



ST MARK THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Mon-Thurs 6:30am, 12:15pm
Wed & Fri 8:30am
Tues & Thurs 6:15pm*
Friday 5:30pm, 7:00pm*
Saturday 8am, Vigil: 5pm & 7pm*
Sunday 7am*, 8:45am, 10:30am,
12:30pm*, 2:30pm*, 5pm

*Mass in Spanish

ADORATION

Mon-Thurs 5:30-6:30am,
7am-5:30pm
Tues 7-8pm
Fri 9:30am-5:30pm
Fri 8pm-Sat 8am

CONFESSION TIMES

Tues 11am-12pm
Thurs & Fri 5:30-6:30pm
Sat 9-10am

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs 9am-5pm
Fri 9am-12pm

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

For information on Christian
Initiation email Ruth Sanchez at
rsanchez@stmarkplano.org

AUGUST 23, 2026

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



WHO DO YOU SAY
THAT I AM

CHURCH

1201 Alma Dr. Plano, TX 75075
Open Daily 5:30am - 10:00pm
www.stmarkplano.org



OFFICE

1105 W 15th St. Plano, TX 75075
Mon - Thurs: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm
(972) 423-5600



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Pastoral Council

parishcouncil@stmarkplano.org

Director of Security

Jack Ternan, Sr., 214-673-2784

Anointing of the Sick (after hours also)

972-423-5600

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 22

8:00am English †Benigna Arevalo
5:00pm English †Josephine Milstead
7:00pm Español †Luis Rodriguez

Sunday, August 23

7:00am Español †Nicacia Bizarraga Flores
8:45am English †Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Vidal Sr.
10:30am English Community Intentions
12:30pm Español †Marina Munoz
2:30pm Español Community Intentions
5:00pm English Pro Populo
Highland Springs Mass

Monday, August 24

6:30am English Sebastian
12:15pm English † Dario Lopez

Tuesday, August 25

6:30am English † Wiliam Stoffels
12:15pm English Mary Grace Jones
6:15pm Español † Ramon Alvarez

Wednesday, August 26

6:30am English †Mary Ann Murray
8:30am English †STM School Intention
12:15pm English †Lionel & Margarita Lichtenberger

Thursday, August 27

6:30am English †Maria Carmen Vega
12:15pm English Corey & Nadya Collard
6:15pm Español Rosa Maria Molina

Friday, August 28

8:30am English STM Pre K 4 Students, Teachers & Families
5:30pm English †Pat and Charie Mancol
7:00pm Español †Agustin Molina

Saturday, August 29

8:00am English †Josefina Espino
5:00pm English Jihui Chen
7:00pm Español †Kevin Ricardo Flores

†Indicates the person is deceased

To sponsor altar flowers in honor of a loved one, please call the parish office. Names are published in the bulletin.

If you suspect abuse of children or vulnerable adults, please first contact TX Dept. of Family and Protective Services at 800-252-5400 (911 if it is an emergency). Then, if you feel comfortable and it involves a member of clergy or staff, contact the Diocese of Dallas at 214-379-2812 or bmartinez@cathdal.org. Finally, you can contact St. Mark: Rick Alvizo (972) 423-5600 ext 221 or ralvizo@stmarkplano.org.

Readings for Sunday, August 23

First Reading Isaiah 22:19-23
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8
Second Reading Romans 11:33-36
Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

Our Vision

Form missionary disciples

ALPHA

Do you have questions about our faith? Alpha gives you a space to ask questions and discuss these issues in a safe, non-judgemental environment.

Grace White | gwhite@stmarkplano.org

Christ Renews His Parish

Ruth Sanchez | Rsanchez@stmarkplano.org

Live Christ Share Christ

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we respond to the New Evangelization, renewing the earth through faith and action.

Kathleen Born | kmeborn@gmail.com

Youth Group

6th-8th graders are invited most Sunday evenings and 9th-12th graders on Wednesday nights to grow in their faith and form friendships through speakers, studies, and fun nights.

Bre Benavidez | bbenavidez@stmarkplano.org

Vocations Ministry

Kathy S. | vocations@stmarkplano.com

Mary, Our Universal Mother

We learn about the many titles and devotions of the Virgin Mary across different cultures.

