

# Saint Mark Catholic Church

September 16, 2018



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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Masses: 4:30 pm  
Sunday Masses: 8:00, 9:45 & 11:30 am  
Daily Mass: 8:30 am in Chapel  
First Saturday Mass: 8:30 am in Chapel  
Exposition after Mass until noon Benediction

Holy Days: Information in Bulletin  
Perpetual Help Devotions/Benediction:  
Weds. 7:00 pm in Chapel  
Rosary: Mon. Tues. Weds. 7:30 pm  
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45- 4:15 pm  
and/or call for an appt.

## BAPTISMS

New or expecting parents must contact the Rectory three (3) months before the Baptism to allow sufficient time for the instructions prior to the celebration.

## MARRIAGES

Contact Rectory 6 months in advance.  
LOCAL CATHOLIC CEMETERIES  
Holy Cross, Colma: 650-756-2060  
Holy Cross, Menlo Park: 650-323-6375

325 Marine View Avenue,  
Belmont, California 94002

E-Mail: [st\\_markschurch@yahoo.com](mailto:st_markschurch@yahoo.com)

**NEW WEBSITE:**

[www.SaintMarkBelmont.com](http://www.SaintMarkBelmont.com)

Church Office & Rectory  
650-591-5937 Fax: 650-591-7645  
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## Saint Mark Catholic Community Mission

TO PROMOTE THE LIVING GOSPEL OF  
JESUS CHRIST AND LIVE THE  
UNIVERSAL CALL TO HOLINESS

Fr. Joe Bradley, Administrator  
Fr. Martin Njoalu, VC, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Mr. Gerard Quinn, Deacon  
Coordinator of Religious Education, Gr. 1-8  
Maria Ong  
Coordinator of Youth Ministry/Confirmation  
Jill Watkins  
Office Manager  
Cathy Coolin

## CHOIRS

Michael Clements 4:30  
Mario Valentone 8:00  
Jun Madrinan 9:45  
Don Ramirez 11:30  
Nelia Licudine—Children Choir  
Last Sat. of month 4:30 & Various 9:45

## PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Legion of Mary
Catechesis	Parish Pastoral Council
Choirs	Prayer Group
Finance	Rosary Group
Greeters	Sandwiches on Sunday
Hospitality	(SOS)
Knight of Columbus	St. Vincent de Paul
Ladies Guild	Youth Ministry

Welcome in Jesus' Name. Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, long-time residents or the newly arrived in the parish. We thank God you are with us. If you are not registered, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ New Parishioner \_\_\_ New Phone

\_\_\_ New Address

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### LISTENING AND RESPONDING

There are three interwoven themes in today's readings: listening to God, faith vs. good works, and losing our life in order to find it. How are they related? The Suffering Servant of Isaiah undergoes much distress and ridicule, but is able to bear it because he has listened to the promptings of God day after day. The psalm tells us that God listens, too. God hears our prayers for help and is always ready to save us. As our faith deepens, so does our desire to do the works of justice and charity that build up the reign of God. God directs our actions in ways we often cannot see, and we don't always see the results. We are called upon in faith to trust that what we do is enough, and that willingness to listen to God's promptings will lead us in the right way. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In this country, we don't name our churches "The Fourth Avenue Catholic Church," but rather seek a patron saint or mystery of faith. We inherit this tradition from an old Roman custom via medieval England. Interestingly, that has not been the practice elsewhere, and parishes abroad often do carry just the name of the neighborhood. In Ireland, the Roman (English) practices didn't take hold, and so churches are known simply by the street they are on, or by a nickname. Saint Francis of Assisi in Dublin is often called "Adam and Eve" after a pub in the same street. The pub sign is an interesting carving of our first parents, so they become patrons by default.

Increasingly in the United States, we are seeing a familiar European pattern emerge when a few churches, each bearing the name of a patron saint or mystery, are gathered into one parish that bears a different name. Thus, we might hear of a parish of "Midvalley City" comprised of Saint Mary, Saint Francis, and Saint Ursula churches. Once a church has been consecrated, its name may not normally be changed. Therefore, when parishes are merged, a new name is given to the parish, which may or may not be that of a heavenly patron, but the church buildings retain their names. In the process, we have lost sight of some worthy patrons of old, but have also seen new parishes open dedicated to twentieth-century saints like Edith Stein, Katharine Drexel, and Mother Teresa.

