

# CHURCH OF SAINT MARK

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

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<b>Office Hours:</b>	Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm Closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm
<b>Sunday Masses:</b>	Saturday: (Vigil) 5:30pm Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am 12 noon (Spanish) & 5:30pm
<b>Daily Masses:</b>	Monday - Saturday 8:00am
<b>Holy Day Masses:</b>	8:00am, 12:15pm and 7:00pm (Bilingual)
<b>Eucharistic Adoration :</b>	First Monday of each month 8:30am to 8:30pm
<b>Confessions:</b>	Saturday 4:30 - 5:15pm
<b>Baptism:</b>	3rd weekend of each month. Please contact the rectory office.
<b>Marriage:</b>	6 months notice is required. Please contact the rectory office.
<b>Anointing of The Sick:</b>	Sacrament for the sick is celebrated upon request. Please contact the rectory office.
<b>Holy Eucharist for the Sick:</b>	Communion is given upon request. Please contact the rectory office.

## Parish Staff

Maintenance	Antonio Rodriguez .....821-5058
Rectory Care	Maggie Robles .....821-5058
Church Care	Catalina Blasi .....821-5058
Secretary	Gabriela Bravo .....821-5058
Offertory Program	Blanca Meza .....821-5058
Pastoral Coordinator	Heidi Villaluz .....821-6612

## Liturgy

Altar Servers	Joan Horne .....463-9017
Altar Servers (Sp)	Romeo Santos .....720-0084
Altar Society	Chris Putziger .....396-3265

## Eucharistic Ministry:

In Church	MaryAnn Long .....717-2645
To the Sick (Eng)	Fr. Paul Spellman .....821-5058
In Church	Romeo Santos .....720-0084
To the Sick (Sp)	Ofelia Gonzalez .....306-8768

## Ministry of the Word

English	Michael Shindle .....821-5058
Spanish	Erick Yela .....463-9080
Wedding Coord.	Gabriela Bravo .....821-5058
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## Music

Music Director	Maeve Becker .....902-0109
Adult Choir	Valerie Vinnard ... 323-804-7720
Spanish Choir	Alex Venegas ..... 213-675-0564
Organist/Pianist	Mark Balling .....390-3646
	Steve Gunning (Eng) ..306-9035

## Ushers

## Parish School

Principal	Mary Ann McQueen ....821-6612
Secretary	Jennifer Dao .....821-6612
Secretary	Maria Donaldson .....821-6612

## Religious Education

Director	Judy Girard .....822-1201 ext 249
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Confirmation	Jaime Perez ....822-1201 ext 248
R.C.I.A.	Susan Lewis...822-1201 ext 247

## Parish Organization

Bereavement Ministry	Fritz Hirt .....827-1585
Guadalupanas	Rosa Gonzalez .....752-3891
Knights of Columbus	Steve Gunning .....306-9035
Power House of Prayer	Barbara Kennedy .....823-9387
Prayer Group (Esp)	Luis Vazquez .....424-216-2261
Legion of Mary	Horst Blasi .....306-1326
Pastoral Council	Tom Suchy .....821-5058
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St. Vincent de Paul	.....424-272-1629

## Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry (Sp)	Fernando Guzman .....702-7701
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<b>FROM OUR PASTOR</b>
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**Pastor's Corner**

Fifty years ago, in 1968, I was a 13 year-old seventh-grader growing up in segregated Memphis, Tennessee. Many other cities in America also suffered the effects of segregation, from separate schools, separate restaurants, and even separate restrooms and water fountains. And, this was not limited to the South. Cities such as Boston, Chicago, Detroit, and Philadelphia embraced much of the same discrimination against people of color.

In April of 1968 the sanitation workers in Memphis went on strike seeking better, safer working conditions, and a living wage to support their families. Almost all of the sanitation workers were African Americans. Protest marches developed, and incidents of violence occurred. At that point Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. came to Memphis with his message of nonviolence. His message was one of peace.

