ST. MARK the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Mission

To invite all on our journey to:

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Evangelize

All Are Welcome!

If you are a visitor,
we hope you will find our bulletin
to be a reflection of
our vibrant and
spirit filled parish,
and that you will consider
becoming part of our family!

To join us, please register online at www.stmarktampa.org/join or call the Parish Office at 813-907-7746.

For more information, visit our website at www.stmarktampa.org



May 10th, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mass Schedule (Pre-Post COVID-19 Schedule)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:30 PM Sunday in Spanish: 12:30 PM Monday* & Thursday: Noon

*Mondays that fall on a holiday: 8:30 AM Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 AM

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3 PM - 3:45 PM (or by appt.)

Rosary

Every weekday half hour before Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Every weekday after Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary Thursday 7 PM in Chapel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Open during Parish Hours

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
First Wednesday of Month: 9 AM - 7:30 PM
Followed by Benediction at 7:30 PM

Pastor

Rev. Richard Jankowski

FrRichard@stmarktampa.org

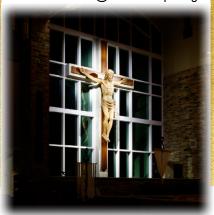
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Parish Hours

(Pre-Post COVID-19 Schedule)
Monday & Tuesday: 9 AM - 5 PM

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Wednesday & Thursday: 9 AM - 9 PM
Friday: 9 AM - Noon
Phone: (813) 907-7746
Fax: (813) 907-7556
9724 Cross Creek Blvd
Tampa, FL 33647.

Website: www.stmarktampa.org Email: info@stmarktampa.org Venetian Rental Info: (813) 995-7480

Events Calendar and Tickets www.stmarktampa.org/events

Bulletin Submissions

Bulletin@stmarktampa.org
Weekly deadline: Wednesday by 5 PM
the week prior to publication,
earlier holiday deadlines TBA

Big Screen Submissions
Bigscreens@stmarktampa.org
Per Ministry Guidelines

Hearing Assist Receivers Available Sign-Out Required in AV Room

Ministry Contacts

To find out more information about our many ministries or to contact the ministry leader visit our website:

www.stmarktampa.org/ministries

Or contact our Ministry Coordinator at mstrickland@stmarktampa.org

Sign Up Now! www.FORMED.org

Enjoy Catholic content (like Netflix!) all in one place!

Go to https://formed.org/ - Choose "I'm a Parishioner of a Parish" next type in our name: "St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church" and then out of the many St. Mark the Evangelist parishes... choose the one with our address

(9724 Cross Creek Blvd, Tampa, FL 33647).

That's all there is to it!



Deanery Events

For more information about our Deanery and their events, visit our website:

www.stmarktampa.org/our-deanery.



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www.instagram.com/StMarkLOVE www.instagram.com/WeAreStMark



www.pinterest.com/StMarkLOVE



www.twitter.com/@StMarkTampa

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism

Please call (813) 907-7746 to sign up for required pre-baptism classes. Brochures, forms, and sponsor letters can be found online at: stmarktampa.org/baptism.

Marriage

Couples planning their marriage should call (813) 907-7746 ext. 317 at least six months prior to their wedding date in order to complete their pre-marital assessment, discernment, and marriage preparation enrichment. For info go to: stmarktampa.org/marriage.

RCIA

Adults, older children, or teens who have not been baptized, or have been baptized in another Christian Community, who desire to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church, please call (813) 907-7746 ext. 317. For info go to: stmarktampa.org/RCIA

First Communion & Confirmation

Adults who have been baptized, but have not received their First Communion and/or Confirmation, should call (813) 907-7746 ext. 317.

<u>Children and Teens</u>: Students must attend two consecutive years. Preparation in the parish is necessary for the sacraments (even for those at parochial schools).

Brochures and forms can be picked up at the Parish Office or found online at: stmarktampa.org/communion or stmarktampa.org/confirmation-1

UPDATE:Cancellations and Closures

All Masses & Parish Events are suspended until further instruction from Bishop Parkes.

Parish Office is closed.

