# ST. MARK the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Our Mission

Learn
Orar (Pray)
GiVe
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 a 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:



#### 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 9 AM to 4 PM
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**

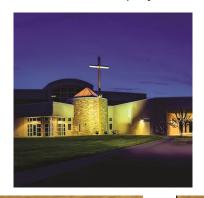
Deacon Moises Gutierrez
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DeaconScott@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Hector Rios
DeaconHector@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Mike Kopczynski



### **Parish Hours**

Mon through Wed 9 AM - 4 PM
Thursday 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: <a href="www.stmarktampa.org">www.stmarktampa.org</a> Email: info@stmarktampa.org

Venetian Rental Info: (813) 508-2735

Events Calendar and Tickets www.stmarktampa.org/calendar

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

### **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

## 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).

## **Deanery Events**

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

www.stmarktampa.org/our-deanery.

## **Social Media**



www.facebook.com/stmarktampa



www.instagram.com/StMarkLOVE

## **Donate / Support**

Credit Card/Online: www.DonateStMark.org
Text to Give: 813-296-5116
To set up Recurring Automatic Donations: Contact
Joe Phillips at jphillips@stmarktampa.org or 813-907-7746 x 304

## **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**

#### Monday, May 29 through Sunday, June 4

Mon., May 29	MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY	
	8:30 am	Deceased Members of the Escobedo Family By Bertha Escobedo Aguilar
Tues., May 30	8:30 am	George Novac (d)  By the Novac Family
Wed., May 31	8:30 am	Vocations
Thurs., June 1	Noon	Deceased Members of the Grills & Benchina Families By Susie Benchina
Fri., June 2	8:30 am	Sick & Deceased Members By SMARTS
Sat., June 3	4:00 pm	Brian Johns (d) By Kevin & Nadia Johns
Sun., June 4	8:30 am	Jane Duffy (d)  By Patrick & Christina Grady
	10:30 am	Parishioners of St. Mark
	12:30 pm	Flor Perez Cano (d)  By the Aponte & Cuestra Families
	5:30 pm	Virginia Peterson (d) By John Bonatakis

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in honor of the Mayer and Bolz Families by Susan Schreter.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Our 2023 Mass Intention Book is here!
Stop by the Parish Office to place your requests.
Requests are on a first come availability basis limited to four Mass Intentions per family with one being a weekend mass.
The Mass Stipend is \$20.

#### **Sanctuary Candles**

Stop by the Parish Office to make your request.

Requests are on a first come availability basis
limited to one Candle per family.

The cost is \$25.

#### **Monthly Finance Reports**

https://stmarktampa.org/finances

Low Gluten Hosts Available See Luther Ferris

Ministry Meeting Room Reservations roomschedule@stmarktampa.org



### Readers Needed for our Daily Masses!

Our Reader Ministry needs experienced readers for Tuesday 8:30am, Thursday Noon, and Friday 8:30am Daily Masses.

Training will be provided.

Please contact Luther Ferris at Iferris@stmarktampa.org or

## Orar ~ Pray

## **Pray for Our Heroes**



James Phillips

\*No Photo

Brian Artienda Harold La Rock Ulio & Francisco Leticia Larson Arocho Robert Letzeisen Jr. Christina Bennett Louis Ludwig Morgan Boruty Jack Manning \*Stephen Brown George Martin Tanya Buckley Jacob Meier \*Ron Caputo Yerandy Molina Neal Cheramie Merridith Morrison Rvan Clisset Ismael A. Olivo-Alvarez Adrian A. Cruz Anthony Orcajo Tyler Emerick **Christopher Parkes** \*Jorge Farchakh Jorge A. Perez III Christopher A. Garcia James Phillips \*lan Garia Paul Pita Olivia Faith Giarrizzo Pedro Rico Andrew Gephart Daniel Sabarese Kevin Howell Michael Schiano Samantha Howell Nicholas Stiegler \*Bryan Hunt Tiffany Stiegler Bobby Thomas \*Rvan Irwin Mark Kieweg Ana Maria Vargas

#### **Get Well Prayers**

Lou Severe
Linda Fox
Juantito Leon
Michael Lombarski
Maureen Dempsey
Bob Rayo
Sandra Gonzalez

Please send your request to Prayers@stmarktampa.org

## Learn ~ Aprender

**Deacon Jose Moranta** 

## The feast of Pentecost, a Jewish tradition that became a Christian solemnity

The origin of Pentecost comes from the times of Moses. It was an Israelite-Jewish festival called simply the harvest festival, the feast of first-fruits of the grain harvest. The book of Leviticus, which sets all rituals, celebrations and liturgies, established this feast by counting seven weeks from the beginning of the grain harvest, when the first-fruits of the grain harvest would be collected. As we remember, in times of Exodus, the Israelite were wandering and didn't become a primarily agricultural nation until they arrived into the Promised Land. From this moment on, the celebration of both feasts, Passover and Pentecost became important. As a major feast, all Jewish males over the age of 12 were expected to try to celebrate it in Jerusalem. We've read passages of Jesus travelling from Galilee to Jerusalem to comply with this rule.

