



Welcome to the Catholic Community of

SAINT MARK

THE EVANGELIST

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday @ 5:00 PM

Sunday @ 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM

Monday through Thursday @ 9:00 AM

**Welcome Home! We, as a Parish Family,
are so glad you are here!**

As sharers of the one baptism & the one Spirit of the Risen Christ, we have come together as the Parish Community of St. Mark the Evangelist to proclaim our identity as the People of God.

The Eucharist is the center of our life and work together. Through the one bread, we become the one body of Christ, a living sacrifice of praise. In our worship of God, the Author of life and holiness, we proclaim our hope in the life of Christ's Resurrection; we open our hearts and minds to the Spirit of God dwelling in our midst.

In our work, together, we seek...

to enable our children to grow in the wisdom and knowledge of God; to accompany our young sons and daughters on their journeys of discovery toward adulthood; to deepen our faith commitment through prayer & study; to be present to one another in the joys and sufferings, the victories and struggles of life; to give witness to the Gospel of justice and compassion to our hurting world.

We welcome to our parish family all who share our Catholic faith & traditions & our search for God in all things.

-Parish Mission Statement



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From Seminarian Ryan...

Well, I certainly cannot believe it, but this is the last article that I will be writing for the bulletin here at St. Mark the Evangelist parish. It has been an absolutely wonderful summer assignment filled with so many great pastoral experiences. It has likewise been a tremendous privilege to get to know all of you, the good people of St. Mark's. You all made me feel so welcomed from the moment that I arrived at the parish to begin my ministry among you. I have been blessed to call this parish my home for the past eight weeks (yes, it has already been eight weeks!). It has similarly been a privilege to work alongside your wonderful pastor, Fr. Mike. He is a priest after the heart of Jesus Christ who desires only what is good for this parish. Under his watch, and obviously with the help of all of you, the parish has grown tremendously; the Holy Spirit has truly been at work here! This parish understands Jesus' call to evangelize, to seek out those who might have left the Church for whatever reason and to welcome them back with open arms!

As I return to the seminary, I will be bragging to all of my friends about my summer assignment (in a charitable way, of course). But before I return to the seminary for more studies and formation, I will have some time off for relaxation to spend with my family and friends. In fact, I will have a whole month in which to do this, so you should not feel too sorry for me. At the end of August, I will return to Saint John's Seminary in Brighton (Boston) Massachusetts, for my second year of theology studies, which means that in three (short) years, please God, I will be ordained to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. I will take the experiences that I have gained during my time at St. Mark's with me, and I know they will help in my formation for the priesthood.

Looking at the scripture readings for this weekend, particularly at the Gospel, we hear Jesus present more parables to us about the kingdom of heaven. Jesus tells us that "the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it." The Kingdom of heaven is the pearl of great price, it is the treasure buried in the field, and it is that one thing that we should seek with our whole heart, mind, and soul. As I'm sure many of you remember from your days in catechism classes, our purpose in life is "to know, love, and serve God in this world, and to be happy with Him forever in heaven." We must always keep this in mind; our goal in life is to be in heaven with God, basking in the light of His love in the beatific vision for all eternity! This goal of ours should guide every action and decision of our lives. In the parables, Jesus reminds us that nothing else matters when compared with the prospect of possessing the kingdom of heaven; one should be willing to abandon all he has to possess this greatest blessing of all.

In other words, we must all strive to be saints. A saint is someone who lived a holy life in this world, and is now with God in heaven for all eternity. Saints are those who, above all else, strove to serve and love God in this world; they let their love of God direct all of their decisions and actions while they were on earth. Leon Bloy once wrote that "the only real sadness, the only real failure, the only great tragedy in life, is not to become a saint." What a profound statement! The only real failure in life is to not be a part of the kingdom of heaven. In other words, a truly successful life is one that leads a person into the kingdom of heaven, where he or she will love God and be with God forever in eternal happiness. May we all strive to be saints, and to attain to the kingdom of heaven to be happy with God forever! Thank you all for a wonderful summer, and until we meet again, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,

Seminarian Ryan Amazeen

Religious Education News

We are very grateful for all who helped make our 2017 Summer Religious Education Program a success!!

