



ST. MARK *the* EVANGELIST

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Mission

To invite all
on our journey to:

Learn

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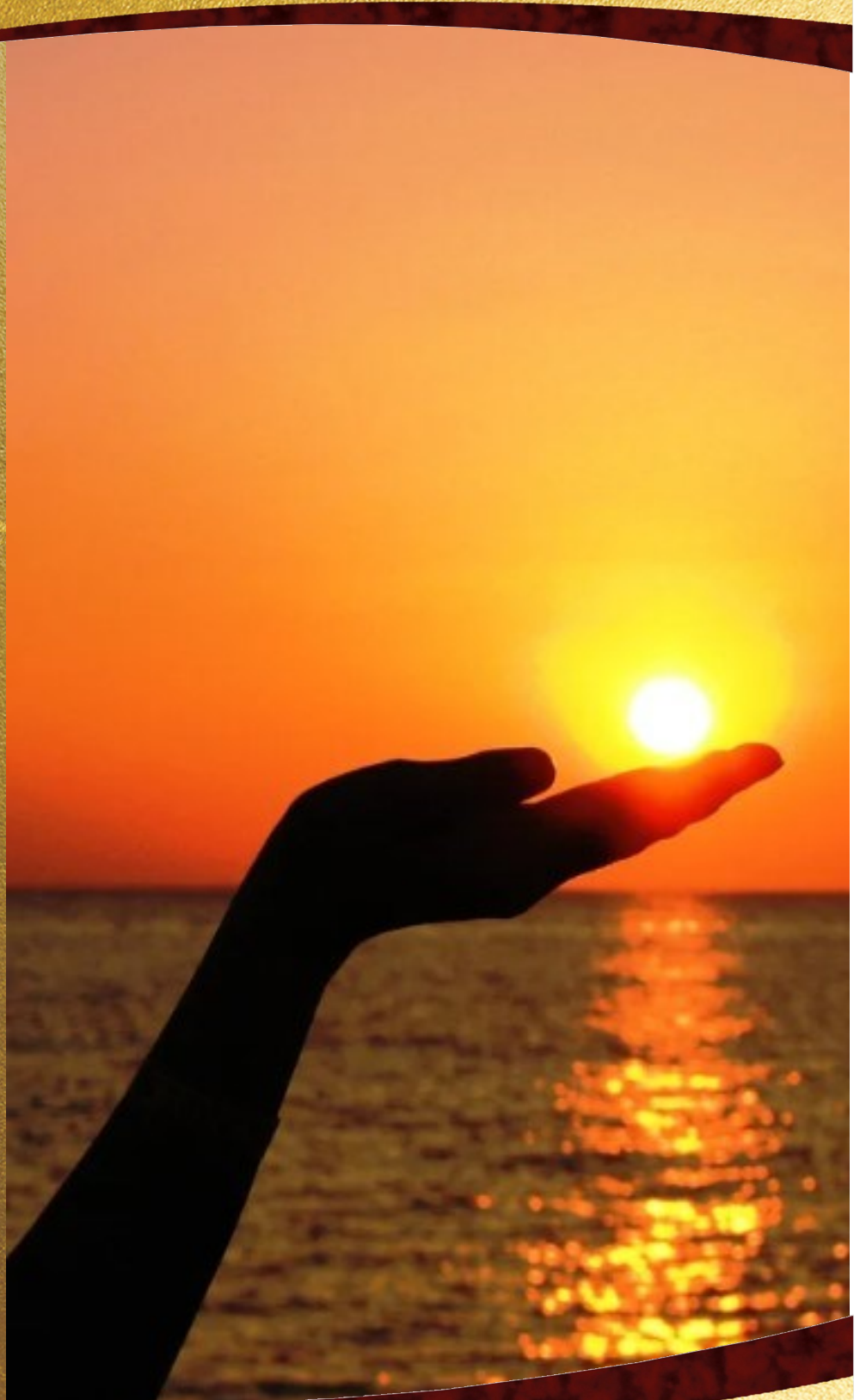
Evangelize

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 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:
www.stmarktampa.org*



July 16, 2023

15th 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 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

DeaconMoises@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Jose Moronta

DeaconJMoronta@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Scott Paine

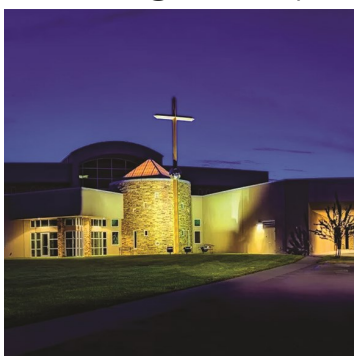
DeaconScott@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Hector Rios

DeaconHector@stmarktampa.org

Deacon Mike Kopczynski

DeaconMike@stmarktampa.org



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: www.stmarktampa.org

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,
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.

