Weekly Bulletin

ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 11th
DDD $2 Red, White, Blue
Veteran's Day Assembly 2:40 p.m.
Open House - 6:00 p.m.

November 14th
After School Theater Club Performance
2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

November 15th
Auction Mixology Celebration 6:00-9:00 p.m.

November 17th
TEFA Parent Information Meeting
8:15 a.m.

INVITE NEW FAMILIES

New student applications for the 2026–27 school year are now open! Don't wait to discover your place in our St. Mark family—visit https://stmcs.net/admissions to learn more.

If you know someone who might be interested in St. Mark Catholic School, invite them to our Open House on November 11. Each year, St. Mark is honored to welcome new families to the school community, many of whom are personally referred by current St. Mark families.
Through the "Referral Thank You Program," your family can receive a $500 tuition credit for referring a new family to St. Mark.

Click here to learn more.
We can't wait to welcome new families into our community!

PARENT SURVEY

As part of our ongoing efforts to grow and improve, we're asking all families to take a few minutes to complete our anonymous parent survey.

Your feedback helps us understand what brought you to St. Mark, what you value most, and how we can continue to serve our students and families even better.

Whether it's your first year with us or you've been part of the St. Mark community for years, your voice matters.

Click HERE to complete the survey!

TEFA

St. Mark Catholic School is dedicated to helping make Catholic education accessible and affordable for families who seek it for their children. The Texas Education Freedom Accounts, or TEFA, is a new state program that may provide families with $10,000 to $30,000 per child, per year to support private Catholic school education.

Please read the attached information about the Texas Education Freedom Account. The TEFA application will open in 2026. To learn more, we encourage you to attend the Information Session that will be held in the school cafeteria on November 17th and December 2nd at 8:15 a.m.

Pre-registration form for November 17th – TEFA Info. Session 11/17 @ 8:15
Pre-registration form for December 2nd – TEFA Info. Session 12/2 @ 8:15

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TEXAS EDUCATION FREEDOM ACCOUNT (TEFA) INFO SESSION

Multiply the Possibilities with Catholic Education!

Discover how TEFA can provide **$10,000–$30,000** per student to support your child's education.

WHEN: Nov. 17 & Dec. 2 8:15 AM
WHERE: St. Mark Catholic School Cafeteria
1201 Alma Drive, Plano TX 75075

Scan QR code to receive TEFA alerts

SCHOOL GALA

To make this year's gala a success we need YOUR help! Here are 3 ways:

1. Holiday Cocktail Mixology & Shopping Party: Get ready to elevate your holidays with a fun and festive experience! Join us, Saturday, November 15th for a special cocktail making session led by our expert mixologist, where you'll learn how to craft beautiful, delicious drinks that will impress at any gathering. Then, enjoy some well-deserved retail therapy at Vivi's Boutique in Richardson. Cheers to making this holiday season your best one yet! BUY TICKETS HERE: https://secure.etransfer.com/STMCS/ChristmasCocktail.cfm

2. Under The Big Top: Step right up to buy tickets and sponsorships for our biggest fundraiser and parent community event at SouthFork Ranch on January 31st. Grab your Greatest Showman and Songbird and prepare to be dazzled and entertained as we tip our hats to celebrate why we believe "This Is The Greatest School"! BUY TICKETS HERE: https://muradbid.com/stmcs26/tix

3. Donations! From gift cards to event tickets to basket items...we need it all! Please consider donating items by filling out this ONLINE DONATION FORM, purchasing an item from our curated AMAZON LIST or dropping off any donations to the front desk at school! We appreciate your support!

If you have any questions or concerns, please email stmcs.gala@gmail.com. We can't wait to see you on January 31st!

VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY 11/11

Veterans Day is approaching, and we are excited to honor the brave individuals who have served our country. On Tuesday, November 11, students may participate in a red, white, and blue dress down day for a $2 donation or by using a Fast Pass. Each student will receive a flag sticker to wear in recognition of the day.

We warmly invite any Veteran family members to join us for a special lunch and then come back for our school-wide assembly at 2:40 PM. All guests must bring a driver's license or photo ID to sign into the school.

Lunch Schedule for Veterans:

- 10:45–11:30 – Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten
- 11:30–12:00 – Grades 1 and 2
- 12:00–12:30 – Grades 3, 4, and 5
- 12:30–1:00 – Grades 6, 7, and 8

Veterans with multiple children are welcome to stay and eat with each child during their respective lunch periods.

All parents and family members are also invited to attend the assembly. Please click HERE to register for the assembly. While pre-registration is not required, it is encouraged to help us streamline the check-in process.

Students are also invited to decorate the attached medal at home and wear it on Veterans Day to honor their Veteran heroes. Throughout the week, our morning prayers will focus on service members, and STUCO will share a different military fact each day.

Thank you for helping us make this a meaningful celebration. We look forward to honoring our Veterans together.

HSA

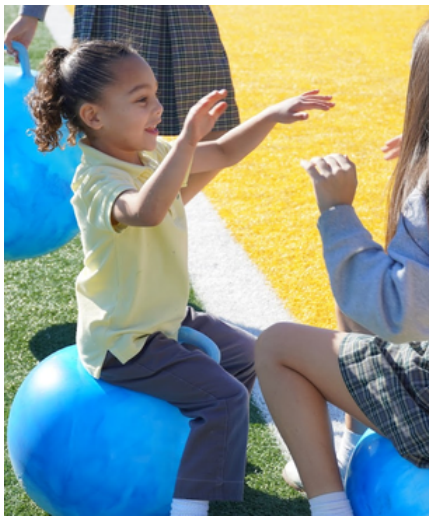
The Lions Share Uniform Store will be open on November 21st from 7:30-8:30 AM.

Save the Date:
The next HSA meeting is on Tuesday, November 18th at 8:30 PM on Zoom. Be sure to get this on your calendar so you can get updates on the school year!

Save the Date:
Cookies with Santa will be held on December 7 from 12:30-2:00 PM! New this year will be the addition of vendors from our St. Mark School Community! You can get some Christmas shopping done while having a lot of fun! Use the links to get more information and to sign up!

PARISH NEWS

Live Christ, Share Christ

Saturday, November 8, 9am in Smyth Building Rm. 101
We are an evangelization group. Come and see, pray and sing and listen to part-2 of a 2-part series on: “The World, the Flesh and the Devil.” Or just come to enjoy breakfast and fellowship.

WEEK IN THE LIFE: