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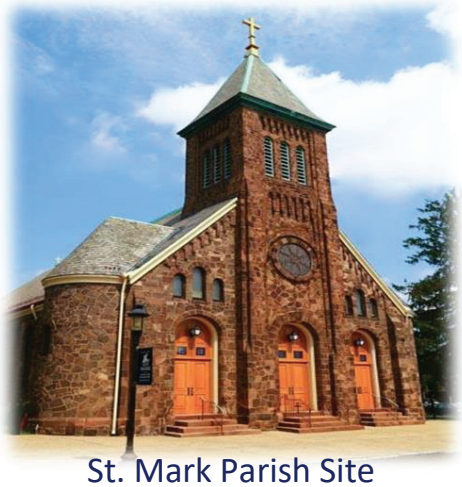

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Mass Schedule

Parish Site:
Saturday Vigil- 5:00 pm
Sunday- 7:30 am and 9:00 am
Weekdays: Monday-Friday 8:00 am
Holy Days- 8:00 am, Noon, 6:30 pm (Bilingual)

Worship Site:
Sunday- 10:45 am
Holy Days- 9:00 am

Devotions

Rosary: Monday – Friday before 8:00 am Mass
Blessed Mother Novena: Tuesday after 8:00 am Mass
Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Adoration:
Wednesday @7:00pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confessions:
Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

Rosary and Prayers to Blessed Anna Maria and St. Michael of the Saints- Sunday before 10:45 am Mass

Saint Mark Parish Office:
1024 Radcliffe Street, Bristol, PA 19007
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Phone: 215-788-2319 Fax: 215-785-4121
Email: office@saintmarkchurch.net **Website:** www.saintmarkchurch.net

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Rev. César J. Izaguirre - Parochial Vicar
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***Phone#* 215.788.2319**. **E-mail** office@saintmarkchurch.net

Saint Mark School- 215.785.0973 (Main office)

Baptisms – at Noon. First Sunday of the month, in Spanish. Fourth Sunday of the month, in English at 12:30 pm. To register for Pre - Jordan class, call Anna @ 215.788.8948 or 215.788.1600 **(English)** or Nelly @ 267.680.3610 **(Spanish)**

Catholic Daughters, St. Mark Court - Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the School Hall.

PREP for grades 1-7 at St. Mark Parish. For more information, call Mrs. Gesualdi @ 215-630-5365 or stmarkprepoffice@gmail.com or stmarkprep7@gmail.com

Cemetery Manager – Matt Corrigan -267-300-7731

Gift Card Line - 215-788.-7266. Please leave a message. **Gift Card Hours:** Monday through Friday, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm.

Matrimony - Call the rectory @ 215.788.2493 at least nine months before your intended date.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) - Please call 215-788-2319 or email office@saintmarkchurch.net.

Rito de Iniciación para Adultos (OCIA) – Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 215 788 2319.

Sacrament of Anointing - Please call the Parish Office at 215.788.2319.

Sodality – Third Tuesday of each month after 8:00 AM Mass

For all parish-related requests, including Sacramental and Eligibility Certificates, For weddings, Mass Cards, or to register with the parish, please visit our parish office Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM, or call us at 215-788-2319 for more information.

Bulletin Submissions

Due to limited space in our bulletin,
all announcements must be submitted
to our parish office in person or by email to:
Marylsmparishoffice@gmail.com
by Friday 12:00 noon, two weeks before the publishing date.
We will do our best to accommodate your request.
Thank you for your cooperation.

October 11th,2026
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Deacon's Desk

Dear St. Mark's Family,

There is something special about being invited to share a meal. It tells us that someone wants us there. This Sunday's readings remind us that God wants us close to him. He prepares a place for us and asks us to make room for him in our lives.

Isaiah describes a banquet for all peoples, where sorrow and death will finally give way to God's saving love. Psalm 23 reminds us that our Shepherd stays beside us, even through the darkest valleys. For anyone carrying grief, illness, or worry about the future, these readings offer a gentle reassurance: God has not forgotten you.

St. Paul speaks of finding strength in Christ through both abundance and hardship. That is a faith we need in our homes and in our parish. We cannot control every difficulty, but we can turn to the Lord and help one another carry the burdens that come.

In the Gospel, the invitation to the wedding feast is generous, yet some guests are too occupied to respond. I think we can all recognize that temptation. Work, family responsibilities, and daily concerns can fill our schedules until prayer becomes something we keep postponing.

The wedding garment also calls us to examine how we live. Reflecting on this passage, St. Augustine says, "Clothe others, and you are clothed yourselves." He understands the garment as charity: the love of God taking shape in our actions.