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Fr. Levi Hartle from Pittsburg, PA will be teaching at the St. Mark's Prayer Group on Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 7:00 – 8:30. All are welcome to come hear this young Priest teach on Prayer, Praise and Worship. Prayer group meets in the church. All are welcome. To read Fr. Levi's full bio go to <http://sfspirit.com/annual-holy-spirit-conference.html>

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is hosting its second annual Mother-Daughter event, Saturday, November 3 at St. Bartholomew Church, 600 Columbia Dr., San Mateo

This fun and lighthearted program introduces girls to the beauty and wonder of God's plan for becoming teenagers and young women. There are separate programs for Tweens (10-12 years old) and Teens (13-16 years): Tweens 9:30 am – 12:30 pm; Teens 1:30 – 5:00 pm. The Teen and Tween Programs cover similar subject matter while differing in depth and scope. All presentations are pure and affirming. Visit the webpage, above. For more information, contact Ed Hopfner, Office of Marriage and Family Life, Ed Hopfner 415-614-5547 hopfnere@sfarch.org sfarchdiocese.org/md

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test

(Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits

(James 3:16 — 4:3).

Gospel — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me

(Mark 9:30-37).

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#### WE PRAY FOR:

For our sick and injured :

Especially: : Larry Stoopenkof, Esther Chavez, & Stephen Co & for those who have ongoing sickness & daily pain and for those who care for them.

For all the souls of the faithful departed:

Especially: Sherylynn Barker, Buffie Vermeulen, Blake Bottarini, & for all the families.

For those serving in the military and for all the families. May they return home safely.

#### CELEBRANTS: Sept. 22 & 23

4:30 Fr. Joe Bradley

8:00 Fr. Joe Bradley

9:45 Fr. Martin Njoalu, VC

11:30 Fr. Martin Njoalu, VC



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**MASSSES** for the **WEEK**

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MON. Donald Hansen †  
TUES. Bob & Chris Milestone, Spec Inten  
WED.  
THURS.  
FRIDAY Fernando Payan, Special Intention  
**SEPTEMBER 22, 2018**  
4:30 Victor Riviello †  
**SEPTEMBER 23, 2018**  
8:00 St. Mark Parishioners, Living & †  
9:45 Dorothy Ryan †  
11:30

**2018 MEETING CALENDAR**

**MONDAY:**

St. Vincent de Paul 1<sup>ST</sup>  
7:15 - 9:00 p.m.  
Legion of Mary Every  
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Knights Officers 1st  
7:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Knights Council 2<sup>nd</sup>  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
Group Coordinators 4<sup>th</sup> (4x/yr.)  
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY:**

CCD: (Gr 5-8) Sept. - May Every  
7:15-8:45 p.m.  
Confirmation – Jill 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
St. Vincent de Paul Every  
In Church All Day Food Storing  
Pastoral Council 7:00-9:00 p.m. 4th

**WEDNESDAY:**

Ladies Guild Sept-May 1st  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Baptism Class 2<sup>nd</sup>  
7:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
Finance Group 2<sup>nd</sup>  
7:00-9:00 p.m.  
  
Ladies Guild Board 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

Scripture Study Sept-May Every  
10:00 - Noon  
PRAYER GROUP Every  
In Church 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
SVDP (Bread Dist.) Every  
In Church 10:00am-3:00pm  
Choir – Jun Madrinan Every  
In Center 7:00 – 8:30pm

**FRIDAY—In Church**

Children’s Choir Practice 5:00pm 3rd & 4th  
Choir - Don Ramirez Every  
7:00-9:00PM  
Flower Group Every  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**SATURDAY**

Legion of Mary meets 1<sup>ST</sup>  
Noon- 1:30 p.m.  
RCIA Every  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY**

CCD (Gr 1 -4) Sept.-May Every  
9:45 - Noon  
Knights- Mass & Fellowship 2<sup>nd</sup>  
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Youth Group 2<sup>nd</sup>  
6:30 – 9:00 p.m.  
SOS 3<sup>rd</sup>  
10:45 - 11:30 a.m.  
Youth Group (Aug.- May) 3<sup>rd</sup>  
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Mass & Fellowship

**(ALL meetings are held in Center unless otherwise indicated) ALL ARE WELCOME! JOIN A GROUP THAT’S RIGHT FOR YOU!**

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
**SEPT. 22 & 23**  
**Priest Retirement Fund**

Please join us in thanking the Archdiocese of San Francisco's retired clergy with a gift to the Priests Retirement Fund.

There will be a 2nd Collection at Masses on September 22 and 23. Support of this Fund helps alleviate the financial burden of living, healthcare, and extended care expenses. This also ensures that clergy and religious can spend retirement in continued engagement with their communities.

The Priests Retirement Fund is an expression of gratitude to these men for their lifetime of ministry and service to others.

**Thank you for your  
kind generosity!**

