ST. MARK the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Mission

To invite all on our journey to:

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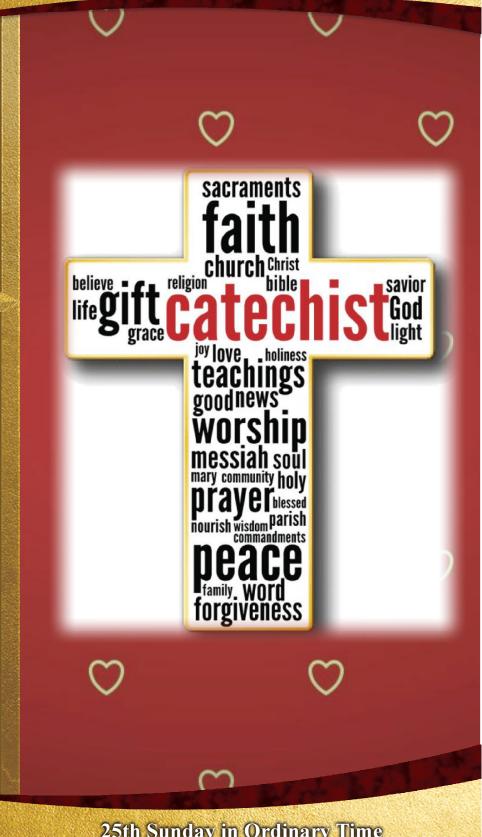
Evangelize

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



September 19th, 2021

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Church Hours
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
8 AM to 4 PM
Wednesday 8 AM - 8 PM
Friday 8 AM - Noon

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

Mon, Tues, Weds 9 AM - 4 PM
Thurs 9 AM - 8 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) 508-2735

Events Calendar and Tickets www.stmarktampa.org/events

Bulletin Submissions
Bulletin@stmarktampa.org
Weekly deadline: Tuesdays at 9 AM
the week prior to publication,
earlier holiday deadlines TBA

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

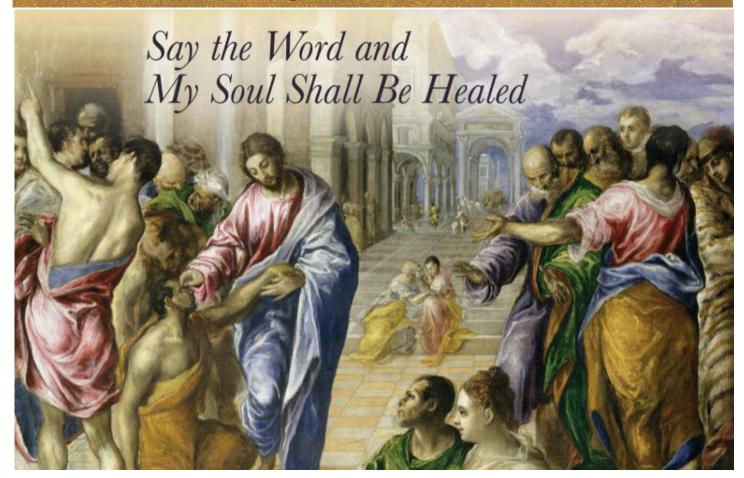
First Communion & Confirmation

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

<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

Celebrating The Domestic Church



What is Catechetical Sunday?

As part of a 1935 initiative to recognize and celebrate the gift that catechists give to their parish communities by volunteering their time for the education of children, the Church began what we know today as Catechetical Sunday.

Catechetical Sunday always takes place the third Sunday in September. This year, Catechetical Sunday will happen on September 19. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all Catholics to rededicate themselves to the mission of handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel as a community of faith. The day provides an opportunity to celebrate those who do the important work of handing on the faith, and an opportunity for all of us Catholics to consider ways we are witnesses for Jesus Christ ourselves.

Who are Catechists?

Each Catechetical Sunday, we celebrate catechists. All those who teach the Catholic faith and share the Church's teachings are catechists. The word catechesis is from a Greek word meaning "to echo." All those who teach in the Church's name and about Jesus by the way they live are catechists. Parents and guardians are also catechists; they are the first and primary teachers of the faith for their children.

On Catechetical Sunday, we come together as both a parish and Church community to acknowledge the dedication of those who serve as catechists in our parish family. We also honor parents and guardians on this day, since they are the true first catechists, sharing the Catholic faith with their families.