Our Teachers:

- Grade 2: Ms. Olivia Callery, Ms. Sara Ruigrok,
Ms. Emma Ryan
- Grade 3: Ms. Katherine Callery, Mr. Sean Cavanaugh,
Ms. Ashley Greenwood
- Grade 4: Mrs. Anna Cook, Ms. Rachel Cook,
Mrs. Catherine Kearney, Ms. Michaela Short
- Grade 5: Mrs. Julie Duddy, Ms. Jenna Madigan,
Seminarian Ryan Amazeen, Mr. Owen Cook,
Ms. Nadia King
- Grade 6: Ms. Haley Vanagel, Mr. Dylan Woo,
Mrs. Carey Follansbee, Ms. Kayla Vanagel
- Grade 7: Ms. Morgan Bolton, Ms. Madison Bolton,
Ms. Abby Follansbee, Ms. Jocelyn Mayo,
Ms. Katrina King
- Grade 8: Ms. Abby Giguere, Ms. Lauren Poirier,
Mrs. Joanne Troy, Mr. Jack Madigan

Our Parent Volunteers:

Mr. Aaron Karlson, Mr. Chris Richert, Mrs. Becky Melia, Mrs. Andrea Daniels, Mrs. Kathy Roche, Mrs. Susan Moore, Mrs. Kelly Marcella, Mrs. Kelly Cronin, Mrs. Tanya LeMay, Mrs. Becky Zachas, Mr. Lew Zachas, Mrs. Cherie Fuller, Mrs. Lisa Holeva, Mrs. Lynne Irvin, Mrs. Lisa Boyon, Mrs. Lee Brown, Mrs. Lisa Minahan, Mrs. Maura Calusdian, Mrs. Judy James, Mrs. Stephanie Wright, Mrs. Dianne Giordano, Mrs. Eileen Criscione, Mrs. Renee Dickson, Mr. Patrick Cassidy, Mrs. Kari Husson, Mrs. Susan Joncas, Mrs. Laura Dempsey, Mrs. Danielle Desmarais, Mrs. Ann O'Conner, Mrs. Katie Pare, Mrs. Amy Marsh, Mrs. Michele Keane, Mrs. Danielle Mague, Mrs. Kim Laudani, Mrs. Kathy Austen, Mrs. Danielle Viola, Mrs. Kim Palmer, Mrs. Roberta Guertin, Mrs. Brandy Killelea, Mrs. Kristin Cronin, Mrs. Sarah Carroll, Mrs. Caitlin Daneau, Mrs. Becky Kendzulak, Mrs. Marianne Nutter, Mrs. Stacy Conty, Mrs. Rose Washington, Mrs. Maureen Raboin, Mrs. Marina Hill, Mrs. Dori O'Brien-Julian, Mrs. Elisabeth Burns, Mrs. Tamara Croteau, Mrs. Alicia Fortier, Mrs. Adrienne Munsey, Mrs. Laura Dempsey, Mrs. Suzanne Deshaies, Mr. Justin Pare, Mrs. Heather Dugas, Mrs. Donna Wells, Mr. Chris Howe, Mrs. Melissa Saucier, Mr. Charlie Roberts, Mrs. Melissa Roberts, Mrs. Judy Vining

Our Confirmation Students:

Joshua Jezak, Anthony Palmer, Scott McEvoy, Jacob Ruppel, Luke Brown, Emily Atkinson, Cameron Atkinson, Anthony DeRosa, Caitlin McGimpsey, Allison O'Conner, Joey Stowell, Hannah Desmarais, Erica Irvin, Abby Husson, Oliver Berry, Dominic Viola, Sarah Clegg, Garrett Calusdian, Kylee Dodge, Luke Marsh, A.J. D'Alessandro, Barbara Joanne Hume, Jay Hayes, Olivia Kendzulak, Alex Peters, Evan Dugas, Lena Cook, Jaxon Boudreau, Logan Boudreau, Callum Boudreau, Jeff Andon, Peter Misiaszek, Ella Jean, Ryan Killelea, Katie LaCerde, Sarah Dempsey, Jack Thompson, Amy Maffattone, Jenna Stowell

Special Thanks:

Mrs. Sally Mitchell, Officer Lt. Ryan Kearney, Lt. Brian Croteau, Mr. Garrett Adie, Mrs. Barbara Gingrow, and Father Mike Zgonc

Summer Session Service Projects!!

We thought we'd share some of the service projects that the youth of our Summer Program worked on...

- Grade 2: Bake Sale to benefit Boston Children's Hospital...\$90.50
- Grade 3: Collection of supplies and items for the Animal Shelter
- Grade 4: Snack bags and Cereal Drive to benefit Families in Transition
Baked Goods and Candy Sale for Boston Children's Hospital... \$132.55
- Grade 5: Ice Cream Sundae Sale to benefit the Jimmy Fund... \$150.75
Bake Sale for Make a Wish...\$88.30
- Grade 6: Root Beer Float and Candy Sale for Boston Children's Hospital (w/Grade 7)...\$300.22
Collection of School Supplies for South School Elementary students;
CD of the Summer Program
- Grade 7: Food Drive for Sonshine Soup Kitchen;
Root Beer Float and Candy Sale for Boston Children's Hospital (w/Grade 6)...\$300.22
- Grade 8: Bake Sale for Salem Animal Rescue...\$135.50
Ice Cream Sale for the Anne Marie House... \$112.25

This Week @ St. Mark's!!!

