

August 16, 2015

AT THE TABLE

In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply.

Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

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**TASTE
AND SEE
THE GOODNESS
OF THE LORD**

Mass Schedule

Sundays— 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 am
Weekdays—6:30 am (church) &
8:15 am (chapel)
Saturdays—8:15 am (church)& 5:00 pm
Holy days—Eve—7:00 pm
Day—6:30, 7:30, 9:00 am, 7:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday afternoon— 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Sacraments

Call 743-8620 or 743-8600 to make an appointment with one of the Priests.

Prayer Hotline

Dolores Bollwerk @ 631-5108
Rose Duane @ 631-0202

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament

Tuesday after 8:15 am Mass to 9:00 pm

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Last week's bulletin had biographical information about Fr. Bill Donnelly, M.M., who was supposed to preach here today. However, a change in assignment took place and now we welcome Fr. Tom Tiscornia, also a Maryknoll Missionary. Fr. Tiscornia went to Africa in 1970 and has served as a pastor or seminary professor in Tanzania, Sudan, and South Sudan. He recently returned to the United States and currently lives in Chicago. I encourage you to be generous in support of the missionaries and the people they serve. We can be proud that within our Catholic faith we have men and women who are willing to leave their homeland, learn one or more languages, and live in what most of us would consider primitive conditions, often lacking even electricity and plumbing. They do this for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and they represent us when they do so. Please support them by your prayers and by your donation.

Wednesday is the first day of school for St. Mark's. I'm sure there are some children excited about resuming their studies and some children less than excited about returning. I would have belonged to the latter group. Nevertheless, important work will be done starting this week. Teachers will teach, students will learn, and, best of all, God will be praised and Jesus Christ will be in their midst. I've been here long enough to have offered the Wedding Mass for some of our St. Mark graduates (I did one just last week) and I am thrilled to see them, along with some of their classmates who make up the wedding party, as mature, educated, and ambitious young men and women and I am honored to know that St. Mark School had a role in forming these people into the faithful and responsible young adults they have become. By your prayers and support you have played an important role in their lives. Please continue to do so with the next group of youngsters who walk into St. Mark School.

Although it has been nearly a month since my mother's death, I continue to receive Mass cards and cards of support from you. It means much to me. Recently, some of my siblings were going through the guest book and cards to ascertain which visitor knew which child and they found themselves repeating, "They're from St. Mark's, this guy is from St. Mark's, she's from St. Mark's." Our entire family continues to be grateful for all of you and is impressed by your compassion and concern.

May God bless all of you.
Father Hambrough

It's time to begin thinking about signing your child/children up for our **Parish School of Religion**. Classes will begin on **Monday, September 14th**. We will meet in the St. Mark school chapel at 6:00 pm for orientation, parent meeting and our opening Mass. To register, please call Jane Brown, OPA at 743-8604.



Please note that the Monday- Friday 8:15 am Mass will return to the School Chapel on Monday, August 17th.



Children's Choir

If you will be in 2nd to 8th grade this year and HAVE NOT signed up for the Children's Choir and would like to do so, please call Mrs. Masidonski at 631-8260. Our first practice will be on **Tuesday, August 26th** after school.



With the elimination of the 7:30 Mass and the move of the 8:15 Mass back to school we are going to have to make changes to the **Tuesday Adoration schedule**. For the time being the Eucharist will be placed upon the Altar at the conclusion of the 6:30 am Mass, starting Tuesday. It is important that one or more of the 6:30 congregation stay in church to offer adoration to the Eucharistic Christ. If you are a person that normally stayed after the 7:30 Mass it is requested that you continue to try to be at church at 8:00. If you stayed for adoration after the 8:15, please go directly to church after Mass. We cannot have the Eucharist alone in the church. Hopefully, this will work. If not, we'll look for other ideas.

