



ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL
WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET

WEEKLY SCHOOL BULLETIN February 21, 2020



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BOOTS
and
Ballgowns

February 29, 2020

Southfork Ranch
Oil Barron's Ballroom
6pm-Midnight

BUY TICKETS NOW
<https://one.bidpal.net/stmarkauction2020>

*Let's dine and dance
like the Exotic
LIVE MUSIC
Plated Dinner
Large Casino, 1
Booth and much
more!*



Let's party like the Ewings while raising funds for the new rosary garden and the school technology fund. Join us for the only school-wide fundraiser of the year!

Tables are filling up fast, especially if you want to sit with friends! [Click here for tickets.](#)

Wondering what to wear? [Click here for suggestions.](#)



"OH JESUS, HELP ME BEGIN THIS PENITENTIAL SEASON WITH A CONTRITE HEART. MAY ALL THAT I DO BE DONE OUT OF PURE LOVE FOR YOU AND MY NEIGHBOR."

Prayer & Sainly Quote of the Week:

As We Prepare for the Season of



"YOU CAN ADVANCE FARTHER IN GRACE IN ONE HOUR DURING THIS TIME OF AFFLICTION THAN IN MANY DAYS DURING A TIME OF CONSOLATION." -ST. JOHN EUDES

Prayer for the 2019-20 School Year

Lord, help us to come together as a community to support one another, encourage one another and show each other kindness. Amen.

St. Mark Mantra

Every day we treat others as we would treat Jesus Christ, with all our heart, mind and soul.

REMINDERS

Today, Friday, February 21:



A National School of

-2nd grade received the Vocations Chalice at All School Mass today and will be praying for vocations during the upcoming week.

-K-5 Career Day

-Deadline for 2020-21 New Student Applications

Tuesday, February 25:

-ECE Mardi Gras Parade

Wednesday, February 26:

-8:30 AM, Church: Ash Wednesday Mass. All are welcome.

-Spread the Love Project

Thursday, February 27:

-7:30 AM: School Advisory Council Meeting

-8:00 AM, Cafetorium: Confirmation/Graduation Parent Meeting

Friday, February 28:

-8:30 AM, Church: All School Mass presented by 2nd grade. All are welcome.

Saturday, February 29:

-33rd Annual Auction & Gala (details above)

AUTHOR VISIT



St. Mark is pleased to announce that author, Dan Gemeinhart, will visit our 3rd-8th graders at the school on April 1. He is happy to sign his books for any interested students. Books will not be for sale on the day of his

visit. **Students wanting a signed book will need to buy one in advance.** We have worked out a special price with our local Barnes & Noble store. Students who wish to buy a book must return the [order form](#) with payment by Monday, March 4 to Mrs. Hughes. Please make checks payable to "St. Mark Catholic School."

Excellence



Named 1 of the top 3 Catholic schools in the nation for technology integration

CAMPUS SAFETY UPDATE



As part of St. Mark's ongoing safety program, the school conducts emergency drills on a monthly basis. On Thursday, students and staff participated in a lock-down drill. The drill was completed quickly and efficiently, and without incident.

2020 PARENT SURVEY



The [Dallas Catholic Schools](#)

[2020 Survey](#) was sent to each family via email on Wednesday. **We need everyone to respond by the March 6 deadline** so your input can be used in future planning efforts. Please take a moment to submit your feedback.

CATHOLIC MATH LEAGUE

MOTHER-SON DANCE

WE ARE GOING to HAVE a BALL!

3rd Annual Mother/Son Dance

Friday, March 20, 2020 6:30-8pm
St. Mark Catholic School Cafeteria
Dinner, Dessert, Photos, Live DJ, and Games!
Come dressed as your favorite sports team or in comfy clothes!
\$30 per couple/\$40 extra per child/\$40 family Max
Door Prizes & Dance Contest! RSVP by March 17th- Tiffany Duncan tduncan34@yahoo.com
Paypal: paypal.me/TDuncan1974 please leave details in comments

RSVP by March 17th
Sponsored by St. Mark Girl Scout Troop 6585
*proceeds to benefit Silver Service Project.

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Please RSVP by March 17 to tduncan34@yahoo.com.

IMPACT TESTING

ImPACT
BASELINE TEST

Attention Catholic Math League

Participants: The last testing date is Wednesday, March 4. On the test date, qualified participants will enter through the Cafetorium between 6:45 and 6:55 AM. Testing starts at 7:00 AM. No students will be admitted after 7:00 AM. Only students taking the test will be admitted. Thank you for your support.

AROUND THE PARISH



Saturday, February 22, 2020
St. Mark Cafetorium

6:00 PM Doors Open/Registration
7:00 PM Bingo Starts
Must be 21 years old.

\$25 pre-register online
at www.squareup.com/store/6065
OR \$30 at the door

GRAND PRIZE: \$600 GIFT CARD

Proceeds benefit Pro-Life Charities
and other K of C projects

Bring new baby shower gifts for
ONE FREE additional bingo card for
Grand Prize.