Then, they became part of our Christian tradition. The Church sets Easter Sunday as the first Sunday after the first full moon in Spring. This is why it never falls on the same date every year. And then, Pentecost comes after seven weeks have passed since Easter.

We read on this Sunday's First Reading,

#### «...When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together...»

The setting is 50 days after the first Easter, 10 days since Christ has ascended and left the disciples with responsibility for administering His Church. Before He ascended He had told them "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit"

The disciples, who had gone back to Galilee after Passover, returned to Jerusalem and met in the Upper Room. While there, the eleven selected by lot Matthias to take Judas' place, to complete the number of twelve chosen by Jesus.

## «...And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were...»

The word "pneu" in Greek means 'wind' and there is a related word, 'pneuma" which means 'spirit'. In Hebrew, however, there is a single word for both meanings, "ruah" that can be translated indistinctly as 'wind, breath or spirit'. This is the word used when Genesis opens with "And the earth was void and empty, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and **the spirit** of God moved over the waters." and also when God creates man, "Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and **breathed into** his nostrils **the breath of life**; and man became a living being."

And the narrative of the events of Pentecost continues

## «...Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim…»

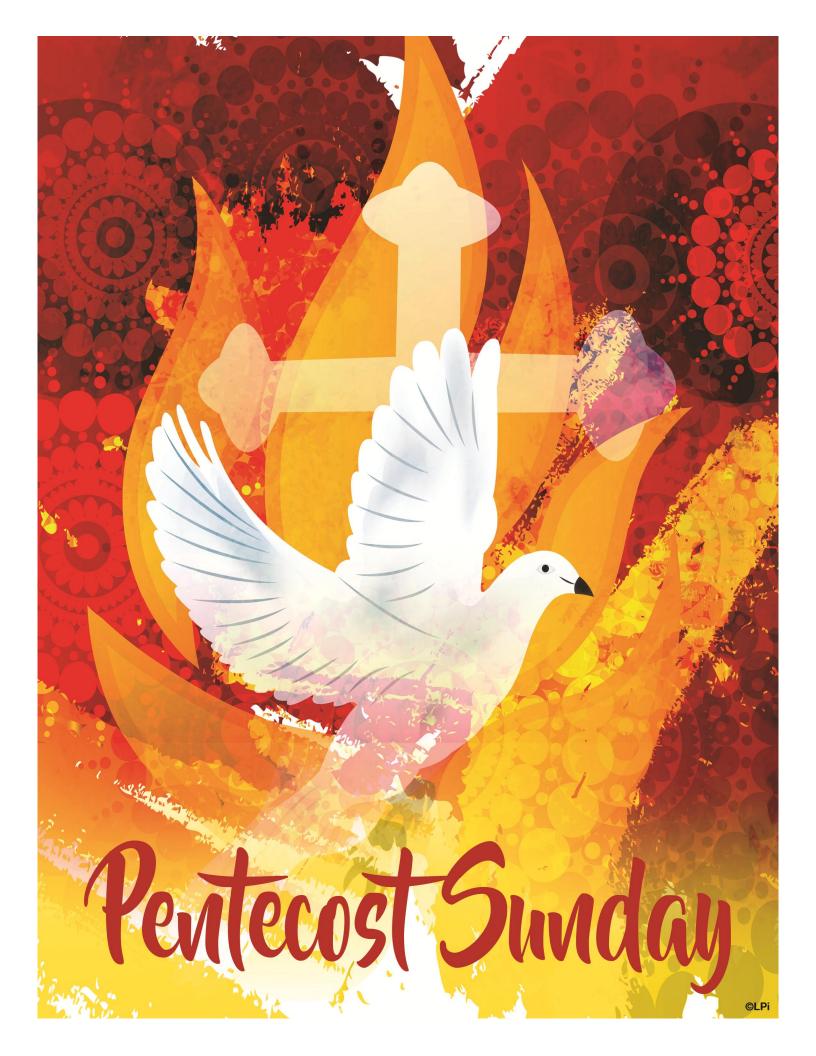
The tongues of fire yield foreign tongues. And people who had come to Jerusalem from all the countries could hear them in their own languages. The miracle is not in the hearing; the Spirit is in the speakers who speak in these foreign tongues. They were "confused" as it had happened when the tower of Babel. The effect is reversed here. Now everyone is capable of understanding the same message.

