



ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

Rooted in Baptism, Growing in Faith, Branching Out into the World

This bulletin contains all the information you need to worship with us today. Learn more about St. Mark's Episcopal Church, our ministry and mission, the Diocese of Chicago, and the Episcopal Church in the United States by visiting our website at www.stmarksglenellyn.org.



PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER LIST

CONTACTS

The parish prayer list is updated weekly, and names are always welcome to be added. If you or someone you know has a pastoral care need, St. Mark's is here to help.

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WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!

We'd like to get to know you!

We hope that you feel truly welcome and at home at St. Mark's.

Please fill out the Welcome Card in the pew or scan the QR code to complete the "Visitors and Guests Form."



If you have questions, please speak with the clergy or ushers. You may also call the office at any time at 630-858-1020, and we will be happy to help you in any way we can.

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OPENING VOLUNTARY

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Stand as able when the bell is rung

OPENING HYMN

Hymnal 287, omit v. 5



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:____
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,____
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!____



thee____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;____
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O____ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
win, with____ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
all are____ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.

Alleluia, alleluia!

7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.

Alleluia, alleluia!

8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, alleluia!

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, #287 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897). Music: *Sine Nomine*, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT *for* PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Mass of St. Thomas | David Thorne

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God,

heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fath - er, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks we_

praise you for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the

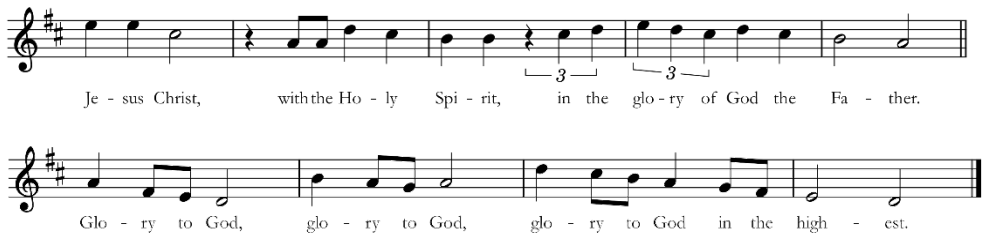
high - est. Lord, Je - sus Christ, On - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take_ a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us,

You are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, You a - lone are the Most High,



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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Daniel 7:1-3,15-18

A reading from the Book of the prophet Daniel.

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 149 *Cantate Domino!*

Verses in **bold** are sung by the congregation



1 Hallelujah!

Sing to the Lord a new /song; *

sing his praise in the congregation of the /faithful.

2 Let Israel rejoice in his /Maker; *

let the children of Zion be joyful in their /King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the /dance; *

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and /harp.

4 For the Lord takes pleasure in his /people *

and adorns the poor with /victory.

†5 Let the faithful rejoice in /triumph; *

let them be joyful on their /beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their /throat *

and a two-edged sword in their /hand;

7 To wreak vengeance on the /nations *

and punishment on the /peoples;

8 To bind their kings in /chains *

and their nobles with links of /iron;

9 To inflict on them the judgment de/creed; *

this is glory for all his faithful people.

Halle/lujah!

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:11-23

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first

to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able for the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
 for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
 for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
 for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,
 for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
 for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
 for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel Acclamation is repeated

THE SERMON

The Rev. George Smith, *Rector*

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Please stand as able

Officiant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Officiant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Officiant
People

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Officiant

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People

I will, with God's help.

Officiant

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People

I will, with God's help.

Officiant
People

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Officiant
People

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Officiant

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People

I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

The Celebrant then says

Let us now pray for Melanie Lilliana Anderson who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader
People

Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader
People

Open her heart to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader
People

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader As we pray for the world, particularly this week for the Mexican state of Guanajuato, send her into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO

Please kneel or be seated

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE OFFERING

Thank you for placing your offerings in the plate.
Offerings are also received with gratitude by QR code (on the left), by mail,
online at www.stmarksglenellyn.org, or by texting STMCHURCH to 73256.

THE LITURGY *of* THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

When the Saints | *Sunday School Song of the Month*

Oh, when the saints go marchin' in,
Oh, when the saints go marchin' in,
Lord, I want to be in that number
When the saints go marchin' in.

