

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, January 2, 2010**

**4:00pm For the Parish**

**Sunday, January 3, 2010**

**8:30am Deacon Dick Jackson**

**11:00am Catherine Dalglish**

**Tuesday, January 5, 2010**

**6:00pm Deborah Salmon**

**Wednesday, January 6, 2010**

**6:00pm James W. Boarman**

**Thursday, January 7, 2010**

**6:00pm Pamela Alvarez**

**Friday, January 8, 2010**

**9:00am**

**Saturday, January 9, 2010**

**4:00pm Richard&Eileen Finke**

**Sunday, January 10, 2010**

**8:30am For the Parish**

**11:00am Jude J. Norton**

**5:00pm Clifford Reed**



**OUR LADY OF  
GUADALUPE CANDLE  
IM HONOR OF  
ANGELA CURRIER**



**ROSARY**

**The Rosary will be recited  
each Sunday at 8:10 am  
before 8:30 Mass.**

## WHAT TO DO IF...

### **You want to baptize your baby:**

Baptisms are on the third weekend of the month during Saturday and Sunday Mass. Call Cathy Cornett at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2005 about the preparation program.

### **You want to join the parish:**

To register as a member, visit the Welcome Committee desk in the gathering space.

### **You want to get married:**

Please arrange an appointment with the priest at least six months before the date you would like to be married. You must be registered in the parish.

### **You want to make your First Communion or be Confirmed:**

If you are an adult, call Terry Culross at 623-6847 or Linda Clark at 623-0925. If you are in grades 2-12, call Cathy Cornett, 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2005.

### **You have a prayer concern:**

Please call Connie Wason at 623-1703 or Rose Mansfield at 623-0971, who are members of the Praying Hands Prayer Group, by Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

### **You would like to arrange a Mass Intention:**

Come to the parish office and ask for the secretary.

### **You want to put something in the bulletin:**

Instructions for getting announcements in the bulletin can be obtained by calling the parish office at 623-2989 and speaking with the secretary. **BULLETIN DEADLINE IS 12:00 PM ON TUESDAY.**

### **You would like more information about Knights of Columbus:**

Please call John Wright at 859-893-1123.

**You want to register your child in St. Mark School:** Call the school at 623-2989, prompt 4.

**You need a ride or can offer a ride to or from Church:** Call the parish office at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2001.

### **You wish to have an announcement read at Mass:**

Anyone wishing to have an announcement said before Mass must bring the announcement in to the Parish office for the pastor's approval by Thursday before the scheduled Mass. Announcement can be emailed to: liane.hinch@saintmarkcatholicchurch.net.

### **You would like the parish priest or parishioner to visit someone who is sick:**

Please call the parish office at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext 2002, if there is an emergency (imminent death or need of sacrament, prompt 3) or if you or a loved one are about to have surgery, are in a hospital or nursing home, or have become homebound. The priest is ready to visit, administer the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion.

***Please provide the location and phone number of the person to be visited, and the time that is most convenient for the visit.***

### **You want to change your name or address in the Parish records OR are leaving the parish:**

Call the parish office at 623-2989, prompt 5, ext. 2001.

### **You want to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Reconciliation is offered immediately after all of the weekend Masses.

### **You would like more information about the Catholic Daughters of the Americas:**

Call Tricia Davis at 623-9184 or Laure Schadler at 624-9316.

**PASTOR'S PAGE**

Notes from the Pastor:

First and foremost, I wish you and your family a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and as January 1, 2010 approaches, a VERY BLESSED NEW YEAR!

I wish to express my thanks to all who helped decorate and prepare the Sacred Space for our Season of Christmas. Each year, it is a fun time coming together and trying to transform our Sacred Space to help all of us worship in a more meaningful way.

I also want to express my thanks to each of you for your generous and thoughtful financial gift that you provided to St. Mark during the second collection at all of our Christmas Masses. Your extra gift and sacrifice is an outward sign of the inner commitment you have to this particular Church. I know that God will bless you abundantly for your generous and thoughtful ways.