We will communicate future updates via our All Parish Email Blasts and on our Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/stmarktampa

If you are not on our All Parish Email Mailing List
Please go to the slider on the top of our web page at
www.stmarktampa.org and click on the one the slider
that reads
"Sign Up for our All Parish Email Blasts"

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Pray for Our Heroes

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Merridith Morrison **Brandon Nidasio** Kyle Novac Ismael A. Olivo-Alvarez Anthony Orcajo **Christopher Parkes** Jorge A. Perez III James Phillips Paul Pita Pedro Rico Daniel Sabarese *Cory Singleton *Justin Singleton Maura Stepanski Nicholas Stiegler Tiffany Stiegler Bobby Thomas Ana Maria Vargas *Camilo Andres Vargas Disney Velez Khiry White Daniel Woodard Steven Woodard Robert Woodards

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Get Well Prayers

Please pray for all those who are infected with the COVID-19 virus.

Please send your request to Prayers@stmarktampa.org

Dearly Departed

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Sanctuary Candle

Burns the week of May 3rd in Memory of Helen Robinette by the 2020 RCIA Group & Team

Please stop by (or call 907-7746) the Parish Office to request a week-long **Intention** for the **Sanctuary Candle**. Limited to one week per family. The cost is \$25.

Mass Intentions - Stipend \$20

Celebrated privately by priest at this time.

Please stop by the Parish Office to request your Mass Intentions.

4 Mass Intentions per family per year,
one of which can be a weekend Mass.

A Guide to our Virtual Church

www.stmarktampa.org

Our Virtual Sunday Mass Livestream or Recording





Watch our previous virtual Masses

Ways to Give

Donate Now

Guided Stations of Light with Deacon Jose

Download English Version

Download Spanish Version

Bilingual Liturgical Reflections from Deacon Jose

Morning & Evening Prayer with Deacon Scott

View his video posts on our Deacon Scott's Facebook page.

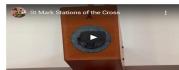
St. Leo Abbey Daily Mass

View their live stream mass at Noon or watch a recording on their Facebook page. They also stream Morning Prayers and Vespers Daily and a 10 am Sunday Mass.

Pray the Rosary with Deacon Hector

Time: Every evening at 8 pm. Click the red link to join in and enter the Meeting ID below! https://zoom.us/l/7120587638?pwddXRIRCLETEHBOG.UWE910igJOTFOZZ09 Passwort. 606618 7638

Walk The Stations of the Cross with Luther



Adoration & Exposition at St. Mark



Confession with Fr. Richard

NO CONFESSIONS THIS SATURDAY (Easter Vigil) Saturday's from 4-5p in the Main Church. We are prepared for safe distancing.

Weekly Bulletin

View our current bulletin or subscribe to receive it by email each week.

Divine Mercy Chaplet (soon)

Family Resources

Lots of interesting and fun familiy activities!

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Enjoy Catholic Netflix-like Content - Free!

Everything you see here can be found along the lower right side of our website homepage www.stmarktampa.org

Sunday Masses:

Video are **posted every Sunday morning at 8:30am** and remains on the website until it is replaced with the next one. (previous Mass Recordings are available for viewing by clicking the link underneath the current week's videos).

Ways to Give:

The various ways to donate to St. Mark are available here. Our *Text To Give* # & *Donate Now* button are there for your convenience as well as our address to mail in your donations or add to St. Mark to your Personal Bank Online Bill Pay.

Through the Easter season, you will find Deacon Jose's *Guided Stations of Light*.

Next, Deacon Jose's weekly Bilingual Liturgical Reflections.

A link to Deacon Scott's Facebook page where he shares videos to join him each day during his **Morning & Evening Prayers**.

A link to St. Leo Abbey's Facebook page where you can join Abbot Isaac & the Benedicitine Monks celebrating their LIVESTREAMED Daily Mass at noon each weekday.

Connecting info to join Deacon Hector each evening at 8pm for a *LIVE Rosary* via Zoom.

Join Luther inside our beautiful Nave as he walks the **Stations of the Cross.**

Enjoy 30 minutes with our Lord in **Adoration** during a virtual **Exposition**.

