

MARK TIMES

NEWS and NOTES for July 6, 2025

Monday, July 7: 2:30PM Fiber Arts @Westfield Manor
Wednesday, July 9: 12:00PM Ladies Lunch Bunch at Frank's Restaurant
Thursday, July 3: 6:00PM Yoga – Parish Hall



Second Sunday Food Pantry Collection

Give our food pantry a hand **next Sunday** by bringing a donation of **canned meats (stew, chicken and dumplings, spam, pasta sauce)** to church and placing it in the collection basket in the narthex.



Belleville Summer Sack Lunch Program

We're partnering with Westview Baptist to provide **free lunches for low-income kids!**

Donations: Individually packaged Cheez-Its, chips, pretzels, nut-free cookies, and juice pouches (e.g., Capri Sun).

Drop off at church or contact **Sherri Foppe** for other arrangements.

+ **Monetary gifts welcome:** Give to Sherri, Ann M., or online: secure.myvanco.com/L-YT91/campaign/C-15AC7

+ **Food Safety:** Gloves required for packing; masks optional for delivery.

+ **Volunteers Needed for...**

Packing: Wednesdays, 5–5:45 PM @ Westview Baptist

Delivery: Thursdays, 10:35 AM–1 PM

Dates: June 4–Aug 7 (weekly)

+ Sign-up in Parish Hall!

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Summer Sack Lunch Mini Traveling VBS – Part 2 This Week!

The Evangelism/Social Ministry and Christian Education teams are ready for part 2 of our **mini traveling VBS** during the Summer Sack Lunch deliveries!

Both distribution sites include a 20-minute program featuring **Bible heroine Queen Esther**, with a story/skit, craft or game, and possibly music.

Volunteers Needed! Each site needs **4–5 helpers** (more on **July 10** at Hough Park, which serves 40–50 children). No experience needed—just a heart to serve!

Remaining Program Dates & Times:

- **July 10** (10:50 AM–12:15 PM) – *Queen Esther*, led by Jan Richards
- **July 17** (11:20 AM–12:30 PM) – *Queen Esther*

📄 Sign-up sheets are in the Parish Hall (with the Driver/Co-Pilot and Lunch Packers sheets).



Ladies Lunch Bunch This Week!

All Saint Mark ladies are invited to join the Lunch Bunch at **Frank's Restaurant** (200 Lincoln Highway, Fairview Heights), **THIS Wednesday, July 9 at 12:00 noon**. Contact Sherri Foppe with questions 618-791-6148 or cookinsherri2@gmail.com

St. Mark Pool Party and Picnic!

The Evangelism & Social Ministry committee invites you to our first St. Mark pool party and picnic, hosted by **Westhaven Pool & Racket Club** (1513 S. Illinois Street, Belleville) on **Tuesday, July 29** from **4:00-8:00PM!**



Food and drinks will be **available to purchase on-site** (no outside food and drink allowed).

The **pool** will be open and ready to help us tackle the late July heat. **Pickleball** courts will be available from 4-5:30pm and again from 7-8:00pm.

*This event will take the place of our annual August/September church picnic, so **bring your table games** and reignite those rivalries!

Admission is FREE!

Sign-up on the sheets in the narthex or downstairs in the Parish Hall.

Looking Ahead...

Mark your calendars for the third annual **"Guys Nite"** on **Friday, August 22**. Volunteers for planning, set-up, clean-up would be great. Keep an eye on the *Mark Times* for updates!

Heroes & Hand-Me-Downs: The Great Church Lot Bash is coming to a big parking lot near you! Watch for more information coming soon about this community event on **Saturday, September 13** from **10am-2pm** featuring a **rummage sale**, **"touch the trucks,"** and maybe a few **superheroes** dropping in!



The Joint Safety Committee is sponsoring a class on **Saturday, September 20** from 9am-1pm. **Chestnut Health Systems** will present information on *Mental Health, Substance Abuse/Narcan and Suicide Awareness/Prevention*. A sign-up sheet will be available later in the summer.

Offerings for 6/29 and 7/6 will be reported when Randi returns from vacation