Patricia Groce | maryouruniversalmother@gmail.com

Welcoming communities

That Man is You

Dean Wurtz | 972-742-1653

Golden Treasures

Those 50 & over gather monthly for a potluck and fellowship.

Candy Butcher | 214-563-6823

PARCH Homeschoolers

Field trips, activities throughout the year, and communication regarding Catholic homeschool events in the area.

Stephanie Reisinger | 214-509-0828

Women of St. Mark

Serve the parish and beyond while building lasting connections through service, fellowship, and informative programs.

Miriam Jimenez | karminjimenez@hotmail.com

American Heritage Girls

Shellie Zepeda (972) 897-2285

Catholic Daughters

Nenita Cuellar | 214-924-7581

Troops of St. George

Father and son apostolate focusing on spiritual growth, outdoor adventures including camping, and other manly skills.

Peter Reisinger | 972-662-8747

Transform the World

Compassion Ministry

972-423-5600

Knights of Columbus

A group for men that offers support to one another, our parish, our community, and the world beyond.

Oscar Sanchez | 214-424-9120

Pro-Life

Supports pro-life organizations and St. Mark Baby Shop.

Carrie Baula | 469-772-0228

St. Mark Rosary Makers

Rita Johnson at 817-781-1393

St. Michael Society

Create packages to send to our troops stationed overseas.

Dale Heidenreich | 972-596-4493

Habitat for Humanity

Frank J. McElligott | 972-867-8516

We Care Ministry

Martha Bernatis | 214-914-4670

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Take and answer calls, volunteer at SVdP food pantry
972-282-8077

Life-changing encounters with Jesus

ITD Gospel Encounter

Kathy S. | itdgospelencounter@gmail.com

Divine Mercy Cenacle

Elizabeth M. | divinemercy@stmarkplano.com

Eucharistic Revival

Second Tuesday of the month, 7-8:30pm

C A R G O ' S

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Pope Leo XIV issued his first encyclical letter, Magnifica Humanitas, on May 15, 2026. In it he considers the moral realities of the artificial intelligence boom and offers the Church an opportunity to speak into a subject that, at first glance, might seem beyond her reach.

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Pope Leo begins by comparing two construction projects: the Tower of Babel and the rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls. Babel was undertaken without reference to God. People were treated as instruments of a common ambition—the desire to achieve greatness and impose unity through human power alone. Ultimately, however, the project led not to unity but to confusion and dispersion.

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The rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls was different. God remained at the center, and the work depended upon the shared responsibility of the people. Its goal was not uniformity born of pride, but true unity: "the harmony that arises when all persons assume their own role and recognize that their strength comes from the Lord" (MH, 8).

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As we consider this new—or perhaps not-so-new—technology, Pope Leo invites us to build the AI revolution as the ancient Israelites rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem: with God at the center, with each person assuming proper responsibility, and with technology placed at the service of the human family.

R

The novelty of AI has already begun to fade. When OpenAI released ChatGPT in late 2022 and generative AI entered the mainstream, there was tremendous excitement about everything artificial intelligence might accomplish. It seemed that the sky was the limit. Many imagined that this new technology would transform nearly every aspect of human life.

Several years later, however, we have begun to recognize that AI is not the answer to every human problem. We have now entered a period of integration and discernment—a time when wisdom must guide knowledge. Pope Leo's encyclical therefore comes at an appropriate and crucial moment, as individuals, businesses, governments, and communities begin making consequential decisions about how AI will be developed and used.

Many of the largest decisions surrounding AI are beyond the responsibility—or authority—of most people. Yet we must recognize that AI is not morally neutral. Although artificial intelligence is not itself a moral agent, it reflects the choices, assumptions, values, and limitations of those who create and employ it. Depending upon the parameters established by its developers and the purposes for which it is used, AI can become an increasingly helpful tool in the work of humanity, or it can contribute to the failure of this technological revolution.

Government and corporate leaders therefore have a grave responsibility to ensure that the development of AI respects the dignity of the human person and promotes the common good. The rest of us can help bring attention to this responsibility by exercising our voices, just as we do when confronting the other great social and moral questions of our time.