As your Parish Life Director, I pray that St. Mark's will be a community where people find that love. A warm welcome at Mass, patience with a family member, or a visit to someone who is lonely can help another person experience God's care.

This week, let us make time for prayer and choose one concrete act of kindness. When we gather for the Eucharist, may we bring hearts willing to be changed by the Lord who welcomes us.

May God bless you and your families.

Deacon Mario A. Gonzalez
Parish Life Director

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Please note: Names will remain *on our list for 30 days. If you want them to stay on longer, please call the office to let us know; otherwise, they will be removed. Thank you for being so cooperative.*

School & Parish Volunteers:

If you are volunteering or plan to at any time in the future, but have not turned in your forms and clearances, we ask that you visit our volunteer page by using the link or QR Code below to view the Archdiocesan requirements: https://stmarkbristol.org/safe-environment-page. You can also call our Safe Environment office @ 215.788.7266 or email us @ juanitaparishoffice@gmail.com to request a packet. Thank you.

Sunday Mass Readings

Reading 1: Isaiah 25: 6-10a

A banquet will be set out on Mt. Zion for the entire world to attend. This is an aspect of the prophet's teaching and the fact that Jerusalem will be glorified.

Reading II: Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20

With power coming from Christ, Paul says that he can do all things. He believes he will receive all that he needs through God's generosity.

The Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14, or 22: 1-10

The Parable of the Marriage Feast is all about God's impartial treatment of all people, both Jews and Gentiles. His judgment is based on either their acceptance or their rejection of God's call.

Saint Mark Church

St. Mark Church will have Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction, and confession following the 8:00 am Mass every Thursday.

Legacy of Life Foundation Baby Bottle Drive

Today we welcome a guest speaker from the Legacy of Life Foundation. Through your generosity, Legacy of Life has helped thousands of women choose life and receive ongoing support. The Baby Bottle Drive envelopes and bottles will be available after all Masses October 17th-18th. Please take one and return it the following weekend, October 24th & 25th.

The St. Mark Lions 8th Grade Raffle is back!

Please consider buying a raffle ticket for $100.00 each to support the 8th-grade class of 26/27. Only 250 tickets will be sold. The grand prize is $10,000.00, with ten additional prizes ranging from $100 to $500. Tickets can be purchased from any 8th-grade student or at the parish office, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm., beginning September 1st. Drawing will be held on Saturday, **December 19th**, during Breakfast with Santa. The winner does not need to be present.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ATTENTION ALL 8th GRADE STUDENTS

Applications open on **October 5th, 2026,** for the **DLFF CEC Scholarship Class of 2031!**

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CEC's Homecoming Golf Outing 2026

Please join us for the 3rd Annual Homecoming Golf Outing, Friday, **October 16th, 2026** at Bensalem Township Country Club. 8:00 am Registration & Breakfast, 9:00 am Shotgun Start (4-person scramble).
Includes: Beverage Carts, Soft Pretzels, Snacks on the Course. Putting Contest, Longest Drive Contest, and Hole-in-One Contest.
*Note: No banquet to follow. Prizes to be awarded in the Owl's Nest following golf**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out at sareena@diff.org or call 267-244-2835

Blue Mass

TO HONOR THE WORK OF ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

Saint Mark will be celebrating the Blue Mass for all police, firefighters, and EMS personnel on Sunday, November 23rd, 2025, at 10:45 am at St. Mark Church, 1024 Radcliffe St., Bristol. May God continue to bless and guide you. Thank you for your many services. Refreshments will be served immediately after Mass at our school hall, located across the street. Hope to see many of you there. (*Please note that there will be no 10:45 Mass at St. Ann on this day.)*

IHM Spirituality Center, Malvern, Pa.

Topic: Mercy: Given and Received. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, on **October 15th, 2026**. Includes time for Sacrament of Reconciliation and Mass. Presenter: Sister Mary Henrich, IHM. We encounter mercy in the Old Testament, and Jesus deepens our understanding of mercy and what it means to show mercy and to receive mercy. Jesus proclaims the reign of God, which is God's desire for our holiness and wholeness. Considering some of Jesus cures and healings, we glimpse the way we are called to show mercy and proclaim the reign of God. For more information, go to www.ihmimmaculata.org in the IHM Spirituality Center tab. The cost of the Retreat is $45.00, which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Questions? Contact Sister Anne Marie at ihmspcenter@gmail.com or 610- 647- 4136.

St. Mark Church

All Souls Mass

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed of our parish will be celebrated on Monday, November 2, 2026, at the 7:00 pm Mass at Saint Mark Church. Letters have been mailed out to the families. Please pick up your candle in the church vestibule upon entering.

Conwell-Egan Catholic
Winter Craft Show November 1st, 2026

The Holiday Craft Show at Conwell-Egan Catholic High School in Fairless Hills is set for Sunday**, November 1st.** Doors are open from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The event features more than 130 vendors and crafters. The Ladies' Association of Conwell-Egan (L.A.C.E.) sponsors the event, which benefits the school's students, faculty, and administration. Shoppers can purchase a variety of crafts, handmade products, jewelry, baked goods, and so much more. L.A.C.E. members sell chances to win two $500.00 drawings throughout the day. All crafters donate to a basket raffle. Baskets are drawn off at the end of the craft show. Santa Claus makes a guest appearance for free photos with the kids. Conwell-Egan is located at 611 Wistar Road in Fairless Hills. For more information, call 215-945-6200 or email LACE@conwell-egan.org.

Saturday, October 10th,
5:00 pm
Anna Freeman by Rosemarie Freeman
Sylvester Freeman & Janine Freeman Lee by Rosemarie Freeman
Vincent Prophy 1st Anniversary by Mary Antonelli

Sunday, October 11th,
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 am
John Dougherty Jr. by Mr. & Mrs. Kevin J. Delaney
Beverly Kalinowski by Mary Kehoe
9:00 am
Nereida McCulley Breustedt by Ernesto Rivera
Jose Gonzalez by Virginia Acevedo & family
10:45 am
Michael Sarcewicz by Lorriane
Mary Anne Roche by Ted & Pat Larr
Charles Kmiec by Pete & Caroline Cunningham
Joe T. O'Brien by O'Brien children
Michael Marozzi by Joseph & Patti Stracci

Monday, October 12th,
8:00 am
Dr. Thomas Fannin by Karen & Bill Pezza
Beverly Kalinowski by Sue Ligato

Tuesday, October 13th,
8:00 am
John Younglove 1st Anniversary by Paul & Veronica Swift
Beverly Kalinowski by Bill & Karen Pezza

Wednesday, October 14th, St. Callistus
8:00 am
Ben Perkins by Kathy & Peggy
Charles Caucci by Wm. Roger Clark

Thursday, October 15th, St. Teresa of Jesus
8:00 am
Beverly Kalinowski by Bob & Nancy Doyle
Bill McCormick by Wm. Roger Clark

Friday, October 16th, St. Hedwig
8:00 am
Beverly Kalinowski by Ellanna Delaney
Larry Anderson by Linda Hendershot

Saturday, October 17th, St. Ignatius of Antioch
5:00 pm
Joseph & Kathleen Demetor by Kathy Bley
Marion Food by Catholic Daughters

Sunday, October 18th,
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 am
Pura Bartolazo by Michele Sootkoos
Beverly Kalinowski by Lorraine Hoffman
9:00 am
Victoria Perez Bazquez 2nd Anniversary by Son Mario Rivera & family
Nereida McCulley Breustedt by Cheryl Valosky
10:45 am
Anthony Muccie by Mary Muccie & Sons
John Petolillo Sr. by Ralph & Monica DiGuiseppe
Rose Kirk by Pat Kirk & family
Susan Pirollo by Tom & Rose Marie Logan
Shirley Volp by Joseph Lentz & Maria Fitzgerald

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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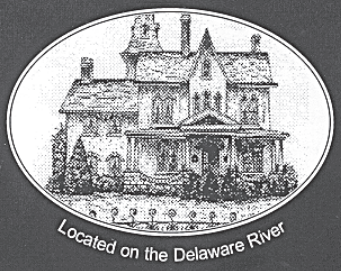

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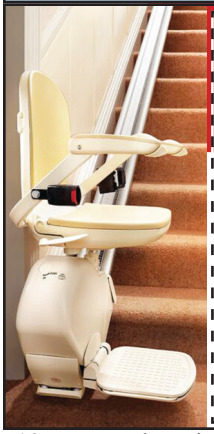

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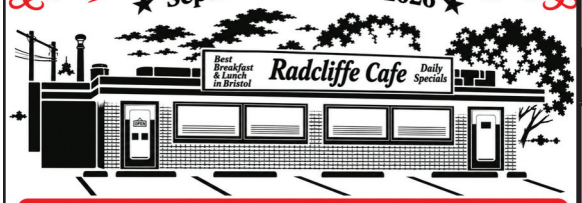

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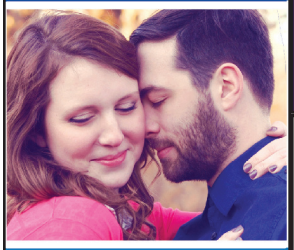

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