Many church leaders of various denominations joined together with Dr. King calling for justice and nonviolence. Our Pastor at our Catholic Church marched with Dr. King, as did many of the Religious Sisters from our Catholic School. Some parishioners challenged them with the idea that, "religion and politics don't mix." Their response was, "Maybe your religion and politics don't mix, but mine do!" And they held tight to their beliefs and continued to march.

As we know, on April 4, 1968, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated as he stood on the balcony of his motel room in Memphis. This date has been marked as one of the darkest days in American history. I remember it as if it were yesterday. My parents and other family members were shocked at this tragedy.

Now that it is 50 years later, we have to ask ourselves how much progress we have made in ending segregation and discrimination. And, the bigger question is, how do we move forward to live the Gospel message that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ?

When I was the Pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Church in South Los Angeles I met many parishioners who had had fire hoses turned on them and been beaten because of what they stood up for. I even met a woman whose uncle had been lynched. I got to know a woman whose husband played baseball in the Negro League because he was black and was not allowed to play in what we now call the Major Leagues. Some things have changed. But we still have a long way to go.

During this Easter Season let us ask the Lord to help us to see beyond race, culture, country of origin, or any other factor that might divide us, and to see the face of Christ in everyone!

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

***Father Paul Spellman***

**La Esquina del Párroco**

Hace cincuenta años, en 1968, era yo un niño de 13 años en el séptimo grado en el segregado Memphis, Tennessee. Muchas otras ciudades de América también sufrieron los efectos de la segregación de escuelas separadas, restaurantes independientes y aún baños y fuentes de agua independientes. Y esto no fue limitado al sur. Ciudades como Boston, Chicago, Detroit y Filadelfia adoptaron una gran parte de la misma discriminación contra las personas de color.

En abril de 1968 los trabajadores de saneamiento en Memphis se declararon en huelga buscando condiciones de trabajo mejores y más seguras y un salario para sostener a sus familias. Casi todos los trabajadores de saneamiento eran afroamericanos. Marchas de protesta se desarrollaron, y ocurrieron incidentes de violencia. En ese momento el Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. llegó a Memphis con su mensaje de no usar violencia. Su mensaje fue uno de la paz.

Muchos líderes religiosos de diversas denominaciones se unieron con Dr. King pidiendo justicia y no usar violencia. El Pastor de nuestra iglesia católica marchó con el Dr. King, igual que muchas de las hermanas religiosas de nuestra escuela católica. Algunos feligreses desafiaron con la idea de que, "la religión no mezcla con la política." Su respuesta fue: "tal vez su religión y su política no mezclan, pero la mía sí!" Y continuaron con su marcha.

Como sabemos, el 4 de abril de 1968, el Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. fue asesinado mientras estaba en el balcón de su habitación de motel en Memphis. Esta fecha se ha caracterizado como uno de los días más oscuros en historia. Lo recuerdo como si fuese sido ayer. Mis padres y otros familiares estaban sorprendidos por esta tragedia.

Ahora 50 años después, tenemos que preguntarnos cuanto progreso hemos logrado a poner fin a la segregación y la discriminación. ¿Y la pregunta más grande es, cómo nos movemos hacia adelante a vivir el mensaje del evangelio que todos somos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo?

Cuando era el Pastor de la iglesia "Holy Name of Jesus" en el sur de Los Ángeles conocí a muchos feligreses que les habían encendido las mangueras de fuego y golpeado debido a sus creencias. Incluso conocí a una mujer que tenía un tío que había sido linchado. También conocí a una mujer que su marido jugó béisbol en la Liga del Negro porque él era negro y no se le permitió jugar en lo que ahora llamamos las ligas grandes. Algunas cosas han cambiado. Pero todavía tenemos un camino largo por recorrer.

Durante este tiempo de Pascua déjenos pedirle al Señor que nos ayude a ver más que raza, cultura, país de origen o cualquier otro factor que podría dividirnos, para ver el rostro de Cristo en todo el mundo!

