# ST. MARK the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Our Mission

To invite all on our journey to:

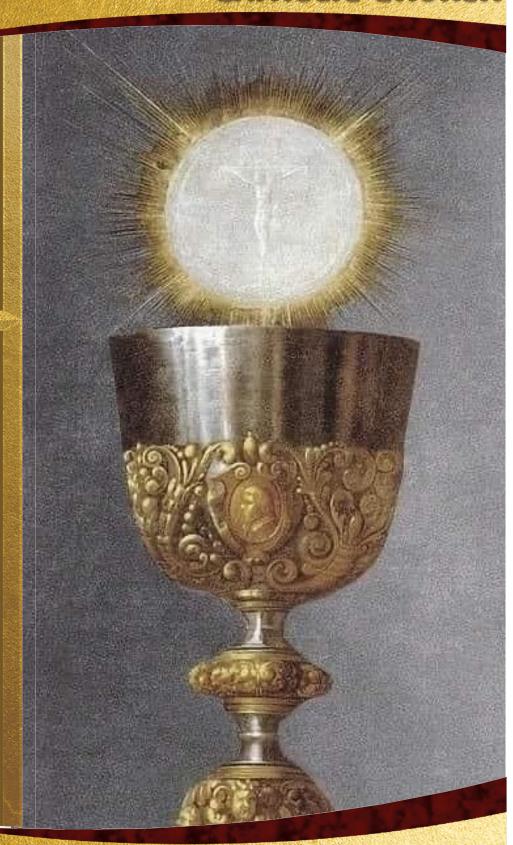
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Evangelize

## 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 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



August 20, 2023

20th 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

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

#### **Parochial Vicar**

Rev. Cosmas O. Amadi Frcosmas@stmarktampa.org

#### **Priests in Residence**

Rev. Jose George

Rev. Wolf VK Werling Frwerling@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: 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.

<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, August 21 through Sunday, August 27

Mon., August 21	Noon	Michael Noll (d)
		By Diane Noll
Tues., August 22	8:30 am	Milenko Pinjusic (d)
		By Dina & John Tarabocchia
Wed., August 23	8:30 am	Vocations
Thurs., August 24	Noon	Dora Marie Ciardullo (d)
		By Marianne Miller
Fri., August 25	8:30 am	Andrew Conda(d)
	-1	By Carol Conda
Sat., August 26	4:00 pm	Victor Alfonso Hernandez Ordaz (d)
		By Yelitza Rodriguez
Sun., August 26	8:30 am	Wendy Elizabeth Doucette (d)
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	10:30 am	Jose Ramon Sanchez (d)
		By Gisela Jose Luis & Alicia Sanchez
	12:30 pm	Juan Esteves (d)
	12.00 piii	By Mom & Dad
	5:20 pm	Parishioners of St. Mark
	5:30 pm	ranshioners of St. Walk

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

Low Gluten Hosts Available
See Luther Ferris

Ministry Meeting Room Reservations roomschedule@stmarktampa.org

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of Martinus Ammerlaan By the Ammerlaan Family

#### A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people.

Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.

Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.

Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

#### Orar ~ Pray

#### **Pray for Our Heroes**

Jacob Meier

Jack Manning



Robert Woodards

\*No Photo

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 \*lan Garia Olivia Faith Giarrizzo Kevin Howell Samantha Howell \*Bryan Hunt \*Ryan Irwin Mark Kieweg Harold La Rock Leticia Larson Robert Letzeisen Jr. Louis Ludwig

Brian Artienda

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**

Martha Gaska
Carol Bley
Baby Matthey McCrary
Melissa Mazzitelli
Richard Giglio
Ron Kish
Vern Swanson

Please send your request to Prayers@stmarktampa.org

## Learn ~ Aprender Deacon Jose Moronta

#### Let's talk about Prophet Isaiah in the First Reading... again!

In the past weeks we had passages taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah as the source for the first reading, and we wrote about how this book is really a combination of three books, written over a period of 200 years. Today we have once again a text from this book to be proclaimed as our first reading, which brings us the excuse to expand our knowledge of the most cited book of the Old Testament for our Liturgy of the Word at Mass.

The name Isaiah means "Yahweh is salvation." His book is the first of the books of the major prophets, the majority being determined by the length of their writings. Although at the time of Christ the entire book was believed to have been written by Isaiah himself, modern scholars have discovered three different authors for this book.

The prophecies contained in the first part (chapters 1 through 39) of the book refer to the period in which Isaiah himself lived.

In the second part of the book (chapters 40 through 55), the scene changes. The author now sees Babylon, almost two centuries later, at a point when the exiled Jews need consolation.