Texas Hold'em Tournament

The **St. Mark Athletic Association** is sponsoring a Texas Hold'em Tournament on **Saturday, August 22nd**. Entry fee is \$50 and includes food, drink and 1 seat in the tournament. Door opens at 6:00 pm and tournament starts at 7:00 pm. Any questions, contact Joe Pudlowski at 314-814-9046.



Labor Day Pot Luck ~ Game Night

We will be having a Labor Day Family Pot Luck/Game Night on **Saturday, September 5th** in Hambrough Hall from 6:00—? ALL families of St. Mark are invited to come and share an evening of fellowship and fun. We will once again grill hot dogs, brats and burgers and ask people to pitch in a couple of \$\$ for the meat and bread. All are asked to bring a side dish and a game to share. St. Paul room will be open for the youth to play video games or watch a movie. Bring your own drinks (soda is available for 50¢ a can). Iced tea and coffee will be provided. This is an alcohol-free event. RSVP to Jane at 743-8604 so we know how much meat to purchase.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Dan and Judy Carey, who last week celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We thank them for using the grace of the Sacrament to raise a family, serve the Church, and model for all the goodness found in the love of Christ.

We also congratulate our parishioner, Erik Carretero, who last week with Kaitlin Flannery celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage. May God bless Erik and Kaitlin as together they share the love of Christ with the Church.



MASS INTENTIONS *this week*

August 16—23

Sunday

7:00 Job George & family
 8:30 People of the Parish
 10:00 Greg Sanders & Beth Brown
 11:30 Al & Samantha Conway

Monday

6:30 Jack Demetree
 8:15 (chapel) Mary Deters

Tuesday

6:30 Ken Johnston
 8:15 (chapel) John Hummert

Wednesday

6:30 Rose Cardinale
 8:15 (chapel) Dale Rees

Thursday

6:30 John Mana
 8:15 (chapel) Stephen Matteuzzi

Friday

6:30 Leonard Baca
 8:15 (chapel) Special Intention

Saturday

8:15 Willard Hart
 5:00 Henry Berra

Sunday

7:00 Marilyn Winterton
 8:30 People of the Parish
 10:00 Wilbert Venhaus
 11:30 Anthony Scotino & Walter
 Stahlschmidt

Liturgical Roles

August 22 & 23

5:00 **Lectors:** Jean Schatz
Ministers: E. & M. Hrbacek, B. & M. Schmidt
Hospitality: R. Chinnici, C. DeRomero,
 A. Hammerschmidt, M. Paur

7:00 **Lectors:** Vince Manning
Ministers: S. Chambers, K. & E. Koehler, D. Stanger
Hospitality: F. Homa, M. Masidonski, D. Tullman,
 L. Weber

8:30 **Lectors:** Marion & Al Desrosiers
Ministers: K. Griebenow, T. Growe, M. Mallette,
 M. Terhaar
Hospitality: D. Little, L. & L. Meier, R. Puricelli

10:00 **Lectors:** Amanda Bast & Keith Maloney
Ministers: T. & S. Bast, K. Maloney, F. Stephens
Hospitality: C. Batye, S. Carosello, C. & D. Williams

11:30 **Lectors:** Dan Smedra
Ministers: D. Brauer, L. Schneider, B. Terry,
 K. Waeckerle
Hospitality: J. & M. Diethelm, J. Williams, T. Schneider



FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. FORST

Last week I had eye surgery and a cataract was removed. Now I can see not only with "eyes of faith". And on the weekend, I saw one of our fine Altar Servers not only serve at the 10:00 Mass, but he remained to serve the 11:30 Mass as well! I was greatly impressed and all should know who this fine young man is. He is the son of Keith and Katie Maloney, the firstborn of their faith family. Then on the morning of Monday, August 10, it was my joy to have Zachary Brinkley and his younger sister Claire serve for me. They are the children of Timothy and Jill Brinkley. I would say they are opposites in personality but greatly determined. The two make a fine pair and are a great asset to the Altar Servers. I am writing about our fine Altar Servers to let the parish know how blessed we are here to have a program that is unique to the Archdiocese of St. Louis. All of us can take pride in our program. We are blessed to have Dean and Diane Little do the scheduling of our servers. We are also blessed in having the many parents of the Altar Servers who make sure the servers are present for their scheduled assignments. In this electronic age, "All things are possible with God." Our Altar Servers are the pride of the parish. Whenever I am with people of other parishes and ask about their Altar Servers, they say, "O Yes! Mr. Jones and Mr. Smith make sure that one or the other is present for all of the Masses". It is very important to know that most priestly vocations come from the boys who were Altar Servers. And yes, we love the girl servers too. The program is pretty well balanced out.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of our parishioner who died last week, Ruth Wilhelm. Also, for Jackie Simon, mother of Kim Martinez, and Lucille McCune, mother of Keith McCune. May they, and all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

"Howdy" to all St. Mark Ladies!!!

St. Mark Ladies Guild invites you to kick up your boots and join us for food and fun at our western themed barbecue. The barbeque will be held on **Wednesday, August 19th** in Hambrough Hall. Join us at 6:00 pm and bring a friend (or two). Only \$5.00 per gal at the door. Dues of \$7.00 are payable at this time. See you there!



August 17—23

Monday

6:30 K. Polette
 8:15 J. Andrews

Tuesday

6:30 D. & B. Askew
 8:15 C. Maloney

Wednesday

6:30 E. Micciche-Griffin

Thursday

6:30 W. Risk

Friday

6:30 C. Brinkley

Saturday

8:15 D. Davis

5:00 B. Burgoon, L. Llewellyn

Sunday

7:00 R. McCloskey

8:30 A. Little, C. Schelling

10:00 B. & E. Sanders

11:30 K. & R. McLeod



BULLETIN BOARD

AUGUST 17—23

Monday	5 pm—Volleyball—Parish Center 7:30 pm—Athletic Association mtg.—HH
Tuesday	9 am to 9 pm—Adoration—church 6:30 pm—Bingo—Bandwagon Hall 8:30 am—Crafters—St. Martha 5 pm—Volleyball—Parish Center 7 pm—Boot Camp—Hamb. Hall 7 pm—Boy Scout Comm. mtg.—Patrons
Wednesday	8 am—Quilters 8 am—First Day of School 9 am—Bible Study—St. Paul 5 pm—Volleyball—Parish Center 7 pm—Boot Camp—Parish Center 7 pm—Ladies Guild—Hamb. Hall
Thursday	5 pm—Volleyball—Parish Center 6:30 pm—Fall Festival Comm. mtg.—HH 6:30 pm—Young Adult—St. Paul
Friday	5 pm—Volleyball—Parish Center
Saturday	6 pm—Poker Tournament—Parish Center
Sunday	12:30 pm—High School BBQ/Ice Cream Social—Hamb. Hall/St. Paul 1 pm—Volleyball—Parish Center

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

AUGUST 17—23

Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69



Bingo is played every Tuesday at Bandwagon Hall, on Reavis Barracks and Lemay Ferry Road. (The Old DeBasio Furniture Store.) Doors open at 3:30 pm and games begin at 6:30 pm.

Team 6 will work Tuesday, August 18

Debbie Goulden	Michelle McLeod
Dottie Lauman	April Pinckard
Colleen Flickinger	Sandy Schelling
Chris Meyer	Mary Ann Farrell
Amy Kurkowski	Dennis Bequette
Wendy Burgoon	Keith Panchot

If you cannot work when scheduled or have questions, please call Loretta @ 922-6838, or Linda Meier @ 607-3842.

St. Mark Fall Festival 2015

Family Fun Night—September 25th; Parade and Festival—September 26th

For any questions or to help out please contact Paul Russo at 314-630-2250.

Sign up sheets for various booths coming soon to the church vestibule.

You can work the Festival and count it towards service hours for school.

Nurses are needed—call Anne Buganski @ 416-1537 to volunteer.

Coming soon! **Fall Festival Ride Bracelet** presale.

