



ST. MARK *the* EVANGELIST

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Mission

To invite all
on our journey to:

Learn

Orar (Pray)

Gi**V**e

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*



December 27th, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Open during Parish Hours

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Wednesday of Month: 9 AM - 7 PM

Closes with Benediction at 7 PM

Hearing Assist Receivers Available

Sign-Out Required in AV Room

Pastor

Rev. Richard Jankowski

FrRichard@stmarktampa.org

Assisting Deacons

Deacon Moises Gutierrez

DeaconMoises@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Jose Moronta

DeaconJMoronta@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Scott Paine

DeaconScott@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Hector Rios

DeaconHector@stmarktampa.org



Parish Hours

(Pre-Post COVID-19 Schedule)

Monday & Tuesday: 9 AM - 5 PM

Wednesday & Thursday: 9 AM - 9 PM

Friday: 9 AM - Noon

(changes on holidays - please call)

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

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.



www.facebook.com/stmarktampa



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.

Children and Teens: 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

Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS: Mon., December 28 – Sunday, Jan. 3

Mon., Dec. 28	Noon	The Donaie Family (I) by Emily Donaie
Tues., Dec. 29	8:30 am	Lili DeGrasse (I) by Emily Donaie
Wed. Dec. 30	8:30 am	Vocations
Thurs. Dec. 31	Noon	Fr. Lino Estadilla, OMV (I) by Emily Donaie
	4:00 pm Vigil	Amanda Martin (d) by Toni Martin
Fri., Jan. 1	10:00 am	Parishioners of St. Mark <i>Solemnity of Mary – Holy Day of Obligation</i>
Sat. Jan 2	4:00 pm	Cliff GMoble (d) by Erika Rivera.
Sun., Jan 3	8:30 am	Parishioners of St. Mark
	10:30 am	Helen Brown (d) by the Brown Family
	12:30 pm	Rosa Deque (d) by the Ramirez Family
	5:30 pm	Barbara Hammond (d) by Michael Pagua



Holiday Week Office Hours:

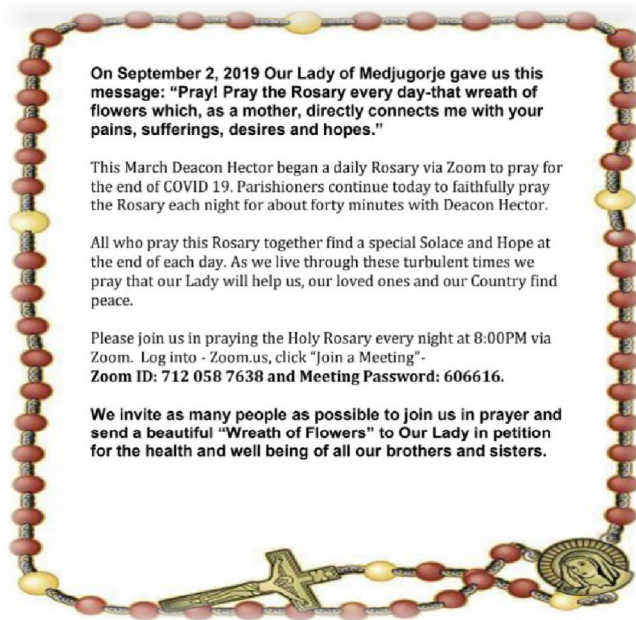
December 28, 29 & 30th - 9am-4pm
New Year's Eve, Dec. 31st - 9am - Noon
New Year's Day, Jan. 1st - Closed

Holiday Mass Times:

Thursday, Dec. 31st Daily Mass at Noon
Bilingual Vigil Mass at 4pm (*Solemnity of Mary*)

Friday, Jan. 1st Mass at 10am
(*Solemnity of Mary - Holy Day of Obligation*)

