

CHURCH OF SAINT MARK

5th Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

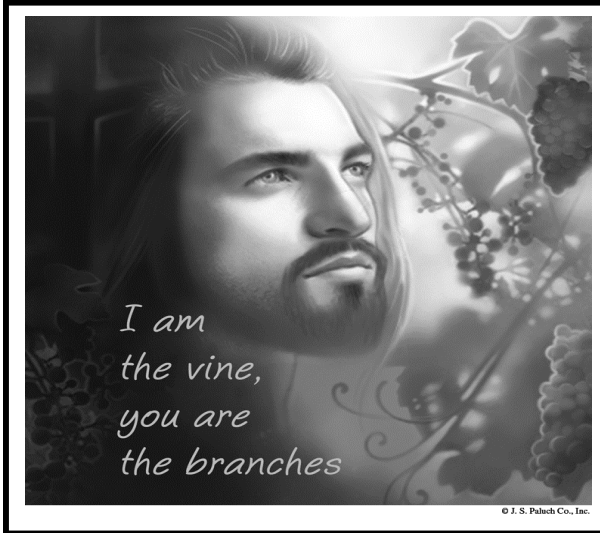
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Office Hours:	Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm Closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm
Sunday Masses:	Saturday: (Vigil) 5:30pm Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am 12 noon (Spanish) & 5:30pm
Daily Masses:	Monday - Saturday 8:00am
Holy Day Masses:	8:00am, 12:15pm and 7:00pm (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

During this Easter season I thought I would take some time to write about some of the aspects of our church that make our worship experience that much more spiritual.

In the early days of Christianity, churches had stained glass windows and statues to help people get a better understanding of our faith traditions and the history behind them. Very few people read the Bible, because very few people knew how to read. As a result, visual images were included in the church in order to help the faithful enter into a deeper relationship with God.

Here at Saint Mark Church we have beautiful statues of Jesus and Mary and Joseph. We have the painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and the painting of Jesus in His Divine Mercy. As in every Catholic Church, we have the 14 Stations of the Cross along the two side walls, reminding us of what Jesus went through on that first Good Friday in Jerusalem.

Between the Stations of the Cross we have our beautiful stained glass windows that tell the story of Creation, beginning with God creating the light in the sky during the day (the sun) and the lights in the sky at night (the moon and the stars). Continuing toward the front of the church we see the birds of the air and the fish of the sea.

On the other side of the church we see the plants and the animals, and finally, the first human beings. All of this took six days. On the seventh day God rested, and we see that image in the final window towards the back, next to the Confessional.

Above the choir loft we have the beautiful window with the picture of Saint Mark, our patron saint, and in the "Little Church" we have the Resurrection windows, exemplified by the butterflies, who start as caterpillars and then emerge from their cocoons in a new form of life. Finally, in the Sacristy, we have the windows depicting the loaves and fishes whereby Jesus addressed the physical hunger of His followers, and then prepared them for the gift of the Eucharist.

So, I invite you to come to Mass early one day, and take some time to study the statues, the Stations of the Cross, and the stained glass windows. Again, these are here to help us deepen our worship experience, and to bring us closer to our loving God!

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

Father Paul Spellman

La Esquina del Párroco

Durante este tiempo de Pascua pensé que tomaría algún tiempo para escribir sobre algunos de los aspectos de nuestra iglesia que hacen de nuestra adoración una experiencia mucho más espiritual.

En los primeros días del cristianismo, las iglesias tenían vidrieras y estatuas para ayudar a las personas a obtener una comprensión mejor de nuestras tradiciones de fe y la historia detrás de ellos. Muy poca gente leía la Biblia, porque muy poca gente sabía leer. Y como un resultado, las iglesias incluyeron imágenes visuales con el fin de ayudar a los fieles a entrar en una relación más profunda con Dios.

En la iglesia de San Marcos tenemos hermosas estatuas de Jesús y María y José. Tenemos un cuadro de nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y de Jesús en su Divina Misericordia. Como cada iglesia católica, tenemos las 14 estaciones de la Cruz a lo largo de las dos paredes laterales, que nos recuerda lo que Jesús pasó ese primer viernes santo en Jerusalén.