Booth Sponsor—See your name in lights! Your name, your company name, in memory of a loved one. Call Dan Heaman @ 640-9770.

Grab Bags—accepting new items for kid's grab bags **including candy!** Please drop off in Patrons room.

Craft Booth—accepting any new or used items in good condition. Pictures, Christmas items, any and all holiday items. Call Mike @ 276-5767.

Kountry Kitchen Booth—looking for cakes, cupcakes, muffins, homemade jams and jellies and anything else related to a Country Kitchen. Call Ann @ 638-7952, June @ 638-1478 or Mike @ 276-5767.

Plant Booth—accepting donations of plants, flowers and gardening related items. Call Anita Stephens @ 413-7742.

Silent Auction Booth—looking for new, unused items; tickets to sporting events, the Muny, vacation rentals, electronics, etc. Also looking for helpers to put together baskets throughout September. Call Mimi @ 359-1588 for questions or pick up.

Wine & Spirits Booth—Now collecting all new, unopened alcohol and alcohol related items. Call Anna Cantoni @ 807-7167 or Jo Nell Russo @ 894-7808 for information or pick up. Please leave a message.



PLEASE Pray for all the Sick

Derek Abeln	Judi Grove	Grace Martise	Juanita Scotino
Stephanie Ayers	Melissa Happe	Bud Mashowski	Mike Seevers
Tim Becker	Eileen Happold	Jane Matoushek	Richard Semar
Virginia Berding	Brett Haubrich	Rose Mayer	Marian Serra
Ellie Bisher	Richard Hegger	Rita McAdams	Rose Sheedy
Karen Blatchford	Karen Henson	D. Meissner	Bruce Short
Mike Boehm	Lisa Hincklin	Rob Myers	Carolyn Smith
Susan Borosh	Grace Hoeflinger	Steve Michalski	Veronica Smith
Marie Brambilla	Ann Holdman	Josh Miller	Kerry Staats
Mary Jane Brasier	Ted Holzem	Ruth Mintner	Cathy Staten
Dorothy Bugel	Lea Huckabee	Angelo Nebuloni	Kelly Stewart
Pat Buschmann	Mary Ingram	Liam Niemira	Pat Stock
Dorothy Carron	David Jenneman	John Nolan	Kelli Stout
Carol Capkovic	Larry Jenneman	Judy O'Hare	Rich & Kate
Linda Cardenas	Mary Jensen	Kathleen O'Shea	Tappella
Tom Cherry	Barbara Kerber	Jack Overturf	Amy Terhaar
Carol Coughlin	Dolores Kertz	Jacquelin Parson	Karen Thaman
Michael Cox	Ted Klages	Tom Patania	Edna Tirre
Ryder Curcuro	Fran Kohlmann	Jody Pfeiffer	Laverne Valenti
Scott Drennan	Matthew Kraus	Mary Phillips	MaryJo Varchetti
John Earley	Bob Lally	Michael Pieri	Marie Venezia
Brenda Edleson	Emma Lauer	Bryant Pines	Joyce Vierling
Chris Farrell	Margie Leonneke	Francis Polasky	Bill Walters
Barbara Finan	James Lewis	Joseph Regan	Ann Ward
Mary Fischer	Louise Linsin	Joshua Rubel	Nathan Weber
Ann May Freise	Betty Lloyd	Rosetta Saputo	Ellen Werner
S. Gianfrancesco	Darlene Mahar	Joann Schaub	J. Werstein
Elizabeth Gilbert	Terri Malen	Meghan Schmitt	Marie Williams
Marie Gorczyca	Patrice Martin	Rita Schnorbus	Randy Wood
			Karen Wright

50+ CLUB NEWS

Tuesday, September 8th—Board meeting at 9:00 am in the Patrons room.

Monday, September 14th—Membership meeting at 7:00 pm in Hambrough Hall. Our new year starts in September 2015 and goes through August 2016. Dues are now due; cost is \$10.00 and you can pay at the meeting. Entertainment will be Kathy Schottel. She plays guitar, sings and tells a story or two.

