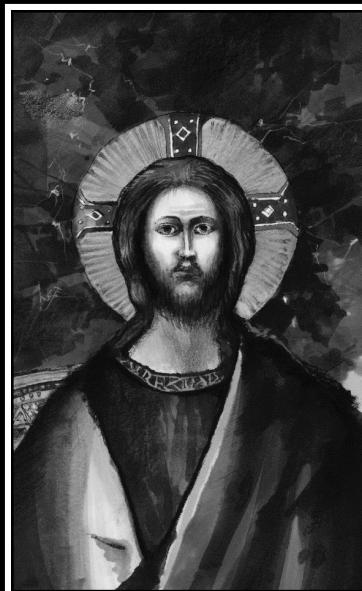


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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm
 Closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Sunday Masses: Saturday (Vigil) 5:30 pm
 Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am
 12 noon (Spanish) & 5:30 pm

Daily Masses: Monday - Saturday 8:00 am

Holy Day Masses: 8:00am, 12:15pm &
 and 7:00pm (Bilingual)

Eucharistic Adoration : First Monday of the month
 8:30am to 8:30pm

Confessions: Saturday 4:30 - 5:15 pm

Baptism: 3rd weekend of each month.
 Contact 821-5058

Marriage: 6 months notice is required.
 Contact 821-5058 for an appointment.

Anointing of The Sick: Sacrament for the sick is
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FROM OUR PASTOR

Pastor's Corner

As always, welcome to St. Mark's on this Thanksgiving Weekend. Just a few days ago our country paused to say thank you to our loving and generous God. I hope that you had an opportunity to gather with family and friends. I would like to share this cute but poignant reflection.

Around the Table

"On Thanksgiving a family was seated around their table, looking at the annual holiday bird. From the oldest to the youngest, they were to express their praise. When they came to the 5-year-old in the family, he began by looking at the turkey and expressing his thanks to the turkey, saying although he had not tasted it he knew it would be good. After that rather novel expression of thanksgiving, he began with a more predictable line of credits, thanking his mother for cooking the turkey and his father for buying the turkey. But then he went beyond that. He joined together a whole hidden multitude of benefactors, linking them with cause and effect.

He said, "I thank you for the checker at the grocery store who checked out the turkey. I thank you for the grocery store people who put it on the shelf. I thank you for the farmer who made it fat. I thank you for the man who made the feed. I thank you for those who brought the turkey to the store."

Using his Detective Columbo-like little mind, he traced the turkey all the way from its origin to his plate. And then at the end he solemnly said "Did I leave anybody out?"

His 3-year-old brother, embarrassed by all those proceedings, said, "God." Solemnly and without being flustered at all, the 5-year-old said, "I was about to get to him."

Well, isn't that the question about which we ought to think about at Thanksgiving? Are we really going to get to him this Thanksgiving? I hope that you did, if not, it is not too late!"

Next Weekend we will begin the new Liturgical Year and the beginning of the Season of Advent. It was a year ago that the new Roman Missal was introduced to all the English speaking countries of the world. I shared with you over several weeks special information inserts in our Sunday bulletins. I discussed the changes at our Sunday Masses. To help in the transition period St. Mark's provided a special Mass card with all the changes and responses of the congregation. Overall you, our community, has done very well. There are still a few that forget the changes from time to time but I have confidence that eventually all will be well. The special Mass cards were never intended to remain in the pews as long as they have. On the 1st Sunday of Advent they will have been removed from the church. All the responses are found in the missalettes. As you did before, if you are in need of a written copy of your responses then please refer to the missalette after the cards have been removed. Once again it will take a little readjustment and practice but I have confidence that our community can be successful.

Save the date. Our Advent Penance Service, with additional visiting priests from nearby parishes helping with confessions, is scheduled for Monday, December 10, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.. Please join us for this special evening of reconciliation.

Father Michael Rocha

La Esquina del Párroco

Como siempre, bienvenidos a San Marcos este fin de semana de Acción de Gracias. Hace unos días nuestro país hizo una pausa para dar gracias a nuestro Dios amoroso y generoso. Espero que hayan tenido la oportunidad de reunirse con su familia y amigos. Me gustaría compartir con ustedes esta linda y conmovedora reflexión.

Alrededor de la Mesa

"Una familia estaba sentada alrededor de su mesa, mirando el pavo de la fiesta de Acción de Gracias. Desde los más viejos hasta los más jóvenes, comenzaron a expresar sus alabanzas. Cuando llego al niño de 5 años de edad, comenzó a mirar el pavo y comenzó a darle gracias al pavo diciendo que aunque el todavía no lo había probado sabía que estaba bueno. Después de esta expresión de acción de gracias, comenzó con una línea más predecible de créditos, agradeciendo a su madre por cocinar el pavo y a su padre por comprar el pavo. Pero luego fue más allá. Se unió a una multitud de benefactores conectándolos con la causa y efecto.

El dijo: "Agradezco por el cajero de la tienda de comestibles. Muchas gracias a la gente de la tienda de comestibles porque lo pusieron en el estante. Muchas gracias al agricultor que lo engordo. Agradezco al hombre que hizo el alimento. Le agradezco a quienes trajeron el pavo a la tienda."

