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## St. Mark's Pig Roast

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Saturday, November 11, 2006  
5:30 - 8:00 PM

Everyone is invited -

Bring your friends and join the celebration!

Tickets, which include food and beverage, are now available:

12 and under: \$10  
over 12: \$20

Profits will be used to offset expenses for funeral receptions and Coffee Hour.

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## The making of a saint

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Why were the saints, saints? Because they were cheerful when it was difficult to be cheerful, patient when it was difficult to be patient; and because they pushed on when they wanted to stand still, and kept silent when they wanted to talk, and were agreeable when they wanted to be disagreeable. That was all.

It was quite simple, still is, and always will be.



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**The View from  
the Corner Office**

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Come, ye thankful people, come – I’m sure almost everyone recognizes this as a great hymn for Thanksgiving Day. But why just for this particular day? Why not every day?

Surely we have reason to be thankful for our lives, for our families, for our freedom and for the opportunity in some Novembers to cast ballots which, by virtue of the way we vote, indicate our pleasure or lack thereof of those seeking our OKs.

In my former life, that is, when I lived in a less moderate climate, I participated in three (3) Thanksgiving Dinners each year. One was the Annual St. Barnabas Dinner at the Church, another (also not on the specific holiday) was for the Canadian members of the Family, and celebrated at our home, often with up to 35 or so people attending, and finally, on Thanksgiving Day. By then, I was about “turkeyed” out!

I have been asked whether or not Thanksgiving is celebrated in Canada, and the answer is, “Yes!” However, it is considered as the harvest thanksgiving and its date usually coincides with Columbus Day here in the US.

Setting all of that personal stuff aside, and addressing one of my original questions (refer to the first paragraph): Why not every day?

Well, maybe we do, but we don’t attach any great significance to a brief nod in that direction. Angelus is an ancient daily time of prayer towards the end of the working day. It was the time when the church bell rang and people stopped to pray and to offer their thanks to Almighty God for His grace, mercy and love.

Followers of Islam are required to pray five times a day. I wonder how many Christians, other than those in cloistered orders, take the time to really pray even twice a day?

Now, before you get all upset about my making reference to Islam – THINK— shouldn’t we offer our thanks more than the formal observance in November, perhaps by setting part of each day to reflect upon God’s gracious Spirit in our lives!

I believe we lost something of value when the current Prayer Book omitted the Offices of Instruction. For example, the following, “What is your bounden duty as a member of the Church? My bounden duty is to follow Christ, to worship God every Sunday in his Church; and to work and pray and give for the spread of his kingdom.” Within this context we are not told it would be “nice” to pray, rather, it is our “bounden duty”. Let me encourage you to give thanks in your daily prayers.

Happy Thanksgiving! AND, may God grant you and your loved ones his never-ending peace which is beyond our understanding.

PAX,

Fr. Jerry+

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**Four things**

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Four things a man must learn to do  
If he would make his record true:  
To think without confusion clearly;  
To love his fellow-men sincerely;  
To act from honest motives purely;  
To trust in God and heaven securely.

—Henry Van Dyke



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**Academy  
Book Fair**

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St. Mark's Academy will have their annual Book Fair November 5 - 9, 2006 in Thursby Hall. There will be a special preview for parishioners Sunday, November 5 during Coffee Hours. The Book Fair hours are 8:30 – 11:00 AM, Monday –Thursday. Questions? Vicki Baughan, 403-4079.

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**Salvation Army  
needs our help**

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Do you have a couple of hours or even an hour to help the Salvation Army?

On Saturday, December 2, from 10 AM – 8 PM we need help ringing the bell in front of the Publix at the corner of 520 and Courtenay Parkway. Call Clarice Costello, 799-2149, if you are willing to help for an hour or two.

On Saturday, December 9, people are needed to sit at the Angel Tree in the Merritt Island Mall, outside Penney's, across from Santa. Call Sally Harmon, 783-3763 if you can help.

