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Confession: Sunday 8:00-8:45a or by appointment. Adoration 8:00-8:45a

Mass Times and Intentions

Day		Time	
Sun 27	St Mk	9:00 AM	
	HC	11:15AM	
Mon 28	St Mk	5:30 PM	T. Lee requests
Tue 29	St Mk	5:30 PM	Ford requests
Wed 30	St Mk	5:30 PM	Minton requests
Fri 2	St Mk	5:30 PM	Poirrier requests
	St Mk	6:00 PM	Adoration
Sat 3	St Mry	5:00 PM	
Sun 4	St Mk	9:00 AM	
	HC	11:15AM	

Collections	Last Week
Regular Collection	\$ 1,554.00
Second Collection	312.00

Prayer Concerns: Stephanie Coleman; Phyllis Cox; Jordan Smith; Candice Carter; Genesis Chua; Heidii Chua; Dornia Dantin; Pam/James Guanzon; Cindy Theriot; Marilyn Weih; Edward and Susan Carmine; Steven Mahanes; Steve Hartness; Charlotte Roberson.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tues: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wed: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Thu: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Sat: Is 30:19-26; Ps 147:1-6;
Sun: Ps 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sun: 1st Sunday of Advent
Wed: St. Andrew
Thu: World AIDS Awareness Day
Fri: 1st First Friday
Sat: St. Francis Xavier; 1st Saturday

November 27, 2022

The CCD students will participate in a **Christmas skit** on December 18. Any parishioners wanting to help, please reach out to Melissa Prince.



The parish is seeking **money counters** to count the Sunday offering. Several teams are down to one member and each team should have at least two members to maintain good internal controls over the count. Please consider this important ministry.

Ushers and Eucharistic ministers: Please wear the crosses and badges in the altar servers room that identify your role in the Mass.

Please join us for an **Advent Retreat** on Saturday, December 17, 9am-2pm at St. Mark. Lunch will be provided. Fr. Eddie D’Almeida will lead the retreat which will include the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There is sign up on the credenza.

“Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: His Real Presence in the Eucharist.” In response to the US Conference of Catholic Bishops’ call for a National Eucharistic Revival, we will begin having **Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist** on the first Friday of each month. We will start at 6pm on Friday, December 2. To ensure we have at least one person present with Jesus in the chapel the entire time, we will have a sign up sheet on the credenza. But all are welcome. Please come and adore Him, even if you do not sign up.



St. Mark Parish will sponsor ten wreaths at Oakland Cemetery in Monticello on December 17. These honor our fallen soldiers as part of the Daughters of the American Revolution’s Wreaths Across America Campaign.

Mark you calendars for the St. Mark International Dinner on Saturday, January 28, 2023.

The Collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious** is next Sunday. An abbot writes, “Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living out our mission of seeking God and serving the Church.” Donations help hundreds of US religious communities to provide for their aging members. Since this Collection is on the 1st Sunday, the Building Fund Collection will be taken up on Dec 11.

Dec 4	Lector	Eucharist	Ushers	Altar Servers	Offertory	Counting
Sun	David D.	Katy, Linda, Michelle	Don R., Ivan	Sophie, Ralph, Scott	Gwen Hammock	A



November 20, 2022

PEOPLE OF THE LIGHT

We are called to reflect the light of God's love through the ways in which we live our lives. Imagine the impact if each of us took this call to heart, every day, at home, work, or school, in our parish, in the world. "All nations shall stream toward it," toward the love that only comes from God. Yet, we must admit that much of the time we fail to be beacons of God's light. We fall asleep, complacent, preferring to go the easy route, which often leads to darkness rather than the radiance of Christ's light. As we begin the season of Advent, Saint Paul admonishes us to throw off the works of darkness, to awaken to the call of light and love. In today's Gospel, Jesus too tells us to stay awake, to be prepared to greet the Lord of light as people of the light.

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