

St. Mark Church
2609 East 19th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11235

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
10:15 a.m. Family Mass
12:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 7:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

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St. Margaret Mary Church
Ocean Ave. & Oriental Blvd
Manhattan Beach, New York

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.

Email:

stmarkbrooklyn@gmail.com

Website:

www.stmarkbrooklyn.org

THE PARISH OF SAINT MARK– SAINT MARGARET MARY

Pastor: *Very Rev. Robert V. Mucci*
Parochial Vicar: *Rev. Michael Panicali*

Deacon: *Rev. Mr. Paul Morin*
In Residence: *Rev. Joseph P. Quigley*

Devotions:

Holy Hour 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday - Saturday
Miraculous Medal Novena every Wednesday after the 8:30 Mass.

Litany of the Sacred Heart every First Friday 8:20 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. Classes for parents and godparents are required through Baptism Matters program. Call the rectory to make an appointment with a priest two months prior to the Baptism.

Marriage:

Please make arrangements by calling the rectory at least 6 months in advance. Please log on to www.bqonlineformation.org/precana for complete information about marriage preparation in the diocese, according to diocesan regulations.

Anointing of the Sick: (Communal celebrations suspended, until further notice.)

First Saturday of the month at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Confessions : **Saturday** 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. or strongly suggested by appointment. Call the rectory office.

Appointment to see a Priest:

If you desire an appointment to meet with a priest, please call the parish office. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.

Parish Office:

Ms. Jacqueline Biagioni

Ms. Rosemarie Barbuto

St. Mark Catholic Academy

Mr. Mark Wilson, Principal

Mrs. Lori Ryan, Secretary

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Ms. Jo Ann Pino

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Mr. Michael Davis

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Mr. Wayne Walker

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Director of Music

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"With God all things are possible"

Mass Intentions



for the week

St. Mark Church

Saturday, April 17

5:00 p.m. Louise Atsaves

Sunday, April 18

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:15 a.m. Robert Feit

12:30 p.m. Lionel Morisset



Monday, April 19

8:30 a.m. For forgiveness of the entire Carter family
(requested by Arleza Allen)

Tuesday, April 20

8:30 a.m. AnnaLisa Flores

Wednesday, April 21

8:30 a.m. Noelle Sokolnicki

Thursday, April 22

8:30 a.m. Dr. Maurice Carter

Friday, April 23

8:30 a.m. Ruth Huff

Saturday, April 24

8:30 a.m. Michela Rangel Oyola

5:00 p.m. Christine Mary Dario (8th Anniv. in Heaven)

St. Margaret Mary Church

Sunday, April 18

11:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Vince & Judy Manino



Wednesday, April 21

9:00 a.m. Milai Chuchla (Birthday Blessings)
& Julia Chuchla (In Memory of)

Sunday, April 25

11:00 a.m. Olivia Castanza & Angelo Bufalini

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Pray for Vocations



April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

The Disciples on the road to Emmaus came to realize the elusive, burning feeling in their hearts was actually the awakening joy of coming to know that Jesus had been raised from the dead.

Today's Readings:

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Psalms 4:7a

1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24:35-48



Week of April 17th-April 24th



*The Bread & Wine and
Flowers at the Main Altar
are offered in memory of
George Atsaves Sr.*

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*Blessed Mother & St. Joseph
candles are lit in memory
of George Atsaves Sr.*

Requested by:

Theresa & Frank Cianciotta



**Gifts are available to
honor a loved one.
Bread & wine, candles,
flowers. Please call the rectory
for details.**

There are open dates for Mass intentions.

St. Mark

May: 10, 14, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28th & 29th

St. Margaret Mary

May: 7, 19 & 26th

VOCATIONS CORNER

*"Peace be with you." If you think
you may have a vocation to follow
the Risen Lord as a priest, deacon
or in the consecrated life?*

Contact the Vocation office @
(718) 827-2454 or
email: vocations@diobrook.org



Food for Thought

One line in particular from this weekend's Gospel grabs me time and again. After His Resurrection, in one of His many manifestations to His disciples, Jesus asks if they have something for Him to eat. This line is captivating – showing the sheer humanity of Our Lord in that in this instance, He hungers for bodily food, while at the same time, as the Son of God, He has just manifested His Divinity, in rising from the dead!

