

CHURCH OF SAINT MARK

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 18, 2018

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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 4:30pm - 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
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Holy Eucharist for the Sick: Communion is given upon request.
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FROM OUR PASTOR

Pastor's Corner

Each year when I write the Pastor's Corner for the Sunday before Thanksgiving, I take time to reflect on the many blessings that God has bestowed on me, our St. Mark parish community, and the people of our world. I thank God for my family and loved ones, for my faith, and for the opportunity to seek God's will as we journey together in the Light of Christ.

This year I am having more difficulty writing this letter, because of so many tragic events that have happened in our world in recent months. The shootings in the synagogue in Pittsburgh. The killing of those young people in Thousand Oaks. The devastating fires that have killed over 30 people so far, and have caused destruction and anxiety for so many innocent people. And, as we all know, the Catholic Church has come under renewed scrutiny due to the recent allegations of the sexual abuse of young people, and the charges against some of our Bishops that they did not take appropriate actions at the time in which they were notified of these cases of abuse by some priests, deacons, and members of religious communities.

So, do we give up, throw in the towel, and fall into a state of despair? Our faith calls us to put our trust in Jesus. The teachings of Jesus call us to be people of love. And, the Holy Spirit call us not to despair, but to be people of hope. The prophet Isaiah reminds us that, "Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on eagles' wings; they will run and not grow weary, and they will walk and not grow faint." (Isaiah 40:31)

Our hope in the Lord is what binds us together as a people of faith and love. St. Paul tells us that we must have faith, hope, and love, and the greatest of these is love. It is our love for God and our love for one another that will give us the strength and courage to deal with tragic situations. And, as we know, Jesus will not abandon us!

During this week our parish community will be preparing Thanksgiving food baskets for those who are less fortunate. Many families in our parish are struggling financially, and this is one more opportunity to reach out to them by following the example of our Lord and Savior. The donations you make to our Loaves and Fishes program will go to benefit a family that might be sitting next to you and your family each Sunday. Or, your generosity may benefit a family where both the husband and wife have to work on week-ends, and can only attend Mass during the week. Whatever the case, whatever the situation, we are all called to share our gifts with one another.

So, during this week, let us not fall into despair, but let us give thanks to God for the many blessings that He has bestowed upon us, and let us use this time as an opportunity to be signs of Christ's love in our parish community, and in our world.

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

Father Paul Spellman

La Esquina del Párroco

Cada año cuando escribo la esquina del párroco para el domingo antes de acción de gracias, tomo tiempo para reflexionar sobre las muchas bendiciones que Dios me ha dado a mí, a la comunidad parroquial de San Marcos y a la gente de nuestro mundo. Doy gracias a Dios por mi familia y seres queridos, por mi fe y por la oportunidad de buscar la voluntad de Dios mientras caminamos juntos a la luz de Cristo.

Este año tengo más dificultad para escribir esta carta, debido a muchos eventos trágicos que han sucedido en nuestro mundo en los últimos meses. Los tiroteos en la sinagoga en Pittsburgh. El asesinato de los jóvenes en Thousand Oaks. Los devastadores incendios que han matado a más de 30 personas hasta ahora y han causado destrucción y angustia a tantas personas inocentes. Y, como todos sabemos, la iglesia católica ha estado bajo escrutinio debido a las recientes denuncias de los abusos sexuales de jóvenes y los cargos contra algunos de nuestros obispos que no toman las acciones apropiadas en el momento en que fueron notificados de casos de abuso por parte de algunos sacerdotes, diáconos y miembros de comunidades religiosas.

Así que, ¿vamos a tirar la toalla y caer en un estado de desesperación? Nuestra fe nos llama a poner nuestra confianza en Jesús. Las enseñanzas de Jesús nos llaman a ser personas de amor. Y el Espíritu Santo nos llama no a la desesperación, sino a ser personas de esperanza. El profeta Isaías nos recuerda que "Los que esperan en el Señor sentirán que se les renuevan sus fuerzas. Y que les crecen alas como a las águilas. Correrán sin fatigarse y anduvieran sin cansarse." (Isaías 40: 31)

Nuestra esperanza en el Señor es lo que nos une como pueblo de fe y amor. San Pablo nos dice que debemos tener fe, esperanza y amor, y el más grande de éstos es amor. Es nuestro amor por Dios y nuestro amor de los unos por los otros que nos dará la fuerza y el coraje para hacer frente a situaciones trágicas. Y, como sabemos, Jesús no nos abandona.