Service Opportunity for Students in
Grades 6-8

St. Mark is currently offering ImPACT concussion baseline testing for our students ages 11 & up. We *strongly encourage* every student athlete to take this important health screening. If interested, you can sign up [here](#). **NOTE: If your student has already taken the test within the last two years, their test is still good and they do NOT have to retake it.** Feel free to contact our school nurses for more information.

PYTHON PROGRAMMING CLASS

Middle School

Parents: School parent, Mr. Cantu, will be offering a class in Python programming on Fridays from 3:30-4:30 PM in Mr.

Sedge's computer lab beginning March 20. If your middle school student is interested, please send an email to [Mrs. Benavides](#) or to [Mr. Cantu](#).



ASP WORKER NEEDED

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

The After School Program is hiring for the 3rd/4th grade class. The hours are Monday-Friday, 3:00-6:00 PM. The pay is \$15 per hour. Responsibilities include clocking students in via an

iPad and supervision of students during snack, homework, and free play. Must be [Safe Environment trained](#). If interested, please contact Sarah Peralta at sarah.peralta@stmcs.net.

REFERRAL REWARDS

WHAT: Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry
(help serve food, beverages, and clean tables)

WHEN: Friday, 2/28/20; Friday, 3/13/20; or Friday 3/27/20

TIME: 5:00-7:00 PM

WHERE: St. Mark Cafetorium

INFO. & SIGN UP: [Click here](#).

AROUND THE DIOCESE



HOLY TRINITY SEMINARY

HTS invites you to public mass. Each mass is followed by a reception hosted by the local Serran clubs where you can get to know the HTS seminarians.

Upcoming Mass Date: 2/23/20

Time: 9:15 AM

Location: 3131 Vince Hagan Drive, Irving, TX

HIGH SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES



Attention 8th graders: John Paul II High School will hold a parent and student Cheerleading

information meeting on Tuesday, March 17 from 6:30-7:30 PM. Tryout

The 2020-21 admission season is in full swing! Do you know someone interested in a St. Mark education for their Preschool-8th grade child?



Invite them to [pre-register](#) for a school tour or an upcoming Open House. If they attend, you'll receive a \$10 gift certificate to the Lion's Den Spirit Store, and if they enroll, you could receive a [\\$500 tuition credit!](#)

2020 Open Houses:

March 24 - 8:00 AM

April 7 - 9:00 AM (PK/Kindergarten)

April 21 - 5:30 PM (PK/Kindergarten)

ST. MARK SUMMER PROGRAM



Back by popular demand, St. Mark will be hosting the "Kidventure" summer program on our campus in 2020! Dates are June 1- July 31 (you may pick and choose your weeks). **Registration is available now for ages 3 years – 5th**

grade. The cost is \$240 per week. Hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM. Pre & post camp options are available (7:00 AM-6:00 PM). For general information, see the [Kidventure flyer](#), or [click here to visit their website](#). *

NEWS FROM ATHLETICS



Congratulations to 8th graders **Lindsay K., Rosie O.** and **Cole C.** who will represent St. Mark in the

DPL Basketball All Stars Games. Games will be held on Tuesday, February 25 at 6:00 PM (Girls) and 7:30 PM (Boys) at Bishop Lynch High School. Come out and support our LIONS!

clinics are March 30-April 1 and tryouts are April 2. Questions? Email cheerleading@johnpaulihs.org.



SEEN & HEARD AROUND ST. MARK

A few scenes from this week. To learn the stories behind these photos, visit our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) pages!

Career Days:



4th Grade Basketball Champs:

Shop the Lion's Den Spirit Store for all of your spirit wear



needs! It is open every Friday morning that school is in session from 7:30- 8:15 AM in the Cafetorium. Can't make it in person? Shop online at www.stmcs.net/spirit-gear. Once an order has been submitted it will be bundled and ready for pick up on Friday. Note: Not all items available are offered online.

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



If you are interested in viewing the "Birds & Bees" video that was shown during the 3rd HSA General Meetings held last week, [please click here](#). The access code is THANKFUL. This link will be available through Saturday,

February 22.

The office of HSA President is up for election for the 2020-21 school year. If you are interested in running, please contact [Angela Coulter](#) by March 6.



HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



We are in the final stretch! The last official Box Tops submission of the school year is at the end of this month. Don't forget to download the Box Tops app and scan your receipt with eligible products within 14 days

of purchase OR gather your unexpired Box Tops from participating brands (expiration date must be visible); place in a Ziploc (which conveniently has Box Tops) or envelope; write your child's grade/teacher on it; and turn in to your child's teacher by **today, February 21**. Each Box Top submitted earns \$.10 for St. Mark. [Click here for details](#). Questions? Contact [Sharon Mattis](#) or [Melissa King](#).



Lunch With the Principal:



Ms. Centeno's Shower:





Preschool-2nd Grade Classroom Helpers

Needed: Please sign-up to help our teachers in the classroom with reading, paper pulling, and craft prep. All teachers have Sign-Up Geniuses with specific classroom needs. [Click here](#) for the Sign-Up Geniuses for each teacher on the school website. Questions? Contact [Liz Delaney](#) or [Brandy Pazora](#).



Helping Hands Committee

If you know any St. Mark families in need of help due to a birth, sickness, death, or any life event, please contact the [Helping Hands Committee](#).

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