This past Tuesday, I had a wonderful interaction with St. Mark Catholic Academy's third-grade class, upon visiting the classroom to distribute Holy Communion after the children live-streamed the 8:30am Mass. I must have spent a good twenty minutes in the classroom praying with them, distributing Communion, and mainly answering their questions about the Holy Eucharist – and if I had not had someone waiting for me in my office, I would have stayed longer. The questions kept coming, and hands kept getting raised:

- *What is the difference between the wine at Mass, and grape juice?*
 - *Is it special wine?*
 - *Why is it we no longer are drinking the wine at Mass?*
 - *How is it that the (Eucharistic) hosts are perfect circles?*
 - *Did Jesus eat hosts like this? What was the bread that He ate like?*
- How come kids aren't given the wine at Mass?*

And of course, the questions that have been raised by children, the people of Jesus' time, and the greatest of theologians throughout the history of Christendom, were also posed to me by these eager young learners:

- *How can this be the Body of Christ? Isn't it just regular bread?*
 - *Is the host still bread, or is it something different?*
- Doesn't it still taste and look the same as what it was before?*

Needless to say, this is a very inquisitive, very articulate group. The Academy and parish community is blessed by their enthusiasm. Their questions in turn prompt each of us adults to examine what we believe, and the questions we ourselves have in regard to the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

The main point I attempted to impart to the third-graders last Tuesday is that human beings not only have **bodies that need food** (as Jesus does in today's Gospel), but also **souls that need food** (which prompted questions on the human soul, and the spirit world, which would have made Plato, Aristotle, and St. Thomas Aquinas quite proud).

This simple statement I made to them, is the thrust of our very complex understanding of the Eucharist. Our great and magnificent Lord, in asking for food from the disciples, reminds us today, that we hunger for the spiritual food that He so beautifully and humbly provides us at Holy Mass. This is so that our souls are fed, as our souls journey to Him.

As the Feast of Corpus Christi looms in the not-so-distant future, we all hope for the inquisitiveness and zeal of the St. Mark Catholic Academy third-grade class, in wrestling to comprehend what the Lord has amazingly and miraculously done for us, in giving us His Body, to feed our souls.

- Rev. Michael W. Panicali



Sunday Collection: April 11, 2021

St. Mark Church

Collection: \$3,600
Attendance: 246
Envelopes Returned: 76

St. Margaret Mary Church

Collection: \$259
Attendance: 25
Envelopes Returned: 5

Give Central

Online giving: \$1,991
of gifts: 69



Generations of Faith:

	<u># Donors</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Paid</u>
St. Mark	191	\$599,797	\$533,938
St. Margaret Mary	49	\$69,030	\$63,190

Annual Catholic Appeal 2020:

St. Mark - St. Margaret Mary

Goal:	\$38,976
Pledged:	\$57,318
Received:	\$49,303
Number of Donors	71

* Now that we have exceeded our goal all additional donations come back to the parish. Thanks!



The Act of Spiritual Communion



If you are unable to receive Holy Communion in person, you can always make a spiritual communion.

