# ST. MARK the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Our Mission

To invite all on our journey to:

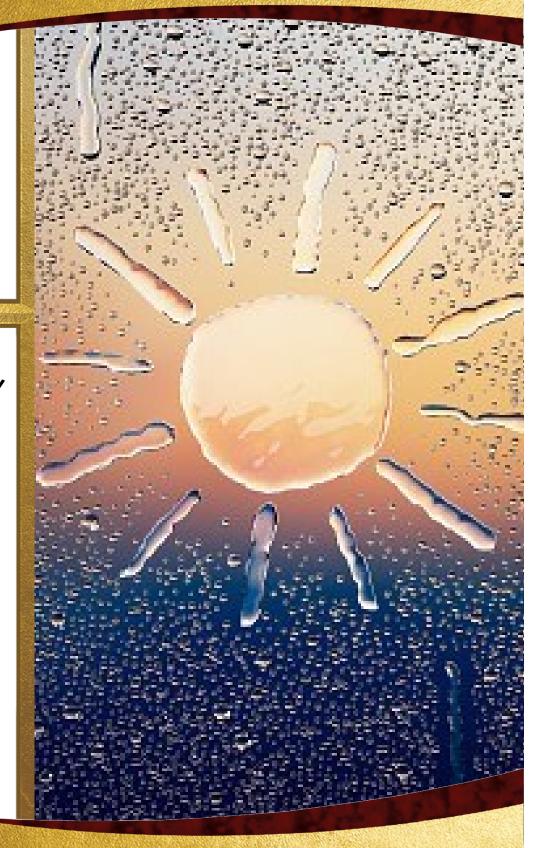
Learn
Orar (Pray)
GiVe
Evangelize

# 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: www.stmarktampa.org



July 23, 2023

16th 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**

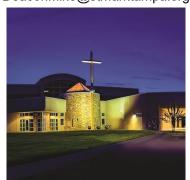
Deacon Moises Gutierrez
DeaconMoises@stmarktampa.org

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: <a href="www.stmarktampa.org">www.stmarktampa.org</a> Email: <a href="mailto:info@stmarktampa.org">info@stmarktampa.org</a>

Venetian Rental Info: (813) 508-2735

Events Calendar and Tickets www.stmarktampa.org/calendar

<u>v.stmarktampa.org/calendar</u>

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.

<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

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, July 24 through Sunday, July 30

Mon., July 24	Noon	Jesus Anibal Rodriguez (d)
		By Alexis Irizarry
Tues., July 25	8:30 am	Dr. John Mubang (d)
		By Angeline Mubang
Wed., July 26	8:30 am	Vocations
Thurs., July 27	Noon	Joan Ferreira (d)
		By Steve Ferreira
Fri., July 28	8:30 am	Dr. John Mubang (d)
		By Angeline Mubang
Sat., July 29	4:00 pm	Judy Motto (d)
		By Sam Motto, Jr.
Sun., July 30	8:30 am	Anthony Duivenvoorde (d)
		By Teresita Bacanri
	10:30 am	Alisha Feldkamp (d)
		By Greg & Barbara Blue
	12:30 pm	Javier Cartaya (d)
		By Maria Reveron
	5:30 pm	Parishioners of St. Mark

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in honor of Felilia Ticzon

By the Ticzon Family

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**



Ana Maria Vargas

\*No Photo

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

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

Jacob Meier

#### **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** 

**Eugene Flaherty** 

# Learn ~ Aprender Deacon Jose Moronta

## The Book of Wisdom in our First Reading

There are a group of seven books in the Old Testament that were written in Greek, by devoted Jewish persons who lived away from the Holy Land and Greek was their primary language. Because of this, some conservative religious leaders questioned their authenticity as inspired by God. They thought that Hebrew was the only language for the Word of God. However, those seven books were always recognized as divine, inspired by the Church. When we had the sad episode of the Protestant split, they decided not to include in their bibles these seven books, which they called "apocrypha". This is why our Catholic Bibles offer seven more books than the Protestant Bibles. One of those seven books is the Book of Wisdom, also called the Wisdom of Solomon. Scholars think that it was composed about a hundred years before Jesus Christ by a Greek-speaking Jew of Alexandria in Egypt. The Egyptian rulers from 116 B.C. to Cleopatra, in 30 B.C. were not well-disposed toward their Jewish subjects. The Jewish religion was despised by the powerful, the wealthy, and the learned. The faith of the Jews was in constant danger of corruption from idolatry and false philosophy. The purpose of the author of the Book of Wisdom was to strengthen their faith, to console them in their afflictions, and to raise their hearts above the immorality and depravity by which they were surrounded.