I am also appreciative and humbled at the many expressions of love and care that were given to me (and my family) during this Holiday time. Thank you for remembering me and in supporting me. All of your acts of kindness are greatly appreciated and I continue to keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

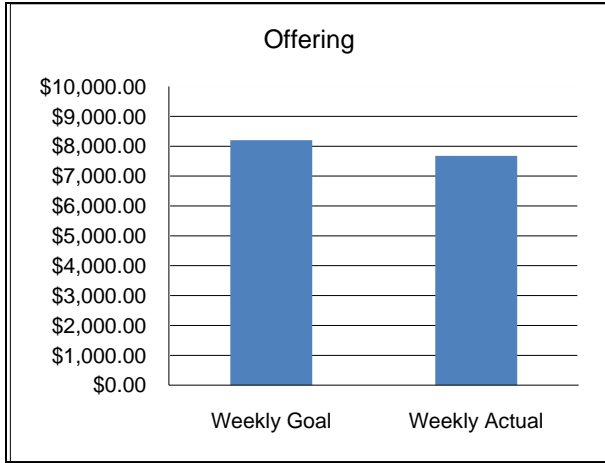
Please do not forget that as we approach NEW YEARS DAY, that January 1, 2010 IS a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. Mass at St. Mark will be at 10:00 a.m. A reminder that ALL Roman Catholics are obliged to attend Mass this day -- please make every effort in finding a Mass time that will fit into your particular schedule on New Years Day.

I am not sure if I ever thanked the community for the wonderful CANNED FOOD DRIVE that we undertook during the Season of Advent. I am still amazed at the amount of food that we were able to give to the Salvation Army for their food pantry. Once again, as in the past, present and I am sure will be in the future, St. Mark rises to the task of the challenges placed before them.

As usual, let me remind you that I am available to you in my office via email at [FatherJim.Sichko@SaintMarkCatholicChurch.net](mailto:FatherJim.Sichko@SaintMarkCatholicChurch.net) or, in cases of an emergency (i.e., death or imminent need of the Sacraments), by phone at 859-623-2989, prompt #3.

See you in Church,  
Fr. Jim

**STEWARDSHIP**



**OUR WEEKLY GOAL: \$ 8,200.00**

**ENVELOPES: \$6,238.00**  
**LOOSE CASH: \$ 820.00**  
**LOOSE COIN: \$ 1.14**  
**LOOSE CHECKS: \$ 620.00**  
**TOTAL \$7,679.14**

**Under for the week - \$520.86**

**SECOND COLLECTIONS 2009**

July	Home Meals Delivery	\$ 966.56
August	St. Mark School	\$1,766.13
September	Seminary	\$2,194.90
September	St. Mark School	\$1,194.32
October	Catholic Higher Ed.	\$1,184.36
October	St. Mark School	\$1,386.17
November	Human Development	\$1,017.68
November	Home Meals	\$1,159.18

**PARISH APPRECIATION PLEDGE**

Goal: \$50,000.00  
 Current Total: \$30,025.66

**Bake Sale for St. Mark School**

Thank you for your support in the Bake Sale.  
 We raised \$404.50 for St. Mark School!

Sept. \$387.75  
 Oct: \$479.00  
 Nov: \$404.50  
 Dec: \$ 86.90

**Father Jim's Speaking Donations**

	Parish	School
1. Missouri:	\$2,946.00	\$2,946.00
2. Kansas:	\$2,044.50	\$2,044.50

**MINISTRIES**

**Linens: Terry Culross**

<b>Ministry</b>					
<b>Mass</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Welcome Desk</b>	<b>Gifts Baskets Bulletins</b>
<b>4:00PM Saturday, January 9</b>	George Monticello Michelle Monticello	Ellen Kessler Karen Mayo Darren Norton Kathy Norton Jill Silver Jean Price Mary Lou Remaley	George Nichols Haley Nash	Dory Marken	To be assigned
<b>8:30AM Sunday, January 10</b>	Randy Collins Kathy Hatton	Bradley Layton Mary Layton Charles Marz Sue Marz Marilyn Nash Julia Nash Pat Reister	Jack Miller Eliza Miller	Linda Maxwell	To be assigned
<b>11:00am Sunday, January 10</b>	Michael Carter Lydia Akin-Carter	Linda Clark Mark Davis Tricia Davis Greg Discepoli Neil DiTeresa Ingrid Gautreaux Susan Stoneking	Michael Price Patrick Sullivan	Donna Meek	To be assigned

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Our Ill and Homebound....

