

February 5, 2012

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baptism Class

Saturday, February 11, at 10 am, in Rooms 106 and 107. This is a class that should be attended by all parents who have children under the age of 6 or have not started the 1st grade and who wish to have a child baptized. To schedule your Baptism you must come to class, no reservations are necessary.

Baptism Sunday

The next Baptism Sunday is **February 18/19**, for more information contact Deacon Joe Rodriguez at 968-2170 or Deaconjoe05@yahoo.com



USHERS NEEDED!!!!

Ushers play an important role in welcoming people to St. Mark's. We are in need of more ushers to participate in this Liturgical Ministry, **ESPECIALLY AT 5 PM AND 6 PM**. If you are interested in joining the Usher Ministry, please contact Patrick Lind at 377-4368 or plind315@cablone.net



LAZARUS

Sorry we missed last weekend, our presenter was ill. However--- we will try to reschedule that session soon.


Today, February 5, Funeral Planning– Planning Ahead, A Gift to Your Survivors

- When does the Anointing of the Sick occur
- Funeral planning is one way to talk about faith
- Catholic Funerals for non-Catholics
- Cremation, The Vigil, The Funeral, The Rite of Committal

Please join us for our next classes

Don't Be Afraid	February 12, 2012
Hospice 101	February 19, 2012

(What is Hospice and when is it time to call)



**Healing Mass
at St. Mark's**

Thursday, February 16, at 7 pm
(preceded by singing of
Divine Mercy Chaplet)


St. Mark's Ecumenical Lenten Prayer & Lunch



All are invited to attend the Ecumenical Prayer and Lunch on Wednesdays during Lent, 12:00 Noon, at St. Mark's.

Prayer begins promptly at noon in the church and will be led by Pastors and parish leaders of St. Mark's Catholic Church, King of Glory Lutheran Church, and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Various soups and salads are provided by volunteer cooks of all three churches and enjoyed in St. Mark's Donoghue Hall immediately following the prayer. Table settings are provided. Please join us! *If you would like to prepare and share soup, salad, or bread at one of these lunches or have any questions, please call Val Allen at St. Mark's: 375-6651x108.*

*Happy Birthday
to John Glynn
who will be 90
years old on
February 12.*



Make St. Valentine's Day Special

St Mark's Knights of Columbus are offering a selection of Valentines Day cards, which for a donation provides a life-giving gift to those special people in your life. Included is an insert explaining to the recipient that a donation has been given in their honor to the Knights Pro Life fund. It includes information on the back detailing the various ways the funds are used to "save lives and change lives." What a great way to let your love shine forth to the special people in your life!



For more information, or to obtain a card for someone special in your life, contact Jeff Allen, jallen3594@msn.com or 602-4600.

Valentine's Dance

St. Mark's Knights of Columbus and St. Mark's Marriage Encounter announce a Valentine's Dance in Donoghue Hall on Saturday, February 11 at 7 pm. Enjoy a live band and a no host bar. A good time will be had by all!!



CCW February Meeting Monday, February 6th

Place: Donoghue Hall

Bring your bible and come bake a bible Cake.

6:30 - Social

7 pm - Meeting and Soup Supper

8 pm - Presentation On Women's Heart Health, the new CPR Method and Defibrillator Demonstration

Remember to bring: Box Top and Education Labels for St. Marks School. Contributions for Storylink.



Fasting and Prayer On Fridays

This Friday please join us in fasting and prayer for The Most Vulnerable Among Us

*(fasting = one full meal and two snacks)
(prayer= Mass, Adoration, Rosary, etc)*

Pastoral Council Meeting

The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held Tuesday February 7th at 7pm in the Faith Formation Room. All are welcome.

St. Mark's Single Senior Lunch Bunch

St. Mark's Single Senior Lunch Bunch will hold their last potluck before Lent in Donoghue Hall on Thursday, February 9. This will be at 12 noon. At this meeting we will plan the soups and salads that we will bring to the noon Lenten service on Wednesday, March 14. All senior parishioners without partners are invited to attend. Please contact Betty, 323-8875, for information.



St. Vincent de Paul Conference Annual Coat Drive is Here!



It is time again to clean out your closets from the winter apparel you no longer want. St. Vincent de Paul Conference will have the box set up for the weekends of the February 4th, 5th and 11th and 12th. It will remain there during the week too. Thank you for your generosity to help those who are cold this winter.

Sacramental Preparation



First Communion

First Communicants have received their packets to help their parents get them ready for First Communion on the weekend of May 5 and 6. Masses have been signed up for and roles for the children will be assigned within a few weeks.

Our first graders are learning more about the CHURCH this week. Our 2nd graders are studying the MASS, as they prepare for First Communion the weekend of May 5 and 6. Our clown minister, Twinkie, is helping the children understand how to LOVE God and others better.

RCIA Family meet again on February 12, 12:30-3pm, to learn more about the Holy Spirit and Confirmation. The Rite of Sending and Election are on February 26 and 29, respectively.

Mardi Gras



Join our annual Mardi Gras celebration Feb 21st as we clear out the cupboards and prepare for Lent. There will be food, drink, a magician, face painting and much, much, more. Doors open at 7 pm. Don't forget to bring your old palms to burn for our Ash Wednesday ashes.

St. Mark's Church Library

January 28th was the feast day of St. Thomas Aquinas, one of the greatest and most influential theologians of all time. The library folks want you to know about books that are in the library collection regarding this devout Saint including *Saint Thomas Aquinas*, "*The Dumb Ox*" by G. K. Chesterton, *The Philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas* translated by Edward Bullough, and *The Aquinas Prayer Book, The Prayers and Hymns of St. Thomas Aquinas* translated by Robert Anderson and Johann Moser.