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

Claudia Garcia at cgarcia@stmarktampa.org or 813-907-7746 x 322

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, July 17 through Sunday, July 23

Mon., July 17	Noon	Ralph Carr (d) By the Hipple Family
Tues., July 18	8:30 am	Mary Jessie Cardenas (d) By Natividad Cardenas
Wed., July 19	8:30 am	Vocations
Thurs., July 20	Noon	Rosa Trujillo (d) By Karina Kloss
Fri., July 21	8:30 am	Juan Urbano Perez (d) By Nelly Lopez
Sat., July 22	4:00 pm	Juan Urbano (d) By Maria Urbano
Sun., July 23	8:30 am	Traute Malone (d) By the Fabrizi Family
	10:30 am	Robert Labriola (d) By Theresa Iannuzzi
	12:30 pm	Parishioners of St. Mark
	5:30 pm	Donald Cook (d) By Juliana Fadrigio

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of
Christopher Stursberg By Lydia Piscitelli

Monthly Finance Reports
<https://stmarktampa.org/finances>

Low Gluten Hosts Available
See Luther Ferris

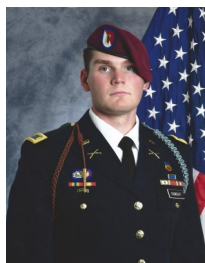
Ministry Meeting Room Reservations
roomschedule@stmarktampa.org

***May we make our homes places of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety.
May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves,
but helping others enjoy the blessings of the summertime.
Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts
during these months of summer and vacation days.***

***Grant us refreshment of mind and body.
May we constantly strive to make a meaningful difference
in the lives of our loved ones and in the world around us
as we enjoy the warm days of summertime. Amen.***

Orar ~ Pray

Pray for Our Heroes



Bobby Thomas

***No Photo**

Brian Artienda
Ulio & Francisco Arocho
Christina Bennett
Morgan Boruty
*Stephen Brown
Tanya Buckley
*Ron Caputo
Neal Cheramie
Ryan Clisset
Adrian A. Cruz
Tyler Emerick
*Jorge Farchakh
Christopher A. Garcia
*Ian Garia
Olivia Faith Giarizzo
Kevin Howell
Samantha Howell
*Bryan Hunt
*Ryan Irwin
Mark Kieweg
Harold La Rock
Leticia Larson
Robert Letzeisen Jr.
Louis Ludwig

Jacob Meier
Jack Manning
George Martin
Yerandy Molina
Merridith Morrison
Ismael A. Olivo-Alvarez
Anthony Orcajo
Christopher Parkes
Jorge A. Perez III
James Phillips
Paul Pita
Pedro Rico
Daniel Sabarese
Michael Schiano
Nicholas Stiegler
Tiffany Stiegler
Bobby Thomas
Ana Maria Vargas
*Camilo Andres Vargas
Disney Velez
Khiry White
Daniel Woodard
Steven Woodard
Robert Woodards

Get Well Prayers

**Melissa Mazzitelli
James Burke
Tom Dempsey
Darrell Stinger
Mary Stinger
Richard Giglio**

Please send your request to Prayers@stmarktampa.org

Dearly Departed

William "Bill" Navarra

The Book of Isaiah and the First Reading

The 66 chapters of the Book of Isaiah may be divided into three sections. Until the eighteenth century it was presumed that Isaiah of Jerusalem wrote all 66 chapters of the book under his name. After the 18th century scholars defended the idea that chapters 40 through 66 were written by a different author who lived some 150 years after Isaiah, during the Babylonian exile. More studies and investigation in the late nineteenth century led to convincing arguments for yet a third author for chapters 56 through 66. So, this book has been composed, according to those who know, in three different ages and by different authors. But we still call the whole unit, the "Book of the Prophet Isaiah."

Our reading for today comes from the concluding chapter of what is also referred to as Deutero-Isaiah ("deutero" can be translated as "second").