Usando su pequeña mente de Detective Columbo, el remonta el pavo desde su origen hasta el plato. Y luego al final dijo solemnemente "¿Me olvide de alguno?"

Su hermano menor de 3 años, avergonzado por esos procedimientos, dijo, "Dios". Solemnemente y sin confundirse dijo, "estaba a punto de llegar a él."

¿Bueno, no es esto lo que deberíamos pensar el Día de acción de Gracias? Espero que lo hayas hecho, si no, no es tarde.

El próximo fin de semana vamos a empezar el nuevo Año Litúrgico y el comienzo de la Temporada de Adviento. Hace un año que se introdujo el nuevo Misal Romano en todos los países de habla inglesa. Durante varias semanas compartí con ustedes la información sobre los cambios poniendo unas hojas con la información en el boletín. Del domingo... Hable de los cambios en nuestras Misas del domingo. Para ayudar con la transición proporcione, durante varias semanas, una tarjeta especial en la Misa con todos los cambios y las respuestas de la congregación. En general ustedes, nuestra comunidad, han hecho muy bien. Hay todavía algunos que de vez en cuando olvidan los cambios, pero tengo confianza que finalmente todo irá bien. Las tarjetas especiales para la Misa no estaban destinadas a permanecer en las bancas por mucho tiempo. El primer Domingo de Adviento se van a sacar de la iglesia. Todas las respuestas se encuentran en los misales. Después que se saquen las hojas si necesitan una copia escrita de las respuestas, por favor refiéranse a los misales. Una vez más les digo que esto va a tomar un poco de práctica y reajuste pero tengo confianza en que nuestra comunidad va a tener éxito.

Guarden esta fecha Nuestro Servicio Penitencial de Adviento, con sacerdotes adicionales de parroquias cercanas que ayudaran con las confesiones, está programado para el lunes 10 de diciembre de 2012, a las 7.00pm. Por favor únase a nosotros en esta noche especial de reconciliación.

Padre Michael Rocha

SPIRITUAL LIFE



PROCESION GUADALUPANA 2012

La Procesión anual de arquidiócesis en honor de la celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe será el proximo domingo 2 de diciembre en el estado del colegio del Este de Los Angeles. La Sociedad Guadalupano de San Marcos tendrá un autobús para ir a esta bonita celebración. El precio por adulto es de \$5.00 y \$3.00 por niños mayores de 5 años. Familias con mas de tres niños se les dará descuento. Se les suplica que paguen por adelantado para garantizar su reservación. El autobús saldrá a las 9:00am de enfrente de la escuela y regresara aproximadamente a las 4:00pm. Se les sugiere que lleven su lonche, rosarios, banderas, y trajes típicos de sus regiones o países tanto adultos como niños.

Para mas información y reservaciones llamar a:
 Josefina Ramirez (310)578-6499
 Isaías Flores (310)391-5058
 Ofelia González (310)306-8768

GUADALUPANA PROCESSION 2012

The Guadalupe Society of Saint Mark will have a bus for the annual Archdiocesan Procession in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This beautiful celebration will be held next Sunday, December 2nd at the stadium of the East Los Angeles College. The cost is \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 for children over 5 years old. Families with more than three children will get a special discount. You must pay in advance to hold your reservation. The bus will leave at 9:00am in front of the school and will return approximately at 4:30pm. Please arrive early and bring your lunch, rosaries, flags and native or regional attire from your country both adults and children.

For more information call:
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SPIRITUAL LIFE

LEGION OF MARY

Are you striving towards holiness and spiritual growth? The Legion of Mary can show you how. Come and join us on Tuesday's at 7:00pm in the school. For more information please call: Lorene Ross at 310-306-2796

COMMUNION AND LIBERATION

Communion and Liberation meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm for School of Community in the Parish Hall. School of Community is an opportunity to help judge our lives according to the encounter that begins with Christ. All are welcome! For more information please contact T.J. Berden at: tberden@gmail.com

VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you or anyone you know is in need of receiving the sacrament of the anointing of the sick or is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion please call the rectory to schedule at 310-821-5058.

TOGETHER IN MISSION 2012

Once again our community has responded positively to assisting inner city parishes and schools in the Archdiocese. We have reached our goal in pledges (pledges still need to be paid off).

Parish Goal:	\$57,500.35
Amount Pledged:	\$58,619.70
Amount Paid:	\$53,980.35

Difference Over/Under Goal vs. Amount Paid:	\$3,520.00
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28
Friday:	Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
Saturday:	Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Apo 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lc 21:1-4
Martes:	Apo 14:14-19; Lc 21:5-11
Miércoles:	Apo 15:1-4; Lc 21:12-19
Jueves:	Apo 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Lc 21:20-28
Viernes:	Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
Sábado:	Apo 22:1-7; Lc 21:34-36
Domingo:	Jer 33:14-16; Sal 25 (24); 1 Tes 3:12 — 4:2; Lc 21:25-28, 34-36

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ADVENT EVENING

The Adult Formation team invites parishioners to an Advent evening of prayer and reflection on Thursday December 6 at 6:30pm in the school. Mark your calendars and make this evening part of your Advent preparation.

