

SAINT MEL

Catholic Church

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SAINT MEL

Mel is said to have been the son of Conis and his wife, Darerca, the sister of Saint Patrick. Mel accompanied his uncle to Ireland and helped to evangelize in that country. Mel is said to have had no fixed diocese, which might be explained by his being a missionary. Saint Patrick himself built the church at Ardagh and to this he appointed his nephew, Mel. The cathedral at Ardagh is dedicated to Saint Mel. Acting upon the counsel of Saint Paul, Mel supported himself by working with his hands, and what he gained beyond bare necessities, he gave to the poor. The Feast of Saint Mel is on February 6th.

PARISH INFORMATION

PHONES

Rectory Office: 216-941-4313
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Website <http://www.stmel.net>

Weddings: Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until after a discussion with the priest of the parish.

Funerals: Arrangements must be confirmed with the rectory office by the funeral director before any publication in the newspaper.

Baptisms: On the second Sundays of the month, following the 10:00 AM Mass. Arrangements should begin to be made about three months before the birth of the child.

Rite of Christian Initiation: Persons interested becoming members of the Catholic Church are asked to call the rectory office for information.

Anointing of the Sick: In the case of an emergency, please call the rectory office immediately. Please notify the rectory office for communion calls to the homebound, or visits to parishioners in the hospital.

Registration: New parishioners are asked to call the rectory office to register. Please call if there is a change in address or when moving out of the parish.

Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon; 12:30 to 4:30 PM

Share-a-Meal Program: Sponsored by St. Ignatius Church and supported by St. Mel Parish. Meal is held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at St. Ignatius Church, 10205 Lorain Avenue, Cleveland. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Dinner is served at 5:30 PM.

MASSES

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 7:00, 10:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Friday 6:45 AM

Confessions: Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 PM

PAPAL INTENTION

Pope's Intention for March: For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Pope's Intention for April: For the use of new technologies. Let us pray that the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our time.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Scripture readings can be found online at: bible.usccb.org

Monday, March 31 -

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

Tuesday, April 1 -

6:45 AM Mass

Wednesday, April 2 - St. Francis of Paola

No Masses

Thursday, April 3 -

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

Friday, April 4 - St. Isidore

6:45 AM Mass

12:00 PM Station of the Cross

4:00 PM Adoration @ St. Mark

Saturday, April 5 - St. Vincent Ferrer

3:00 PM Confessions @ St. Mark

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4:30 PM Mass.....Carol Hamburg

Sunday, April 6 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM Mass

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

10:00 AM Mass.....Tim Costello

11:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

2025	Offertory	\$3108
	Monthly	\$ 250
	Repairs/Maintenance	\$ 50
	(Extra Ordinary)	

ST. MEL FISH FRY PRESENTED BY COUSA MAMAS

April 4 5:00 PM-7:00 PM Please come and enjoy a delicious dinner, spend time with family or friends and support St. Mel and Cousa Mamas! You can find the full menu on the St. Mel website at stmel.net or at the doors of the church. Hope to see you at the Fish Fry!

ST. MARK FISH FRY

April 11 - 5:00-7:00pm Please join us for the St. Mark Fish Fry in the Social Hall. Fish, Shrimp, Pierogi or Mac & Cheese dinners or Pizza and Grilled Cheese for the kids... Pick your favorite and enjoy! All dinners come with two sides, roll, cookie and beverage. Please see the link on the St. Mark website at stmarkcleveland.com

YOUNG FAMILY GATHERINGS

Connect with other young parents. Once a month after the 8:30am Mass at St. Mark, young families are welcome to gather in the Social Hall (or Pavilion) for bagels, coffee, and community. Dates vary each month. For questions contact Briana Dave at: bciancibello@gmail.com Upcoming Dates: April 13

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Laura Burgess	Roger Burgess
Judy Collins	Dave Corrigan
Olga Corrigan	Noreen Dlouhy
Emily Finazzo	Suzanne Gambol
Shiela Henson	Ann Jones
Ken K.	Gretchen Lane
Colleen Moore	Eileen Mangan-Stull
Madison Ramser	Jan Retzer
Aimee Roscoe	Anthony Prosowski
Sue Solenne	Mark Struhar
Matthew Struhar	Andrew Valek

If you or someone you know needs prayer support, please call the Rectory office to have their name included in our bulletin. Please be respectful of other's wishes and only submit a name with full permission from the intended.



PARISH CALENDAR

Wed. 2 Rosary 10:00 AM
Fri. 4 Stations of the Cross 12:00 PM
 Fish Fry 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
Sat. 5 Confessions 3:00-4:00 PM

HELP NEEDED

WEST PARK MEALS ON WHEELS

West Park Meals on Wheels is in desperate need of volunteers to drive and/or deliver meals to the home-bound. On any day you are available, that is Monday to Friday (and NO Holidays). It requires only about 1 hour of your entire day, on any day of the week you are available. It is truly a rewarding effort for you, and the people you serve are humbly grateful. Please help by calling Georgann at: 216-251-6255 and leave a message. Your call will be happily returned.