Fall Festival—Members get ready to bake your goodies for the Cake Booth. Call Ann at 638-7952 or June at 638-1478 and let them know what you will bring or ask if they need your help. Barb and I will be running the Craft Booth. You can sign up to help, sign-up sheets will be in the church vestibule.

Communion Breakfast: Sunday, October 18th—After the 8:30 am Mass. *Genesis* will cater the breakfast which will be in Hambrough Hall. If you can't make the meeting call Fran at 892-1779 or Mike at 276-5767 to sign up for the breakfast. We will try and keep the cost at \$12.00 which is the same as past years.



Fall Festival booth chair meeting will be **Thursday, August 20th** at 6:30 pm in Hambrough Hall. All booth chairs are encouraged to come. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

COLLECTION



August 9, 2015

Envelopes	\$11,240.00
Online Giving	1,450.00
Loose	595.80
School Support	289.00
Total	\$13,574.80
—Avg. Weekly Operating Expenses	15,000.00
Final Total	\$ 1,425.20

Thank you for your generosity!



BIBLE STUDY

Please join "The Cornerstone Scripture Study" as we begin our 2015-2016 study of the Gospel of Luke, which is sometimes referred to as "the Gospel of Prayer" due to the many beautiful prayers included within it. Meetings begin in early September at various locations in the St. Louis area. For the nearest location and more details please call Sue at 314-821-4661 or visit our website at www.thecornerstonescripturestudy.org.

DANCE! DANCE! DANCE! PRINCESS DANCE CLASSES

for St. Mark Parish—Begins September 8th & 10th
Dance classes are held in St. Matthias Parish Center at 5:45 pm, 796 Buckley Rd., St. Louis, MO 63125

Offering: Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Pom, Musical Theater, & Hip Hop to ages 3 thru 18

Dance Director Tina Stemmler is Dance Master Certified with a BA in Dance from Webster University

Tuition - \$40 per month

Please contact Ms. Tina for more information at 314-680-2613



Fall Festival Parade 2015 Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now – We're On The Move!

The parade is the kick off to a great day of festival fun! Please join us as we travel through the neighborhood and let our neighbors know that we are celebrating! We are inviting **ALL** to participate in the parade - drive your car, truck, float, etc.

Please contact Kelly Goersch at 314-504-5397 or thefourks@live.com if you or your group would like to join the parade.

Additional parade details will follow as we get closer to the parade.



LIFETEEN

Change our hearts this time – Attention all highschoolers! Join us this **Wednesday, August 19th** from 7:00-9:00 pm at Bishop DuBourg High School as we hear from people whose lives and hearts have been changed by the truth of Jesus and His Gospel. We will also have whiffle ball & a surprise snack. Questions? Contact Lauren at 314-288-8873 or lauren@saintlouislifeteen.org.

St. Matthias Tailgate Sale and Electronic Recycling

Saturday, August 22

796 Buckley Rd., St. Louis, MO 63125

Tailgate Sale from 7:00 am - 2:00 pm

Spaces available for \$25

Call Pat at 440-8622 for reservations/information

Electronic Recycling from 8:00—11:00 am

Electronics and accessories recycled at no cost

Old tube type TVs accepted at a cost of \$15 per TV

Call 314-892-5109 for recycling information

YOU can help your marriage....

25% of surveyed couples say they are "Happily Married". For everyone else there is **Retrouvaille**. Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Does talking only make it worse? For information on the Retrouvaille Program, visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. The next program begins the weekend of **September 18th-20th**.

Divorce Care

A 12-week video series followed by a small group discussion. Each week is self-contained and you may attend as many sessions as you like.

Suggested fee of \$15, includes workbook.