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**Home  
Communion**

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If you or a member of your family would like to receive home communion, please call the church office, 636-3781, or send an email to [info@stmarkscocoa.org](mailto:info@stmarkscocoa.org) and let us know.

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**Living Will  
information  
available**

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Copies of a Living Will form, with instructions, are available on the table in the hallway leading to Thursby Hall (under the Last Supper stained glass window). The form is also available as a PDF file at St. Mark's website: [www.stmarkscocoa.org](http://www.stmarkscocoa.org)

Attorney Scott Mason Baughan has provided these forms and would be happy to meet with individuals who have further questions. He will be available at the Pig Roast (November 11, 2006). Please contact Beverly Jones, Parish Life Coordinator, 639-7104, if you would like to meet with Attorney Baughan.

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**Upcoming at  
Canterbury  
Retreat and  
Conference  
Center**

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**Silent Retreat**

“Listening to Silence, Writing Toward God”

November 10-11, 2006

The retreat leader, Gerald Schiffhorst, believes that focusing on silence and solitude can help us learn to listen more deeply to the voice of God within us and to sense the presence of God in the world around us. He shares with Thomas Merton and many other writers the conviction that writing a spiritual journal opens up a space for prayer.

For additional information or to register contact  
Jeannette Smith at [jsmith@canterburyretreat.org](mailto:jsmith@canterburyretreat.org) or 407-365-5571.



## Schedules

November 5 Sunday After All Saints'	November 12 Pentecost XXIII	November 19 Pentecost XXIV	November 26 Last Pentecost: Christ the King	December 3 Advent I	December 10 Advent II
<b>LAY READERS</b> 8:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers D Bisbey Jay Lector, Lesson 1 D Bisbey Lector, Lesson 2 Smith  10:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers L Clark W Clark Lector, Lesson 1 L Clark Lector, Lesson Acolyte PC	8:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Jay D Bisbey Lector, Lesson 1 Jay Lector, Lesson 2 McLeveighn  10:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Gibson Schorr Lector, Lesson 1 Gibson Lector, Lesson Acolyte PC	8:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers J Bisbey Blakeslee Lector, Lesson 1 J Bisbey Lector, Lesson 2 Norman  10:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Kinast Jones Lector, Lesson 1 Kinast Lector, Lesson Acolyte PC	8:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Borger Roth Lector, Lesson 1 Borger Lector, Lesson 2 Pekar  10:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Anstey Meers Lector, Lesson 1 Anstey Lector, Lesson Acolyte PC	8:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Wright Blakeslee Lector, Lesson 1 Wright Lector, Lesson 2 Shaffer  10:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers Hickman Schorr Lector, Lesson 1 Hickman Lector, Lesson Acolyte PC	8:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers  Lector, Lesson 1  Lector, Lesson 2  10:00 AM Lay Eucharistic Ministers  Lector, Lesson 1  Lector, Lesson Acolyte PC
<b>Home Eucharist</b>  D Bisbey  Kight Perdue	Baldwin Kinast	Roth Spearman  Anstey Hickman	Clark Jones	Costello Harmon	D Bisbey  Kight Perdue
<b>Order of St. Luke the Physician</b>  10:00 AM Johnson	10:00 AM Weltz	10:00 AM Baldwin	10:00 AM Harmon	10:00 AM Johnson	10:00 AM Weltz
<b>Ushers</b> 8:00 AM Davis Pekar  10:00 AM Herring Don Williams	8:00 AM Knodels  10:00 AM Anstey Dewey	8:00 AM Pekar Weller  10:00 AM D & S Williams	8:00 AM Duff Keehn  10:00 AM C Johnson P Johnson	8:00 AM Bisbeys  10:00 AM Herring Treffer	8:00 AM Davis Pekar  10:00 AM Myrons

\*\*\*\*\* If you will be unable to serve your scheduled time, please FIND YOUR OWN SUBSTITUTE.\*\*\*\*\*

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The Right Reverend John W. Howe

