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Notes from Fr. Nick

The Feast of St. Mark

Saint Mark, whose feast is today and whose Gospel we have been reading this year, is one of the four Evangelists. He is often portrayed with a lion, which symbolizes the power of his writing.

Mark's Gospel is considered by scholars to be the oldest. Internal evidence suggests that it was probably composed before the destruction of Jerusalem's temple in A.D. 70, and his likely audience was Greek-speaking Jewish Christians. It is the shortest of the Gospels, and begins rather abruptly with the story of Jesus' baptism. From then on, Mark's Jesus is almost constantly active. Jesus is the Son of God, and he demonstrates this by a series of miracles that are signs of God's power and the coming of the kingdom. The original ending of Mark's Gospel does not have an account of the Resurrection.

Little is known about Mark's background. In the *Acts of the Apostles*, he is identified as the cousin of Barnabas and associated with Paul and Peter. Tradition says he became the first bishop of Alexandria, and he is the patron saint of Egypt. St. Mark is also the patron of Venice and of Notaries Public.

Since Matthew and Luke borrowed from him, it is easy to read more into Mark's Gospel than is actually there. When I study Mark's Gospel, I am conscious that I mentally 'fill in the blanks' for much of his story with the accounts of the other evangelists. I'm always a little surprised by Mark's 'no-nonsense' approach.

I encourage you to spend a little time this week reading the Gospel of Mark in one sitting. It's the length of a good short-story, and will give you a sweep of the Gospel which can't be had by hearing small passages proclaimed on Sunday.



Modern Coptic Icon of Saint Mark.

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Sunday 11:00 am—Dominican Garden

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The Kids' Bulletin

April 25th, 2021



*Help the sheep
 find the Good Shepherd
 and stay away from the hungry wolf!*

Good Shepherd Word-Find



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Try to find the words in CAPITALS. The left-over letters will tell you what Jesus wants you to do.

JESUS said: "I am the GOOD Shepherd. A good shepherd LAYS down his life for the sheep. A HIRED MAN, who is not a shepherd, and whose sheep are NOT his own, SEES a WOLF coming and LEAVES the sheep and RUNS away, and the wolf CATCHES them and SCATTERS them. This is because he WORKS for PAY and has no CONCERN for the SHEEP. I am the Good SHEPHERD, and I know mine and MINE know me, just as the FATHER knows me and I KNOW the Father; and I will lay down my LIFE for the sheep.



April 25th, 2021 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B

Collection for the Week Ending April 18 th , 2021			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
04/18/2021	\$5,931.80	\$8,471.00	-\$2,539.20
Year-to-Date	\$135,876.61	\$146,065.00	-\$10,188.39
Thank you to our parish stewards.			



Pope Francis has proclaimed this to be the **Year of Saint Joseph**, and we will be honoring him with a Taizé service on the Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker, **this Saturday, May 1st, at 3:00 pm.**

Our worship will be led by parishioner M. Emily Onglatco, along with our talented musicians.

The Taizé worship service is an ecumenical form of meditative prayer that will last for about an hour. This Saturday it will take place either outdoors or inside the church — look for the signs!

How to donate?
Via internet:
- marymagdalen.org/donate
Or in person:
- **Drop off a check at the church or parish office.**

REBUILD MY CHURCH

2021 BISHOP'S APPEAL

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 25th *FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*
Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18
- 26th *Monday - Easter Weekday*
Acts 11:1-18 / John 10:1-10
- 27th *Tuesday - Easter Weekday*
Acts 11:19-26 / John 10:22-30
- 28th *Wednesday - Easter Weekday (St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest)*
Acts 12:24-13:5 / John 12:44-50
- 29th *Memorial: Saint Catherine of Siena, Doctor of the Church*
Acts 13:13-25 / John 13:16-20
- 30th *Friday - Easter Weekday (St. Pius V, Pope)*
Acts 13:26-33 / John 14:1-6
- 1st *Saturday - Easter Weekday (St. Joseph the Worker)*
Acts 13:44-52 / John 14:7-14

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of Sonia Curtis
Sunday	9:00	Intentions of Fr. Harold Snider, OFM Cap
	11:00	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:30	Intentions of Monique Duax
	5:30	Richard Wahl RIP
Tuesday	8:30	Jane Lucy Martin RIP
	5:30	Eulalia Artiaga RIP
Wednesday	8:30	Pete Hurd RIP
	5:30	Bernice McMillan RIP
Thursday	8:30	Terry Colvert RIP
	5:30	Intentions of the Lukban Family
Friday	8:30	Richard Goncalves RIP
	5:30	Intentions of the Grycz Family
Saturday	8:30	Intentions of Fr. Joseph Sergott, OP

Participate (virtually or in person) in the Annual **CROP Walk** sponsored by Church World Services! There will not be a large combined walk this year due to Covid-19, but the *School of the Madeleine* is already committed and working with the parish. Here is the link to the **Saint Mary Magdalen-School of the Madeleine Team page**, where you can easily donate:

events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/saint-mary-magdalen-school-of-the-madeleine

Who benefits from this fundraiser? *Dorothy Day House, Berkeley Food Pantry, and Youth Spirit Artworks* are the local recipients who will receive 25% of the funds; the rest goes to support Church World Service projects overseas. The *Berkeley Food*

Pantry has a higher demand during this time, and is currently distributing more food than ever. At the time of publication, only sixteen people had donated — let's all support this great cause together!

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