The scheduled day & time for Confession with Father Richard.

A link to our Weekly Bulletin.

A link to ALL our wonderful *Family Resources* brought to you by our Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Department.

And last - a link to our FREE Catholic "Netflix-type" resource: FORMED.org



From
Kindergarten,
8th grade,
High School
&
College!

We want to recognize you in a special way. Please forward your graduation picture to Irivera@stmarktampa.org ASAP so we can include it in a special video.

Please send your pictures no later than Friday, May 15th!

Collections have dropped significantly & your continued support is VERY important!

Many parishioners enjoy the ease of our quick new

Donatestmark.org

OR

Text To Give - via Smartphone - just TEXT 813-296-5116.

The first time you do this, please text your donation amount, (ex: 25 which will result in a \$25 donation).

A return text will be sent back to you immediately requesting you to set up your giving info.

For future Text To Give donations.

Once complete, you will receive a confirmation text stating, "Successful Registration and Donation".

you only need to text the dollar amount you wish to donate and

the name of the fund you wish to donate.

Examples of what you would text: 10 offertory or 5 capital campaign

After texting your donation amount & fund name, you will receive a confirmation text stating "Your giving was successful".

OR

Simply use your own bank's electronic Bill Pay

to schedule your weekly offertory contribution by setting up a weekly or monthly payment by adding St. Mark as a payee

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Note either Offertory, APA, Capital Campaign in the FOR or MEMO field.

OR

Online Giving is a great way to donate from anywhere.

Sign up at www.stmarktampa.org/donate

It's a simple and secure way to make and track your parish giving

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED. TRY US! COME TO ANY EVENTS.

For Your Information

Please be advised
that all SMARTS events
have been canceled
until further notice.
Members will be advised
when they will be resumed.
In the meantime,
we can all pray
that everyone stays well.



Our Food Pantry Needs Your Help! The Red Wagon Collection This Week is: Canned Tuna or Chicken

Please drop off at the wagon inside our Social Narthex by our Information Desk.

Drop off times will coincide with our church hours:

Monday -Thursday 9-4

Closed Friday

Saturday 3-5

Sunday 9-Noon

Thank you for your continued support!

If you would like to volunteer to help distribute food at our food pantry please go to: www.stmarktampa.org/FoodPantrySchedule to check the schedule for vacant dates & send an email to: smpantry@gmail.com with the vacant date(s) you would like to volunteer.

FYI... the nearest SVDP Thrift Store is located at 12310 N. Nebraska Ave in Tampa. (813) 977-7057.

Enjoy the Daily Readings!

www.usccb.com/bible/readings

MARRIED COUPLES:

In Lent we try to you clear away the things in our lives that impedes our joyful relationship with God. Why not also clear away some of the impediments that interfere with your joy-filled relationship with your spouse?

Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and experience an even greater closeness and depth of your love for each other!

Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend today!

For information call the Application Couple at (813) 270-7832 or go on-line at http://wwme-floridawestcoast.com

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in this area is May 29-31 at the Franciscan Center in Tampa. Space IS limited, so please, apply early!

Attention Online Shoppers:

Click on the black Amazon link box located on our website **www.stmarktampa.org** to support St. Mark while you do your online shopping.

We get a percentage of all sales purchased through the link our site.

It's a great way to support St. Mark at no cost to you!



Search New and Used amazon.com.

Remember to Update Your Info!

Connect Now My Own Church

Go to our website to update your personal information & receive contribution statements electronically.

Learn

An interesting turning point in the history of Early Church

As you know, during these seven weeks of Easter the Church has replaced the texts from the Old Testament in the First Reading with passages of the book of Acts of the Apostles. This way we're informed about the most important facts that happened after Jesus Christ's Resurrection and Ascension, when the apostles worked hard to give shape to the Church, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

From this Sunday, we'll be exposed to a new section of the Acts of the Apostles. We are introduced to two groups in the early community, identified by their background prior to conversion: Those formed under the umbrella of Greek culture, the Hellenists, and those from an Israelite culture and tradition, the Hebrews.