And when the sun...
Oh, when the trumpet...
Oh, when the saints...

Following the Offertory, the service continues with this blessing over the gifts

All things come of Thee, O Lord,
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

Please stand as able

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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Ho - ly Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of po - wer and might.

Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Please kneel or be seated

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

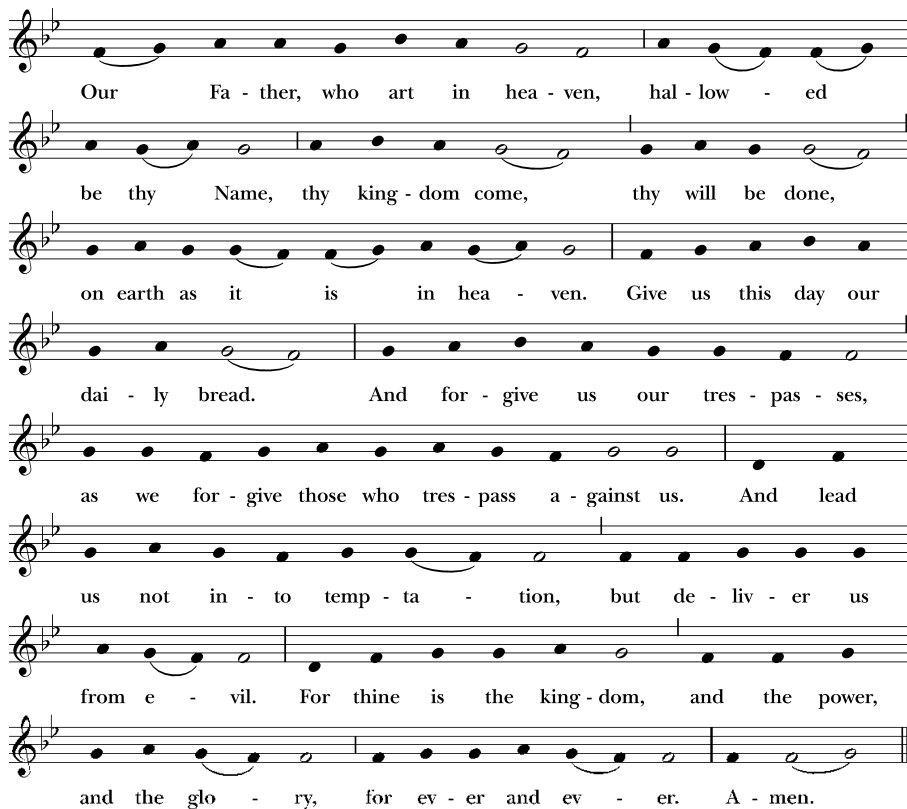
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



The image shows a musical score for the Lord's Prayer, set in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is a simple, flowing line of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The text is: "Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power, and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men."

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
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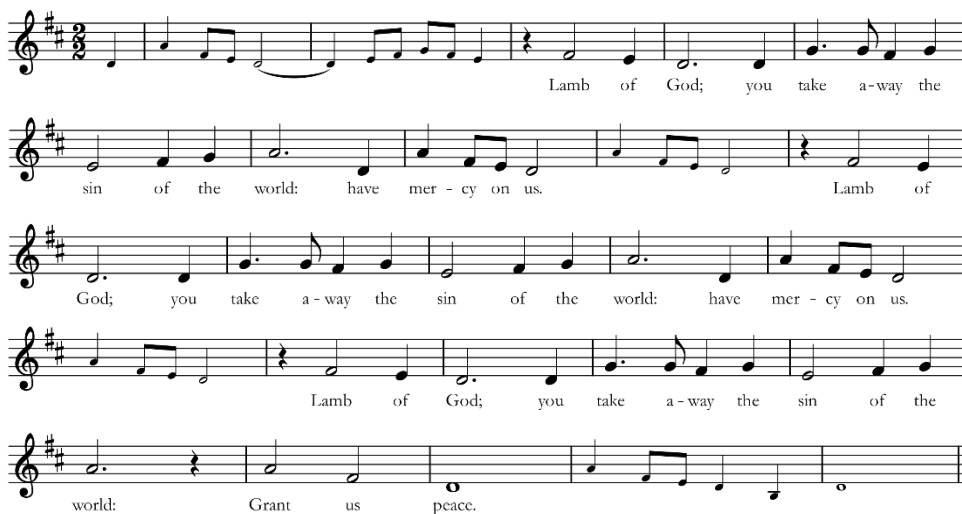
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The Officiant breaks the consecrated Bread, silence is kept

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

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Lamb of God; you take a-way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
God; you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God; you take a-way the sin of the
world: Grant us peace.