A new service is being offered to help parishioners become familiar with St. Mark's Church Library! Beginning Sunday, February 12th, Rick, Rod, or Gayle will be

available to assist folks in finding books, explaining the card catalog, and showing them how to check out books. This service will be available most Sundays! So stop by the library, meet some of the Library folks, and check out one of these books or another of your choice! The library, Room 108, is open before and after Mass as well as during regular office hours Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 4.

Invite Someone to Church

If you would like to invite a friend, neighbor, or loved one to St. Mark's, there are invitations in the form of a bookmark on the table in the vestibule. Take what you need. All are welcome.



Join us for **APOLOGETICS** Sundays, 1 – 2 pm
If you are looking for ways to respond to questions about your Catholic Faith. All ages are welcome!
Grade school children require parent participation/supervision.

Funeral Chairs Needed

Ladies of St. Mark's Parish, are you feeling Christ's call to serve one another? St. Mark's Council of Catholic Women is in serious need of organizers for their Funeral Dinners. Are you available between 9 am and 2 pm most days? Do you have compassion for your fellow parishioners in their time of loss? We need you. We have plenty of experienced helpers but they are getting older. We just need young energy to take on the organization of the events. To be Christ's hands and feet. **WE ARE CALLING YOU!** Please call Paula Karpan at 853-3713, if you are feeling the spiritual pull to help in this corporal act of mercy. May God bless the parish by your service.

Funeral Dinner Thank You

Thanks to all the ladies who provided the delicious food for the **Owen Krahn Family Funeral Dinner**. Thank you Bridget Bradbury and Tracie Bryant for doing the calling for the food. Thank you to Jeanette Bauer and Maria Glodowski for setting up the dining area for the dinner. Thank you Bille Petsche, Joyce Walker, Dorie Marcolina, Paula Karpan, Dee Becker, Elaine Harding, Bill Campbell and Betty Bieker. Thanks to all of you. Bobbi Jo Anderson—Chairperson.

Coffee Hour Schedule

February 5 – No Coffee Hour at the Parish, Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast at St. Mark's school
February 12: Red Hat Ladies
February 19: CCW



The St. Mark's Prayer Shawl Ministry



The Pray Shawl Ministry would like to hear from St. Mark's parishioners that would like a blessed prayer shawl to experience the unconditional embrace of Christ. If you or someone you

know would benefit from a pray shawl, please call Susan Baker 321-7088.

Parents Corner

Start with the end in mind. Have a vision in your mind of what you want your parenting to look like. To get to that vision, ask yourself, "When your children are grown and out living their own lives in the world, what one word would you like them to use to describe you as a parent?" Is it loving, nurturing, kind, patient, temperate, compassionate, etc.? Let that word be a guide for the decisions you make in your life. Each night do a reflection and ask yourself, "Today, was I loving, nurturing, kind....? If not, what can I do tomorrow to be more like those qualities?" Then ask yourself, "What one word would you hope to use to describe your children?" Let that word be a filter for you in making parenting decisions. If that word is not "normal", then why do we spend so much time parenting towards the societal norm. *"By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things."* - Galatians 5:22-23. Look to the Holy Spirit for guidance to parent above and beyond the norm. Include in your vision the fruits of the Spirit or the virtues of faith hope and love. May God grant you these as well.

Pilgrimage Meeting

There are 4 openings for the pilgrimage going to Italy and Medjugorje March 18-30-call Jon or Jane, if you'd like to go. Fr. Medina is our Spiritual Director.

There will be a meeting for the pilgrims today, February 5, from 1-3 pm in the Resurrection Room. Call Jane 794-6821 if you have any questions.

Bishop Kelly Information Night

Wednesday, February 15th

7:00 pm Carley Center

Prospective Students and Families Welcome!

Meet BK students, tour the facilities, and receive information on classes, academic programs, sports and clubs.

St. John's Cathedral Chancel Choir

Boys ages 6 to 13 are needed to sing with the St. John's Cathedral Chancel Choir for Holy Week and for the Spring Program. The choir meets at 4 PM to 6:30 PM on Wednesdays at the cathedral chapel. For information, call 939-0157 (Dr. Burns) or 342-3511 (Dr. Morvant)

Job Seekers

A New Ministry at St. Mark's

***** LOOKING FOR A JOB? *****

St. Marks parishioners: Are you looking for a new job? Job Seekers Ministry is creating a distribution list of those seeking employment. If you would like to be included on the distribution list, send your email address to:

Tina Carpenter vita34@aol.com, ph322-5209, or Kevin O'Sullivan kos75@hotmail.com, ph 323-0221. There is no charge for this service.

Disclaimer: St. Mark's makes no representations or guarantees about positions listed on its website and is not responsible for safety, wages, working conditions or other aspects of employment. It is the job seeker's responsibility for all necessary precautions when interviewing for or accepting positions and he/she is solely responsible for obtaining necessary information concerning the employer.

***** LOOKING FOR A WORKER?*****

St. Mark's Employers: Are you looking for a qualified worker? Job Seekers Ministry is creating a distribution list of parishioners and their family members who are skilled, educated & seeking employment in a host of fields. We email them with the job opening you or your employer is seeking to fill. Simply email job and contact details to: Tina Carpenter vita34@aol.com, ph: 322-5209. There is no charge for this service.

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Catholic Charities of Idaho

Catholic Charities of Idaho's Boise Family Strengthening Center, 4202 Emerald, offers affordable services for families and individuals. Services include individual, couples, and family counseling; parenting classes; and a depression support group for women. Please call 345-6031 for more information.

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