Sunday, July 30:

4:00 PM Middle School Night (Lounge)

6:00 PM High School Night (Lounge)

Monday, July 31:

9:00 AM Mass (Church)

Tuesday, August 1:

6 AM- 11 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

9:00 AM Mass (Church)

6:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry (Room 103)

Wednesday, August 2:

9:00 AM Mass (Church)

Thursday, August 3:

9:00 AM Mass (Church)

8PM-12AM Nocturnal Adoration (Chapel)

Saturday, August 5:

9:30 AM Al Anon (Room 209)

Spend an Hour with Him

Nocturnal Adoration will be held on **Friday, August 4** beginning at **8 p.m. until midnight**. Please join us for prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel each hour. For more information, call Dennis at 437-6051.

Grace Within

Grace Within is now accepting registrations for its third session which runs from **Sept 13 to Nov. 8, 2017**. The 8 week program is an empowering journey to your inner self utilizing personal journals and led by peers in a small group setting. We share insights on eight topics from the journal, pray, and discuss issues affecting our lives. Twenty four women have already taken the Grace Within journey and among them have said, "I learned a lot about myself and my relationship with God. I now feel like I have a strong personal relationship with Jesus which I have longed for for a long time and I finally feel I have one." Please join those who have already said "yes" to being a part of the Fall 2017 Session. If you are interested in registering or becoming a prayer partner, please contact Diane Carter at 434-4762. Space is limited. Information can also be found on the parish website and at the Welcome Center. Please pray that this ministry will continue to blossom and strengthen our community.

Youth Ministry!!

Youth Night is tonight!! Middle School is from 4 until 5:45, and High School is from 6 until 8! Food, fun, and fellowship, as always! Bring a friend!

In Loving Memory...

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bruce McLaughlin, brother of John McLaughlin, who recently returned home to our loving Father. *May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

Welcome Father James!!

Please join us in welcoming Fr. James Kariuki, a priest from Kenya, East Africa, who is visiting our parish this weekend! As you leave Mass today, we will be taking up a freewill offering for the Mission Co-op Appeal. Your generosity will help provide the resources needed to assist Fr. Kariuki and others in bringing much need aid to our brothers and sisters in need. Thank you!

Thank You Seminarian Ryan!!

Please join us in thanksgiving for the wonderful experience of having Seminarian Ryan Amazeen as part of our parish family this summer! Ryan will have the month of August off before he returns to his priestly studies in the fall. Please continue to keep him in your daily prayers, as well as praying for all the young men and women discerning the Lord's call to serve Him. You can reach Ryan at St. John's Seminary, 127 Lake Street, Brighton, MA, 02135.

Home Run!!

We had an awesome time at the Fisher Cats game last Wednesday night! The choir was phenomenal as they led all in attendance with our National Anthem and God Bless America! Thank you to all in attendance, as the ticket proceeds went to continued projects for our St. Mark's Youth Ministries! A special thank you to the men of Knights of Columbus Council 10488 for making this event possible!

Sacrificial Giving (July 22 - 23)

Operating Funds

Offertory Envelopes (139)	\$ 6,641.32
ParishPay - 44 donors	\$ 1,631.66
Electronic Giving	\$ 505.00
Social	\$ 57.00
Donations (bap/wed/fnrl/gen)	\$ 150.00
Total	\$ 8,984.98

Designated Funds

Capital Development	\$ 131.00
Charitable	\$ 176.00
Diocesan (Peter's Pence)	\$ 10.00
Parish to Parish	\$ 61.00
Total	\$ 358.00
Grand Total	\$ 9,362.98

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Prayer Line	(603) 429-1211
Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30- 11 AM
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
NH Catholic Charities, Windham	(603) 893-1971

Mass Intentions for July 29 - August 6

7/29 Saturday, 5 PM:

Pat Trongo by his wife & family

7/30 Sunday, 8 AM:

Nellie Baran by Andrea Ouellette

7/30 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

John & Joan Carroll by the Ciarletta family

7/30 Sunday, 11 AM:

John & Anna Flemings by Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia

7/31 Monday, 9 AM:

Glenna Keenan & her son Chuck Keenan

8/1 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Adrian Pallone by his family

8/2 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Mary H. DeCosta by the DeCosta family

8/3 Thursday 9 AM:

Paul Merlino by his family

8/5 Saturday, 5 PM:

Clarence & Beatrice Pedley
by Dennis & Barbara Pedley

8/6 Sunday, 8 AM:

Rev. Larry Patenaude by John & Susanne Patenaude

8/6 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Dennis Tetrault by the Rahilly family

8/6 Sunday, 11 AM:

Pat Trongo by the Belliveau family

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are asked to participate in the baptismal catechesis program prior to their child's baptism.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance and before making any other wedding arrangements.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call us to request the Sacrament of the Sick or to receive communion in the home.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, 6:00am-11pm / First Fridays 8pm-12am