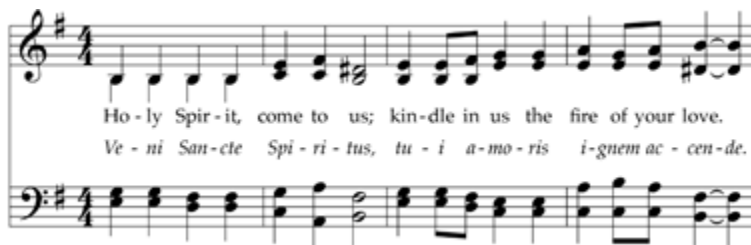
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The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Join in one of the two lines to receive communion. Gluten free hosts are available upon request.
Please dispose of the serving cup on the nearby tray.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us; kin - dle in us the fire of your love.
Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, tu - i a - mo - ris i - gnem ac - cen - de.

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.
Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus. Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

The original text of this chant from Taizé is a shortened version of a text sung in the Latin mass after the reading of the gospel on Pentecost. The full text can be translated: "Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and ignite the fire of your love within them."

TEXT: Taizé Community, 1998
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1998
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TUI AMORIS IGNEM
Irregular

HYMNAL 560 "BLESSED ARE THE POOR"

HYMNAL 526

1 Let saints on earth in con - cert sing with those whose work is done;
2 One fam - i - ly we dwell in him, one Church, a - bove, be - neath,
3 One ar - my of the liv - ing God, to his com - mand we bow;
4 E'en now by faith we join our hands with those that went be - fore,
5 Je - sus, be thou our con - stant Guide; then, when the word is given,

1 for all the ser - vants of our King in heaven and earth are one.
2 though now di - vid - ed by the stream, the nar - row stream of death.
3 part of the host have crossed the flood, and part are cross - ing now.
4 and greet the ev - er - liv - ing bands on the e - ter - nal shore.
5 bid Jor - dan's nar - row stream di - vide, and bring us safe to heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Dundee*, melody from *The CL Psalms of David*, 1615; harm. Thomas Ravenscroft (1592?-1635?), alt.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNION HYMN AS NEEDED

Hymnal 309 “O Food to pilgrims given”

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Watch over your servant(s), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

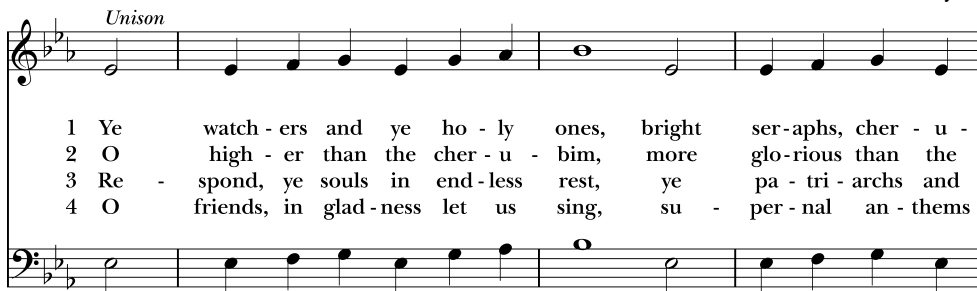
THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Hymnal 618

Unison



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - aphs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

All are welcome to the Mahon Hall for coffee hour.