Durante esta semana nuestra parroquia estará preparando canastas de acción de gracias para quienes son menos afortunados. Muchas familias de nuestra parroquia están luchando financieramente, y esto es una oportunidad más de llegar a ellos siguiendo el ejemplo de nuestro Señor y Salvador. Las donaciones se hacen a nuestro programa de Panes y Peces e ira a beneficiar a familias que podrían estar sentadas junto a usted y a su familia cada domingo. O, su generosidad puede beneficiar a una familia donde el marido y la mujer tienen que trabajar los fines de semana y sólo pueden asistir a Misa durante la semana. En cualquier caso, sea cual sea la situación, todos estamos llamados a compartir nuestros dones.

Así, durante esta semana, no caigamos en la desesperación, pero demos gracias a Dios por las muchas bendiciones que él nos ha concedido y usemos este tiempo como una oportunidad para ser signos del amor de Cristo en nuestra comunidad parroquial y en nuestro mundo.

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

Padre Paul Spellman

SPIRITUAL LIFE

FEAST OF ALL SOULS

It is a traditional practice in our Catholic Church to dedicate the entire month of November to remembering and praying for all of our beloved deceased. If you would like to enroll your beloved family members and friends in our special Masses please use the special enrollment envelopes in the pews today.

JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

All are invited to the next presentation of "Journey Through the Bible" with Father Paul Spellman on Tuesday, November 20th at 10:00am and again at 7:00pm in the parish rectory.

LOAVES AND FISHES

This weekend we will have our Thanksgiving Loaves and Fishes drive. This particular food drive will help families in our own community by providing them with a Thanksgiving basket of food to share with their loved ones as we all give thanks to God for the many blessings that we have received. All donations can be dropped off in the designated areas of the church. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

This Thursday, November 22nd, we will celebrate our joyful Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00am. All are invited to bring the bread and wine that will be shared with their families this day for a special blessing. If you will be in town, please begin your day with us. Join us afterwards in the patio for complimentary coffee and treat.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

As we go through the motions during this blessed holiday season, it is important to count our blessings no matter how few or how many. Though saying how grateful we are for our blessings is nice, it should not end there. How you use your blessings is the true measure of Thanksgiving.

UPCOMING BAKE SALE: The Knights of Columbus will have their holiday bake sale on Dec. 2nd on the church patio. Come by and pick up your delicious holiday treats!

MEN'S SILENT RETREAT

The Annual St. Mark Parish Men's Silent Retreat will be held at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center in the city of Sierra Madre. The retreat will take place Friday, January 18th - Sunday January 20th. The lovely grounds and peaceful atmosphere of Mater Dolorosa make this a perfect spot for a weekend of spiritual renewal and growth. For reservations please contact Fritz Hirt at 310-827-1585 or Rick Winter at 310-699-1098.

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT

The Annual Women's Silent Retreat will be held at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra January 25th-27th with retreat master Rev. James Kubicki, S.J.. The theme is "Streams of Grace and Mercy. For more information or reservations please call Shawna Tobalina at 310-428-1534 or email shawn-a90291@hotmail.com

VIDA ESPIRITUAL

FIESTA DE TODAS LAS ALMAS

Es una práctica tradicional en nuestra iglesia católica para dedicar todo el mes de noviembre para recordar y orar por todos nuestros seres queridos que han fallecido. Si le gustaría inscribir a sus seres queridos y amigos en nuestras Misas especiales por favor de usar los sobres especiales en las bancas hoy.

VIAJE A TRAVES DE LA BIBLIA

Todos están invitados para la próxima presentación de "Viaje a través de la Biblia" el martes 20 de noviembre a las 10:00am y a otra vez las 7:00pm en la rectoría de la parroquia.