Hellenists were Jews who had been born and lived for a time outside Palestine. They spoke Greek and had synagogues of their own where the Greek translation of Scripture (the Septuagint) was used.

The Hebrews were Jews born in Palestine; they spoke Aramaic and used the Hebrew Bible in their synagogues.

«...As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table.Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task...»

These "seven" belonged to the community of Hellenists and become the second identifiable group of disciples entrusted with a ministry in the Church, the first being "the twelve". It is clear that the seven have been given a public role in the community, a role which extends beyond distribution of relief; Philip and Stephen, for example, as we'll read later, preached and baptized as well. Author of "Acts", Luke, uses the term diakonia but he doesn't call the seven "deacons" (diakonoi). However, this was the initial step given in the Church for the institution of the diaconate.

From this chapter onward, every baptized Christian has the right to be called "disciple"; this term is no longer applied only to the apostles and to those who were adherents to Jesus during His life on earth. All the baptized are now disciples.

«...The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith...»

This minor summary marks the further progress of the Word of God. Members of many Jewish priestly families were obedient to the faith. As they became "disciples", their hierarchical and liturgical role disappeared, as the Early Church the only weekly ceremony was the "Breaking of the Bread", performed at the disciples' homes. A difference is to be noted between the role of the converted priests in the Christian Church and the clearly defined roles of priests and Levites.

Deacon Jose Moronta's Weekly Bilingual Liturgy Reflections can also be found on our website homepage at www.stmarktampa.org with Our Virtual Church listings.

Aprender

Un punto de inflexión interesante en la historia de la iglesia primitiva

Como saben, durante estas siete semanas de Pascua, la Iglesia ha reemplazado los textos del Antiguo Testamento en la Primera Lectura con pasajes del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles. De esta manera, se nos informa sobre los eventos más importantes que sucedieron después de la Resurrección y Ascensión de Jesucristo, cuando los apóstoles trabajaron arduamente para dar forma a la Iglesia, inspirados por el Espíritu Santo.

A partir de este domingo, estaremos leyendo una nueva sección de los Hechos de los Apóstoles. Se nos presentan dos grupos en la comunidad primitiva, identificados por sus antecedentes antes de la conversión: los formados bajo el paraguas de la cultura griega, los helenistas, y los de una cultura y tradición israelita, los hebreos.

Los helenistas eran judíos que habían nacido y vivido durante un tiempo fuera de Palestina. Hablaban griego y tenían sinagogas propias donde se usaba la traducción griega de las Escrituras (la Septuaginta).

Los hebreos eran judíos nacidos en Palestina; Hablaban arameo y usaban la Biblia hebrea en sus sinagogas.

«... A medida que el número de discípulos seguía creciendo, los helenistas se quejaron contra los hebreos porque sus viudas estaban siendo descuidadas en la distribución diaria. Entonces los Doce convocaron a la comunidad de los discípulos y dijeron: "No es correcto que descuidemos la palabra de Dios para servir en la mesa. Hermanos, seleccionen de entre ustedes siete hombres de buena reputación, llenos del Espíritu y la sabiduría, a quienes encomendaremos esta tarea ... »

Estos "siete" pertenecían a la comunidad de los helenistas y se convirtieron en el segundo grupo identificable de discípulos a los que se confió un ministerio en la Iglesia, siendo el primero el de "los doce". Está claro que a los siete se les ha dado un papel público en la comunidad, un papel que se extiende más allá de la distribución de ayuda; Felipe y Esteban, por ejemplo, como leeremos más tarde, también predicaron y bautizaron. El autor de "Hechos", Lucas, usa el término diakonia pero no llama a los siete "diáconos" (diakonoi). Sin embargo, este fue el paso inicial dado en la Iglesia para la institución del diaconado.

Desde este capítulo en adelante, todo cristiano bautizado tiene derecho a ser llamado "discípulo"; Este término ya no se aplica solo a los apóstoles y a aquellos que siguieron a Jesús durante su vida en la tierra. Todos los bautizados son ahora discípulos.