«...For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to him who sows and bread to him who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it...»

"As rain and snow come down." The word is a source of life and not a simple sound to communicate "ideas" and transfer "information". There are words that have transformed lives with their message. A book can open unsuspected horizons and make possible new paths. For the ancients, a disciple was like a container that eagerly collected and retained all the words of the master, without letting any out, like a precious liquid from which not a single drop can be lost. Among us, with the proliferation of messages through the social media of these times, words lose their meaning, as they multiply, and end in becoming nothing.

Let us recover, then, the value of the word: it is like the seed that the sower scatters; it is like rain and snow that soak the earth and fertilize it. Especially the word of the Lord, the preaching of the Kingdom. The word comes gently from God, never intended to remain suspended like clouds in midair, but to soak the earth and to be drawn back toward God like plants and trees. God's spirit is infused within human beings where it brings forth divine fruits.

And we enter in the section of Parables in Matthew's Gospel

Jesus is conducting His public ministry in Galilee. Between our reading of last week and today, Jesus has plucked ears of grain on the Sabbath, healed the man with the withered hand, and taught that His true relatives are those who are in the covenant with Him: "Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother." Now He begins teaching in parables.

«On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables...»

The crush of the crowd has gotten so intense that Jesus moves to a boat. Picture Jesus in a boat while the hillside within earshot is covered with people – sort of a natural amphitheater. Sitting is the normal posture of an oriental teacher.

«...The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted..."»

Learn ~ Aprender (continued)

Deacon Jose Moronta

The disciples' question intrudes upon Jesus' address to the crowd. If we take the setting in the opening verses seriously, the crowd too must hear Jesus' depressing answer. It is most likely that the sacred writer has inserted a theological consideration at this point. The Greek word *mysterion*, translated here as "mysteries" corresponds to the Latin word sacramentum which refers to the oath that binds a covenant. Those outside the covenant have not yet understood what is necessary to receive it. And then we have the Parable of the Sower. But as Jesus Christ explains the meaning of this parable, I will not add a single word to Jesus' teaching. Please read the complete passage again. (Mat 13:1-23)

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".

CALLING ALL SINGERS!



Our St. Mark Music Ministry is seeking both volunteer and professional SATB singers for our GRAND PARISH CHOIR.

All are welcome! You do not need to be Catholic or a member of the parish to join.

We are in particular need of sopranos, altos and tenors.

Our grand parish choir sings Sundays at the 10:30 Mass and once a month at the 4:00 PM Saturday vigil Mass.

Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM.

Our first rehearsal is on Wednesday, September 26, 2023.

Auditions are by appointment. We request that volunteer singers audition for placement in the ensemble by singing a few bars of "Happy Birthday".

Professional singers are requested to submit a resume and mp3 voice sample prior to auditioning.

To join, contact Dr. John Paul Cappa, Music Director
at jpcappa@stmarktampa.org or 813-907 7746 ext. 326.



THUR. July 20, 2023
Card Social at St. Mark
11:00 - 3:00 PM
First & Third Thursday
Contact Elaine King
813-388-9196 or
eaking@ptd.net

WED. July 19, 2023
Game Day at The Venetian
11:00 – 2:30 PM
Third Wednesday
Contact Fran Sigle
813-760-5522 or
dale.fran@verizon.net or
Linda Klecar 813-395-2325 or
lklecar98 @gmail.com

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
Pnardelli51@gmail.com
or Roe Black
813-383-8360
Roe1Black@yahoo.com



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!

Canned Pasta

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

We're Hiring!

Director, Child and Family Ministry – PT Exempt

The Director of Child and Family Ministry is responsible for coordinating all faith formation programs and family events for families with children in pre-K to 5th grade, exclusive of RCIA and immediate preparation for sacraments. This position is deemed a minister of faith formation and evangelization; the Director is expected to adhere to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

Administrative Assistant, Faith Formation and Evangelization - PT

The Administrative Assistant works within a small team of Administrative Assistants to perform all the administrative functions needed to support the parish's faith formation, sacramental preparation, and evangelization efforts. This position is deemed a minister of faith formation and evangelization; the Administrative Assistant is expected to adhere to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

Interested? Contact Deacon Scott

deaconscoff@stmarktampa.org

813-907-7746 x317

Facilities and Maintenance Manager - FT

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church has a Full-Time opening. The Facilities Manager provides facilities support to all ministry and parish functions. Responsible for implementing a preventative maintenance program that ensures that all parish buildings and grounds are maintained to the highest standards of safety, functionality, operational efficiency, and appearance. Ensures that any required repairs are completed in a timely and professional manner. Manages vendors and contractors that assist in facilities upkeep and repair such as janitorial, pest control, landscaping, HVAC repair, roofers, etc.