Where: Mary Mother of the Church (Annex Building)
5901 Kerth Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63128
314-894-1373

When: Thursdays, beginning September 10th
from 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Topics include:

- 9/10 What's Happening to Me?
- 9/17 The Road to Healing/Finding Help
- 9/24 Facing My Anger
- 10/1 Facing My Depression
- 10/8 Facing My Loneliness
- 10/15 New Relationships
- 10/22 Financial Survival
- 10/29 Kid Care
- 10/30 Single Sexuality
- 11/5 Forgiveness
- 11/12 Reconciliation
- 11/19 Moving On, Growing Closer to God

All are welcome!

For information, call Linda at 314-846-9730 or Gail at 314-488-7975

Odds & Ends

Crosses/Crucifixes—Assumption, Mattese Parish School of Religion is in need of your **extra** crosses and crucifixes any size/color/type (hanging or standing). Many of you may have acquired religious articles when your parents, grandparents, other relatives, or neighbors downsized or passed away. These may be sitting in boxes or on shelves. PSR would like to get these out of the boxes and off the shelves. There will be a lesson in the fall to get these items into the homes of the PSR students. Please consider donating today. They may be left in the box marked "Crosses/Crucifixes" in the lobby of church. Please label your donation "Assumption PSR." Thank you in advance for supporting our Parish School of Religion students in their religious education.

Experience CBC for Yourself!—CBC is now accepting appointments for the 8th Grade Junior Cadet Shadowing Program. Shadowing allows a young man the opportunity to experience a day at CBC, while meeting current CBC students and teachers. This program is by reservation only. Please contact Mrs. Melissa Ryan at (314) 985-6095 or ryanm@cbchs.org to reserve your day in CBC's Junior Cadet Shadowing Program.

RETIRES!—The Senior Companion Program is in need of individuals age 55 and older who have the heart to visit the sick and shut-in in our community. This program is part of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Each person who volunteers will receive a free physical, background check and training so that they can participate. After training, they will receive a token of \$2.65 for every hour they visit someone. They will also receive 56¢ per mile if they drive. The program provides a monthly bus pass for those who need to ride Metro to their visits. Is the **Senior Companion Program** for you? www.seniorcorps.gov Contact Samantha Ferguson @ (314) 627-1243 for more information.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows—When Mental Illness Hits Home Conference: "Family as First Responders; Seeking Other Help"—Friday, **August 28th** from 9:00 am—4:00 pm. This is a unique conference for friends and family members who journey with people with mental illness and for professionals in the mental health field. Cost is \$40 (lunch included). \$5.25 CEU's; LCPC and LCSW—\$20. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6270 or visit snows.org/programs.

Marriage Encounter—Take a vacation from the world's plan for you and see what God's plan might be for your marriage. Rekindle the spark and romance of your honeymoon on the Marriage Encounter weekend of **September 25-27 or December 4-6**; a renewed excitement awaits you and your spouse. More information is available by calling 314-469-7317 or click on www.stl-wwme.org.

You Are Invited !



Kickoff Barbeque/ Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 23rd

Join us for 11:30 Mass or meet in Hambrough Hall at 12:30

Hot dogs and burgers served at 3:00 pm

Pickup at 4:30 pm

Getting to know you ~ Ice breakers

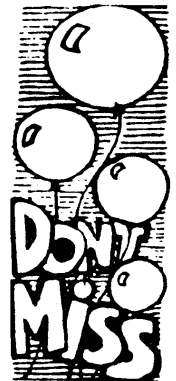
Discussion of youth ministry



Food, Fun, Fellowship

RSVP by August 16th to

Jane Brown at 743-8604.



St. Mark Youth Ministry

With the reassignment of Fr. Olsen to Holy Redeemer Parish, St. Mark Youth Ministry was temporarily suspended. Now with the blessing of Fr. Hambrough and the desire of vested St. Mark young adults and parishioners, St. Mark Youth Ministry will be revived. A lead team of volunteer ministers will serve the church of today, the high school youth, through several opportunities of youth ministry. They hope to affect the lives of St. Mark teens and friends, anyone who will walk through the youth ministry door, whether it be on a retreat, social outing or youth ministry night.

Stay tuned for more information.