Mass will be Livestreamed



Orar ~ Pray

Pray for Our Heroes



**Ismael A.
Olivo-Alvarez**

* No Photo

Brian Artienda	Jacob Meier
Ulio & Francisco Arocho	Yerandy Molina
Morgan Boruty	Merridith Morrison
*Stephen Brown	Brandon Nidasio
Tanya Buckley	Kyle Novac
*Ron Caputo	Ismael A. Olivo-Alvarez
Neal Cheramie	Anthony Orcajo
Ryan Clisset	Christopher Parkes
Adrian A. Cruz	Jorge A. Perez III
Tyler Emerick	James Phillips
*Jorge Farchakh	Paul Pita
Christopher A. Garcia	Pedro Rico
*Ian Garia	Daniel Sabarese
Andrew Gephart	*Cory Singleton
Kevin Howell	*Justin Singleton
Kyle Howell	Maura Stepanski
*Bryan Hunt	Nicholas Stiegler
*Ryan Irwin	Tiffany Stiegler
Mark Kieweg	Bobby Thomas
Harold La Rock	Ana Maria Vargas
Jason Larson	*Camilo Andres Vargas
Robert Letzeisen Jr.	Disney Velez
*Antonio Lopez	Khiry White
Jack Manning	Daniel Woodard

Get Well Prayers

Casey Maclear Aída Hernández
Maria Cotto & family Lindsey Mathiasmeier
David Johnson Nick K & Nicole H
Pam Ahlf Juliana Snyder Louis Zulli Jr.
George Andrew Davis, Jr.
Olga Piedad Hurtado Celeita
Please send your request to Prayers@stmarktampa.org

Dearly Departed

Joshua Miller
Amanda Mahon
Jim Depinet

Holy Day of Obligation

**Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Vigil Mass
(Holy Day of Obligation)
Thursday, December 31st
4:00PM Vigil Mass - Bilingual
Friday, January 1st
10:00AM**

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASK!

THE MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED

Connect with Us:

www.stmarktampa.org

Facebook - www.facebook.com/StMarkTampa

Instagram - www.instagram.com/StMarkLOVE

Happy New Year St. Mark!!!

May God's Love and Wisdom
always guide you on your way..



Drive-Thru Communion

Who: For all parishioners unable to attend due to COVID-19 concerns.

What: A Drive Thru Communion to receive the Precious Body of Christ

When: On Saturdays from 5:15pm - 5:30pm

Where: Drive up & Drive Thru around our Belltower Circle

Why: **Because we know you have missed receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist AND we miss you!!!**

**Some more very important details for your safety
& the safety of our Clergy & Ushers:**

1. You must wear your mask.
2. You must stay in your car & follow the directions of the Ushers.
3. You must receive in the hand.
4. You must consume the Precious Body of Christ before you drive away.

**Thank you in advance for following these guidelines
which allows us to offer the Sacrament!**

You will most likely be receiving Communion
from Father Richard or one of our Deacons
until possibly our Eucharistic Ministers are asked to assist.

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

on
The First Wednesday
of each month.

in the Nave

(for Social Distancing)

following the 8:30am Daily Mass.

We will close with Benediction

at 7:00pm that evening



Learn ~ Aprender

Next Classes are:
Oct 27th
Dec 1st
Dec 29th

OLD TESTAMENT

Begins on Tuesday Sept 29th
Once a Month

Tuesday Mornings 9:30-11:00am
Tuesday Evening 7:00-8:30pm



Bible Study Series: The Old Testament

Topic Setting the Stage: What is the Divine Revelation

Presenter: Kevin Fritz via Zoom

Zoom Meeting Link Can Be Found On Our Website: www.stmarktampa.org

Learn ~ Aprender

Deacon Jose Moronta

After Christmas, but within Christmas, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family

The liturgical time of Christmas begins on December 25th and ends on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, in January. This explains why we said that the Feast of the Holy Family happens within Christmas.

The Feast of the Holy Family honors the family group of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This feast developed only in the 17th century. Built on the Gospel accounts, this family is looked upon as an excellent domestic unit representing the ideal family life. To promote family life and build up devotion to the Holy Family, a feast was established for the Universal Church in 1921 (under Pope Benedict XV), and it is currently celebrated on the Sunday after Christmas or on December 30 when Christmas falls on Sunday.

Almost half of the content of Saint Luke's Gospel is not to be found in the other Gospels. Among the important items exclusive to Luke are: his account of Jesus' infancy, his setting of many episodes of Jesus' public ministry within the framework of a long journey from Galilee to Jerusalem, certain parables, and the account of the appearance of the risen Jesus to the disciples at Emmaus.