Thus was the Church born. In one fell swoop, the disciples are transformed from timid persons holed up in a room to proud preachers of the marvels which God has accomplished.

## Thanks for Reading! Want to read more?

Every week I publish a reflection for each of the three readings of the Sunday Mass, a week ahead.

I invite you to go to our website at stmarktampa.org and click on "Mass Times" at the top, then scroll down to "Sunday Mass Reflection".





FRI. June 2, 2023

First Friday Mass at St. Mark 8:30 AM In memory of deceased Members of SMARTS

All those interested in joining SMARTS are always welcome SMARTS Meetings are held at the Venetian 11:00 AM Second Wednesday of the month.

Contact Paulette Nardelli 843-540-5571

813-383-8360 Roe1Black@yahoo.com

Pnardelli51@gmail.com

or Roe Black



## 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.

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



## Registration Open!

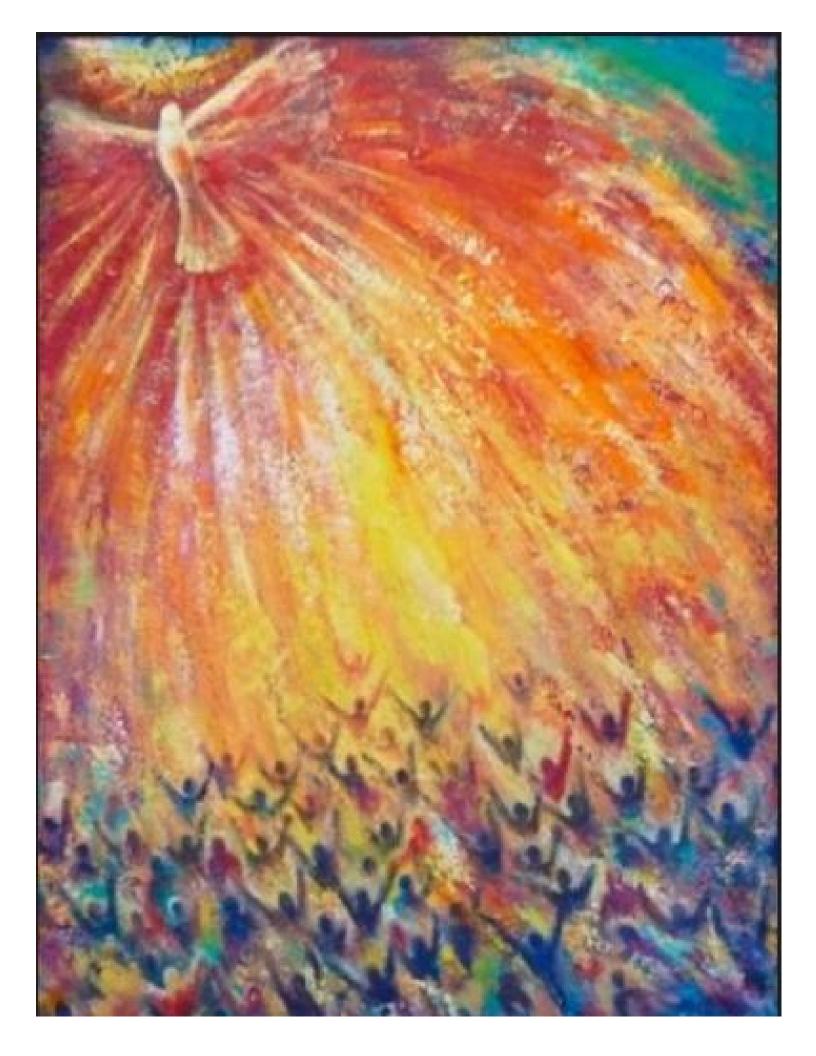
## Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation 2023-24

You can register your children for ongoing faith formation and for preparation for the sacraments for the 2023-24 school year using our new, online registration forms.

To find the registration forms, select the Learn option from the Directory menu.

Questions? Need help completing the forms?

Call the Faith Formation office (813-907-7746 x308)





#### ST MARK PARISH BOOK CART

(A book share program)



We invite you to Take a book - Read a book - Share a book May 27th - 28th after all Masses Outside the Gift Shop

All books are free. When you have finished reading, you may keep the book or share it with someone else.

You can also return it to the Liturgy Office at the church and we will add it to a future book cart 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.

Remember all books are donated and may not be used for re-sale.

#### ST. MARK JOB OPENING - PART TIME ACCOUNTANT

This position provides and analyzes financial information to the Pastor, General Manager, Department Leaders, Finance Council, Diocesan Finance office, and Parishioners.