Entre las estaciones de la Cruz tenemos nuestros hermosos vitrales que cuentan la historia de la creación, comenzando con Dios crea la luz en el cielo durante el día (el sol) y las luces en el cielo por la noche (la luna y las estrellas). Continuando hacia el frente de la iglesia vemos a los pájaros del aire y los peces del mar.

En el otro lado de la iglesia vemos las plantas y los animales y por último, los primeros seres humanos. Todo esto tomó seis días. En el séptimo día Dios descansó, y vemos esa imagen en la ventana final hacia atrás, al lado del confesionario.

Por encima del desván de coro tenemos la hermosa ventana con la imagen de San Marcos, nuestro santo patrón, y en la "pequeña iglesia" tienen las ventanas de la resurrección, representada por las mariposas, como orugas que después emergen de sus capullos en una nueva forma de vida. Por último, en la sacristía, tenemos las ventanas que representan los panes y los peces que Jesús le dio a sus seguidores que tenían hambre y entonces los preparo para el regalo de la Eucaristía.

Por lo tanto, los invito a que vengan a Misa temprano un día y tomen algún tiempo para el estudio de las ventanas, las estatuas y las estaciones de la Cruz. Otra vez, estos están aquí para ayudarnos a profundizar nuestra experiencia de adoración y para acercarnos a nuestro Dios amoroso.

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

Padre Paul Spellman

SPIRITUAL LIFE

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.

GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

The students of St. Mark are excited to celebrate Grandparents and Special Friends Day on Friday, May 4th. The day will begin with a Mass at 9:30am followed by an open house with coffee and buffet reception out on the school lunch benches. All are invited to attend!

THE MARY WIDOWS OF ST. MARK

The Mary Widows of St. Mark is a ministry of our parish for all widows to gather together to share, pray and socialize. The next gathering will be Saturday, May 5th at 1:00pm at the home of Mrs. Helen Liberto. For more information, please call 310-391-2997.

FOREVER YOUNG 40 PLUS MINISTRY POTLUCK

The Forever Young 40 Plus Ministry is a ministry for all those who are 40 years of age or older. The next gathering will be a potluck Sunday May 6th at 6:30 in the parish hall and there will be a second potluck Monday, May 7th at 12:00pm also in the parish hall. Please join us and bring your favorite dish or dessert to share!

A SPECIAL INVITATION

All parishioners are invited to attend the sacramental celebrations scheduled for May. Please join us in prayer for the children, youth and adults who are completing their preparation for the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. The dates and times for all of these celebrations are as follows:

St Mark School	2nd grade	May 6 at 9am	mass
Religious Ed	2nd – 3rd grades	May 20 at 9am	mass
Confirmation	Teens & adults	May 20 at 4pm	mass
Religious Ed	Middle grades	May 27 at 9am	mass
Religious Ed	2nd - 3rd grades	May 27 at 12 noon	mass

DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our monthly day of Eucharistic Adoration will be Monday, May 7th. If you are able and would like to spend some special time with our Eucharistic Lord, please sign up for an hour of designated prayer on the sign-up sheet located in the vestibule.

MOTHERS DAY NOVENA

Mother's Day is coming up and as always, we will be celebrating a Novena of Masses for the mothers of our community - living and deceased. If you wish to have you mothers remembered in the novena of Masses please use one of the special enrollment envelopes which will be available in the pews today.

VIDA ESPIRITUAL

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. Reservaciones se pueden hacer por medio de nuestro sitio www.st-mark.net.

DIA DE ABUELOS Y AMIGOS ESPECIALES

Los estudiantes de San Marcos están emocionados para celebrar el Día de Abuelos y Amigos Especiales el viernes, 4 de mayo. El día comenzara con una misa a las 9:30am seguido con una recepción en la escuela. Todos son invitados!

LAS VIUDAS DE MARIA DE SAN MARCOS

Las viudas de María de San Marcos es un ministerio de nuestra parroquia para viudas que gustarían reunirse para compartir, orar y socializar. La próxima reunión será el sábado, 5 de mayo a la 1:00pm en la casa de la Sra. Helen Liberto. Para obtener mas información, llame al 310-391-2997.