Theme for this year: "Say the word and my soul shall be healed"

Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS: Monday September 20 through Sunday, September 26

Mon., September 20	Noon	Wojtek, Maria & Jan Krajewski (d) By Yolanta Lagowski
Tues., September 21	8:30 am	Gustavo Santiago (d) By Evangelina Santiago
Wed., September 22	8:30 am	Vocations
Thurs., September 23	Noon	Eddie Delgado (d)
		By the Delgado Family
Fri., September 24	8:30 am	Kathryn Hurley (d)
		By Jim & Yvette Hurley
Sat., September 25	4:00 pm	Nick Piscitelli (d)
		By Elizabeth Roeder & Family
Sun., September 26	8:30 am	Parishioners of St. Mark
	10:30 am	Billy Taft (d)
		By Dr. Rochella Nze
	12:30 pm	Rafael Araoz (d)
		By Leonor Berolo
	5:30 pm	William Roscosky (d)
		By the D'Mello-Roscosky Family

DID YOU KNOW?

*Low gluten hosts are available (0.001% gluten) See Luther Ferris

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

https://stmarktampa.org/finances

* You can reserve rooms for your Ministry Meetings and Events at roomschedule@stmarktampa.org

Enjoy the Daily Readings! www.usccb.com/bible/readings

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of Sue Murtha by Susan Ardolino

Adult Faith Formation (AFE) Team PARISH BOOK CART

The Parish Book Cart (a book share program) will be available - September 25 & 26 - outside the Gift Shop. All books are free.

Take a book. Read a book. Enjoy reading the book. Share a book When you have finished reading, you may keep the book or share it with someone else. If you return it to the Liturgy Office at the church and we will add it back for our parishioners to enjoy.

If you have any Catholic books you would like to make available to our parishioners, please leave them at the Liturgy Office at the church.

> Please do not leave donated books on the Book Cart. Books are donated and may not be used for re-sale.

Orar ~ Pray

Pray for Our Heroes

Ulio & Francisco Arocho Morgan Boruty *Stephen Brown Tanya Buckley

Ismael A. Olivo-Alvarez

*No Photo

*Ron Caputo Neal Cheramie Ryan Clisset Adrian A. Cruz Tyler Emerick Jorge Farchakh Christopher A. Garcia *Ian Garia Andrew Gephart Kevin Howell Kyle Howell *Bryan Hunt *Ryan Irwin Mark Kieweg Harold La Rock Jason Larson Robert Letzeisen Jr. Jack Manning Jacob Meier

Brian Artienda

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 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

Lauren Harhay Michael John Hemrich Sam Katter **Beth Lullman Dana Morris** Liam McCarthy Patricia Polk **Enrico Sammassimo**

Please send your request to Prayers@stmarktampa.org

Learn ~ Aprender

Deacon Jose Moronta

The three instructions of Jesus to his apostles

The gospel reading for the past Sunday presented the first of three instructions which Jesus gave to His apostles: That if you are to be a follower of Jesus you must deny yourself, take up your cross and follow in his steps. Today we hear from the second of His three instructions.

The first instruction, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." shows that the Christian life, lived as it should be lived, with all its demands, is also a cross which one has to carry, following Christ. Jesus' words, which must have seemed extreme to His listeners, indicate the standard He requires His followers to live up to. He does not ask for short-lived enthusiasm or occasional devotion; He asks for complete commitment. The goal He sets for men is eternal life.

The present life should be evaluated in the light of this eternal life: Life on earth is not definitive, but transitory and relative; it is a means to be used to achieve definitive live in heaven

Just like His first instruction, He is teaching His apostles privately prior to public revelation of His mission. The public ministry in Galilee is over.

«They left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it...»

Capernaum is Jesus' base of operations in Galilee. Matthew 4:13 notes that Jesus established a residence in Capernaum: "He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum on the shores of the Sea of Galilee."

«...They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house,he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?"But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." ... »

The ideal of leadership as service will be exemplified by Jesus as the gospel story continues.

«...Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the one who sent me."»

The child is not so much a symbol of innocence or humility as someone without legal status and therefore helpless. The child can do nothing for the disciple; to receive the child is to do a good act for an insignificant person, without hope of earthly reward.

The idea behind the saying is that whoever receives someone's emissary receives the man himself. So whoever receives a child receives Jesus, and whoever receives Jesus receives the Father who sent Jesus.