The third part (chapters 56 through 66) looks at the return of the Jews just at the point when they are taking steps to reform their lifestyle in keeping with the covenant even though they are very exposed to foreign and idolatrous influences. By this time the Jews apparently have an altar although they have not yet begun to rebuild the Temple or the city walls.

This Sunday's first reading comes from the beginning of this third part. The faithful are reminded of their covenant relationship with God.

«Thus says the Lord: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed...»

Something interesting was happening in those years, that non-Israelites were interested in believing in the only and true God, Yahweh. Isaiah talks about them,

«...And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, ministering to him, Loving the name of the Lord, and becoming his servants...Them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer... my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. »

Foreigners living within Palestine were granted limited rights and protections. Here, full privileges are extended even to those living outside the boundaries of the promised land. They later became an important part of the early Church, when *proselytes* approached some apostles to know more about Jesus Christ and asked to be baptized as well. Today's gospel offers an interesting scene in which Jesus has a challenging dialogue with a gentile woman, to whom the Lord praised by her strong faith. Both readings are thus connected by the common idea of salvation "for all peoples."

#### And now, today's Gospel

Having heard of Jesus' teaching in parables for the past three weeks, we skip over the beheading of John the Baptist and go to the feeding of the five thousand. The time is now a little over a year into Jesus' public ministry. Matthew connects this incident with the killing of John the Baptist and the withdrawal of Jesus from Galilee. Reading carefully this passage we find several "moments" that preceded the performance of this wonderful miracle: First, Jesus learns of the death of his cousin, John the Baptist. What could have been the state of mind of Jesus? Second, he met a crowd of people and took pity on them and healed the sick. Third, he realizes that it is getting dark and at the suggestion of the apostles to send the people away, he urges them to solve the problem. Fourth, faced with the selfishness of his disciples who believe they have secured enough food for themselves alone, Jesus orders the people to sit down. Finally, using words like those he would later utter at the Last Supper, he multiplies the loaves. The abundance of food, as promised in the first reading, is a sign of the arrival of messianic times: the era of abundant food is beginning.



#### FRI. August 25, 2023

Bowling, Bowlero
11:00 AM
Second & Fourth Friday
Contact Tom Bennett, 813-205-5303
or TomBennett83@hotmail.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!

## **Chunky Soup**

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

## An invitation to join the Altar Server Ministry

Children and teens who have received First Communion are welcome to serve as Altar Servers at our weekend English Masses

Saturday 4 pm Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 am, 5:30 pm

Altar servers are an essential ministry in the service of the Priest and Deacon during the celebration of the Mass. It is a privilege to serve in this ministry and requires commitment and dedication. Becoming an Altar Server is an amazing way for our youth to get actively involved at St Mark!

#### **NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

### Monday August 28 from 6 TO 8:30 PM in the Church

Registration is required. Go to <u>www.stmarktampa.org/altarservers</u> and click on the registration button provided.

To ensure hands-on practice the session is limited to 6 participants.

One parent must attend with the child.

If you have any questions or the slots are all filled when you go to register contact Kevin Fritz at: <a href="mailto:leader-altarservers@stmarktampa.org">leader-altarservers@stmarktampa.org</a>



## **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 6, 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.

## We're Hiring - 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

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



#### Select Your Grade Level

- Pre-K to 5th grade
- · 6th-8th grade
- 9th-12th grade

#### **Select Your Program**

- In-classroom
- · Family Faith
- · Home based

## **Faith Formation**

2023-24

Register Online Visit the St. Mark website select "Learn" in the Directory menu

Complete the Google Form to register.

Any Questions call the Faith Formation Office 813-907-7746 x308



#### **Sacramental Preparation**

- First Communion
- Reconciliation
- Confirmation



September to May



## **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.



# August 26-27 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.

## 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 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.



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



## Praesidium Madre de la Divina Gracia

#### Te invita a:

Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia 3 PM seguido de Coronilla a las Lagrimas de Maria y Coronilla a San Miguel Arcangel

Santo Rosario 8 PM

via zoom ID: 868 3628 8971 Passcode: Maria

Nos reunimos los Viernes a las 8 PM (mismo zoom)

PARA SERVIR A JESUS A TRAVES DE MARIA





## 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.

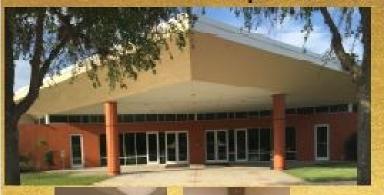
Deacon Scott holds a livestream *Morning & Evening Prayers* daily: Facebook - Deacon Scott Paine.

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