Pope Leo highlights several essential truths that must guide every moral evaluation of AI: the human person is created in the image of the Triune God; all people possess equal and inviolable dignity; human rights have supreme importance; and technological progress must be evaluated according to the principles of the common good, the universal destination of goods, subsidiarity, solidarity, social justice, and integral human development.

These truths allow the Church to speak clearly and confidently into the construction of this new technology.

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PARISH FINANCIALS

Weekly Stats August 9

Mass Attendance 4,992
Collection \$55,419.98

Q4 April-June 2026 Balance Sheet

Income

Sunday Collections	\$699,825.54
Other Income	\$338,768.87
Total	\$1,008,594.41

Expenses

Facility maint, wages, utilities, supplies, etc.	\$968,507.28
Diocesan Assessment	\$121,967.31
Total	\$1,090,474.59

Final Balance - \$ 81,880.18

WAYS TO GIVE

Online Giving



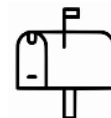
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Parish Office
972-423-5600

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Plano, TX 75075

For any questions regarding envelopes, online giving, contribution statements, or parish registrations, please contact Nadya Collard

Making a gift for the benefit of St. Mark after you are gone is a wonderful way to create a lasting legacy and ensure that the faith formation and sense of community received by you and your family will be there for generations to come. For more information, email ralvizo@stmarkplano.org.

Upcoming Events

Cargo's Corner Continued... The central question posed by Pope Leo is this: What will stand at the center of this great project? If technology itself occupies the center—rather than God and the human person—the project will ultimately harm humanity. Like the Tower of Babel, it may promise unity, power, and progress while leading instead to isolation, confusion, and division.

But if the wisdom of the Church helps guide the continuing development of AI, we can build something different. We can help create technology that serves God, protects human dignity, strengthens authentic community, and enriches the human family.

Next week, I will explore some of the practical wisdom we have already gained during this brief age of generative artificial intelligence.

Troops of St. George Info Meeting August 24, 7pm, Gym

Troops of St George is a Catholic father/son apostolate for dads and boys in 1st-12th grade emphasizing faith and the outdoors. Activities include celebrating Mass in the woods, praying the rosary under the stars, and community service at nearby monasteries, in addition to rock climbing, canoeing, and hiking.

American Heritage Girls Parent Info Meeting August 27

We offer an opportunity for your daughter to grow in her FAITH, cultivate a heart for SERVICE, enjoy outdoor ADVENTURES, build lifelong FRIENDSHIPS, and foster LEADERSHIP development! Girls discover their passions, acquire project management skills, hold leadership positions, and participate in service activities. We meet at St. Mark twice a month and offers a variety of activities throughout the year. Levels are kindergarten-12th grade. Contact Shellie Zepeda: ahgtx1022@gmail.com or 972-897-2285.

Save the Date--St. Mark Fall Festival

Saturday, October 3, 4-10pm, on Parish Grounds

As a parish that forms missionary disciples to transform the world by creating welcoming communities and providing life-changing encounters with Jesus Christ, this festival is a perfect opportunity to gather in joy, build friendships, and strengthen the bonds that make our St. Mark family special. Bring your family and friends for a day filled with delicious food, fun games, live entertainment, kids' activities, and plenty of fall cheer! Whether you're new to St. Mark or have been here for years, this event promises a life-giving experience of community and connection.

Want to make a difference? We welcome volunteers to help create a warm and inviting festival for all.

For more information or to be part of the Fall Festival Committee, or Committee Chairperson, contact the Parish Office at 972-423-5600

ST. MARK MOMS ALPHA

Unpack the faith together

**Starting Sept 15
Two Tuesdays a month
8:15-9:45 am
Parish Office, JP2 Room**



scan to sign up



Breakfast • Video • Faith discussion

Gwhite@stmarkplano.org



Upcoming Events

Plano ISD Student Mentor Volunteers Needed

St. Mark Parish is seeking volunteers (16+) to partner with Meadows Elementary, a Title 1 school in Plano, as mentors for the students. Mentors will meet with a student one hour per week from August through May, offering time for reading, conversation, and simple activities. Training will be provided. If interested, contact Grace White at gwhite@stmarkplano.org or fill out the interest form on the site: stmarkplano.org/student-mentor-at-meadows-elementary-interest-form

Alpha Every Thursday, Sept. 17-Nov. 19, 7-9 pm, Great Hall

Come eat a free meal, make friends, and learn about the core of the faith!