Today we hear from his account of Jesus' infancy. Our gospel reading stresses the holy family's strict obedience to the Law of Moses. It says "When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb."

The requirement for circumcision is found in Genesis 17:12. Circumcision is the sign of the covenant between Abraham and God, a mark which designates that they belong to God's chosen people. Although not mentioned in our gospel reading today, a passage from the book of Exodus requires the sacrifice of all firstborn males (either of the flock or the family), with the provision that donkeys and sons shall be redeemed with a lamb, or if not redeemed its neck shall be broken. The book of Numbers states that the redemption shall take place at the age of one month and places a price of five silver shekels as the price of redemption. All this supports what we read in today's gospel.

«...When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord...»

When the Holy Family was at the Temple for their offering, two persons revealed signs of the uniqueness of the child who was being presented, one of them was Simeon,

«...Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, and the holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Messiah of the Lord...»

And the other one was Anna,

«...There was also a prophetess, Anna... She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem...»

Anna's testimony is very similar to Simeon's; like him, she too has been awaiting the coming of the Messiah her whole life, in faithful service to God, and she too is rewarded with the joy of seeing Him.

The birth of Jesus the Christ was revealed by three kinds of witness in three different ways:

1) by the shepherds, after the angel's announcement; 2) by the magi, who were guided by the star; and 3) by Simeon and Anna who were inspired by the Holy Spirit.

All of us who, like Simeon and Anna, persevere in piety and in the service of God, no matter how insignificant our lives may seem in the eyes of others, become instruments of the Holy Spirit who uses us to make the Christ known to others.

Parish Office Hours

Monday 9am - noon
Tuesday & Wednesday 9am - 4pm
Thursday 9am - 8pm
Friday 9am - noon

REQUIRED: Wear a face covering or mask & practice safe social distancing.
(If we can help you by phone, this is preferred at this time.
Feel free to call us anytime at 813-907-7746.

If no answer, leave a message and we will return your call as soon as we can).

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4pm (Livestreamed to Facebook & YouTube)
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm (Livestreamed Spanish) & 5:30pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday & Thursday noon
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am
REQUIRED: If you or someone in your household is ill, please stay home

Wear a face covering or mask
Safe Social Distancing of 6 feet apart
(You may sit next to people in your own household)

PREFERRED: Communion - We strongly recommend & encourage
you to receive Communion in your hand for greater safety for everyone
(Please wear your mask to receive the Host in your hand,
then after you have passed the priest, deacon or EM,
remove a portion of the mask to receive
and then replace your mask immediately).

**Livestream Mass on Saturday at 4pm
then Drive- thru Communion from 5:15pm-5:30pm**

Receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist
around the Belltower Circle

Wear your mask, Stay in your car, Receive in your hand, Consume immediately.

Church Hours

Monday 9am-1pm
Tuesday 8:30am - 4pm
Wednesday 8:30am - 8pm
Thursday 9am - 4pm
Friday 8:30am - noon

A Guide to our Virtual Church

www.stmarktampa.org

Everything listed can be found on the lower right side of our website homepage
www.stmarktampa.org

Sunday Masses:

Our Saturday 4pm Vigil & Sunday 12:30pm (Spanish) Masses will be Livestreamed onto our Facebook Page or our YouTube Channel.

To view the Livestream Mass, on Facebook: type www.facebook.com/stmarktampa into your URL. You do not have to be a Facebook user to view the Mass.

Or - go to YouTube.com and type in St. Mark Tampa and look for our Gold Winged Lion in a circle and click to open and choose the Mass video.

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. If you'd like to set up recurring donations so that you don't need to login each week or month please email our Business Manager, Joe at jphillips@stmarktampa.org and let him know the dollar amount, the fund collection (Offertory, Building Fund, APA) & how often you'd like your donation to recur.

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 Benedictine 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.

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

Pray **The Divine Mercy Chaplet**.

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**

Learn, Orar, giVe & Evangelize (& Engage!)