CONCERN AMERICA HANDCRAFTS

Plan to do some Christmas shopping next Sunday Dec. 2 after the morning masses at the Concern America sale on the church patio. These items, designed and handmade by refugees and very poor people around the world, make beautiful Christmas gifts. Concern America is an international development and refugee aid organization. Members of the St Mark RCIA candidates and team will help you with your purchases.

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

Preparation for adults who wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin on January 12. Registration is required. Please call (310) 822-1201 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for Grades 1-6 resume next Sat. Dec. 1 at 9am. Children's Liturgy and Early Childhood will return on Sun. Dec. 2 at 9am.




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This Week at St. Mark's Nov. 26 - Dec. 2, 2012

- Mon. Meditation & Gentle Stretching 6:30pm - School
Please Call to Reserve (310)822-1201
Bible Study 7:00pm - School
Spanish Leaders 7:00pm - School
- Tues. Communion and Liberation 7:00pm - Hall
Legion of Mary Eng & Sp 7:00pm - School
Jr Hi RE 6:30 PM - School
- Wed. Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm - Church
RCIA Inquiry 7:00pm - RE Office
- Thurs. Spanish Youth Group 7:00pm - Hall
Spanish Prayer Group 7:00pm - Church
- Fri. 8:00am Mass
- Sat. RE Classes for Grades 1-6 9:00am
- Sun. 1st Sunday of Advent
Children's Liturgy 9:00am
Early Childhood 9:00am


Mass Schedule

Sat, Dec 1	5:30pm	Fr. Michael
Sun, Dec 2	7:30am	Fr. Felix
	9:00am	Fr. Michael
	10:30am	Fr. Francisco
	12:00pm	Fr. Francisco
	5:30pm	Fr. Michael


MASS INTENTIONS

Nov 24	5:30pm	Patricia N. Compean †
Nov 25	7:30am	All Souls
	9:00am	Frank Family †
	10:30am	People of the Parish
	12:00pm	Trinidad Cristobal †
	5:30pm	Power House of Prayer
Nov 26	8:00am	All Souls
Nov 27	8:00am	All Souls
Nov 28	8:00am	All Souls
Nov 29	8:00am	All Souls
Nov 30	8:00am	All Souls
Dec 1	8:00am	Q.J. Jacobs & Family †

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).
Psalm — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).
Second Reading — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).
Gospel — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Cuando uno, como el Hijo del Hombre se dirigió hacia el anciano y fue llevado a su presencia, recibió el dominio eterno (Daniel 7:13-14).
Salmo — Señor, tu eres nuestro rey (Salmo 93 [92]).
Segunda lectura — La gloria y el poder sean dados a Jesucristo, el Señor de toda la tierra (Apocalipsis 1:5-8).
Evangelio — Jesús como Rey, vino a ser testigo de la verdad. (Juan 18:33b-37).

SAFE GUARD THE CHILDREN

Keep holiday parties safe for children

Wine, cocktails and spiked eggnog may make your holidays festive, but they're no party for young children. Children often accidentally drink alcohol after holiday parties, by sampling partially empty glasses and what's left in the punch bowl. Ingesting as little as 3 ounces of hard liquor potentially can be fatal to a child weighing 25 pounds. Alcohol causes blood sugar levels to drop, which can lead to confusion, seizures or even comas. Clear away all glasses and other alcoholic containers immediately as soon as guests leave after your holiday party. Keep the poison control center phone number programmed in your phone and posted on your refrigerator: 1-800-222-1222.

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650 or Helene Hickey at 310-821-6612.

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Mantenga las fiestas navideñas seguras para los niños

Vino, cócteles, o rompopo con vino pueden hacer que su temporada navideña sea más festiva, pero no para los niños. A menudo, los niños accidentalmente beber alcohol después de las fiestas, tomando de vasos parcialmente vacíos y lo que queda en el tazón de ponche. La ingestión de tan solo 3 onzas de licor fuerte puede ser potencialmente fatal para un niño que pesa 25 libras. El alcohol hace que bajen los niveles de azúcar en la sangre, lo cual puede llevar a confusión, convulsiones e incluso coma. Limpie todos los vasos y otros recipientes que contengan alcohol inmediatamente después de que se termine su fiesta. Tenga el número de teléfono del centro de control de intoxicaciones programado en su teléfono y mantenga el número a la mano en la puerta de su refrigerador: 1-800-222-1222.

Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al 213-637-7650 o llame a Helene Hickey 310-821-6612.



ST. MARK SCHOOL



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CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Please help support your parish school!
We are selling Christmas trees fresh off the farm as well as wreaths and centerpieces.

A school representative will be outside to take your order after all morning masses this Sunday, November 25th.

You can also order online at www.PremierHolidayFundraiser.com

All orders are due by Monday, November 26th.

Pick-up will be at the school on Saturday, December 8th.

If you have any questions please call St. Mark School at 310-821-6612.

Thank you so much for all your support!
Have a wonderful week.

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Saint Mark School

◆*Educating Children in the Way, the Truth, and the Life*◆
Kindergarten through Grade 8

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