The Right Reverend Hugo Pina-Lopez, Assistant Bishop

### THE PARISH STAFF

The Reverend Thomas W. Gibson, Rector

Assisting – The Reverend Jerrold Beaumont, D.D. Parish Musician - Tim Hartsfield

Academy Head – Douglas Parker

Assistant Organists – Linda Cox and Carolyn Zehr

Parish Life Coordinator – Beverly V. Jones

Christian Education/Jr. EYC – Joi Robertson

Parish Administrator – Carolyn Hawkins

Sexton – Dale Taylor

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John Kinast

Bill Borger  
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Tracey Canada

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<b>FS</b> E Bell	<b>FS</b> B Butler	<b>FS</b> D Hickman	<b>FS</b> L Clark	<b>FS</b> L Moody	<b>FS</b> B Murphy
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<b>CC</b> A Knodel	<b>CC</b> Audrey Kinast	<b>CC</b> M Simmler	<b>CC</b> T Wilson	<b>CC</b> K Canada	<b>CC</b> Collen Jones
<b>OSL</b> Collen Jones	<b>OSL</b> M Cole	<b>OSL</b> C Mims	<b>OSL</b> Shannon Petrie	<b>OSL</b> G Busseni	<b>OSL</b> C Myron
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\*\*Acolytes: Anyone in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or higher is welcome to become an acolyte. If you can't serve when scheduled, please find a substitute or call Steve Anstey, 453-4921. The **PC** reads the Second Lesson.

## Birthdays



### NOVEMBER

1 Gail Gibson  
Pat Martin

6 Suzanne Guyton  
Brendan Murphy

8 Eric Geier  
Greg Gill  
David Moxley

9	Roger Norman	23	David Arteaga
10	Coralee Virginia Keehn	24	Betty LaRoche Messina
14	Geoffrey Gill Marti Rich	25	Kamile Belle Lynda McNiel
16	Carol Faron Chip Jones	26	Lynn Duff Dan Elebash
17	Reid Clark	29	Marjorie Beaumont
18	Bill Weller	30	Russell Glover
19	Dori Bisbey		
20	Jeff Lange Peter Wells, Sr.		Please call the church office, 636-3781, to add your name to our birthday list.
21	William Nunn		

### St. Mark's information via email

Please send an email to [info@stmarkscocoa.org](mailto:info@stmarkscocoa.org) if you would like to receive email updates about St. Mark's.



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**Let's Go Back to  
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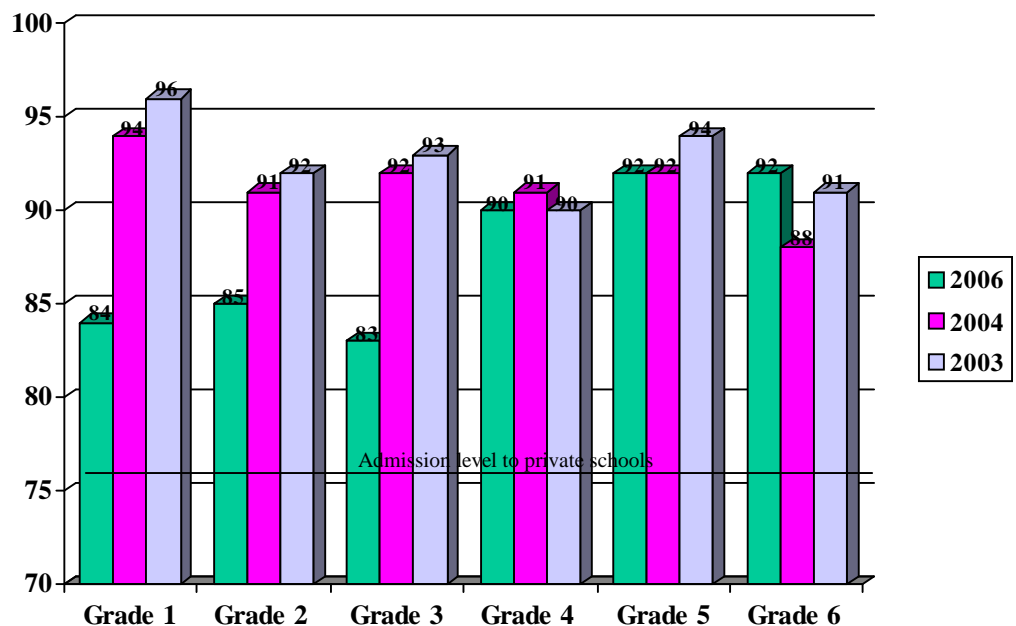
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**St. Mark's Students Excel in Standardized Testing!**