Message from the

Faith Formation And Youth Ministry

St. Mark Website:

For Children: Does your child miss those Weekly Gospel booklets that they normally get at Mass. Here is the link so you can print and they can work on them at home:
<https://stmarktampa.org/weekly-gospel-worksheets>

For Adults: Weekly Reflection by Deacon Jose: If you would like to reflect on the Sunday Gospel yourself here is a link to Deacon Jose's reflections: <https://stmarktampa.org/weekly-lectionary-reflection-by-deacon-jose>

Sacrament Preparation 2020-2021:

If your intention is for your child to receive Sacrament in the upcoming year you will need to have your child registered for faith formation and make a separate meeting with Laura Rivera to receive the sacrament request form. Go to misslaura.youcanbook.me to schedule your sacrament meeting ONLY.

Have you felt the desire to become Catholic? or Do you know someone that would like to become Catholic? If you answered, Yes. Please contact our Director of Sacrament Prep, Laura Rivera. Meetings can be done in person or via Zoom. contact information: lriviera@stmarktampa.org

Registration continues. At this time we are only accepting registration for our home base program. Please come in and register as soon as possible. Visit ffymregistration.youcanbook.me to make your appointment to register.

**Adult Formation: Join us for our Advent Reflection series
REJOICE!**



**Our Food Pantry
Is open for those in need!**

**Drive-up open
on 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month
from 1pm-4pm**

Please help stock our Food Pantry!

Canned Vegetables

drop off at the wagon inside our Social Narthex
by our Information Desk during the week

or

outside during Weekend Mass Hours..

Drop off times will coincide with our church hours:

Monday -Thursday 9-3

Friday 9-noon

&

at all Masses

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.

SvdP Thrift Store: 12310 N. Nebraska Ave in Tampa. (813) 977-7057.

DID YOU KNOW?

*Hearing Assistance Devices are available!
Stop at the AV booth in the back of the Nave

*Low gluten hosts are available
(0.001% gluten)

See Luther Ferris

Remember to Update Your Info!

ConnectNow | My Own Church

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

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.**

Sanctuary Candle

Stop by the Parish Office to request your Sanctuary Candle.

In order to accommodate the requests of our many parishioners, we limit 1 Candle per family.

The cost is \$25.

Requests are on a first come availability basis.



Our Mass Intention Book is Here!

Stop by the Parish Office to request your Mass Intentions for 2021.

In order to accommodate the requests of our many parishioners, only four Mass Intentions per family will be allowed and only one of those can be a weekend mass.

The Mass Stipend is \$20.

Requests are on a first come availability basis.



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

The Venetian Event Center

<http://thevenetiantampa.com>



- ♦ Over 11,000 sq ft Event Space
- ♦ Seats Up to 880 Banquet Style
- ♦ Seats Over 1,000 Theatre Style
- ♦ Wet Bar / Cafe & Reception Area
- ♦ Piano Available
- ♦ Adjustable Lighting and Room Darkening Shades
- ♦ Tables and Chairs Included
- ♦ Floating 16 ft x 9 ft HDMI Projection Screen
- ♦ Shure Clear Audio and Components
- ♦ Your Choice of Caterers & Vendors
- ♦ Catering Staging Area



**Wedding Receptions ~ Anniversary Parties
Banquets ~ Quinceañeras
Birthdays ~ Concerts**

**For rental information call 813-995-7480
Events@TheVenetianTampa.com**

Many parishioners enjoy the ease of our quick new

Donatestmark.org

If you'd like to set up recurring donations so that you don't need to login each week or month please email our Business Manager, Joe at jphillips@stmarktampa.org and let him know the dollar amount, the fund collection (Offertory, Building Fund, APA) & how often you'd like your donation to recur.

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

For future Text To Give donations,

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

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church
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Tampa, FL 33647

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

OR

Sign up on our traditional Online Giving platform at
www.stmarktampa.org/donate

All of our options are simple and secure ways to make and track your parish giving.

As always, THANK YOU for your continued support of St. Mark!

giVe - Monthly Financial Report

Our Monthly St. Mark Financial Information can always be found on our website at

<https://stmarktampa.org/finances>

or

Go to our homepage www.stmarktampa.org > About Us > Financial Summary



Thank you ALL for your continual generosity!

Please note that all **END OF THE YEAR** contributions must be postmarked on or before **Thursday, December 31st** or hand delivered to the Parish Office before **NOON** on Thursday, December 31st.

God Bless!



A Great Gift & 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
or vmainguy@stmarktampa.org

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