Knights of Columbus Annual Armed Forces Dinner

Sunday, 7 Nov 2021 6:00 – 10:00 PM Tampa Palms Country Club \$40.00 ea

<u>Dress</u>: Tux / Coat & Tie Formal / Cocktail Dress

Come Honor our Veterans and enjoy an evening of Dining, Special Presentations and Fellowship



Caballeros de Colon Cena Annual en Honor a las Fuerzas Armadas

Domingo, 7 de Nov del 2021 6:00 P.M - 10:00 P.M Tampa Palms Country Club \$40.00 por persona.

Caballeros: Esmoquin/ Saco y Corbata Damas: Vestido de fiesta/coctel

Ven a honrar a nuestros veteranos y disfrutar de una noche especial con cena, presentaciones y compañerismo.

DIVINE MERCY CENACLES

(SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS)

Come join us as we once again delve more deeply into the writings of St. Faustina and the messages Jesus gave to her especially regarding the Eucharist and the message of God's great love and mercy. Cenacles are held the 2nd and 4th weeks of the month. Cenacles (English) will meet on Tuesdays at 9:30 am and on Thursdays at 1:00 pm in the St. Michael classroom located in the Church. For more information please contact the Divine Mercy Ministry at leader-divinemercy@stmarktampa.org

CENACULO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA EN ESPANOL

Ven únete a nosotros una vez más, somos fieles que nos reunimos la segunda y la cuarta semana de cada mes para profundizar los mensajes de Jesús a Santa Faustina sobre el amor y la misericordia. Reiniciamos el miércoles 11 de agosto a las 7pm vía internet. ¡Te esperamos!

Para ingresar a la reunión, tipear en el web browser: https://meet.jit.si/divinemercy Para información, por favor escribir a: leader-divinemercy@stmarktampa.org

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



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



A message from

FAITH FORMATION

We are overjoyed to be welcoming back the children and families of St. Mark to Faith Formation! We are looking forward to diving into our Catholic faith with all of you this year. We also welcome new families and children to our St. Mark community! We are very excited to get to know each and every one of you.

Please keep all of the children and familes at St. Mark in your prayers as they encounter Christ this year.

If you have any questions about Faith Formation, please contact **Laura Rivera** at 813-907-7746 ext. 317 or Irivera@stmarktampa.org



Our Food Pantry Is open for those in need!

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

Please help stock our Food Pantry! Mac & Cheese

drop off at the cart 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:
&
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.

Remember to Update Your Info!



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

Attention Online Shoppers:

Click on **AMAZON SMILE** at the bottom of our website homepage **www.stmarktampa.org**

to support St. Mark while you do your online shopping.

We get a percentage of all sales purchased through the link

Mark Your Calendar - Mission Weekend September 25/26

Archdiocese of Imphal, India (Missionary Cooperative Plan – Sept 25/26) Rev. Augustine Mailadiyil

The Mission archdiocese of Imphal was erected in 1980 comprising the entire state of Manipur, lies in the Northeast India on the Indo-Myanmar border. It has a population of over 3.2 million from 34 indigenous tribes of Mongolian origin. Each tribe has its own dialect, music and dance. 60% of the population is Hindus while 40% belong to number of Christian denominations. The first Catholic community in Manipur was pioneered by Mr. Dominic Shomi from Hundung village near Indo-Myanmar border. He and 350 others were baptized and received into Catholic Church on Feb 11, 1952 by an Italian missionary Rev. A. Ravalico, SDB. Few years later Mr. Dominic Shomi was assassinated in 1967 by an anti-Catholic group for bearing witness to the true Church. Thereafter, the Church in Manipur witnessed a phenomenal growth in terms of number and vocations to Priesthood and Religious life. As of 2021, the Catholic population has grown over to 100,000 in 45 parishes and 8 mission centers. The Church in Manipur suffered its worst persecution when six of our young missionary priests were murdered between 1990-2001 period by anti-Christians groups. Despite these huge setbacks and challenges, evangelization work is moving forward with greater zeal and determination. Our diocese is blessed with 113 diocesan and 56 religious priests and 574 Religious sisters from 34 tribes.

