ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
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SACRAMENT INFORMATION / CELEBRACIÓN DE LOS SACRAMENTOS

BAPTISM: English classes are held the 1st Saturday of each month from 9:30 to 12:30 PM. Call the Family & Adult Ministry Office for registration form. CLASSES MAY BE TAKEN BEFORE THE BABY IS BORN. Baptisms are held the 2nd and 4th Saturday at 3:45 in English.

RECONCILIATION: Wednesdays: 6:30-8PM; & Fridays: 4:30-5:15 PM Saturdays: 3:30-5PM, also by appointment.

MARRIAGE: Contact the Family & Adult Ministry Office at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

ANOEITING OF THE SICK: 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at 8AM Mass or call the parish office and request a priest.

VOCATIONS & CONSECRATED LIFE: Call Fr. John Sztaskowski (214-379-2860)

BAUTISMO: Paraguay los niños menores de 7 años las pláticas pre-bautismales son el 3er sábado de cada mes. Es requisito inscribirse en la oficina del Ministerio de Familias y Adultos. Los bautizados son el 2º y 4º sábado del mes. Para niños de 7 años o mayores llame a la oficina de Formación de Fe.

CONFESSIONES: Viernes a las 4:30-5:15PM y sábados: 3:30-5PM.

MARRÍNOMIO: Favor de llamar a la oficina del Ministerio de Familias y Adultos para una cita. Se requieren 6 meses de anticipación.

UNIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS: 1º y 3er sábado del mes en la Misa de las 8AM en Inglés, último miércoles del mes en la misa de las 7:30PM en español o llame a la oficina.

ORDENES SAGRADAS Y LA VIDA CONSAGRADA: Llame al P. John Sztaskowski (214-379-2860)

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Rosario Bíblico: Olivia Rojas 972-985-0051
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Women of St. Mark: Dorette Pataut 972-898-0421
1. MASS INTENTIONS & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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2. SAFE ENVIRONMENT

**2014 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN EMAILED**

We have emailed your 2014 Contribution statement summary on January 15, 2014. Please email Nadya Collard at ncollard@stmarkplano.org if you need to update your information in the St. Mark database. Emailing your statement greatly helps to cut our expenses. If we do not have your current email address, you should receive your 2014 contribution statement via mail by February 2015. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**New Members,**

Welcome you to share our life, worship and mission. Register online at stmarkplano.org or ask an usher for a registration form.

**Altar Flower Honorariums**

If you would like to dedicate the weekend flowers for a special intention, please contact the Parish Office at 972-423-5600.

3. STEWARDSHIP

**First Sunday of Lent**

The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops’ pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that “there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism...that people place their gifts, their resources — their selves — at God’s service in and through the Church.”

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

Benjamin Brainard is the winner of The children’s stewardship envelopes.

**Membership and Registration Updates**

Have you recently had a new addition (or additions) to your family? Have you recently married or changed your marital status? Have you moved and changed your address and phone number? We’d like to hear from you! It is important to update your membership records at St. Mark. Please email Tania Salamanca at tsalamanca@stmarkplano.org or call 972-423-5600 X 258 with any recent changes.

**FOLLOW US**

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4. PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING OF OUR PARISH OREMOS POR LOS ENFEMOS DE LA PARROQUIA

Please call the Parish Office to add or remove someone from the list. Names will be listed for four weeks.

Judy Ahr; Payton Ahr; Robert Ahr; Fernando Alegre; Carmen Arias; Filipinas Baga; Jane Castellano, Virginia Clement; Shirley Collier; Gretchen Collingwood; Beatriz Conte; Randy Cremer; Frances Dougherty; Jennifer Eck; Nina Egan; Roseann Fahrenbruch; Michele Foust; Chrissy Graves; Pat Haney; Vicki Hannon; Roger Harvey; Elvia Ibarra; Marie Jacoby; Kathleen Kekesi; Margaret Kelley; Gloria Knies; Cynthia Koskan; Paul Krusac; Tim Lasiter; Samantha Leminger; Ellie Leonard; Jerry Lewallen; Bob Martin; John Medina; Margarita Mena; Victoria Mena; Noel Morales; Rafael Moreno; Elizabeth Muszyka; Jean Nichol; Paul Olives; Persia Family; Edward Philips; Daniel J. Phillips; Marcia Pulliam; Joan Rivera; Ray Rivera; Eduardo Rodriguez; Patricia Rodriguez; Stephen Souders; Connie Smiser; Jeanette Sullivan; Patty Stratman; Irma Surgent; Jeannette Thurman; Mariana Vazquez; Michael Watkins.