The Sunday Altar Flowers may be given in honor or memory of a loved one and for other special occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries. The suggested donation is \$50. Please complete the “Altar Flowers” sign-up in the narthex and make your donation by check payable to St. Mark’s or electronically using this QR code:



*Congratulations to
Melanie Lilliana Anderson,
our baptismal candidate at today's 1:00 pm service*



LOOKING AHEAD

November

2	Sunday		Fall Back One Hour: Daylight Saving Time Ends
2	Sunday	6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Evensong for All Saints
5	Wednesday	12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Midweek Eucharist
5	Wednesday	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Youth Night
8	Saturday	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	StrokeScan
8	Saturday	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	SCARCE Pumpkin Smash
9	Sunday	All Services	Pledge Sunday for the 2026 Giving Campaign
15	Saturday	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Meals to Go
19	Wednesday	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Youth Night
20	Thursday	6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Community Dinner
27	Thursday	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist
30	Sunday	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Advent Lessons & Carols (bilingual)

CURRENT EVENTS



Pumpkin Smash
this Saturday
November 8th
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
St. Mark's Lower
Parking Lot

October 26th Blood Drive a Success!

Thank you to everyone that donated blood during our recent blood drive, hosted by Versiti. There were 13 total units of blood donated from 12 registered donors.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BE A CHRISTMAS BASKET ELF! (Translation: sponsor a family to provide gifts and a food gift card to enhance their Christmas!) Be part of the decades-long tradition at St. Mark's to partner with ReVive Center for Housing and Healing to help families in need. Choose a family size based on your budget: plan to spend \$30-50 per person on new gifts plus \$25 per person on a Jewel gift card. Options: Gift cards instead of gifts are now OK and a single large gift for the family instead of individual gifts if that fits your situation best is also OK. **We still have four families of four and eight families of five available.**

Sponsor on your own or partner with a friend or with a group. Email or call Sheila Plecha to request a family (let her know family size; special requests like kids' ages are also fine and will be accommodated if possible). Boxes with wrapped packages are due at church beginning Sunday, December 7th. Questions? Please contact Sheila Plecha, splecha24@gmail.com or 248-202-7348. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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Women's Group Meeting

Wednesday, November 5, 6:30 pm @ Bowlero

Looking for a fun way to destress? The Women's Group will host a fun evening of bowling for our November event.

We will pay for bowling and shoe rental. You pay for your drinks/snacks.

When: Nov. 5, 6:30 pm. Please arrive on time so we can start team play (teams chosen at random)

Where: Bowlero, 558 E. North Ave, Glendale Heights.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP no later than Nov. 1. We need a firm headcount to reserve and pay for the lanes we need. Please RSVP to ritacolorito@gmail.com

Holding the Light: A Support Group for Dementia Caregivers

Sunday, November 8, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm, Library

Holding the Light offers a safe and sacred space for dementia caregivers: a time set apart for prayer, sharing stories, and spiritual respite. This monthly gathering is facilitated by Dr. Anne Windholz, a board-certified chaplain.

Anyone who is caring for – or has ever cared for— someone with dementia is welcome. For more information, please contact Anne at windholzam@gmail.com.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

About the “Pan de Muerto” at today’s Coffee Hour

"Pan de Muerto," translated as "bread of the dead," is a seasonal sweet bread placed on family altars to pay homage to the departed. Interestingly, it's also a sought-after delight among the living in Mexico, with people eagerly anticipating its arrival to enjoy themselves.

ST. MARK'S PRAYERS FOR THE STATES OF MEXICO

Branching Out Into The World...

At St. Mark's our Vision statement is, *"Rooted in Baptism, Growing in Faith, Branching Out into the World."*

Today in the prayers of the people, we are praying for one of the Mexican states of **Guanajuato**.

- Capital: Guanajuato
- Information: Located in the heart of Mexico, Guanajuato is a culturally rich state with beautiful colonial cities like its capital and San Miguel de Allende, both UNESCO World Heritage sites.



BIBLE STUDY

A New Bible Study Begins: 1 Thessalonians - the First Christian Scripture

St. Mark's offers a Bible study led by Fr. George on Tuesday mornings on Zoom from 9 am to 10:30 am. **We started a new study on Tuesday, October 14** that focuses on 1 Thessalonians. This book / letter has the distinction of being the earliest of Paul's letters known to us, written approximately 35 years after Jesus was crucified. It was also written before the Gospels and serves as a window into the life of the early Christian movement and its struggles and questions. Is Paul a fraud? Will those who have died participate in the resurrection? With Christ coming again soon, why work?