I hope that this publication of The Master Key finds you and your family healthy and happy, and ready for a wonderful holiday season. This is the time of year where we, as a school, take a moment to reflect on what we do as educators and how well our students are learning. Once again I am happy to report that your school is doing extremely well in its most important task – educating the children!

Once again in the 2005 – 2006 school year, St. Mark's students have performed at a level unmatched by any other school in the county! Using the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT), a norm-referenced test administered annually to hundreds of thousands of students around the country, and is considered by independent schools to be the common barometer among all schools, each of the grade levels is scoring at and above the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile with most above the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile compared to children around the country. This chart shows that each of the classes at St. Mark's is performing in the top academic quintile, and well above the 75% common admission standard for the top private schools around the country! This is nothing new for St. Mark's students and teachers – these kinds of exceptional results have occurred here for many, many years. But the good news does not stop there. We strive to reach both the heart and the mind of each child. Here, your children find friendship, happiness, safety, encouragement, love and acceptance, and personal discipline all contained in a nurturing Christian atmosphere. With quantifiable results such as these and those of the past years in addition to the caring and happy environment our children can enjoy each day, St. Mark's continues to be the best educational investment for ensuring a child's future success in life and at school.



As always, I would again like to invite you, your family members, and your friends to explore everything that a St. Mark's education can mean for a child and for a family. Please give us a call at 639-5771 to register, or visit us on the Internet at: [www.stmarksacademy.org](http://www.stmarksacademy.org) for more information.



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### Special Dates

**November 1, 2006**

*All Saints' Day*

**November 5, 2006**

*Sunday After All Saints'*

**November 5-9, 2006**

*Academy Book Fair*

**November 11, 2006**

*St. Mark's Pig Roast*

**November 23, 2006**

*Thanksgiving Day*

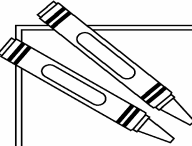




**November 25, 2006**

*Cocoa Village  
Old-Fashioned Christmas*

**Just for KIDS**  
"Thank You, God"

Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful for all the good things in our lives. God is pleased when we are thankful because He knows that we remember the wonderful things He does for us every day.

**Directions:** Use the picture clues below to figure out the verse about being thankful. The minus (-) sign means take out the letter(s). The plus sign (+) means to add the letter(s).


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 - land      g+      - h"

**Psalm 107:1**

### Say "Thank You!"

Have you ever sent a thank-you card to someone for a gift you received? You can send thank-you cards for things besides presents. There are many people around you who do very thoughtful things for you every day. Celebrate this Thanksgiving by sending homemade thank-you cards to the people you are thankful for.

#### What you need:

- A list of people to thank (as many as you want)
- Paper (colored construction paper or white copy paper)
- Crayons, markers, paint, stickers, etc.
- Envelopes (optional, unless mailing)
- Stamps (if mailing)

Mom  
Dad  
Eric  
Nancy  
Grandpa

#### What to do:

1. Next to each name on your list, write something that person has said or done that was helpful or kind.
2. Fold each sheet of paper in half like a card. (If you're using an envelope, make sure it fits inside.)
3. Decorate the card's front with drawings, stickers, etc.
4. Write a short note on the inside, thanking the person for the thing he or she did or said.
5. Deliver the cards in person or by mail.

#### Some people you may want to thank:

- Family members
- Sunday school teachers
- School teachers
- Friends
- Neighbors
- People at church

Answer: "Give thanks to the LORD for he is good."