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PLANNING WHAT TO SAY TO THE MEMBERS

MAKE A NEW YEAR’S RESOLUTION FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL
Saturday/Sunday Retreat For Men of St. Mark
April 11-12, 2015, On St. Mark Campus
The Christ Renews His Parish Retreat provides an atmosphere for individual spiritual growth, prayer & reflection, and inspiring presentations in the company of other St. Mark Men.
For Information and registration: 972-424-5794
Registration brochures in Church Narthex
To Register online: www.stmarkplano.org

Lent Book Sale
There will be books and material on Lent for sale in the Narthex after all Masses on Sunday, February 22, 2015. Mark your calendars now and please plan to stop by to get your Lenten materials.

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE SCANS
Every 40 seconds a person suffers a Stroke & Every 20 seconds a person suffers a Heart Attack in the US.
On Wed., March 18 to Sat., March 21, Stroke Scan, Inc. will be offering ultrasound screenings at St. Mark. Technicians will examine four areas of the body: The First scan will check the carotid arteries in the neck for “Fatty Plaque Build-up.” Blockage in these arteries is the major cause of most strokes. 80% of strokes can be prevented! The Second scan is on the lower abdomen to check for an Aneurysm. This disease is called the “silent killer” because there are no recognizable symptoms! This condition is 95% fatal! The Third scan is an electrocardiogram of the heart to search for atrial fibrillation (heart rhythm) which is a condition that causes the heart to pump blood inefficiently and increases the risk of stroke. The Fourth scan is done on the lower part of the legs to look for “hardening of the arteries.” A disease called PAD. Have these tests done for $45 each (or $125 for the four tests) a fraction of the cost in a hospital. Appointments are available. For early Registration call 1-866-935-7226. A Stroke Scan Representative will be present after masses on Sat. and Sun., March 14-15 to help you register and answer questions.

LENTEN JOURNEY
Plan to attend this meditation and prayer experience based on the words of Christ from the cross on Tuesday, March 24th, between 9:30AM - 8:30PM in the main sanctuary. This self-directed prayer experience is for adults and teens and is set up for you to come and go when and as you wish. Lenten Journey includes small meditation centers which participants visit at their own pace. Each has scripture, an experiential element, and something to reflect on, pray or journal about. Come and spend some time walking with Jesus in the valley of Lent. Child care is available - Donation requested. For more information or to make childcare reservations, call 972-424-5794.

The Knights are sponsoring a Safe Environment Training session for Thursday, March 5, at 6PM in McGivney Hall for members of the Knights of Columbus ONLY. This session will not substitute for the Safe Environment Training requirement for those in other parish ministries per the Diocesan Safe Environment Training Coordinator. All Knights who have not received this training, or are in need of retraining, are invited to attend. The session will last approximately one hour. For planning purposes, please contact Lloyd Hasley on 972-345-3890 if you plan to attend.

Knights of the Month
Congratulations to George Clark, John Krumholtz and Chuck Schumacher who were named Knights of the Month for February. They were selected because the three of them helped the chancery office move the altar and all associated paraphernalia to and from the KBH Convention Center for the Roe v. Wade memorial Mass celebrated by Bishop Farrell. This award was presented to the three of them by our District Deputy, Pat Conway.

Family of the Month
Congratulations to the Brennan family who was named Family of the Month for February 2015. They were chosen for this honor because of their work around the parish. Mike handles the Knights cooking for the Parish Carnival and was the church activities director for several years. Delma works in the parish office and handles many of the chores associated with Baptisms.