The Zoom ID is: 483-170-780. The Bible study begins with people logging in at 9 am. After a period of check-ins and conversation, we say a prayer at 9:30 am and then read and discuss a chapter of the scripture text. Questions? Contact Fr. George at 630-858-1020, ext 222 or by email at rector@stmarksglenellyn.org.

Welcome to St. Mark's Sunday School!

- Sign up to be a volunteer leader
- Register your child for Sunday School



The 2025 – 2026 Sunday School Program Includes:

Nursery For infants through 3 years of age during all services (8:30 am, 10:30 am and 1 pm).

8:30 a.m. Godly Play Sunday School for ages 4 and older.

10:15 a.m. Sunday School is offered for ages 4 and older.

- 10:15 - Gather in Mahon Hall for a greeting, song and music.
- 10:30 - Classrooms for Pre K, K – 1st, 2nd & 3rd, 4th and 5th.
- 2nd half of Church service --Worship with parents with participation at the altar.

Volunteering:

Please sign-up to be a classroom volunteers (adults over 18) or a youth assistants (junior high/high school students). This is a fun, easy opportunity for EVERYONE to help the St. Mark's children grow in their faith! Volunteer to sign-up for ONE hour 4 times per year (though you are welcome to teach MORE than 4 times if you like!). Everything you need to lead the class will be clear and provided to you.

Signups for Sept. & Oct. are at the following link: or use the QR code to the right:



Registering Your Children:



Please register your children who will be attending this year, so that we can prepare for our classes. Use this link, <https://tinyurl.com/3h7tm8h5> or the QR code to the left to register.

We look forward to a wonderful year of faith and friendship!

If you have any questions please contact Gina Wood, Director of Children's Ministry, at childrensministry@stmarksglenellyn.org

Adult Formation

Sundays from 9:30 - 10:20 am
Library



Fall Adult Formation

Fellowship and lifelong learning are the hallmarks of Adult Formation at St. Mark's. Connect with your friends and make new friends, as we explore a variety of topics relating to the St. Mark's Vision—*Rooted in Baptism, Growing in Faith, Reaching Out into the World*.

No commitment or rsvp is required. Come when you are able or interested in the topic. Join in the community learning and sharing at Adult Formation!

Nov 2 *Orthodox Icons: Windows to Heaven*

Aphrodite Peponis

Learn about the theology and symbolism of icons. We will discover how the artistic attributes and symbolism of Icons have enabled spiritual enrichment and enhanced meaningful prayer life for centuries.

Nov 9 *Beyond St. Mark's, Part I: The Episcopal Church Divinity in the Details*

Father George Smith

As part of The Episcopal Church, St. Mark's is one of 44 national and regional churches that make up the worldwide Anglican Communion. Learn about the structure of the Episcopal Church. Beyond our stately appearance, The Episcopal Church is a dynamic, messy, transparent and human organization.

Nov 16 *Beyond St. Mark's, Part II: The Diocese of Chicago*

Father George Smith

Our Strategic Plan in Process

St. Mark's is part of The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago whose geography stretches from Peoria to Galena and includes 114 congregations and ministries. We will discuss the strategic plan that is being formulated under the leadership of our Bishop, Paula Clark, and next steps in this important work to strengthen our Episcopal witness in Northern Illinois.

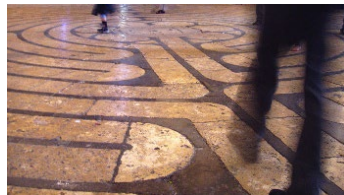
Nov 23 *A Christian's Journey Through Hinduism*

Bob Lundin

Learn how one St. Mark's parishioner found that an exploration of Hinduism enriched his Christian faith. Sharing his experiences at two Chicago-area Hindu temples, Bob Lundin will talk about how experiences were spiritually enriching, deepening his understanding of God-centeredness.

For more information about Adult Formation, contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

St. Mark's Sacred Ground Program: Exploring Issues of Race and Faith All are welcome!