«... La palabra de Dios continuó difundiéndose, y el número de discípulos en Jerusalén aumentaba enormemente; incluso un gran grupo de sacerdotes se estaba volviendo a la fe ... »

Este breve resumen marca el mayor progreso de la Palabra de Dios. Los miembros de muchas familias sacerdotales judías eran obedientes a la fe. A medida que se convirtieron en "discípulos", su papel jerárquico y litúrgico desapareció, ya que la única ceremonia semanal de la Iglesia Primitiva fue la "Fracción del Pan", que se hacía en las casas de los discípulos. Hay que notar una diferencia entre el papel de los sacerdotes convertidos en la Iglesia cristiana y los roles claramente definidos de los sacerdotes y levitas.

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Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Spotlight

Submit your Graduation Photos to Laura at Irivera@stmarktampa.org to be featured in a beautiful tribute to our Class of 2020.

All graduations accepted: High School, College, Kindergarten, 8th Grade, etc.

Check out the St Mark Website

for fun, faith-filled online content! home! stmarktampa.org/families

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Join us for Crafts, Story time, skits, Stations of the Cross, a virtual Church Tour, and all kinds of Fun programs for children produced by Faith Formation for you to use during this time of staying home!

High School Scholarship Applications!

Scholarships are open for all graduating High School Seniors to apply for a scholarship from the Faith Formation Office to help with college expenses! Find scholarships on stmarktampa.org

Social Media

Follow us for updates and fun on our social media platforms!

Instagram - @stmarkym & @stmarkLOVE Twitter - @stmarkym1

YDISCIPLE MAKE-UP WORK -ALL TEENS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE UP YDISCIPLE SESSIONS DURING THIS TIME

Please visit the Youth Ministry page on our website to locate and complete any make-up work for sessions teens have missed over the last few months. It is important all make-up work be submitted to Jaclyn as soon as possible for credit towards Faith Formation completion. Any Questions? Email Jaclyn at jlreddic@stmarktampa.org

SPARC Registration now Live!

Our Middle School Faith Formation Summer Intensive Option is now open for registration! All rising 3rd-8th grade children are welcome to join. This is a two week program: Mon-Thursday. Dates: June 8-11 and June 15-18. The cost for the program is \$150 first child and \$100 for each additional sibling.

Call Faith Formation to sign up!

Precautionary Measures & Safety

In an abundance of caution and consideration, we will not have Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programming until further notice.

We will communicate any updates via email or REMIND Instant Message.

For all classes and retreats,
we will produce online content that we will communicate
to participant families directly,
so that our journey to sacraments
& the end of the Faith Formation year is minimally affected.

Please reach out with any questions and keep your emails updated!

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

Tax Free Contribution Information

If you are over 70 ½ and have an IRA or similar retirement account you are required to take annual distributions prescribed by the IRS. These distributions are then taxed at your ordinary income tax rate.

A new law was passed on 12/15/2015 allowing you to contribute any part of your IRA including these required distributions to St. Mark TAX FREE!

Example: If you contribute \$5000 from your IRA to St. Mark and are in a 20% tax bracket, the church receives the \$5000 and you save \$1000 in taxes.

A WIN-WIN for both the church and the parishioner!

If you want to contribute from your 2020 required annual distribution or even from your current IRA, instruct your IRA custodian to make the check out to: St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church.

They can either send it to you or directly to the church.

This is a great way to fulfill your pledge and/or contribute your annual offering in a lump sum.

Questions: please contact Val at 813-508-2735



Donate to St. Mark by purchasing a **Memorial Brick**

at the entrance of our beautiful new

Blessed Mary Shrine and Rosary Garden

Each 4x8 inch brick is a **tax deductible** donation of \$500 (cash or credit).

Includes engraving of 3 lines of 13 characters each.

For more information or to purchase: Contact Val at (813) 508-2735

Please consider joining our

St. Mark the Evangelist Legacy Society

To remember St. Mark in your will or trust, please ask your attorney to use the following terminology:

I give, devise, bequeath (amount, article, stock, property, etc.) to St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church 9724 Cross Creek Blvd, Tampa, FL 33647

For more information, please contact Val anytime at 813-907-7746 x 333 or vmainguy@stmarktampa.org

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