Information Night: March 2
All men of the parish are invited to learn more about the Knights of Columbus at an Information Night on March 2 at 7:30PM in McGivney Hall.

Bingo Knight Presentation
Proceeds from our last Bingo Knight were benefitting the military. Checks were presented to Operation “Once in a Lifetime” and the St. Michael Society. Thank you St. Mark parishioners and friends.

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Mass with the Bishop: March 7
Bishop Farrell is celebrating his 7th annual Mass to celebrate the founding of the Knights of Columbus with all the Knights of the Dallas Diocese and their families and friends on Saturday, March 7, at 10:00 AM in the Cathedral. All parishioners are invited to attend. We hope to see a large contingent from St. Mark. Plan to arrive early as parking and seating capacity is limited.

www.Facebook.com/StMarkCatholicChurchPlanoTx
Primer Domingo de Adviento
Nuestros somos los siervos de Dios, cada uno con su propia tarea. Seremos juzgados como buenos administradores si, a Su venida, Él nos encuentra listos y conscientemente dedicados a las tareas que se nos han encomendado.

Cristo renueva su parroquia
Hombres abril 25-26
El retiro provee un ambiente para crecimiento individual por medio de la oración, presentaciones conmovedoras, y reflexión. También es una oportunidad para compartir con otros parroquianos sus alegrias y desafíos de vivir una vida Cristiana en su vida familiar, en el trabajo, con amigos, y en la sociedad.

Venta de Libros
Habrá una venta de libros de Cuaresma en el vestíbulo de la iglesia después de todas las Misas, el 22 de Febrero de 2015. ¡Marquen sus calendarios y no falten!

Análisis de Enfermedades Cardiovasculares
Cada 40 segundos alguien en los Estados Unidos sufre un ataque cerebral y cada 20 segundos un ataque cardíaco
El miércoles 18 de Febrero esta sábado 21 de febrero, Stroke Scan, Inc. realizará exámenes de ultrasonido cardiovasculares en la iglesia St. Mark. Los técnicos examinarán cuatro áreas del cuerpo: El primer análisis será de las arterias carótidas del cuello en busca de placas de grasa, lo cual es la causa principal de un de derrame cerebral. ¡El 80% de los derrames son prevenibles! El segundo análisis será del abdomen en busca de aneurismas. Esta enfermedad es conocida como el "asesino silencioso" porque no presenta síntomas reconocibles. ¡Esta condición es 95% fatal! El tercer análisis es un electrocardiograma del corazón para buscar la fibrilación auricular (ritmo cardíaco), que es una condición que causa que el corazón bombee la sangre ineffectivamente y aumenta el riesgo de accidente. El cuarto análisis será para medir el índice de enfermedad vascular periférica.
Stroke Scan, Inc. ofrecerá los análisis por $45 cada uno (o $125 por los 4 análisis). Si usted quiere beneficiarse de estos exámenes, un representante de Stroke Scan estarán aquí en la iglesia el Sábado y Domingo 14 y 15 de Febrero para ayudarle a registrar y contestar preguntas. Llame al 1-866-935-7226 o 281-646-7766 para solicitar una cita.

El Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico
Invita a toda la comunidad de St. Mark:
A la Hora Santa
El Jueves 26 de Febrero, 2015
A las 7:00PM en la Capilla de St. Mark

En el retiro provee un ambiente para crecimiento individual por medio de la oración, presentaciones conmovedoras, y reflexión. También es una oportunidad para compartir con otros parroquianos sus alegrias y desafíos de vivir una vida Cristiana en su vida familiar, en el trabajo, con amigos, y en la sociedad.

Formación de Fe
ATENCIÓN PADRES DE FAMILIA: Su cooperación es muy apreciada
Todos los estudiantes de formación de fe deben de ser acompañados al salón de clase por sus padres y ser recogidos en el salón al terminar la clase. A ningún niño se le permitirá dejar el edificio solo.
Si tienen un hijo adolecente, joven adulto o abuelos que lo va a llevar a la clase, pídale que se presente al catequista y también avise que estará recogiendo al niño después de la clase.
No deje a su hijo en la entrada del edificio o en la banqueta, tampoco le pida a su hijo que salga del edificio solo después de la clase.
Por favor sea puntual para la clase y también para recogerlo después de clases.
Esto es muy importante para la seguridad de nuestros niños.
Gracias.

Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial
Marzo 6,7 y 8
¿Está Dios en su Matrimonio? ¿Está buscando la manera de incluir a Dios en sus vidas? Descubra como hacerlo en un fin de semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial! El Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial es un programa de 44 horas en donde las parejas pueden alejarse del trabajo, los niños, las tareas de la casa y el teléfono para enfocarse solo el uno en el otro. Si están buscando que su relación crezca, sea más profunda, y más enriquecida. Entonces les gustara la diferencia que puede hacer en ustedes un fin de Semana del Encuentro matrimonial Mundial. Para mas información contacten a Sandra y Juan Salazar al 469-386-2439 o Regina y Gilberto Aguilar 214-957-1183.

Peregrinaje de Cuaresma
ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION / FORMACION DE FE: 972-423-4715

ATTENTION PARENTS:
Your Cooperation is Greatly Appreciated

All elementary faith formation students must be accompanied by a parent to their classrooms and picked up at their classrooms at the end of class. No child will be allowed to leave the building alone.

If you have a teenager, young adult or grandparent that will be bringing and picking up from faith formation — they will need to introduce themselves to the catechist.

Do not drop your child at the curb or ask your child to meet you outside the building at the end of class.

Be on time for class and be on time to pick up after class. This is very important for the safety of the children. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus Garage Sale
March 20/21

If you have any clothing, furniture, children’s toys, household items, special treasures that you no longer need, please donate them to the K of C Assembly’s Garage Sale. (Sorry, computer, monitor or printer equipment, old televisions (non-flat screen), entertainment centers or exercise equipment cannot be accepted.) We will be accepting donations Monday, March 16 through Thursday, March 19 from 1 to 7PM each day at the Love Truck building in the west parking lot of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish located on Spring Creek just east of Independence Parkway. For questions or pick-up assistance, contact Keith Rock (972-423-1709). The Sale will be Friday, March 20 from Noon to 7PM and on Saturday, March 21 from 7AM to 2PM in the West Parking Lot at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
March 6 and March 27

The Knights of Columbus will again be holding two more fish fries this year during Lent. We will also continue to distribute $1 off reusable coupons for the Fish Fries after all Masses on February 28/March 1 and March 21/22. The second of our famous fish fries, prepared by the members of our Council, is Friday, March 6. Please Note: For your convenience, we have CHANGED THE HOURS FOR THE FISH FRIES to begin at 5PM and end at 7:15PM.

We are continuing our “All You Can Eat” buffet format this year. Take-out meals will also be available. Prices without a coupon are $8.00 for those 13 and older; $5.00 for children 6 to 12 and children younger than 6 are free. The menu includes Catfish Fillets (Fried and Baked), Corn, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies, Desserts, Coffee, Tea, Punch, Milk and Cheese Pizza for the children. Profits will continue to go to the St. Mark Youth Ministry, Fr. Cliff’s Special Projects and other charities we support.

Youth & Young Adult Ministries
Ministerio de Jóvenes y Jóvenes adultos

972-578-9583
mmquaid@stmarkplano.org
stmarkplanoymouth.org

New Office Hours:
Mon.-Thurs. 9AM-4PM
Fri. 9AM-12PM.

Open Youth House
Every Tuesday 5-7PM

Come join Catholic Young Adults ages 18-30, in prayer and fellowship. We meet Friday Nights at the Youth House located behind the church. Evenings start with an introduction to Lectio Divina and prayer from 7-8:30PM followed by fellowship.

Parish Library
Mon-Thurs 9AM-12PM
Book Drop in Library door is open 24/7

Books for Lent: The Way of Love: Following Christ through Lent by Brother Ramon
Pilgrim in Lent by Donal Neary
For children: Celebrating Lent by Jude Winkler, O.F.M.

