención de abuso de menores por medio del programa VIRTUS. El entrenamiento obligatorio ayuda a los adultos a identificar los tipos de comportamiento inadecuado que pueden conducir al abuso. La clave para mantener a nuestros niños seguros es saber cómo prevenir el abuso. Para más información, por favor comuníquese a la oficina de su parroquia o con Joan Vienna, coordinadora del programa Protección de los Niños, (213) 637-7227.

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.

COMMUNION AND LIBERATION

Communion and Liberation meets in the Parish Hall every Tuesday at 7:30pm for School of Community to help judge our lives according to the encounter that begins with Christ. All are welcome! For more information please contact T.J. Berden at: tberden@gmail.com

MEALS ON WHEELS

The Meals-on-wheels program located in Culver City, serves areas in Venice, Mar Vista, Culver City, Marina del Rey & Westchester. This invaluable program provides home delivered meals for those who need this assistance due to age, disability, illness or convalescence. For only \$7.00 per day, clients receive both a hot and cold meal. For more information please call Frances Monday - Friday between 9:30am & 12:30pm at 310-559-0666.

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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♦Educating Children in the Way, the Truth, and the Life♦
Transitional Kindergarten through Grade 8
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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

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 to schedule at 310-821-5058.

Illustration of two hands shaking with the text "Welcome to Our Community".

Farmer Family
Jason, Erany & William

Bookman Family
Randolph, Raquel, Tristan & Archer