In view of an increasing number of priestly ordinations, we open one or two new parishes every year in remote areas of the diocese primarily to initiate evangelization work among non-Christians and foster faith among the existing Catholic communities. Our communities live in cluster of villages perched on mountains and they practice the most rudimentary form of farming called "Jhum" (slashing and burning of forest for cultivation) for their sustenance.

Being a mission diocese, we are not able to generate the much-needed fund to provide infrastructure in parishes that are opened every year. Though our tribal communities are poor, they are very hardworking and generous in providing locally available building materials like boulders timber, stone chips and labor for construction works. Your participation in the 2021 Missionary Cooperative Plan will help our diocese to realize the dream of this newly formed catholic community in Kamjong village. Temporarily they gather for Sunday worship in a small shed which needs to be replaced with a permanent church. Therefore, we kindly request you to participate in this small project by your generous support and prayers. Please also keep our diocese and its missionaries in your valuable prayers. You are assured of our love and prayers.

HOW SWEET THE SOUND!



THE ST. MARK MUSIC MINISTRY RETURNS FOR THE 2021 –2022 SEASON

Please join us to celebrate.



Parish Choir

The Parish Choir is open to all fully COVID-19 vaccinated adults. Sings Sundays at 10:30 am Mass and monthly at the Saturday Vigil Mass. Rehearsals on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

First Rehearsal is Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 7:00 pm.

Audition for placement is requested.

To join, contact Dr. John Paul Cappa at jpcappa@stmarktampa.org



NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

COME TO ANY EVENTS

THUR. Sep 2 & 16, 2021 Card Social at St. Mark, 11:00 – 3:00PM Contact Elaine King, 813-388-9196 or eaking@ptd.net

FRI. Sep 3, 2021 First Friday Mass at St Mark, 8:30 AM Mass is generally offered for a deceased Member of SMARTS.

TUE. Sep 7 & 21, 2021
Billiards at Peabody's on Amberly DR.
11:00 AM, Pool is free if you buy lunch
Contact Tom Bennett, 813-205-5303 or
TomBennett83@hotmail.com

WED. Sep 8, 2021 SMARTS Mtg at Venetian, 11:00 AM Contact Bob Stucker, 813-783-3507 or rjstucker@verizon.net

FRI. Sep 10 & 24, 2021 Bowling, AMF University Lanes, !!:00 AM 13109 N 56 ST., Temple Terrace Contact Tom Bennett, 813-205-5303 or TomBennett83@hotmail.com

WED, Sep 15, 2021 Game Day at Venetian, 11:00 – 2:30 PM Contact Fran Sigle, 813-760-5522 or Dale.fran@verizon.net or Linda Klecar, 813-395-2325 or rklecar@tampabay.rr.com

All Members and Guests attending any SMARTS activity are encouraged to get their vaccination for Covid 19 if you have not already done so.

Check out the look of our new Website Homepage!

www.StMarkTampa.org

Enjoy easier access with a click along the top toolbar to find:

Directory (organized by Departments)

Mass Times (Weekdays, Weekends, Holy Days, Holidays and more...)

Weekly Bulletins

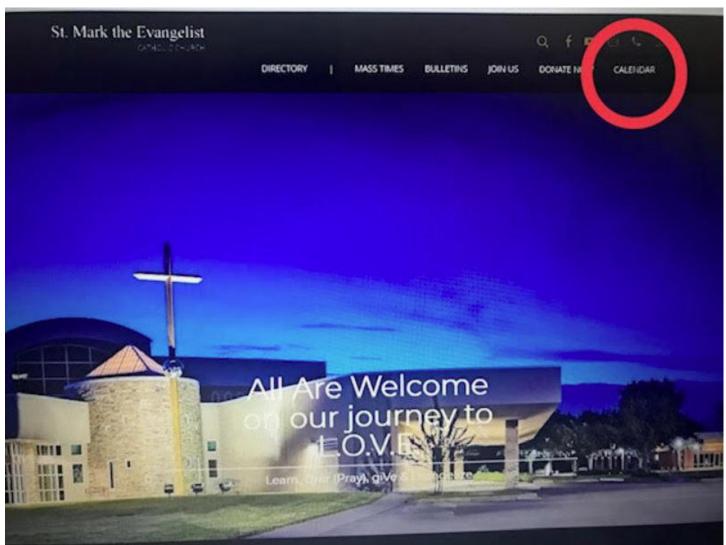
Join Us (register to Become A Member, order emailed bulletins, etc.)