This position requires a team player attitude, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, attention to details and project coordination with the ability to multitask on an ongoing basis. The Facilities Manager can collaborate with and support the Pastor, General Manager, parish staff, and parishioners.

Ideal Candidate must have the following criteria:

- High School Diploma with training in the maintenance of buildings
- 5 years experience in facilities management or building trade.
- Experience in supervising others
- Knowledge of plumbing, electrical and HVAC
- Ability to safely lift a minimum of 50 lbs.
- Ability to work a flexible schedule, including evenings and weekends.
- Must successfully pass a level II FBI background screening and attend a Safe Environment Training

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Ensure building and property follow all standards and codes daily.
- Schedules, coordinates, and executes all maintenance tasks.
- Self-perform repairs, so facility operations are not interrupted.
- Self-perform any painting, drywall repairs, and maintains esthetics and landscaping needs.
- Plumbing, electrical, and HVAC preventative maintenance
- Schedule and perform daily, weekly, and monthly facilities maintenance checklists.
- Coordinate maintenance work order requests and follow up to ensure completion of work orders.
- Maintain work order log.
- Monitor property to ensure compliance with maintenance, safety, and security.
- Initiate work orders or proposal requests
- Coordinate and inspect outside vendor maintenance repairs.
- Maintains the key log.
- Perform various reporting and admin tasks.
- Respond to property emergencies and resolve them immediately (ex. alarm calls)

Candidate must pass a Level II (FBI) criminal background screening and complete Diocesan Safe Environment Training before employment. St. Mark is a smoke and drug-free workplace.

Interested candidates, please send your resume to: Claudia Garcia Cgarcia@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)

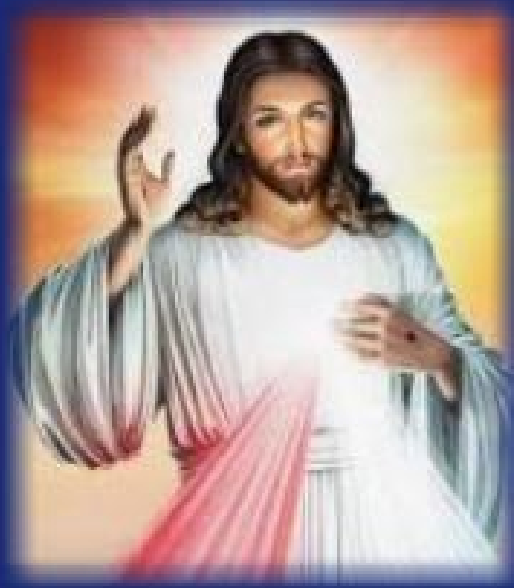


SIGN-UP to SAVE a LIFE!
Please donate in our JULY BLOOD DRIVE!!
The Big Red Bus will be in our parking lot on
Sunday, July 16th from 8:30am - 1:30pm

To Pre-register:

Go to Oneblood.org

and type in 33647 zip code to find the donor site St. Mark the Evangelist.



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.

Cenacle 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 leader-divinemercy@stmarktampa.org

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY

sharing grief. finding hope.



**Our Bereavement Ministry
meets every 2nd & 4th Monday of each month
from 6:30pm to 8pm
in the Mark 1 & 2 Classrooms in The Venetian**

**We invite you to join us anytime. This is not a commitment. Come when you can.
Our program is free and is designed for anyone grieving the death of a loved one.**

YOUNG ADULTS

The North Tampa Catholic Young Adult Ministry is for young adults (ages 21-40) desiring to journey together in a faith-filled community!