Cub Scouts at St. Mark

Pack 285 welcomes boys in kindergarten through fifth grade. Throughout the year, Cub Scouts enjoy outdoor adventures such as campouts and hikes, service projects, Pinewood Derby, and other family-friendly activities. The Cub Scout pack meets once a month, and smaller grade-level groups called dens also meet once a month. Families interested in Cub Scouts are invited to contact our Cubmaster at cubmaster@pack285tx.com to find a pack meeting they can visit and see what Pack 285 is all about.

Love Them Both Expo August 29-30

Join us after mass for our 3rd annual Love Them Both Expo where you can meet many wonderful Pro-Life organizations in the Diocese of Dallas. Representatives from Bella House, White Rose, Catholic Pro-Life Community, Catholic Charities, Mater Maria, and Ablaze for Life will be present. Donate at least \$25 to receive your 2026 Hike for Life t-shirt. All proceeds go towards supporting these wonderful organizations.

We're Hiring: Part-Time Youth Ministry Coordinator!

St. Mark is seeking a joyful, faith-filled Catholic to join our team as a Part-Time Youth Ministry Coordinator. This position is focused primarily on relational ministry, building meaningful relationships with middle and high school youth, leading small groups, assisting with youth nights, retreats and conferences, supporting campus ministry at St. Mark Catholic School and helping create opportunities for young people to encounter Jesus Christ.

The position is 15–20 hours per week and requires availability on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday evenings, as well as some weekends and special events. Youth ministry experience is preferred, and there is potential for the position to grow into a full-time role as the ministry grows. Bilingual is preferred but not required.

Interested in joining our mission of forming young disciples? Send your resume and cover letter to Bre Benavidez, Director of Youth Ministry, at bbenavidez@stmarkplano.org

New Toddler Room During Mass

The Brides Room/Choir Practice is now a welcoming shared space designed to support families with young children during the 8:45am & 10:30am Masses. The parish will provide a child gate so the door may remain open during Mass and a container with Catholic toys, book and puzzles for young children up to approx. 3 years old. The staff working at the Welcome Desk will be there to assist with any needs. Please let them know if you have any questions or concerns.

Women of St. Mark Tuesday, August 25, 6:30pm

We invite all women of our parish to our first Welcome Back Tea Social in McGivney Hall. Bring your favorite tea cup; cold and hot tea will be served with light finger foods. Join us for friendship, spiritual growth, and sociability as well as opportunities to serve!



PINTS WITH THE PRIESTS
FR. PETER WHITFIELD

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 6:30PM
THE RODEO GOAT IN PLANO

Upcoming Events

NEED TO UPDATE SAFE ENVIRONMENT?

For those cleared before July 30, 2025, an account was created for you. Please login to complete training.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE
OF DALLAS



Bishop's Annual Appeal
FOR CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

FORMATION FOR THE SOCIAL MISSION OF THE CHURCH

FALL 2026

Tuesdays from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

- August 25 - The Pastoral Mission of the Church in the Modern World
- September 1 - What is Catholic Social Teaching?
- September 8 - The Principle of Human Dignity
- September 22 - The Principles of Solidarity and Subsidiarity
- September 29 - Faithful Citizenship: Church and Politics
- October 6 - Consumerism and the Throwaway Culture
- October 13 - Alienation and Mental Health

"The Spirit of the Lord is
upon me... to bring good
news to the poor"
(Luke 4:18)



In the Parish Center of :
**St. Mark the Evangelist
Catholic Church**
1105 W. 15th Street
Plano, Texas 75075

Cost per
semester
\$50

Questions? Contact Emily Duarte at **214-379-2883** or socialministry@cathdal.org

St. Mark Catholic School

ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET

Discover our community, faith,
and academic opportunities.