St. Mark's Sacred Ground Group is a continuation of a program developed by the National Episcopal Church to explore the intersection of race and faith. All are encouraged to join the journey this year as we increase our awareness and work to become agents of change in our church, our communities, and the world.

Tuesday, Nov 25 Monthly Meeting

Library and Zoom 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Immigration Issues Update with Sara Dady

Sara Dady has been practicing family-based immigration including visas for victims of domestic violence and other crimes, asylum as well as deportation defense for over 17 years.

Questions? Contact Joyce Fletcher at joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Night

Next Youth Night – Wednesday, November 5

All 6th - 12 graders are invited to be part of the St. Mark's Youth Program. Our Youth leader David Profitt is guiding us as we look at the life of Jesus and apply His teachings to our lives. We'll be sharing food, fun, and meaningful discussions.

Invite your friends!!

Fall Youth Night Schedule

November 5 and 19

December 3 and 17

Don't miss the Halloween Party on **TONIGHT, October 26** at the First Congregation Church of Glen Ellyn from 5 - 7. Pumpkin Carving, Games, Costumes and Fun!

For more information, contact Joyce Fletcher, joyce@stmarksglenellyn.org

Need a Helping Hand with Meals?

If you or someone you know could use a few home-cooked meals—whether due to illness, recovery, a new baby, or another life event—St. Mark's is here to help.

Through the *Meal Train* platform, our caring volunteers provide lovingly prepared meals delivered right to your door.

To request meals or learn more, please contact Kristina Roth and Jessie Commo at kr Roth1280@gmail.com or 773-383-1884

Would you like to join our team of meal volunteers? We'd be blessed to have you share in this meaningful ministry.

St. Mark's Meals To Go

Saturday, November 15, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm, Hillside Entrance

St. Mark's Episcopal Church will be giving out a hot meal to go to anyone who wants or needs one on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month, from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. All are welcome! www.stmarksmeals.org. **Our next Meals to Go lunch will be December 6.**

Questions? Contact David Dornblaser at dornblaser@me.com

Volunteer at Northern Illinois Food Bank

We still have openings for volunteers at the Food Bank on

Saturday November 15th 9 - 12 - 15 spots

Saturday December 20th 9 - 12 - 10 spots

Please sign up here if interested: <https://tinyurl.com/2z6zazk9>. Questions? Contact Hester at hesterbury@gmail.com.

Glen House Food Pantry – Top Needs

Top Needs: Canned Soup (Low Sodium), Canned Corn, Canned Mushrooms, Canned Broth (Low Sodium), Canned Tuna & Chicken, and Canned Drinks: Sparkling Water & Juices. Please can bring items to donate to St. Mark's and place them in our shopping cart in the hallway between the library and the narthex.

Questions? Contact Joyce Frawley at jfrawley260@gmail.com.



Vascular & Organ Wellness Ultrasound Screenings

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

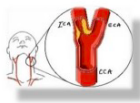
Saturday, November 8th

Please call 832-437-7355 for your appointment.

Do You Have Any of These Risk Factors?

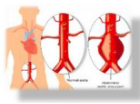
High Blood Pressure ♦ High Cholesterol ♦ Family History of Stroke, Heart Attack, Aortic Aneurysms or Cancer ♦ Diabetes ♦ Atrial Fibrillation ♦ Obesity

The first symptom of a stroke IS a stroke! Early detection helps to save lives. Manage these controllable risk factors: smoking, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, excessive weight, and alcohol consumption.



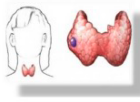
Stroke Risk Screening

Ultrasound of the carotid artery looking for plaque or blocked arteries.



Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening

Ultrasound of the abdominal aorta looking for an aneurysm.



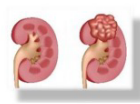
Thyroid Screening[†]

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as nodules or cysts.



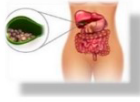
Liver Screening

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as masses or tumors.



Kidneys (2) Screening[†]

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as cysts, masses and stones.



Gallbladder Screening[†]

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as polyps, stones, and sludge.