Violet Mullins  
Mark Davis  
Bob Millet  
Robert Doot  
Mary Powell  
Pat Hensley  
Sheryl Stephan  
Wanda Martin

Lee David  
Sammy Tierney  
Michael O'Connor  
Hazel Parkos  
Marvin Bauer  
Robert Simkins  
Steven Wason  
Barbara Stuecker

Julia Hinkle  
Mary Lewis  
Virginia Sykora  
Frank Kerry  
Nancy Miller  
Michael Parker  
Jean Kuhn  
James W. Boarman

Our Active Duty Service Members.....

LTCOL Chris Holly  
LCPL Phillip Shacreaw

SPC Randy Shacreaw  
SSG Chris Ramsey

PO1 Tom Etherington

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Readings for the Week

**Sunday:** The Epiphany of the Lord  
Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6;  
Mt 2:1-12

**Monday:** Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton,  
religious  
1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Ps 98; Mt 4:12-17,  
23-25

**Tuesday:** Saint John Neumann, bishop  
1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 100; Mk 6:34-44

**Wednesday:** Blessed André Bessette,  
religious  
1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72; Mk 6:45-52

**Thursday:** Saint Raymond of Peñafort, priest  
1 Jn 4:19—5:4; Ps 2; Lk 4:14-22a

**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 72; Lk 5:12-16

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 72; Jn 3:22-30

**Sunday:** The Baptism of the Lord  
Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



Coffee and Doughnuts will resume January 24th. Thank you so much for your generous support!



The Parish office is now taking names for the candle in front of the Blessed Mother, and Mass Intentions. Please call the office at 623-2989.



**Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults**  
**RCIA**

RCIA will resume meeting January 11, 2010 in the gathering space of the church.

**YOUTH GROUP**

Youth Group will break December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 to January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

**CCD NEWS**

CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine) meets Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30pm in the school.

**CCD Schedule**

Jan 6 - No Class  
Jan 13 - 6:30 - 7:30  
Jan 20 - 6:30 - 7:30  
Jan 27 - 6:30 - 7:30

**RCIA for Children Schedule**

Jan 4 - No Class  
Jan 10 - 6:00 - 7:00  
Jan 18 - No Class  
Jan 25 - 6:00 - 7:00

Contact  
cathy.cornett@saintmarkcatholicchurch.net or 623-2989 x2005.



## Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA)

### Why not give yourself the Christmas gift of a quiet retreat?

**April 2010 Women's Retreat:** CDA will again sponsor a women's retreat this coming spring (April 16-17) at Cliffview. Elaine Caldwell, former St. Mark parishioner, will return to lead us in prayer and reflection on thoughts of discipleship. The cost of the retreat is \$60.00 (double room occupancy) or \$80.00 (private room), all meals included. The retreat will begin with dinner at 6 p.m. on Fri., April 16, and end with a closing mass at 5:00 on Sat., April 17. Half of the cost of registration is due at the time of registration and is non-refundable. The registration form will be ready and available in next weekend's bulletin.

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR!** Wow, what a great success it was and the final tally is about in: \$13,263.65 (\$1,224 more than last year. Of course, this does not take in consideration our expenses, which will be between \$1,200-\$1,500. The second weekend was a huge success and I think everyone will admit that most of that was due to Joe Kinelski's 20 loaves of specialty bread and 10 doz. Hungarian Kifli's that he donated (he baked for 3 days). Also, thanks to a few others who brought baked goods & bourbon balls as this sure did help. Ashley & Chelsea, the gals who head up the After-School Program, delighted us in setting up the tables and Mary Deltry and Melinda Lamb helped me put out the leftovers. Betty Rush, Barbara Cain, Beth Grant and Angie Joyce helped sell after masses and Angie, Joe, Steve and Chelsey Joyce packed everything that was left in my car. Oh, what a big help all of this was. I would also like to thank everyone for the donations, big & small. Some gave us \$100 and others the change (it all added up). Thanks a million to everyone who helped make the bazaar such a huge success!  
Carol Kinelski, Chairman

## Respect Life

"There are international campaigns afoot to reduce birth-rates, sometimes using methods that respect neither the dignity of the woman, nor the right of parents to choose responsibly how many children to have; graver still, these methods often fail to respect even the right to life. The extermination of millions of unborn children, in the name of the fight against poverty, actually constitutes the destruction of the poorest of all human beings."