MINISTERIO DE "FOREVER YOUNG 40 PLUS"

El Ministerio de "Forever Young 40 Plus" es un Ministerio de nuestra parroquia para todos aquellos que son 40 años de edad o mas. La próxima reunión será un "potluck" el domingo, 6 de mayo, a las 6:30pm en el salón parroquial y habrá una segunda reunión de "potluck" lunes, 7 de mayo a las 12:00 del mediodía también en el salón parroquial. Por favor de unirse con nosotros y traiga un plato o su postre favorito para compartir!

UNA INVITACIÓN ESPECIAL

Todos los feligreses están invitados a asistir a las celebraciones sacramentales en el mes de mayo. Únase con nosotros en oración por los niños, jóvenes y adultos que están terminando su preparación para los sacramentos de Eucaristía y confirmación. Las fechas y horarios para todas estas celebraciones serán:

Segundo Grado de la Escuela	6 de mayo	Misa de 9:00am
Grado 2-3 de Educación Religiosa	20 de mayo	Misa de 9:00am
Confirmación Jóvenes y Adultos	20 de mayo	Misa de 4:00pm
Grado 4-8 de Educación Religiosa	27 de mayo	Misa de 9:00am
Grado 2-3 de Educación Religiosa	27 de mayo	Misa de 12:00pm

DIA DE ADORACION EUCHARISTICA

Nuestro próximo día de Adoración Eucarística será lunes el 7 de mayo. Necesitamos por lo menos 4 voluntarios presentes cada hora durante todo el día para asegurar de que siempre hay alguien rezando en nuestra Iglesia este día de Adoración. Por favor ponga su nombre en la lista que esta en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia.

NOVENA DE MISAS PARA EL DIA DE LA MADRE

Pronto será el Día de la Madre. Como hacemos todos los años vamos a celebrar una Novena de Misas por la madres vivas y las que han fallecido. Si desea que se recuerde a su madre en esta novena de misas, utilice uno de los sobres especiales que están en las bancas hoy.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacramental Celebrations

The Community of St. Mark begins the annual celebration of the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation next Sunday with the children of St. Mark School who will celebrate 1st Communion on Sunday May 6 at 9am Mass. Parishioners are invited to attend and to keep them and their families in your prayers.

RCIA

Many thanks to Susan Lewis, RCIA Coordinator, and the RCIA team for their loving service in the ministry of welcome, hospitality, teaching, and mentoring. We continue to pray for our Neophytes (Newly Baptized and Received), Hilary Adams, Kathy Lewis, Anneke Pribadi, Carlos Rivera, and Angela Tesic during this time of Mystagogy (“unwrapping the mystery”).

Members of St. Mark Parish are encouraged to invite new inquirers to consider a faith journey through the RCIA process. Regular RCIA Inquiry sessions are held each Wednesday at 6:30pm in the school. Members of our parish are also invited to volunteer for this vibrant RCIA ministry. For more information about RCIA, please call the Religious Education Office.

Bible Study

A new Bible Study exploring the “Easter” scriptures continues each Monday evening at 7pm in the school. Come, read and reflect on the passages about our Risen Lord.

This Week at St. Mark's Apr 30– May 6 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 St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm - 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.	6th Sunday of Easter Mass Times: 7:30am, 9:00am (1st communion), 10:30am, 12:00pm(Sp), 5:30pm Choir Rehearsal 12:00pm - Hall Forever Young 40 Plus Potluck 6:30pm - Hall

Mass Schedule

Sat. May 5	5:30pm Fr. Michael Tang
Sun. May 6	7:30am Fr. Tom King
	9:00am Fr. Paul Spellman
	10:30am Fr. Paul Spellman
	12:00pm Fr. Paul Spellman
	5:30pm Fr. Paul Spellman



Sat.	Apr 28	5:30pm	Lolita Romos
Sun.	Apr 29	7:30am	Holy Spirit
		9:00am	Stan Bacon †
		10:30am	Sam Liberto †
		12:00pm	Guadalupanas
		5:30pm	Familia Molina
Mon.	Apr 30	8:00am	Jorge Mendes Destero †
Tues.	May 1	8:00am	Jose Sison †
Wed.	May 2	8:00am	Inez Gonzalez †
Thurs.	May 3	8:00am	Roy Da Costa †
Fri.	May 4	8:00am	Cesario Rodriguez †
Sat.	May 5	8:00am	Alex and Austin Redd

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Psalm — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — Let us love one another, because love is of God (1 John 4:7-10) *or* 1 John 4:11-16.

Gospel — This is my commandment: love one another as I love you (John 15:9-17) *or* John 17:11b-19.

LECTURAS DE LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Primera lectura — Mediante las prédicas de Pedro, el Espíritu Santo viene a los gentiles (Hechos 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Salmo — El Señor revela a las naciones su justicia (Salmo 98 [97]).

Segunda lectura — Dios es amor y Dios nos ama (1 Juan 4:7-10) *o* 1 Juan 4:11-16.

Evangelio — Jesús da este mandamiento a sus discípulos: ámense unos a otros como yo los he amado (Juan 15:9-17) *o* Juan 17:11b-19.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

CARDINAL MCINTYRE FUND FOR CHARITY

Since 1951, the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity has offered hope for those in crisis situations throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Next weekend all parishes in the Archdiocese will take up this Annual Collection. Your contribution goes directly toward emergency needs for children, adults and families and provides one-time emergency help for food, utilities, medical, housing or funeral expenses. The goal of the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity is service to the “neediest of the needy,” those for whom no other resources exist. Envelopes can be found in the pews today.

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.

SAFE GUARD THE CHILDREN

Ongoing child sexual abuse prevention training

Article 12 of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* calls for all dioceses to maintain “safe environment programs.” Through the VIRTUS child sexual abuse prevention programs, the Archdiocese continues to fulfill this commitment. Since 2002, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has trained 329,000 adults to proactively protect children and young people from child sexual abuse, and has empowered more than 1.4 million children and young people to protect themselves from sexual abuse. For more information, visit www.archla.org/protecting.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a or (for the memorial)
Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;
Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4;
1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17
or Jn 17:11b-19

VIDA ESPIRITUAL

FONDO DE CARIDAD DEL CARDENAL MCINTYRE

Desde 1951, el Fondo de Caridad del Cardenal McIntyre ha dado esperanza a todos aquellos en situaciones de crisis en toda la Arquidiócesis de Los Angeles. El próximo fin de semana todas las parroquias de la Arquidiócesis tendrán la Colecta Anual. Su contribución va directamente hacia las necesidades de emergencia para niños, adultos y familias, y se ofrece ayuda de emergencia una sola vez de alimentos, servicios públicos, médicos, de vivienda o para gastos del funeral. El objetivo del Fondo de Caridad del Cardenal McIntyre es de asistir a los “mas necesitados” aquellos para los que no existen otros recursos. Los sobres están en las bancas hoy.

MINISTROS DE LA EUCARISTÍA

El Hospital de la Marina esta en necesidad de Ministros que están disponibles para llevar la comunión a los enfermos el lunes al viernes. Si usted está interesado, o para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Carolyn Griswold 310-821-9862.

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NINOS

Entrenamiento continuo sobre prevención del abuso sexual de niños

El Artículo 12 de los Obispos de la Conferencia Católica de los Estados Unidos *Estatuto para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes* llama para que todas la diócesis mantengan “programas para un ambiente seguro.” A través de programas de prevención del abuso sexual de niños de VIRTUS, la Arquidiócesis continua cumpliendo este compromiso. Desde 2002, la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles ha entrenado a 329,000 adultos para proactivamente proteger a los niños y jóvenes contra el abuso sexual de niños, y ha capacitado a mas de 1.4 millones niños y jóvenes par protegerse ellos mismos contra el abuso sexual. Para mas información, visite www.archla.org/protecting.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 14:5-18; Sal 115 (114):1-4, 15-16;
Jn 14:21-26

Martes: Hch 14:19-28; Sal 145 (144):10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a o (por el conmemorativo)
Gn 1:26 2:3 o Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;
Sal 90 (89):2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Miércoles: Hch 15:1-6; Sal 122 (121):1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Jueves: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Viernes: Hch 15:22-31; Sal 57 (56):8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Sábado: Hch 16:1-10; Sal 100 (99):1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Domingo: Hch 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Sal 98 (97):1-4;
1 Jn 4:7-10 o 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17
o Jn 17:11b-19