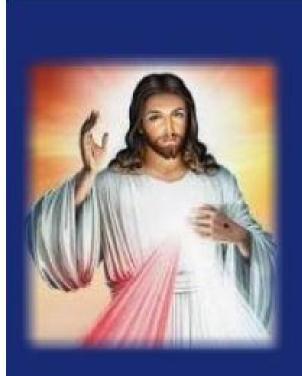
This position is responsible for the financial and other related business to support St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church. The candidate performs all duties and responsibilities in alignment with the mission, vision, and values of the Diocese of St. Petersburg. This is a part-time position

Interested candidates, please send your resume to: Claudia Garcia Cgarcia@stmarktampa.org
(full description at https://www.dosp.org/humanresources/employment-opportunities/accountant-part-timeat-st-mark-the-evangelist-parish-in-tampa/

### SIGN UP FOR TAMPA CATHOLIC'S SUMMER DANCE & CHEER CAMPS

The Tampa Catholic Crusaderette Dance Team will sponsor a dance camp on Tuesday & Wednesday, May 30 and May 31 in the TC gym. Times: 9 to 3. Ages 5 to 13. Cost: \$75 and includes a T-shirt. Lunch and snacks are available for purchase. For further info you can download a registration form from tampacatholic.org or call Sue Johnson at 813-503-1202 or <a href="mailto:suejo0101@aol.com">suejo0101@aol.com</a>.

The Tampa Catholic Cheerleading Team will sponsor a cheer camp on Thursday and Friday, June 1 and 2 in the TC gym. Times: 9 to 4. Ages 5 to 11. Cost: \$150 includes a T-shirt, lunch, snacks, drinks and a link to pictures from both days. They will sponsor a Middle School camp on Saturday June 23 and Sunday June 4. Cost \$100. For further info you can download a registration form from tampacatholic.org or call Julie at 813-546-7377.



## DIVINE MERCY CENACLES

(SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS)

Come join us as we delve more deeply into the writings of St. Faustina and the messages Jesus gave to her regarding the Eucharist and God's great love and mercy.

Cenade gatherings meet on Thursdays at 1:00pm in the St. Michael Classroom located in the Church on the 2nd and 4th weeks of each month.

For more information, please contact the Divine Mercy Ministry at leaderdivinemercy@stmarktampa.org



Bereavement meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM

Location: St. Mark - classrooms: Mark 1 & 2

Dear Friend.

It has been a short while since you've lost a loved one, and you thought you would be doing better by now. You may be feeling afraid and uncertain about the future, or you may just feel alone and bitter. Maybe you need assistance with helping your children grieve. Feeling optimistic about the future seems impossible right now.

We at St. Mark want to help you. We realize how painful it is and we want to offer you some time to share your feelings and thoughts, to understand the grieving process and to work on a healing journey with you.

Our schedule in our Grief Workshop is about to begin and we invite you to join us anytime. This is not a commitment but an invitation to come when you can. This program is being offered for free, and it is designed with you in mind - someone grieving the death of a loved one.



The North Tampa Catholic Young Adult Ministry is for young adults (ages 21-40)
desiring to journey together in a faith-filled community!
This ministry is a collaborative effort with Our Lady of the Rosary and St. Mark.
This young adult ministry meets every other Wednesday at 7pm.
The first Wednesday meeting of the month will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary.
The second Wednesday meeting of the month will be held at St. Mark.
For more information, please email youngadult@stmarktampa.org



## Legion of Mary

Come and Join Us......

Meets every Monday except holidays

Time: 10:30 AM- 11:45 AM

Place: Via Zoom

Email:

Leader-LegionofMary@stmarktampa.org

"A world at prayer is a world at peace "
Fr. Patrick Peyton C.S.C.

## www.DonateStMark.org

Text to Give: 813-296-5116

## It is in Giving that we receive

Thank you ALL for your support through the pandemic and your continual generosity!

## Ways to Give:

Traditional Envelopes

Using Credit or Debit Cards at the Kiosks at the Information Desk located inside the front church doors.

Text to Give: 813-296-5116

Simply use your own personal Online Banking / Bill Pay and add St. Mark as a payee

Scan your phone camera on our QR Code:



To set up Recurring Automatic Credit Card Donations: Contact the Parish Office at 813-907-7746 for support.

## God Bless You!

## 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



## **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 Scan code with your phone camera to go directly to our donate page >>>



## Additional Offerings:

Deacon Jose's weekly Bilingual Liturgical Reflections: Website.

Deacon Scott 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

## 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 or text 813-508-2735

## **Tax Free Contribution Information**

If you are over 73 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.

New laws have been passed 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 2021/2023 required annual distributions 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