Vibrant Faith Formation
Challenging Academics
Safe Environment
Enriching Extracurriculars

Prayer Intentions

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for August: For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

ST. MARK PARISHIONERS IN NEED OF PRAYER

Aimée Nazario-Ovalle, Eleanor Jaso, Matthew Clark, Janet Lands, Joshua Sánchez, David Marcrum, V L Patrick family, Nora Lopez Garcia, Juan García, Anthony D. Sullivan†, Reina Alarcon†, Phil Chavez, August DelGiacco, Ricardo Escobedo, Megan and Lucy, Alfonso Gacia Munoz, Juan Garcia, Elisa Mata† Ingrid Nunez, Bretton Pierce, Lidia Millan, Dylan DelGiacco, Jesse Miller, Helen Schenk, Vanja, Timea, Anthony Reyes Hernandez, Cattandria Wilson, Gorgonia Espiricueta, Rita Sulak, Lucia Frye†, Senhor Ricardo Melo†, Bob Schwerd, Davi Burdette, Lucia Wei, Steve King, Tiffany, Sergio Luis Moreno†, Natalia Rodríguez Hernández Sharon Lepore, Don Short† Tiffany, Sergio Luis Moreno†, Natalia Rodríguez Hernández, Sharon Lepore, Maria Morales, Abigail Juarez, Alexander Juarez, Jo Ann Scamardo†, Berenice Quezada, Jenalie Torres, Alexander Juarez, Julián, Arlene Handzel, Hilda Florentino Reyes, Felipe Florentino†, Maria Sobel & Elvi & Maria De Nazare, Oscar Hernandez†, Zeferina Cruz Sánchez†, Frank Wathen, Troy Cooper, Antonio Uriarte Garcia†, Roberto Meza Uribe†, Victor Meza Uribe†, The Murphy Family, Kevin L. Reyes, Cindy Michel, Joseph Policano, Michael Policano, David MacGandle, Naty Perez, Michelle Jack Michael Shaw, Clinton Trejo, Conchita Argüello Mendez†, Linda Rodgers, Rusty Rodgers

Visit stmarkplano.org/prayer or call our Parish Office at 972-423-5600 to add a name to our list



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Párroco



P. Eugene O'Donnell
Vicario



P. Peter Whitfield
Vicario



P. Matthew Biaggi
Vicario

Diác. Fred Rotchford
Diác. Dominic T. Hoang
Diác. Luis Boy

Diác. Juan Jorge Hernandez
Diác. Luis Garzon

Contactos importantes

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Ambiente Seguro

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972-282-8077

Consejo de Finanzas

Jack Ternan, Jr., 972-989-6752

Consejo Pastoral

parishcouncil@stmarkplano.org

Horarios de Misa

Lunes-Jueves 6:30am, 12:15pm

Miércoles y Viernes 8:30am

Martes y Jueves 6:15pm*

Viernes 5:30pm, 7:00pm*

Sábado 8am, Vigil: 5pm & 7pm*

Domingo 7am*, 8:45am, 10:30am,
12:30pm*, 2:30pm*, 5pm

* Misa en español

Adoración

Lunes - jueves 5:30-6:30 am & 7 am- 5:30pm

Martes 7- 8 pm

Viernes 9:30 am- 5:30 pm

Viernes 8pm- Sábado 8am

Confesiones

Martes 11 am - 12 pm

Jueves y viernes 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Sábado 9 - 10 am

Horario de oficina

Lunes - jueves 9 am- 5 pm

Viernes 9 am- 12 pm

¿Estás interesado en convertirte al catolicismo?

Envía un correo a Ruth Sanchez at rsanchez@stmarkplano.org

Si sospecha de abuso de niños o adultos vulnerables, por favor contacte primero al Departamento de Familia y Servicios de Protección de TX al 800-252-5400 (911 si es una emergencia). Luego, si se siente cómodo y está involucrado un miembro del clero o personal, contacte a la Diócesis de Dallas al 214-379-2812 o bmartinez@cathdal.org. Finalmente, puede contactar a St. Mark: Rick Alvizo, (972) 423-5600 ext. 221 o ralvizo@stmarkplano.org.

Lecturas de 23 de agosto

Primera Lectura Isaías 22, 19-23

Salmo Responsorial Salmo 137, 1-2a. 2bc-3, 6 y 8bc

Segunda Lectura Romanos 11, 33-36

Evangelio Mateo 16, 13-20

CARGOS

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El Papa León XIV publicó su primera encíclica, Magnifica Humanitas, el 15 de mayo de 2026. En ella, reflexiona sobre las realidades morales del auge de la inteligencia artificial y ofrece a la Iglesia la oportunidad de pronunciarse sobre un tema que, a primera vista, podría parecer fuera de su alcance.