PAN Y PECES

Este fin de semana tendremos nuestra colecta de pan y peces. Esta colecta en particular ayudara a familias en nuestra comunidad proviniendoles con canastas de comida para compartir con sus seres queridos el día de acción de gracia cuando todos le estaremos dando gracias a Dios por todas las bendiciones que hemos recibido. Por favor de traer sus donaciones a la iglesia. Gracias por su generosidad.

MISA DE ACCION DE GRACIA

Este jueves, el 22 de noviembre, a las 9.00am celebraremos nuestra Misa de Acción de Gracias. Les invitamos a traer el pan y vino que se compartirá con sus familias este día para una bendición especial. Por favor comience su día con nosotros. Habrá café y postre complementario después de la Misa.

CABALLEROS DE COLON

Durante esta época, es importante contar nuestras bendiciones. Aunque ser agradecidos es bueno, cómo utilizarlos es la verdadera medida de la acción de gracias.

VENTA: Los Caballeros de Colon tendrá una venta de pan dulce y antojitos deliciosos el 2 de diciembre en el patio de la iglesia.

RETIRO DE HOMBRES DE SAN MARCOS

El retiro de hombres de la parroquia de San Marcos se llevará a cabo en El Centro de Retiros de Mater Dolorosa en la ciudad de la Sierra Madre. El retiro sera el viernes, 18 de enero - 20 de enero. Los jardines y la tranquilidad de Mater Dolorosa es un lugar perfecto para un fin de semana de renovación espiritual y de crecimiento. Para reservaciones póngase en contacto con Fritz Hirt 310-827-1585 o Rick Winter 310-699-1098.

RETIRO DE MUJERES

El retiro anual de mujeres se llevara a cabo en "Sacred Heart Retreat House" en Alhambra el 25—27 de enero con el Reverendo James Kubicki, S.J.. El tema sera "Arroyos de gracia y misericordia". Para mas información o reservaciones por favor llame a Shawna Tobalina a 310-428-1534 o shawna90291@hotmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

New Bible Study

Luke wrote his gospel for all Gentiles seeking to understand God’s universal plan of salvation in Jesus, the Savior of all people. Today, his Gospel continues to show us how the stories of Jesus speak truly good news for the lives of people in every nation, of every race, language, and culture. A new study of Luke begins Monday evening Nov. 19 at 7pm in the school.

Adult Confirmation

Registration is now open for any adult who has been baptized Catholic, has received First Communion, but is not yet confirmed. Sessions will be held in January and February. Confirmation will be celebrated at St. Mark during spring 20019. Please call the Religious Education Office for information and registration at 310-822-1201.

Becoming Catholic


Is God calling you to the Catholic Church? Is it time to check it out? The Community of St. Mark invites you to explore your journey of faith through the RCIA process. INQUIRY sessions meet each Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Religious Education Office located in the school. Please call 310-822-1201 to let us know you are coming.

Concern Gift Sale

Plan to do a bit of Christmas shopping on Sunday December 9 after the morning masses as the Office of Religious Education sponsors a Marketplace of crafts from Concern America.


This Week at St. Mark’s Nov 19– Nov 25 2018

- Mon. 8:00am Mass - Church
Movement & Meditation 6:30pm - School
Bible Study 7:00pm - School
- Tues. 8:00am Mass - Church
Journey through the Bible 10am & 7pm - Rectory
RE Grades 7-8 6:30pm - School
- Wed. 8:00am Mass - Church
Legion of Mary 6:00pm - School
RCIA Inquiry 6:30pm - School
- Thurs. 9:00am Thanksgiving Day Mass - Church
Rectory Office Closed
- Fri. 8:00am Mass - Church
Rectory Office Closed
- Sat. 8:00am Mass - Church
RE Grades 1-6 9:00am - School
Confessions 4:30pm –5:15pm
5:30pm Mass
- Sun. **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**
Mass Times: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,
12:00pm (Sp), 5:30pm