Que el Señor nos siga bendiciendo siempre y en todas las formas,

***Padre Paul Spellman***

<b>SPIRITUAL LIFE</b>
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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus will also be sponsoring a Pala Casino bus trip fund raiser Saturday, April 28th. The event costs \$25 and includes \$5 in gambling money, drinks and food, and the bus. The bus will leave St Mark at 9:30am and will return around 7:00pm. Reservations are required. Please contact Terry Ballentine at 310-351-9743.

**SAINT MARK PARISH ALBUM**

Our next Lifetouch photography session is scheduled for May 3rd - 5th. All parishioners: Singles, Couples and Families are invited to be a part of our story! A complimentary 8 x 10 photo and album will be given to all those who participate. Appointment times can be made online by visiting our web-site at [www.st-mark.net](http://www.st-mark.net) and clicking on the link on the front page.

**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.

**BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST**

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures. Today’s selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in “Jesus Christ the righteous one” (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to “repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away” (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ “expiation for our sins” (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with “Peace” and urges them to preach “repentance, for the forgiveness of sins” (Luke 24:47).

<b>READINGS FOR THE WEEK</b>
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Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday:	Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

<b>VIDA ESPIRITUAL</b>
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**LOS CABALLEROS DE COLON**

Los Caballeros de Colon están patrocinando un viaje por autobús a Pala Casino para recaudar fondos el sábado, 28 de abril. El evento cuesta \$25 e incluye \$5 para jugar, bebidas, alimentos y el autobús. El autobús saldrá de San Marcos a las 9:30am y regresará a las 7:00pm. Reservas son necesarias. Por favor póngase en contacto con Terry Ballentine en 310-351-9743.

**ALBUM DE FOTOGRAFIA DE LA PARROQUIA**

Nuestra próxima sesión de fotografía será el 3 - 5 de mayo. Todos los feligreses: Solteros, parejas y familias están invitadas a ser parte de nuestra historia. Todos los participantes recibirán una fotografía de 8 x 10 y un álbum gratis. Reservas se pueden hacer por medio de nuestro sitio [www.st-mark.net](http://www.st-mark.net).

**VISITAS A LOS ENFERMOS**

Si usted o alguien que conoce necesita recibir el Sacramento de la unción de los enfermos o no puede salir de su casa y le gustaría recibir la Sagrada comunión por favor llame a la rectoría al 310-821-5058 para ser una cita.

**CREER EN JESUCRISTO**

Durante todo el Tiempo Pascual, las tres lecturas del domingo son tomadas del Nuevo Testamento, la parte cristiana de la Sagrada Escritura. Juntas exploran qué significa creer que Jesús es el Cristo, aquél que cumplió las profecías de la Sagrada Escritura judía. Las selecciones de hoy aluden a nuestra debilidad humana; sin embargo, hacen hincapié en el perdón y la paz que son posibles para quienes tienen fe en “Jesucristo, el Justo” (1 Juan 2:2). En los Hechos de los Apóstoles, Pedro nos dice a todos “arrepíentanse y conviértanse, para que se borren sus pecados” (Hechos 3:19). La primera carta del apóstol san Juan dice que Jesucristo es “víctima de expiación por nuestros pecados” (1 Juan 2:2). Por último, en el Evangelio, Jesús saluda a los discípulos diciéndoles: “Paz” y los insta a predicar “la necesidad de volverse a Dios y el perdón de los pecados” (Lucas 24:47).