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El Papa León comienza comparando dos proyectos de construcción: la Torre de Babel y la reconstrucción de las murallas de Jerusalén. Babel se emprendió sin tomar en cuenta a Dios. Las personas fueron tratadas como instrumentos de una ambición común: el deseo de alcanzar grandeza e imponer la unidad únicamente mediante el poder humano. Sin embargo, al final, el proyecto no condujo a la unidad, sino a la confusión y la dispersión.

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La reconstrucción de las murallas de Jerusalén fue diferente. Dios permaneció en el centro, y la obra dependió de la responsabilidad compartida del pueblo. Su objetivo no era una uniformidad nacida del orgullo, sino una verdadera unidad: “la armonía que surge cuando todas las personas asumen su propio papel y reconocen que su fortaleza proviene del Señor” (MH, 8).

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Al considerar esta tecnología nueva —o quizá no tan nueva—, el Papa León nos invita a construir la revolución de la inteligencia artificial como los antiguos israelitas reconstruyeron las murallas de Jerusalén: con Dios en el centro, con cada persona asumiendo su debida responsabilidad y con la tecnología puesta al servicio de la familia humana.

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La novedad de la inteligencia artificial ya ha comenzado a desvanecerse. Cuando OpenAI lanzó ChatGPT a finales de 2022 y la inteligencia artificial generativa llegó al uso generalizado, hubo un enorme entusiasmo por todo lo que la inteligencia artificial podría lograr. Parecía que no había límites. Muchos imaginaron que esta nueva tecnología transformaría prácticamente todos los aspectos de la vida humana.

Sin embargo, varios años después, hemos comenzado a reconocer que la inteligencia artificial no es la respuesta a todos los problemas humanos. Ahora hemos entrado en un período de integración y discernimiento: un tiempo en el que la sabiduría debe guiar al conocimiento. Por eso, la encíclica del Papa León llega en un momento apropiado y crucial, mientras individuos, empresas, gobiernos y comunidades comienzan a tomar decisiones importantes sobre cómo se desarrollará y utilizará la inteligencia artificial.

Muchas de las decisiones más importantes relacionadas con la inteligencia artificial están fuera de la responsabilidad —o autoridad— de la mayoría de las personas. Sin embargo, debemos reconocer que la inteligencia artificial no es moralmente neutral. Aunque la inteligencia artificial no es en sí misma un agente moral, refleja las decisiones, los supuestos, los valores y las limitaciones de quienes la crean y la utilizan. Dependiendo de los parámetros establecidos por sus desarrolladores y de los fines para los cuales se emplee, la inteligencia artificial puede convertirse en una herramienta cada vez más útil para el trabajo de la humanidad, o puede contribuir al fracaso de esta revolución tecnológica.

Por lo tanto, los líderes gubernamentales y empresariales tienen una grave responsabilidad de garantizar que el desarrollo de la inteligencia artificial respete la dignidad de la persona humana y promueva el bien común.

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Finanzas Parroquiales

Estadísticas Semanales 9 de agosto

Asistencia a misa 4,922
Colecta \$55,419.98

Abril - Junio Balance general

Ingresos

Colegios Dominicales	\$669,825.54
Otros Ingresos	\$ 338,768.87
Total	\$1,008,594.41

Gastos

Mantenimiento, salarios, servicios públicos,, etc.	\$968,507.28
Evaluación Diocesana	\$ 121,967.31
Total	\$1,090,474.59
Balance Final	- \$ 81,880.18

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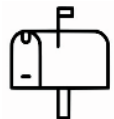
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Sobres de Ofertorio



Por favor, contacte nuestra Oficina Parroquial
972-423-5600

Por Correo o Entrega Per-



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Plano, TX 75075

Por favor, contacte a Nadya Collard si tiene preguntas sobre sobres, donaciones en línea, estados de contribuciones o registros parroquiales: ncollard@stmarkplano.org o 972-423-5600 ext. 258



Nuestra Visión

Formar discípulos misioneros

Mujer a Mujer

Viviana Olmos | 214-809-4538

Ministerio Juvenil

Se invita a los estudiantes de 6º a 8º grado la mayoría de los domingos por la tarde y a los de 9º a 12º grado los miércoles por la noche a crecer en su fe y formar amistades con otros jóvenes católicos a través de conferencias, estudios y noches de diversión.

