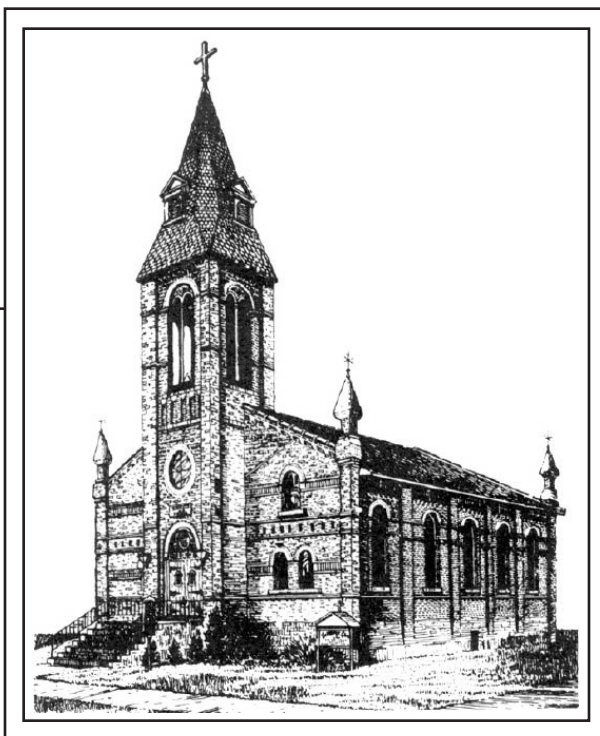


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If either party has gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's Office has been consulted.

PARISH REGISTRATION: All parishioners should be registered. Registration cards can be found in the Church foyer or at the parish office. Would you kindly notify the office when you are moving out of the parish.

BULLETIN NOTICES must be received at the parish office by Tuesday at noon. Announcements will appear for no more than two weeks, and should contain only pertinent information. Please be brief.

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ANGELS by Fr. Charles



"The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal (without a body) beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls "angels" is a truth of faith. The witness of Scripture is as clear as the unanimity of Tradition." (CCC 328)

Considering the reality of angels and the profound truth that each of us has at least one guardian angel specifically assigned to us by God, it is worthwhile to reflect briefly on their purpose and role in promoting the spiritual good of the world and ourselves as individuals. First, though, we must acknowledge that we live in a spiritual world; beyond the visible world that our senses perceive, and there exists the reality of created spiritual beings of higher intelligence than ourselves. These beings serve the good of humankind and are personally assigned to each of us—everyone on planet Earth, whether believers or non-believers, regardless of their faith, from birth until death. "From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession. "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life." (CCC 336)

Given that the Church explicitly teaches about the reality of angels, as St. Augustine explained, whose nature is spirit but whose name, angel, signifies their office, their existence speaks volumes about our God and His great care and love for us. The thought that each of us might be assigned one or more personal angels is astonishing, especially when most of us take this entirely for granted—except for those who have encountered their presence, intervention, voice, and protection. I recall a story from one parish where our music director was driving with his wife to weekly choir practice at the church. Just a few blocks from their home, they stopped at a stop sign, checked both ways, and turned right onto another street when, suddenly, seemingly out of nowhere, they heard screeching tires followed by a horrific crash as a car struck theirs. Although their vehicle was totalled and considered a write-off, they both emerged unscathed. Reflecting on the incident, they shared that amidst the terrible noise of the collision, they both saw a quick flash with pure white, feathered wings. They knew it was angels who saved them.

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
ever this day be at my side,
to light and to guard, to rule and to guide. Amen.

MARK MALLET

St. Mary's Lenten Mission

Monday, March 9 – Wednesday, March 11



Years ago, I found an online Catholic blog called *The Now Word*. The host discussed viewing the world through the lens of the Catholic daily Mass readings, which are used in every church virtually worldwide and throughout the seasons of the Church's liturgical year. It deepened my appreciation for my personal experience of the daily Mass readings from Sacred Scripture. The word of God is always active, alive,

and speaking to us in every age, and now, in this present and troubling time. I remembered thinking that this man's way of speaking sounded prophetic.

His name is Mark Mallett, a Canadian Catholic singer-songwriter, married with eight children, residing in Alberta. And he is a Catholic evangelist at a time of the new evangelization when, after the Gospel has been preached in every nation of the world, as Jesus had said, it would need to be re-preached again to Catholics who have never really heard it before or taken it seriously.

I faithfully follow Mark's blog posts, and to this day, I receive them in my email whenever he publishes a new article. He discusses the concept of the 'now' in the living word of God, considering current events in light of prophetic words from the Old Testament, the Apostles, the Early Church Fathers, the popes, and the teachings of the Church throughout history. Mark does not speak about the end of the world as some claim it to be, but rather about the end of an era, which is presently manifesting itself as in the birth pangs of childbirth.

I had Mark give a three-day Lenten mission at St. Leo's in Brooklyn about seven years ago, and the church was full by the second evening. The people so appreciated his gift of speaking to the heart, while not hesitating to call out the world's chasing of false gods in what St. John Paul II called 'a culture of death'.

We need the prophet's voice in our time, though many don't want to hear it, as it speaks to us not so much about future events as about how we live in the present age in light of God's loving call for us to come back to Him. A few years later, our parish was going on pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and we asked Mark to join us. Though he had never been there before, he was moved by the sense that permeated the landscape where Jesus lived, the roads He walked, the sea He walked on, and the truth of life He preached. He died to bring us the way out from sin and a new life in Him. Mark was moved and inspired.

Please mark your calendars now so that you don't miss this faith-filled opportunity to hear Mark speak about Jesus. (FrC)

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tue Jan 27 th 7:00pm	+Vanessa Fraser Requested by Helen Vella
Wed Jan 28 th 8:30am	Unannounced Mass +Souls in Purgatory
Thurs Jan 29 th 8:30am	Intentions of Emma Aspiras
Fri Jan 30 th 7:30am	HOLY HOUR
8:30am	+Mino Pozzoni Requested by Rebecca & Davide Perrone
Sat Jan 31 st 8:30am	Unannounced Mass For the People
4:30pm	Intentions of Gerry Grummett Requested by Megan Correia
Sun Feb 1 st 9:00am	For the People
11:00am	+Ken Matthews Requested by Clare & Gene Bisogno

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Mary Little, Alex Poirier, Hudson Ford,
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"The CWL will be gathering their spiritual bouquet for this years Ordinandi over the next few weeks. This is an offering of prayers, masses, and other devotions you will say over the next year for the men to be ordained to the priesthood this year. Stop by our display in the parish hall for further information."

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The 2025 tax receipts are again this year being produced through the Archdiocese. The file will be submitted on January 28th. You should start to see the receipts in your mailboxes on or around February 11th.

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