Mass Schedule

Sat. Nov 24	5:30pm Fr. Paul Spellman
Sun. Nov 25	7:30am Fr. Paul Spellman
	9:00am Fr. Paul Spellman
	10:30am Fr. Tom King
	12:00pm Fr. Paul Spellman
	5:30pm Fr. Michael Tang



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Nov 17	5:30pm Peggy Felt
Sun. Nov 18	7:30am Holy Spirit
	9:00am Stan Bacon †
	10:30am All Souls
	12:00pm Clemente & Renato Neflas †
	5:30pm Da Costa Family †
Mon. Nov 19	8:00am All Souls
Tues. Nov 20	8:00am All Souls
Wed. Nov 21	8:00am All Souls
Thurs. Nov 22	9:00am All Souls
Fri. Nov 23	8:00am All Souls
Sat. Nov 24	8:00am Daniel Helgerson

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

First Reading — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).
Psalm — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).
Second Reading — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).
Gospel — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

LECTURAS DE LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Primera lectura — Cuando uno, como el Hijo del Hombre se dirigió hacia el anciano y fue llevado a su presencia, recibió el dominio eterno (Daniel 7:13-14).
Salmo — El Señor reina, vestido de majestad (Salmo 93 [92]).
Segunda lectura — La gloria y el poder sean dados a Jesucristo, el Señor de toda la tierra (Apocalipsis 1:5-8).
Evangelio — Jesús como Rey, vino a ser testigo de la verdad. (Juan 18:33b-37).

SPIRITUAL LIFE

ENCOURAGEMENT

This Sunday's Gospel is our final selection from Mark for this liturgical year. It is taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem immediately preceding the account of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus gives his disciples hope to sustain them through his passion and death and any persecution or suffering that they would encounter after his resurrection.

The words from the book of Daniel also provided hope and encouragement to the people of Daniel's time. The encouragement in these scriptures is meant for us as well, for none of us will escape tribulation in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be able to endure suffering with joyful hope, knowing that Christ's love will lead us along the way of discipleship and give us eternal life with God.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The Marina Hospital is also 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

Commitment to the Protection and Prevention of Abuse

Since 2004, the Office of Safeguard the Children of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has trained more than 329,000 adults in the VIRTUS® child abuse prevention adult awareness programs and more than 1.4 million children and young people in the children's program. More than 168,000 adults have been fingerprinted as part of a program of background checks for Church and school personnel and volunteers. The Archdiocese of Los Angeles continues our longstanding commitment to the support and healing of victim-survivors of abuse and reaffirms our commitment to protect against abuse and misconduct.

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ALIENTO

El Evangelio de este domingo es nuestra selección final de Marcos para este año litúrgico. Pertenece a las últimas enseñanzas de Jesús en Jerusalén y se encuentra inmediatamente antes del relato de su arresto y pasión. En este, Jesús da a sus discípulos esperanza para sostenerlos en su pasión y muerte y en cualquier persecución o sufrimiento que enfrenten después de su resurrección.

Las palabras del libro de Daniel también les brindan esperanza y aliento a los contemporáneos de Daniel. El aliento de estas lecturas también nos sirve a nosotros, ya que ninguno de nosotros puede evitar transitar tiempos difíciles en su vida. Los seguidores de Jesús podrán soportar el sufrimiento con esperanza porque saben que el amor de Cristo nos guiará para poder ser buenos discípulos y nos dará la vida eterna junto a Dios.

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.

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 NIÑOS

Compromiso a la protección y prevenir el abuso

A partir del 2004, la Oficina de Protección para la Niñez de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles ha entrenado a más de 329,000 adultos en los programas VIRTUS®, para concientizarlos sobre la importancia de la prevención del abuso infantil. También ha entrenado a más de 1.4 millones de niños y jóvenes en el programa para niños. Más de 168,000 empleados de la Iglesia y de escuelas, y voluntarios han realizado el proceso de toma de huellas dactilares como parte del programa de revisión de antecedentes. La Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles mantiene su compromiso de largo plazo de apoyo y sanación de las víctimas-sobrevivientes de abuso y reafirma su compromiso de luchar contra el abuso y los abusadores.



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