

# MARK TIMES

## NEWS and NOTES for December 28,

### THE WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, January 1, 2026:

Offices Closed for New Year's Day

Saturday, January 3:

6:00PM SHINE Contemporary Worship - Chapel

### SHINE Worship Next Saturday

Join us for less-formal worship with guitar accompaniment led by combined musical talents from St. Mark and St. George's next **Saturday, January 3 at 6:00PM** in the **chapel!**

### Epiphany Worship Next Tuesday

We join with our friends from St. George's for a special liturgy in celebration of the feast of the Epiphany on **Tuesday, January 6 at 10:00AM** in the **chapel.**



### Diaper Drive for Epiphany!



As the Wise Men brought gifts to the baby Jesus, we will celebrate **Epiphany** with a **Diaper Drive** for little ones in need in our community.

**Our Epiphany Diaper Drive will run January 4 through January 18.** Items collected will be donated to The Pregnancy Care Center of Belleville, Fontabella Maternity Home in O'Fallon and other local organizations.

**Diapers sizes 3 through 7, and pullups sizes 2T through 6T, and disposable pants sizes 2T through 6T and 3T are most needed.** Open packages will be accepted. **Unopened packages of diaper wipes and diaper rash cream are also welcome.**

Realizing diapers are expensive, members are encouraged to join together on purchases or give monetary donations to Sherri Foppe or Ann Martens. Donations may also be made electronically at [https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YT91/campaign/C-14EWR?access=tile\\_direct](https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YT91/campaign/C-14EWR?access=tile_direct) through January 18.

### January Ladies Tea

Ladies of St George's and St Mark parishes are cordially invited to a special tea hosted by Kristie Ohlemeier and her committee. It will be held on Saturday, January 17 at 3:00PM in the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy fellowship and fun over a cup of tea and some good things to eat. Please sign up on the sheet on St. George's table in the narthex, or email Kristie at [kristie\\_d\\_ohle@yahoo.com](mailto:kristie_d_ohle@yahoo.com) or call/text 785-640-7452 or Sarah at [sbender8@hotmail.com](mailto:sbender8@hotmail.com). Ladies 16 years and over are welcome!

**St. Mark Offerings for 12/21 (Advent 4):** General Fund: **\$8,723.01**; Food Pantry: \$55; Christmas Flowers: \$44.47; ELCA World Hunger: \$24.47; ELCA Disaster Relief: \$24.47; Staff Gift: \$349.38 *Christmas Eve offerings will be reported in the January 4 Mark Times.*

## **St. Mark Prayer Intentions**

### **St. Mark Members**

Ken Augustine, Eleanor Benton, Toni Brendel, Gary Dozier, Charlie Duncan, Evelyn Duncan, Art Engelage, Michael Foppe, Morris Kugler, Bruce Martens, Lucy Montgomery, Kim Palmer, Tina Partelow, Marilyn Robinson, Cohen Summers, Carol and Gary Weshinsky

### **St. Mark Family and Friends**

Dennis Althardt, Bert Alvarez, Stellamarie Bearth, Bonnie Baete, John Belz, Thomas Boxdorfer, Jim Braeutigam, Patty Brennecke, Susan Carson, Christine, Jody Cosson, Arianna Curnes, Catherine Davis, Mike Ellison, Katrina Fenner, Angie Fletcher, Josh Gansmann, Marge Gardner, Christine Gass, Viv Gillespie, Joni Giordano, David Graber, Donna Greenwell, Stephanie Groennert, TC Groennert, Andrea Hendrix, Jamie House, Glenda Jacquot, Jimmy Jurgens, Austin Lickenbrock, Dusty Little, Donna Loesche, Becky Loeschner, Wyatt Madison, Christopher Martiszus, Bobby & Joyce McCall, Don McCoy, Allen Martens, Janet Middendorf, Linda Munn, Pr. Ron & Debbie Neustadt, Dean Norrenberns, Hilda Parnell, Tim & Missy Partelow, Debbie & Larry Powers, Goldie Rideout, Darrell Robinson, Shirley Saia, Sarah and Family, Jill Schlueter, Stefanie Schroeder, Denise Sebastian, David & Donna Sims, Margie Snep, Ingrid Thompson, Bob Vaughn, David Vaught, Toni Walston, Louise Wilson, Margie Wilson, Karen Woolf, Wilma Woolf, Jeanie Workman, Ken Zika, Chloe Zipperer

### **Members and Friends Serving in Our Nation's Military**

Taiylar Foppe Merrel, Josh Merrel, Ryan McKenzie, Amy Morgan

### **Members celebrating birthdays**

Brianna Kilzer (12/28) and Letitia Downing (1/3)

## **St. George's Prayer Intentions**

### **St. George's Parishioners**

Joan Barnes, Joe Bono, Liz Briesacher, Mickey Cattaneo, Charles Evans, Susan Fellner, Maryann Fernandez, Bob Flach, Marilyn Gillen, Mary Vivian Gillispie, Ken Gottschall, Nolan Haefner, Heather Holden, Roz Holden, Carol Hooten, Judy Jacobs, Katie Kammann, Kevin Korte, Chuck Kraus, Charles Laedlein, Betty Massey, Kim Miller, Mary Mohrman, Kathy Parsons, Donna Rea, The Rev. Cindy Sever, Dick Slocomb, Philip and Sandra Smith, Jim Stelling, Liz Stelling, Duffy Walters, Travis Welborn, David Welch, Elizabeth Winchester

### **For those celebrating birthdays**

Walker Skaff, Sydney Walters

### **For those celebrating anniversaries**

Tom & Judy Skaff

### **For those in service of our country**

Joshua Arbogast, Sean Arbogast, Neal Ballas, Douglas DiCenso, Steven Gates, Melissa Harden, Tyner Hill, Dustin Kelley, Dan Kitchell, Eric Lunan, Jacob Marler, Ryan Marler, David Moses, Kameryn Reynolds, James Sinclair, Creighton Worley