Many thanks to our Bulletin Sponsors!
If you’re interested in advertising your business in our bulletin contact Bill at straitbill@yahoo.com or 972-743-3864.
The Templeton Family Technology Challenge

2014-15 is the “Year of Technology” at St. Mark Catholic School.

It is our goal to equip each St. Mark Catholic School classroom with state-of-the-art technology to enhance curriculum and learning tools.

Thanks to generous support at our recent Mardi Gras Dinner & Auction, encouraging headway has been made towards funding the purchase of student iPads and iPad carts. With this momentum, we approached one of our alumni families, the Templetons, for help in reaching our goal.

It is in this spirit that Mary and Richard Templeton have provided the The Templeton Family Technology Challenge Grant. They challenge all of us to make a donation to the St. Mark Catholic School Technology Fund before April 6, 2015, and they will match it 100%. The Templetons have committed matching funds of $100,000 for this challenge. With the proceeds from the auction, your help, and the Templeton Challenge, we are committed to achieving our total technology fund goal. For those of you with a company match program, those funds will also be matched 100%. It’s a wonderful way to leverage a $1,000 donation into a $3,000 donation!

The Templeton family is passionate about education, and they know the important role that technology will play in the lives of today’s students. It is their goal that all St. Mark students have access to the technology they need to take that education to the next level.

Please join their challenge, and make your donation go further so that St. Mark students can go further!

To make a donation, simply visit www.stmcs.net/templeton-technology-challenge. St. Mark Catholic School is a qualified 501(c)(3) organization. All donations are 100% tax deductible.

You are cordially invited to our

Lenten Evening

Brought to you by the St. Mark Home Study Faith Formation Support Group

Thursday, March 5 from 6:30-8 PM
Great Room, St. Mark Parish Center

Bring your children and grandchildren and join your parish family for activities centered on the Season of Lent; a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

The evening will include rosary making, service projects, crafts, and preparing a simple meal of bean soup.

Help your family learn more about this season of the church year. Please contact Peggy Theis at 972-423-4715 or ptheis@stmarkplano.org if you plan to attend.

RSVP by March 2
In addition to our regular reconciliation times, the following dates and times will be offered during Lent for you and your family.

**Parish Penance Evenings**
6:30 – 8 PM
Tuesday, March 3
Thursday, March 5
Tuesday, March 10
Thursday, March 12
Tuesday, March 17
Thursday, March 19
Tuesday, March 24
Thursday, March 26
Monday, March 30
Tuesday, March 31

6:30-9 PM
Wednesday, April 1

**FISH FRY** 5 – 7:15 PM
Cafetorium
Dine in or take out available
Friday, March 6 and 27

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Each Friday during Lent at 4:30 PM
Stations, all are welcome, especially for families with children, 6:30 PM in English and at 7:30 PM in Spanish.

**LAWS OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE:** Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all who have celebrated their 18th birthday and have not yet celebrated their sixtieth birthday, unless directed differently by a physician. Abstinence from meat is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and ALL Fridays of Lent by all having celebrated their 14th birthday.

The Church encourages us to make confession a regular part of our spiritual life, especially during the holy season of Lent, as we reflect on our baptism and repentance. Bishop Kevin J. Farrell is helping to make this experience possible by arranging for a Lenten initiative called The Light Is ON For You. On March 25th and April 1st, all parishes in the Catholic Diocese of Dallas will have their "lights on" for confession and quiet prayer so that Catholics can come to or return to this incredible source of God’s grace, mercy and healing.

"Don't be afraid of Confession. When you go into a confessional, you have so many emotions, including shame. But afterwards you feel free, great, beautiful and forgiven ... Each one of you should ask yourselves: When was the last time I went to Confession? If a lot of time has passed, then don't let another day go by. Go forward." — Pope Francis, February 19, 2014
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**St Mark Golden Treasurers**  
**Saturday, February 28 at 6:30 PM**  
St Mark Golden Treasurers will have our February Potluck Dinner on Saturday, February 28 at 6:30PM following the 5:30PM Mass in the COMMUNITY CENTER #101. Drop off your side dish or dessert to share in the Community Room #101 between 5 and 5:30PM before Mass if you like. We look forward to seeing everyone on the 28th. All 50 plus seniors are welcome. Call if you have any questions. Please RSVP to Candy Butcher, 214-563-6823 or mcb butcher@yahoo.com.