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Próximos Eventos

¡Ven a celebrar en el Festival de Otoño de St. Mark!

¡Reserva la fecha! — Festival de Otoño de San Marcos

Sábado, 3 de octubre, de 4:00 a 10:00 p. m., en los terrenos de la parroquia

Como parroquia que forma discípulos misioneros para transformar el mundo, creando comunidades acogedoras y brindando encuentros con Jesucristo que cambian la vida, este festival es una oportunidad perfecta para reunirnos con alegría, cultivar amistades y fortalecer los lazos que hacen que nuestra familia de St. Mark sea tan especial. ¡Trae a tu familia y amigos para disfrutar de un día lleno de deliciosa comida, juegos divertidos, entretenimiento en vivo, actividades para los niños y mucho ambiente otoñal! Ya sea que seas nuevo en St. Mark o que hayas estado aquí durante años, este evento promete una experiencia enriquecedora de comunidad y conexión.

¿Quieres marcar la diferencia? Invitamos a voluntarios a colaborar para crear un festival cálido y acogedor para todos. Para obtener más información, formar parte del Comité del Festival de Otoño o servir como presidente(a) del comité, comunícate con la Oficina Parroquial al 972-423-5600.

Anuncio de la Reunión Informativa para Padres de American Heritage Girls TX1022

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Se llevará a cabo una nueva reunión informativa para familias en St. Mark, en el Smyth Pastoral Center, el 27 de agosto de 2026 por la tarde/noche.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con Shellie Zepeda al ahgtx1022@gmail.com o al 972-897-2285.

Clases de Bautismo en diciembre

Debido a la solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción, no habrá clase de preparación para el bautismo en diciembre. Asegúrense de inscribirse antes para evitar cualquier contratiempo.

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Hay muchas formas de involucrarse en RICA, incluyendo oportunidades para unirse a nuestro equipo o convertirse en un patrocinador/acompañante. Si sientes el llamado de ser parte de este ministerio profundamente gratificante, te animamos a que nos contactes en cualquier momento.

Para obtener más información o expresar su interés, por favor póngase en contacto con Ruth Sanchez en rsanchez@stmarkplano.org o llama al 972-423-5600.

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Próximos Eventos

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Los demás podemos ayudar a llamar la atención sobre esta responsabilidad haciendo oír nuestra voz, tal como lo hacemos. cuando enfrentamos las grandes cuestiones sociales y morales de nuestro tiempo.

El Papa León destaca varias verdades esenciales que deben guiar toda evaluación moral de la inteligencia artificial: la persona humana ha sido creada a imagen del Dios Trino; todas las personas poseen una dignidad igual e inviolable; los derechos humanos tienen una importancia suprema; y el progreso tecnológico debe evaluarse de acuerdo con los principios del bien común, el destino universal de los bienes, la subsidiariedad, la solidaridad, la justicia social y el desarrollo humano integral.

Estas verdades permiten a la Iglesia hablar con claridad y confianza sobre la construcción de esta nueva tecnología.

La pregunta central que plantea el Papa León es la siguiente: ¿Qué ocupará el centro de este gran proyecto? Si la tecnología misma ocupa el centro —en lugar de Dios y de la persona humana—, el proyecto terminará perjudicando a la humanidad. Al igual que la Torre de Babel, puede prometer unidad, poder y progreso, pero conducir en cambio al aislamiento, la confusión y la división.

Pero si la sabiduría de la Iglesia ayuda a orientar el desarrollo continuo de la inteligencia artificial, podemos construir algo diferente. Podemos contribuir a crear una tecnología que sirva a Dios, proteja la dignidad humana, fortalezca las auténticas comunidades y enriquezca a la familia humana.

La próxima semana exploraré algunos de los conocimientos prácticos que ya hemos adquirido durante este breve período de la inteligencia artificial generativa.



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