Total Discounted Package: All 7 Ultrasounds for \$169

Appointments: 832-437-7355; [†] No substitutions or discounts allowed

Additional Testing Available* (not included in package cost)

- A1c (Diabetes) \$25
- Lipids/Cholesterol \$25
- VTD (Vitamin D) \$45
- PSA (Prostate) \$45
- TSH (Thyroid) \$45
- CRP (Cardiac/Inflammation) \$45
- COR (Cortisol/Adrenal Glands) \$45
- GGT (Liver Enzyme) \$45
- CRE (Kidney Creatinine Serum) \$45
- TTE (Testosterone) \$45
- Bone Density (T-Score) \$25



For blood
package pricing,
open phone
camera, hover
over QR code and
tap the link.

Screening Preparations

- Wear a two-piece comfortable outfit, no dresses.
- No food or caffeine 4 hours prior to screening.
- If you are diabetic, make sure to eat a light snack.
- No chewing gum before the exams.
- 8 hours fast if having the cholesterol test.
- If you are taking medication, continue to take it.

Saving Lives Since 2001!



*Bloodwork may not be available in all regions.

Results read by a board-certified radiologist and available for your review online (with PDF download) typically, within 1 week. You will receive an email/text when ready. Mailed, hard-copy results incur an extra cost. Life threatening results expedited. Unless you are symptomatic, typically, your doctor will not order diagnostic versions of these screenings and insurance companies may not pay for them. Please note that there is a 350 lb. weight limit on the medical screening tables.

Stroke Scan Plus www.strokescanplus.com (ENG 011025)

The Collective

*Glen Ellyn churches coming together to give
6th–12th graders a place to grow through
faith, friendship, and fun*

Join us for:

- **OCT 26**, FCCGE, Halloween Party - 5-7pm
- **NOV 1-2**, FUMC, Sleep Out Saturday - (5pm - Sunday morning) *
- **NOV 19**, St. Mark's, Friendsgiving - 630-8pm
- **DEC 13-14**, St. Mark's, JR HI Christmas Lock-In - (5pm - Sunday morning) *
- **DEC 20-21**, FCCGE, SR HI Christmas Lock-In - (5pm - Sunday morning) *

All activities are free of charge

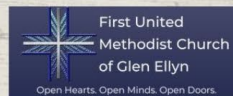
**Overnight, RSVP Required*



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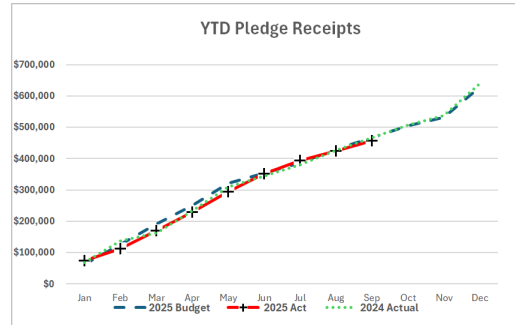


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St. Mark's Episcopal Church **Summary Financial Report** **Sep-25**

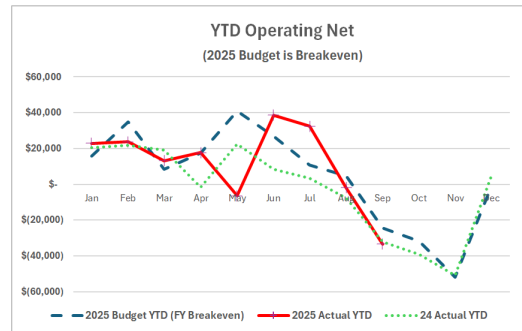
<u>Receipts</u>	<u>YTD Act</u>	<u>FY Budget</u>	<u>% of FY Budget</u>
Pledges	452,651	629,000	72%
Unpledged & Other Donations, Open Plat	76,722	127,000	60%
Usage Income	103,065	125,200	82%
Other Income	39,550	38,086	104%
St. Mark's Total Revenue	671,988	919,286	73%

<u>Expenses</u>			
Salary & Hourly Compensation	408,100	530,894	77%
Ministry Costs	18,577	25,935	72%
Music Programs	8,604	17,220	50%
Administrative Costs	136,919	179,648	76%
Buildings & Grounds	106,100	137,000	77%
Children & Youth	7,313	9,400	78%
Mission & Outreach	19,745	19,950	99%
St. Mark's Total Expenses	705,359	920,047	77%
Net St. Mark's Revenue/(Exp)	(33,371)	(761)	