1. *Make an act of faith. The key here is to express to the Lord: our faith in his merciful love and his real presence in the Eucharist.*
2. *Make an act of love. O Lord God, I love you above all things. ...*
3. *Express our desire to receive him.*
4. *Invite Jesus to come into our hearts spiritually.*

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art presence in the Blessed. Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee." St. Alphonsus Liguori.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:



*Tina Cook, Daniel Paluszek,
Lisa Lovbosco, Laura Durant,
Hope Schwartz, Marie Giannotti, Carissa D'Alba, Kimberly
Palmo, Alfred DeMola, Walter Brady, Catherine Staren,
Jennifer Costa, Romilda Zambelli, John Angelo Buccheri,
Raymond Fazio, Mark Aragona, Olivia LaSpina, Saul
Godinez, Maria Calise, Rachel Marin, Joseph John
Buccheri, Sally Frances Buccheri, Barbara Harris, Lisa
Montalto, Andrea Montalto, Christopher Walker, Alfred
DiGrazia, Joanne Newlin, Nina Pionegro, Anna Monaco,
Robert Fernandez, Rose Chiusano, Marcus Gonclaves,
Jennifer Russo, Lisa Weiner, Anthony Timoney, John Maese
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Since 2014 alone, the Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Donation Program has given back over **\$450,000** to local parishes throughout the New York Metropolitan Area. Your donation has helped many individuals in need in your neighborhood. Only through the generosity of countless parishioners are we able to make a difference. Please help us to continue to make a difference by spreading the word to anyone you know that would like to donate a vehicle, running or not, leaving a review on Google, and liking us on Social Media. Together we can continue our mission in helping the less fortunate.

Help Spread the Word to help Those in Need!

Please Visit Us at svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org

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With Much Thanks and Many Blessings,

Jim Shea

Associated Vincentian Charities Car Program Coordinator

**Mass & Holy hour is being live-streamed
on our parish website:**

<http://www.stmarkbrooklyn.org> and on our
Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/stmarkchurchbrooklyn>

at 8:30 a.m. Monday - Saturday,

and at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday.

Holy Hour noon- 1:00 p.m. Monday – Saturday.



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School News

Dear Families:

I hope everyone had a safe, healthy, and relaxing Easter recess. It's hard to believe we're halfway through the month of April already! What's even more remarkable is that there are little over two months left in the school year! As we get closer to the "finish line," we should be careful not to lose sight of our goal—a successful and healthy academic year for all of our students. Therefore, I ask that you please continue to follow all health and safety guidelines to ensure a successful conclusion to the school year.

This week, I received a nice thank you letter from Saint Joseph's College, acknowledging our school community for their support. They wrote, "In today's world, we need more heroes—and we are grateful to count you as one of ours."

On April 22nd and 23rd, we will again be supporting another great cause, American Lung Association's Lung Force, which supports lung health and those with lung cancer. Appropriately, April 22nd is Earth Day. More information about our Lung Force dress down days is in today's folder!

"A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself. Forests are the lungs of our land, purifying the air and giving fresh strength to our people."

—President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Sincerely,
Mr. Mark Wilson
Principal



Office of Faith Formation

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Mon. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wed, Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sun. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

I am sure by now, you heard the announcement regarding the Parish Picnic, that will be held on Saturday, April 24th. This will be a great time for everyone to attend and celebrate St. Marks Anniversary. I believe everyone needs a little reprieve from being cooped up for so long. This will be a great time for adults and children to play some sports, socialize, dance, & have some fun. There is always plenty of food and drink. The day will conclude with Mass, which will be held at 5pm. Watch the bulletin for more particulars. I miss seeing the children and their families. Hopefully we will see some of you at the picnic.

Confirmation Reminder

All donations and paper work must be submitted by the end of April.

The next practice is Saturday, May 15th at 1:30pm in Church. If your sponsor did not attend the last practice, they must attend this one.

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Ms. Pino



Feast of Saint Mark

April 25th

Sunday Afternoon Concert

4:00 pm

at

St. Mark Catholic Church

~ Featuring ~

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The Italian Opera Company

in a heartwarming celebration of Opera,

Broadway Classics, and Italian,

Irish, and Russian Folk songs.