Many Jews, anxious to gain the good will of the Egyptians, had faltered in their allegiance to Yahweh and gone over to the camp of the enemy. To these unfortunates the sacred writer addresses himself time and again, warning them of the imminent judgment of God and conjuring them to return to the path of true Wisdom which alone leads to perfect contentment.

The Book of Wisdom was not written merely for the Jews sojourning in Egypt, but for all men of all times. Every Jew who read it must have been filled with the joyous conviction that God would never forsake His people, and that Israel's religious ideals were bound to gain the final victory over the pagan world. The Christian finds in it the highest religious and moral lessons – lessons which are of paramount importance today, just as they were over two thousand years ago. The frivolity of the ungodly, the trials and consolations of the pious, the utter awkwardness of the wicked and the serene confidence of the just in the day of judgment, the glorious origin and the supreme excellence of Wisdom, the humble dependence on God of the true seeker after Wisdom – all this is described in a vivid language vividness that move the heart to its depths and attract it irresistibly to the love and service of God. In our first reading today, the sacred author speaks of God's merciful discipline of sinners.

- "... There is no god besides you who have the care of all, that you need show you have not unjustly condemned. For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all. For you show your might when the perfection of your power is disbelieved..."

  This is a reminder of the power of the One and Only God, the one who had chosen the Jews as His People. At the end of this first reading passage we hear,
- «...And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind; and you gave your sons good ground for hope that you would permit repentance for their sins...»
  Just in case some had fallen in the temptation of getting interested in the false gods of the pagan nations they had been forced to live, the author shows a merciful God, who can forgive and forget our transgressions...



# JULY 29-30 THE PARISH BOOK CART WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES OUTSIDE THE GIFT SHOP

# We invite you to Take a book Read a book Share a book



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

You can also return it to the Liturgy Office to be placed back on our Book Cart.

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.



## **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.



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 Fruit or Apple Sauce**

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: <a href="www.stmarktampa.org/FoodPantrySchedule">www.stmarktampa.org/FoodPantrySchedule</a> to check the schedule for vacant dates & send an email to: <a href="mailtosmpantry@gmail.com">smpantry@gmail.com</a> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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**

deaconscott@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

# **New Priest In Residence**

We are blessed to have Fr. Wolfe as our new priest in residence.

He comes to us from the Diocese of Joliet in Illinois.

He was ordained in 1999.

Fr. Wolf is currently assisting in the Diocese of St. Petersburg.

He has been on assignment at St. Rita and St. Cecilia in Clearwater and is now with us at St. Mark.

He is originally from the South Chicago area and he is the 4th of 5 children.

He is very pleased to be helping at St. Mark and we are very happy to welcome him.

# **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)



# 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

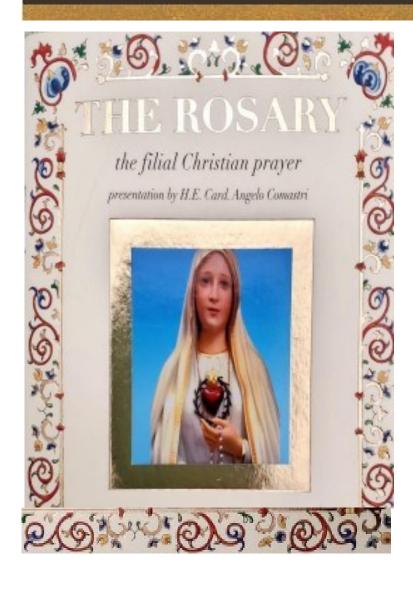


Our Bereavement Ministry
meets every 2nd & 4th Monday of each month
from 6:30pm to 8pm
in the Mark 1 & 2 Classrooms in The Venetian

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.



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:

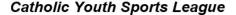
Leader-LegionofMary@stmarktampa.org

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.

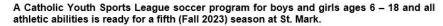
**Maryknoll Sisters** 

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.



#### St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church Soccer



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 a 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 <a href="https://www.stmarktampa.org/sports">www.stmarktampa.org/sports</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:soccer@stmarktampa.org">soccer@stmarktampa.org</a> 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.

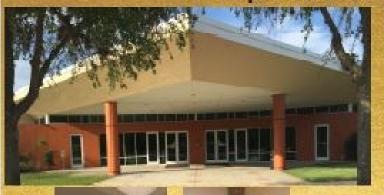
Deacon Scott holds a livestream *Morning & Evening Prayers* daily: Facebook - Deacon Scott Paine.

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 HDM1 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