<u>Cash</u>	<u>Mth-End</u>
Treasurer's Checking - operating	88,202
Schwab Account - operating	258,452
Less Treasurer's Checking - restricted	(77,773)
Net Cash Available for Church Operati	268,881
Other Cash (Preschool, PDO, Other)	155,042

<u>Current Debt Liability</u>	<u>Mth-End</u>
Debt Reduction Loan - Diocese	484,419
<u>Long-Term Debt Liability</u>	
Building Mortgage	366,766
Total Debt Liabilities	851,185



For Sept 2025, St. Mark's YTD operating net was a deficit of \$33,371 which was below the YTD budget by \$8,654. Actual pledges received YTD of \$452,651 were below budget by \$13,970. Unpledged, open plate and other donations were below budget by \$16,430. St. Mark's cash available for current operations is \$268,881. St. Mark's has developed plans to pay off our debt. The Vestry has agreed to a repayment plan with the Bishops and Trustees to pay off the \$484k loan by the end of 2030. The Building Mortgage will be fully paid off before July of 2026 with proceeds from the Grow and Renew Capital Campaign. If there are any comments or questions, contact Cam Gowans, cameronbgowans@gmail.com. Finance Committee meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 6pm (online) and are open to all of St. Mark's.

2026 Givig Campaign



Do you remember your first door into St. Mark's?

Making your pledge is easy! You can choose any of the following methods:

1. Email treasurer@stmarksglenellyn.org and simply state your name, annual pledge, and how you will make your donation (online, check, automatic deduction from checking account or credit/debit card).
2. Pledge via the St. Mark's website
<https://onrealm.org/stmarksglenellyn/AddPledge/2026pledge>
Or use this QR code to take you to the online form.
3. Complete the Pledge Form below and place it in the offering plate or bring it to church for the ingathering on **Sunday, November 9, 2025**.



St. Mark's Annual Giving Campaign 2026

Opening the doors to St. Mark's

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

My total pledge for 2026 is \$ _____ / year

My pledge payments will be (circle one) weekly quarterly monthly one-time various

- ☐ I have enclosed a check payable to St. Mark's
- ☐ I will set-up automatic payments on Realm
- ☐ Please have St. Mark's bookkeeper contact me to set-up automatic payments

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Do you remember your *first door* into St. Mark's?

October, 2025

Dear Everyone who is part of the St. Mark's Community,

The St. Mark's Vestry and Giving Campaign Committee ask you to join us in our commitment to St. Mark's for 2026.

You can now pledge for 2026 - the best and easiest way to make your pledge for 2026 is to pledge online. To pledge online, please go to the St Mark's web site (www.stmarksglenellyn.org) and click on the "Pledge for 2026" box. If you prefer, fill out the enclosed pledge card and return it in the envelope addressed to St Mark's. The official gathering of pledges for 2026 will be on Sunday, November 9, 2025.

Doors at St. Mark's represent entry into a community where God's love is shared and all are welcome. These doors lead to our **Worship Services, Children and Youth Education, Music, Outreach** both local and non-local, **Prayer** and **Pastoral Care** for many who have both physical and emotional needs, **Learning and Education, Advocacy, Community Involvement, Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Confirmations, First Communions, Quinceaneras, Bilingual Services and Support, and Multigenerational and Multicultural needs.**

Your pledge and giving will open the doors of St. Mark's even wider and help us to hire a **ministry associate** to support those who enter our doors and the pastoral care needs of those on our ever-growing prayer list.

Doors may be closing elsewhere, but not at St. Mark's. We are clear in our commitment to welcome. Thank you for your support.

Questions? Please contact Giving Campaign Committee member, Chip Bennett at 630-649-0010 or chipb621@gmail.com.

With prayerful gratitude,

The Giving Campaign Committee

Kyle McCordic, Javier Valdivia, Patti King, Chris Goebbert, Samantha Kyrkostas, Chip Bennett, Karen Hill, George Smith



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The deadline for announcements is Tuesday at 9:00 am. Please submit to communications@stmarksglenellyn.org. Thank you!