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**Women of St. Mark Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 24, 7–9PM in McGivney Hall**

February 24 from 7 to 9 PM in McGivney Hall. Our guest presenter will be Eunice Cheshire. Her presentation on Lent will help us explore what we can do to make our Lenten practice more meaningful and whether we are called to do more in this Holy Season, or, perhaps less. A short business meeting will follow. All women of the parish are invited to attend, and bring a friend! Looking ahead to the next two months, March will be a craft night. Mark your calendars now for our Annual Tea Time with Friends on Tuesday evening, April 28th.

For more information, please contact Dorette Putonti at 972-898-0421, or email me at d_putonti@hotmail.com. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, February 24th.

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**40 Days For Life McKinney**  
**St. Mark the Evangelist’s Catholic Church day is Tuesday, Feb. 24**

Please sign up for a one hour shift to pray to close Planned Parenthood and end abortion. Two people are needed per shift from 7:00AM-7:00PM. 40 Days will be held on the sidewalk in front of McKinney Planned Parenthood, NE corner of El Dorado Pkwy and Medical Center Blvd. Park at Albertson’s across the street. To sign up for a shift, contact joannmurray@verizon.net, 214-228-7504

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**Lenten Prayer Opportunity**

Pray Evening prayer in the chapel  
Choose to pray one or more times per week; from 6:30-6:50 PM. Monday–Thursday. This is a prayer which is prayed by religious, clergy, and lay people around the world. It includes hymns, psalms, readings, and intercessions.

Praying the evening prayer is especially recommended for lay people. This celebration gives praise to God and is an important liturgical celebration in the church. This prayer, prayed with other members of St. Mark, would give a nice structure to your Lenten devotion. We provide books and instructions.

Instructions will be given at 6 PM on Monday February 23 and Thursday February 26 to introduce you to format and flow. Questions? Call Kathy Keenan 972-596-8550 or email kukeenan@verizon.net

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**ARE AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**Catholic Night at the Mavs Game**  
Excitement is building about the second annual Catholic Night at the Mavs for the Diocese of Dallas on **Saturday, February 28 at 7:30PM**. For any questions or to place a phone order, please contact Matt Fontana at (214) 658-7609 or Matt.Fontana@dallasmavs.com.

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**Items Needed for the Christ Child Luncheon Gift Market, benefiting pro life ministries**

- Ribbon, trim, yarn and fabric
- Religious items, new, vintage, or in need of repair: pictures, statues, rosaries, medals, scapulars, crosses, books & booklets, CDs, DVDs, holy cards
- Baskets
- Items for baskets: baking, bath & grooming, arts & crafts, sports, men’s items, Texas, western & barbecue items, gardening etc.
- Items of interest for children: new or looks new dolls & doll clothes, religious or Christmas books, vintage toys
- Christmas items: new candles, new and used cards and decorations
- Items of special interest or value for the Silent Auction: art, tableware, home decor, collections, silver, crystal, sports items etc.
- Gift certificates or gift cards
- We especially need some items for men, boys & children

A collection box is in the Usher’s Room for donations, marked Pro Life Christ Child Donations

For information, please contact JoAnn Murray, 214-228-7504, joannmurray@verizon.net

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**Eucharistic Adoration**

At St. Mark we have 24-hour Adoration each Friday starting at 9AM and ending before 8:30AM mass on Saturday. There are also 2 hours of silent Adoration on Tuesdays from 7-9PM. Please join us.

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**Is God calling you to bring Holy Communion to family, sick friends or brothers & sisters in Christ?**  
Come to Communion Ministers training class on Sat., May 21 at 9:15AM in the church. Any questions, call Mary Jane 972-664-0188.
E-Contribute Online Giving

Start today by following these 3 easy steps:

1. Go to www.stmarkparish.org
2. Set up your account.
3. Choose payment option and customize your donation.

This feature allows you to make a one-time donation, initiate a new recurring donation or increase your current amount.

We appreciate your generosity!