PRISON PEN PAL MINISTRY

Pen Pals Needed! Being busy and exhausted is not new. St. Paul told the Galatians to not become weary in doing good. Do you have an hour a month for our "serve from home" ministry? Many inmates are lonely and abandoned by friends and family. As a pen pal you write anonymously using a pen name and the parish address as your return address. To learn more about this ministry and discern if the Holy Spirit is calling you, contact George Scherma at (440)465-8944 or gws263@yahoo.com

THE LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Presented by the Youth of St. Mark, St. Christopher and Our Lady of Angels.

Join the youth of these parishes and witness this powerful prayer and performance as we journey through Holy Week this year.

Friday, April 11th, 7:30pm at St. Mark Parish
 Sunday, April 13th, 7:30pm at St. Christopher Parish
 Friday, April 18th, 7:30 pm at Our Lady of Angels Parish

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Prayer and Thanksgiving before the Lord. Join us at St. Mark Parish for Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, April 4th from 4:00pm - 5:00pm.

Family Holy Hour: Our First Friday adoration will continue to provide prayerful options for people of all ages, especially families of young children.

Fr. Adam will be available to hear Confession.



Growing in FAITH

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The reception of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass is such an expected feature of the Mass these days that it is surprising to realize that for many centuries, receiving Communion was a relatively rare event in the life of a faithful Christian. "Easter duty" means that Catholics must celebrate reconciliation if aware of serious sin, and receive Holy Communion during the Easter season. For a while, this was a requirement of Easter week, and later extended to the whole season of fifty days, and even beyond that by a few weeks. For the majority of people long ago, this meant Communion was a once-a-year moment. A rather complex bureaucracy grew up around this rule in the Middle Ages. Amazingly, people received a kind of token at confession admitting them to Communion in their home parish, which then kept careful records and reported them to the bishop.

Surviving records can tell us a great deal about our ancestors. In fact, people were encouraged to journey to the church of their baptism in order to fulfill their duty, and therefore the Easter duty includes in its origins a grateful pilgrimage to the font in which you were first embraced by Christ. If your "Holy Mother Church" is within a drive, why not make a pilgrimage to that font be a feature of your Easter celebration of these fifty days?

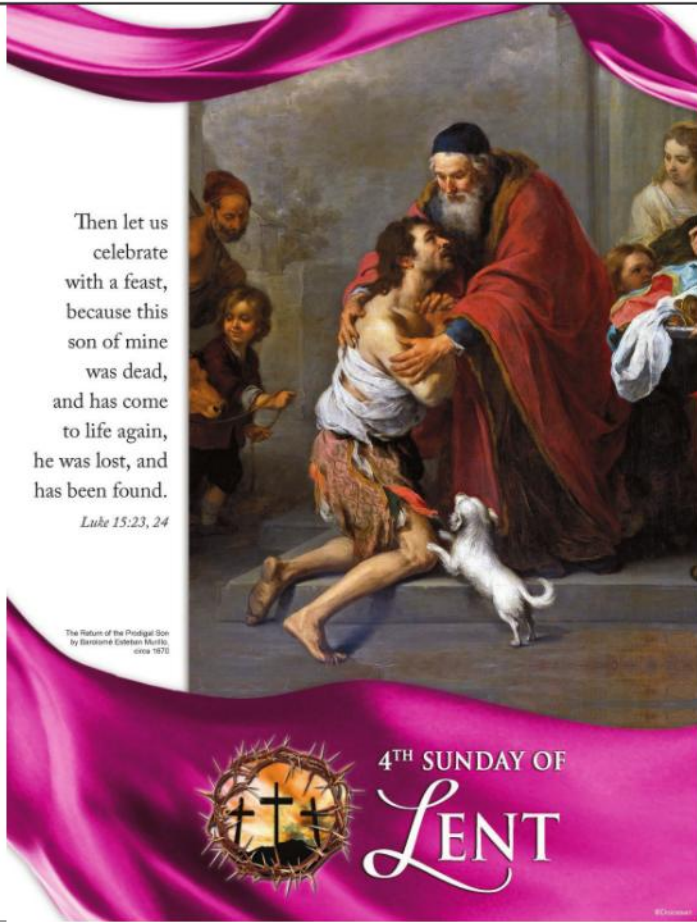


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Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again, he was lost, and has been found.
Luke 15:23, 24

The Return of the Prodigal Son by Bernard Estéban Murillo, circa 1670

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