<b>LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA</b>
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Lunes:	Hch 6:8-15; Sal 119 (118):23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Martes:	Hch 7:51 — 8:1a; Sal 31 (30):3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Miércoles:	Hch 8:1b-8; Sal 66 (65):1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35- 40
Jueves:	Hch 8:26-40; Sal 66 (65):8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Viernes:	Hch 9:1-20; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Sábado:	Hch 9:31-42; Sal 116 (115):12-17; Jn 6:60- 69
Domingo:	Hch 4:8-12; Sal 118 (117):1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### NET Retreats

St. Mark acknowledges the members of the National Evangelization Team who led a retreat for our Religious Education and School junior high students on Friday April 13. May they be much blessed as they continue their ministry to youth during their year of service to the Catholic Church.

### New Bible Study

All parishioners are invited to celebrate the season of "Easter" with a new Bible Study on Monday evening April 16 at 7pm in the school. Come, read and reflect on the Scripture passages about our Risen Lord.

### St Mark Neophytes

Easter Joy! The Parish of St. Mark welcomes our newest members who celebrated their Initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on March 31. They are Anneke Pribadi, Angela Tesic, Hilary Adams, Kathy Lewis, and Carlos Rivera. We continue to celebrate with them during the Period of Mystagogy (an experience of the unfolding Mystery of God's love), and we pray that our continued journey together might be filled with the grace of the Holy Spirit as we live in the love of our Risen Lord.



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### This Week at St. Mark's Apr 16– Apr 22 2018

Mon.	8:00am Mass - Church Meditation Group 6:30pm - School Bible Study 7:00pm - School Spanish Leaders 7:00pm - School
Tues.	8:00am Mass - Church RE Grades 7-8 6:30pm - School
Wed.	8:00am Mass - Church Legion of Mary 6:00pm - School RCIA Inquiry 6:30pm - School
Thurs.	8:00am Mass - Church Spanish Prayer Group 7:00pm - Church
Fri.	8:00am Mass - Church
Sat.	8:00am Mass - Church RE Grades 1-6 9:00am - School Confessions 4:30pm –5:15pm
Sun.	4th Sunday of Easter Mass Times: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm(Sp), 5:30pm

## Mass Schedule

Sat. Apr 21	5:30pm Fr. Paul Spellman
Sun. Apr 22	7:30am Fr. Paul Spellman 9:00am Fr. Paul Spellman 10:30am Fr. Tom King 12:00pm Fr. Michael Tang 5:30pm Fr. Paul Spellman



Sat. Apr 14	5:30pm Dolly Latta
Sun. Apr 15	7:30am Andrea Herrera † 9:00am Adriana Castillo † 10:30am John Lichthart † 12:00pm Guadalupanos 5:30pm Jenny Torres †
Mon. Apr 16	8:00am Julio Serna
Tues. Apr 17	8:00am Clemencia & Jose Rodriguez †
Wed. Apr 18	8:00am Eileen Dolan Powell †
Thurs. Apr 19	8:00am Jesy Aquino
Fri. Apr 20	8:00am Hubert Da Costa †
Sat. Apr 21	8:00am Renato Neflas Sr. †

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading** — There is no other name under heaven by which we are to be saved than the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene (Acts 4:8-12).

**Psalm** — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

**Gospel** — I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

### LECTURAS DE LA PROXIMA SEMANA

**Primera lectura** — Sólo en Jesús encontrará el mundo la salvación (Hechos 4:8-12).

**Salmo** — La piedra que desecharon los arquitectos, es ahora la piedra angular (Salmo 118 [117]).

**Segunda lectura** — Nos hemos convertido en hijos de Dios por el amor que el Padre nos tiene (1 Juan 3:1-2).

**Evangelio** — El Padre ama a Jesús, el Buen Pastor, que da la vida por sus ovejas (Juan 10:11-18).

**SCHOOL NEWS**

**THE LITTLE MERMAID, JR. TICKET SALES**

The students of St. Mark are excited and proud to present their vision of Disney's The Little Mermaid, Jr. Performances are Thursday, April 26th, Friday April 27th, and Saturday April 28th at 7:00pm in the parish hall. Tickets are \$10 and children 8 and under are free. You still need to get a ticket for the 8 and under (although free) so we can keep track of numbers. Below is the link for tickets.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-mark-school-presents-disneys-little-mermaid-jr-tickets-44437190834>

Tickets are on sale now. You are welcome to purchase any amount of tickets at this time. Any questions, please email [tharrington@stmarkschool.com](mailto:tharrington@stmarkschool.com).

**GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY**

This special day will be Friday, May 4th with a mass at 9:30am. Please Save the date! More information to follow.

**HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS NEWS**

The class of 2018 distinguished themselves in the high school admission process. 100% of students who submitted applications to Catholic high schools, as well as to Pacifica Christian, met with success and an overwhelming number of students will be matriculating to Catholic high schools. Here are the acceptances:

- Solaris Amini** – Marymount High School, \*Notre Dame Academy
- Veronica Berndes** – Pacifica Christian
- Natalie Capp** – St. Monica High School, \*Notre Dame Academy
- Sonali Chadha** – Notre Dame Academy
- Blythe Jackson** – Marymount High School, \*Notre Dame Academy
- Emma Korner** – \*Marymount High School, Notre Dame Academy
- Matisse Lee-Maarek** – Pacific Palisades Charter High School
- Brandon Lupi** – St. Monica High School
- Tom North** – St. Monica High School
- John Ohannesian** – Loyola High School
- Gavin Parish** – \*Loyola High School, Pacifica Christian
- Georgia Purcell** – Notre Dame Academy, \*Pacifica Christian
- Braeden Riley** – \*Loyola High School, Pacifica Christian
- Nicolas Silva** – Bishop Montgomery, Notre Dame High School, \*Loyola High School, Geffen Academy, St. Monica High School
- Noah Skoog** – Loyola High School, \*Pacifica Christian
- Finn Tipton** – \*Loyola High School, St. Monica High School
- Samantha Walker** – St. Monica High School
- Anna White** – Marymount High School, Notre Dame Academy, \*Louisville High School
- Olivia Zarro** – Notre Dame Academy, \*St. Monica High School
- Brianna Zucker** – Geffen Academy, \*Notre Dame Academy

Congratulations to our 8th grade soon to be graduates! They really did us all proud!

**NOTICIAS DE LA ESCUELA**

**LA PEQUEÑA SIRENITA, VENTA DE ENTRADAS**

Los estudiantes de San Marcos están muy orgullosos de presentar su visión de la Sirenita de Disney. Las presentaciones serán el jueves 26 de abril, el viernes 27 de abril y el sábado 28 de abril a las 7:00pm en el salón parroquial. Los boletos son \$10 y niños de 8 y menores son gratis. Aunque gratis, se necesita obtener un boleto para los niños 8 y menor solamente para saber los números. Abajo Para compra sus boletos visite:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/St-Mark-School-Presents-Disneys-Little-Mermaid-Jr-tickets-44437190834>

Las entradas ya están a la venta. Son bienvenido a comprar cualquier cantidad de entradas en este momento. Cualquier pregunta, por favor póngase en contacto por el correo electrónico a [tharrington@stmarkschool.com](mailto:tharrington@stmarkschool.com).

**DIA DE ABUELOS Y AMIGOS ESPECIALES**

Este día especial será el viernes 4 de mayo con una misa a las 9:30am. Por favor aparten la fecha! Más información a seguir.

**NOTICIAS DE ADMISIONES DE PREPARATORIA**

La clase de 2018 se distinguieron en el proceso de admisión para la preparatoria. 100% de los estudiantes aplicaron para colegios católicos y un gran número de ellos se matricularan a colegios católicos. Aquí están las aceptaciones:

- Solaris Amini** – Marymount High School, \*Notre Dame Academy
- Veronica Berndes** – Pacifica Christian
- Natalie Capp** – St. Monica High School, \*Notre Dame Academy
- Sonali Chadha** – Notre Dame Academy
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Felicitaciones a nuestros estudiantes! Estamos muy orgullosos de ellos!