Donate Now (Offertory, APA, Capital Campaign, Special Collections)

And our very important CALENDAR

(where Parish Events will be posted - the location is circled in RED below).

Easier access to our Facebook, Instagram and You Tube Channel too!
Simply click the appropriate icons in the upper right hand corner of the homepage.
(Watch our 4pm Livestreamed Saturday Vigil Mass from either our Facebook Page or YouTube Channel **no need to be a Facebook or YouTube user)



Our Virtual Church Offerings

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 into your URL: either www.facebook.com/stmarktampa or www.youtube.com/stmarktampa.

Ways to Give:

Donate online to support St. Mark at donatestmark.org

Please Note: Drive Thru Communion has ended.

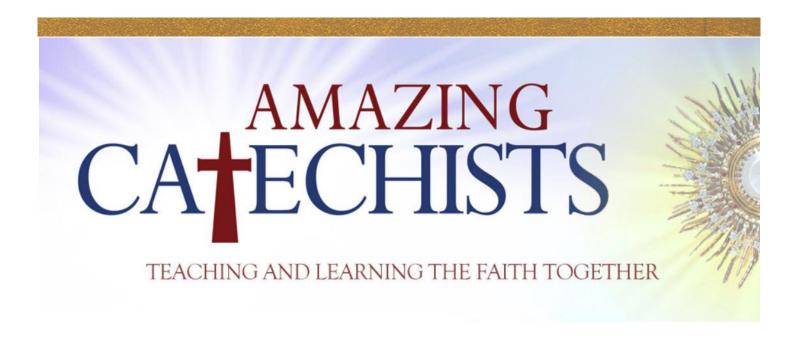
Additional Offerings:

Deacon Jose's weekly Bilingual Liturgical Reflections: Website.

Deacon Scott's holds a livestream *Morning & Evening Prayers* daily: Facebook - Deacon Scott Paine.

Abbot Isaac & the Benedictine Monks celebrating their *LIVESTREAMED Daily Mass at Noon each weekday:* Facebook - St. Leo Abbey.

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



Support St. Mark Simply! Donatestmark.org

Monthly Summary - Current Initiatives - Interesting Facts

INCOME & EXPENSES	Operating Income	Operating Expenses	Operating Balance
June 2021	\$120,903	\$119,568	\$1,335
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	Total Amount	# Pledges	(%) # Pledges
Outstanding Pledges	\$167,940	212	6%
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LOANS	Beginning Balance	Principal Payment	Ending Balance
BUILDING LOAN	\$693,307	\$5,256	\$688,051
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Annual Fundraiser, or Appeal, to the parishioners of the Diocese of St. Petersburg (DOSP) asking them to contribute directly to diocesan ministries and services.

	Required Assessment	Total Paid	Balance
2021 Assessment (To be paid Dec 31, 2021)	\$300,630	\$169,107	\$131,523

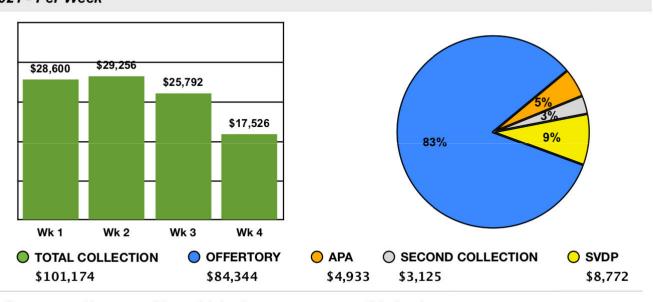
FORWARD IN FAITH

Diocesan Campaign to raise \$50 million to help the catholic schools and other large capital projects that can not be funded simply by APA.

	Goal	lotal Paid	Balance
June 2021	\$746,508	\$746,508	\$0

COLLECTION SUMMARY

June 2021 - Per Week



These figures are time sensitive which changes on a monthly basis.

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 (per year).

The cost is \$25.



Mass Intentions are Available!

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 (per year).

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 813-508-2735 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
- Outdoor Event Space available on our Terrace
- Piano Available
- Adjustable Lighting and Room Darkening Shades
- Tables 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@The VenetianTampa.com

Tax Free Contribution Information

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

A new law was passed on 12/15/2015 which may allow 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 may save \$1000 in taxes.

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

If your tax advisor agrees and you want to contribute from your 2021 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.