Free Will Donations Accepted



St. Mark and St. Margaret Mary Family Picnic Saturday, April 24th from 11 AM until 6 PM

Busses will leave from the school parking lot at 10:00 am to bring us to:



Cost: \$40 per adult, \$20 per child 6 - 14, children under 6 free



***Menu includes unlimited;
Bagels, Danish, Coffee, and Tea
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Fries,
Salad Bar
BBQ Chicken, Sausage & Peppers
Roast Beef Sandwiches,
Corn on the Cob
Watermelon, Ice Cream
Soda and Water
Wine \$4/glass, Beer \$5/bottle; \$3
on tap***

***DJ, Music and Dancing
Tentative activities include:
Shuffleboard, Horseshoes
Bocce Ball, Volleyball
Softball (bring your glove)
Sack Races, 3 Legged Races
Face painting for kids***



Free on site Parking



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year St. Mark – St. Margaret Mary Parish and the Diocese of Brooklyn engage in the *Annual Catholic Appeal* which supports Catholic programs throughout Brooklyn and Queens and affects the lives of countless individuals and families living in our neighborhoods in addition to benefiting our parish.

How Does Our Parish Benefit?

In order for our parish to function, we need well trained **priests and deacons** who can celebrate the sacraments and administer the parish. Without the **\$2.5 Million** from the Appeal allocated to vocations, we would not have the clergy our parish needs.

Our Children are the future of our parish and we are called to support them as they grow in faith. The Appeal provides funding which supports every parish **religious education program** as well as tuition assistance to those seeking **Catholic Education** at Catholic Academies and Schools. Over **\$2 million** from the Appeal is invested in the faith of our children in addition to also providing **adult faith formation**. Instruction programs for lay people, including those in our own parish, provide training in ministries such as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors or prepare others for sacraments.

The Appeal also provides the salaries for the trained Youth Ministers working in parishes throughout Brooklyn and Queens. **\$150,000** each year from our donations sustains the **Youth Ministry Initiative**, which has been supported by Generations of Faith, ensuring that young people encounter Christ through the Church, forming life-long bonds of faith which will sustain our parishes for years to come.

Christ Himself has called all of us to care for those among us in need, but as one parish we lack the time, space, skills and volunteers that it takes to address the needs of our brothers and sisters who need our help. This is why, through the Annual Catholic Appeal, our parish supports the work of **Catholic Charities** and **Catholic Migration Services** which receive a total of **\$1.4 million** from the Appeal. Together we are able to welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, feed the hungry and shelter the homeless in the name of our Church.

In our efforts to spread the Gospel of Christ we also have a responsibility as Catholics to minister to those who are ill, students in high schools and colleges as well as those who are imprisoned, just as Christ directed us to. The Appeal provides **\$1.9 million** to ensure that **chaplains** bring the sacraments of the church to those who are ill, imprisoned or are studying in high school and college.

Why is my participation important?

As followers of Jesus here at St. Mark – St. Margaret Mary Parish, we understand our responsibility to our parish implies a responsibility to the diocese which unites us together with the entire Catholic community as the one body of Christ.

When one part of the body does not participate, the entire body suffers and makes it harder to function. Likewise, your participation in this Appeal, over and above your regular Sunday offering, will determine the ability of St. Mark – St. Margaret Mary Parish to faithfully support the mission of Christ while also providing the needed support we receive as one parish, which is part of the larger Catholic Church.

WHAT IS NEXT FOR THE Annual Catholic Appeal AND HOW CAN WE HELP?

Please join with us to respond as the Church of Christ together in Brooklyn and Queens through a pledge to the *Annual Catholic Appeal* today at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or text **ACA** to **917-336-1255**

Thank you and God bless you.

The *Annual Catholic Appeal* seeks to raise a minimum of \$8 million to provide programs and ministries throughout the Diocese and support the local efforts of parishes like ours.

The goal at St. Mark – St. Margaret Mary Parish is \$38,976.

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100% of all funds raised above this figure directly back to our parish.

For questions regarding the *Annual Catholic Appeal*, or to schedule an appointment to make a gift to the parish, please contact the Parish Office –
718 891 3100.

**WE ARE THE CHURCH,
TOGETHER**