~ Pope Benedict XVI, "Message for the Celebration of the World Day of Peace," Jan. 1, 2009



BINGO has resumed Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, at the Galaxy Center. Early birds at 6:00, followed by regular bingo at 7:00. All Knights check your schedule for working and we'll see everyone in 2010!!

All 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meetings will resume in January. Meeting dates are: Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree and Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

We look forward to another successful year and wish everyone a blessed, safe, and happy 2010!

**THIRD DEGREE:** Meets on the First Thursday of each month at the Newman Center at 7:00 PM

**FOURTH DEGREE:** Meets on the Third Sunday of each month at St. Clare (Berea) meeting room at 5:00 PM.

**ST MARK SCHOOL NEWS**

At the end of the month of January, we will begin our Catholic Schools Week Observance, the annual celebration of Catholic education and its role in making the world a better place. Our theme this year is *Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life*. To volunteer to help with the festivities, please contact Natalie Fitzsimmons 859-582-3069 or [natalie.fitzsimmons@gmail.com](mailto:natalie.fitzsimmons@gmail.com)

**FUNDRAISING NOTES****Box Tops and Campbell's Soup Labels**

Thank you for your continued support of our collection efforts! Every Box Top earns \$.10 for the school and every Soup Label can be redeemed for school supplies. As a reminder on the soup labels, we need the UPC or bar code along with the label. Visit [Boxtops4Education.com](http://Boxtops4Education.com) for more information.

**DIOCESAN NEWS****Lexington Catholic Freshman Placement Exam**

Attention Eighth Graders! All incoming freshmen must take the Scholastic Testing Service's High School Placement Test on January 16, 2010, at LCHS, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please contact the Director of Admissions, Susie Fryer, for more information: (859) 277-7183 ext. 231 or [sfryer@lexingtoncatholic.com](mailto:sfryer@lexingtoncatholic.com).

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!  
Erin

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**FREE TAX HELP**

Did your family earn less than \$49,000.00 last year? As much as \$4,700 (or more) in a tax refund could be waiting for you! Catholic Charities will be hosting tax preparation volunteers in late January in Harlan and in early February at the Catholic Center in Lexington. These trained volunteers will help individuals fill out their tax forms at no charge to claim the benefits they've earned. Call Annie at (859) 253-1993 to register, and to learn more about the Earned Income Tax Credit.



**CHRISTMAS  
MEMORIAL  
FLOWERS  
2009**



Carl Douglas Allen  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Beirne  
Mr. and Mrs. Marhsall Bruner  
Emily Burns  
Caldwell and Kinelski Family  
Kenneth Carter  
Aymara Castillo  
Riley and Marjorie Culross  
Catherine Dabkowski  
Joseph Alfred DesRosiers  
Rita Mary DesRosiers  
Anthony Estrada  
Peter J. Flaherty III  
Mr. and Mrs. Dominick J. Hart Sr.  
Betty Heil  
The Heil Family  
Robert L. Herzog  
Mr. and Mrs. John Golden  
Scott Alan Heilig  
Justin Lee Hinch  
Ruth Hines  
Marcail Marks  
James E. and Ellen Leona Marshall  
Richard and Dan Mary Owen  
Anita M. Otero  
Frank H. and Mary Helen Radabaugh  
Todd Satterly  
Hunter Spalding  
Cindy Thompson  
Zachery Crump Vasquez  
Benda Mary Zetas

**Second Annual St. Mark Women's Retreat**

*Sponsored by CDA*

*Guest Speaker: Elaine Caldwell*

**What:** Women's Retreat

**Theme:** Discipleship

**When:** April 16 - 17, 2010

**Where:** Cliffview Retreat Center

**Cost:** Private Room \$ 80.00

Double Room \$ 60.00

\* All Meals included. A deposit of half the room cost is due at the time the registration form is turned in and is a non-refundable deposit. Deadline to register is January 10, 2010.

**Questions? Please contact Tricia Davis at 623-9184.**

Please complete the form below and drop in the collection basket during mass.

**Name :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Single Or Double Room:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If Double, who would you like to room with, if possible:**

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