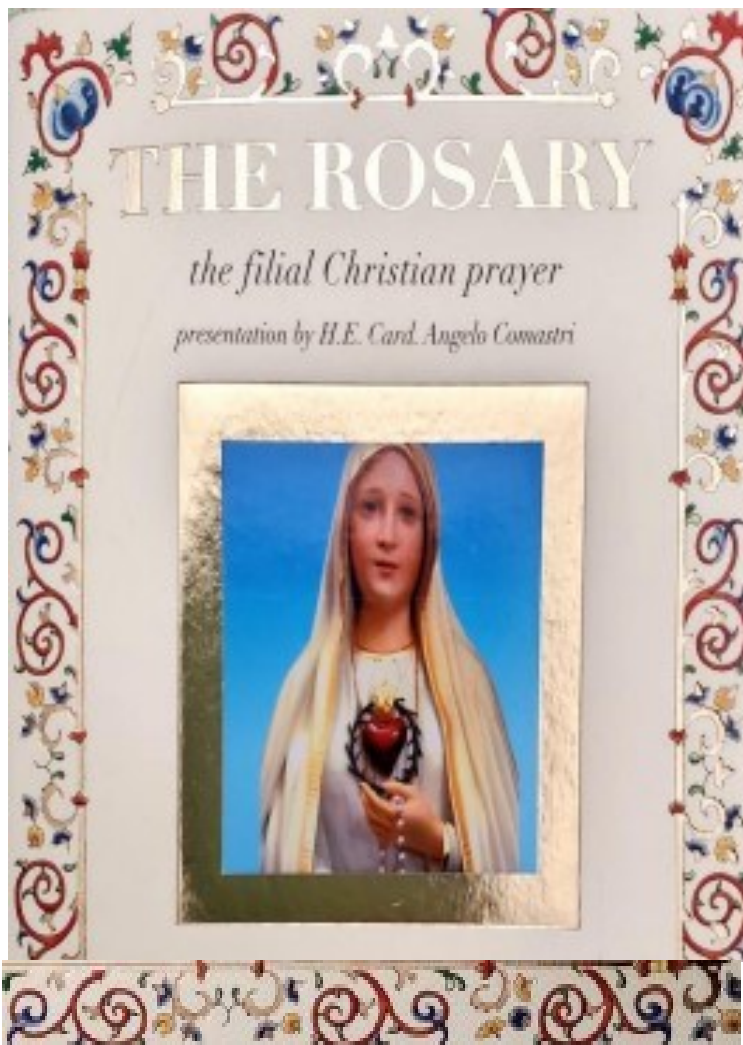
This ministry is a collaborative effort with Our Lady of the Rosary and St. Mark.

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 to 11:00 AM

Place: Via Zoom

Email:

Leader-LegionofMary@stmarktampa.org

The Rosary is a scripture based prayer that leads us to Jesus through Mary. Mother Mary urged everyone to pray the Rosary to help people grow in faith, convert sinners and bring about world peace.

Maryknoll Sisters

Let's put ourselves into the hands
of the Lord, and pray that God will bless us
and our families during the wonderful
months of summer.

May we all help make our home a place of
relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety.



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Catholic Youth Sports League

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church Soccer

A Catholic Youth Sports League soccer program for boys and girls ages 6 – 18 and all athletic abilities is ready for a fifth (Fall 2023) season at St. Mark.

The season begins in August, with first practice August 24 (early Thursday evenings at St. Mark) and the first game (Saturday mornings) on August 26. Games will be at St. Mark the Evangelist soccer fields as well as at two other churches in the North Tampa area. There will be one practice and one game per week.

Program uses small sided games: 4 players on U8 and 7 players including a goalie on U10 and above teams.

Teams include U6 (born before 1/1/2017), U8 (1/1/2015), U10 (1/1/2013), U13 (1/1/2010) and U18 (born before 1/1/2005).

Register online using the link at www.stmarktampa.org/sports. Registration opened on 6/1/2023. Cost per player is \$120 per player. Cost after July 15 increase to \$160 per player. Registration cost includes a uniform. Number of players is limited, so please register early.

Contact: Don at soccer@stmarktampa.org for more information or if you would like to volunteer. Coaches and referees (Grade 8 and above) are always needed and will be trained at St. Mark.

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:

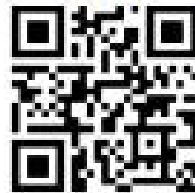
Traditional Envelopes

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.

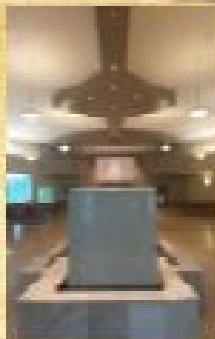
And last - a link to our FREE Catholic "Netflix-type" resource: *FORMED.org*

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