

SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

The 4th Annual



FAMILY SPONSORSHIP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024 ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH - ALEXANDRIA, VA

STRITAALEXANDRIA.COM/ST-NICHOLAS-MARKET

Dear friends,

As the pastor of St. Rita Catholic Church in Alexandria, I am delighted to invite you to partner with us in one of our biggest events of the year; the St. Nicholas Market on Sunday, December 8.

Beginning just three years ago in 2021, this annual holiday event now brings together *well over a thousand attendees* from Alexandria and beyond. It has become a staple Christmas tradition for many families and attendance has *nearly doubled in size each year!* What makes this event so special is that it celebrates the talents of our community members — artists, gourmets, musicians, dancers, and other "makers." In fact, the St. Nicholas Market grew out of a desire to showcase our talented parishioners. It has certainly met that goal.

This small initiative has exploded! *Last year there were nearly 50 vendors*. One of my favorite aspects of the event are the youth creators. Children from our parish spend months making crafts, apparel, and foods to sell — the Market gives them an opportunity to dip their toes into entrepreneurship and practice their "pitch"!

I invite you to consider joining the St. Nicholas Market team. Please take some time to review the enclosed material and I hope you will join in this festive event!

Corporate sponsors will be featured prominently throughout the Market including on swag bags, brochures, and other signage. While the event itself costs \$12,000 to run, your contribution will help fund essential components and all money raised will go back into the St. Rita community. Sponsorship is tax deductible.

I see the St. Nicholas Market as proof that there is strong and vibrant community in the Catholic Church, and this type of gathering helps to fortify and define that community. Your love of the Faith and desire to share it through your business are critical to fostering our community, and I look forward to partnering with you this Christmas. Your contribution will encourage fellow parishioners to support you.

Thank you for considering and for your generosity!

In Christ, Fr. Christensen



FAMILY SPONSORSHIP

	RESERVED TABLE FOR 8	RESERVED PARKING ON-SITE	ST. NICHOLAS MARKET MUG(S)	ST. NICHOLAS MARKET APRON	FOOD VOUCHERS FOR KofC & HISPANIC FOOD TENTS	PROFESSIONAL PHOTO WITH ST. NICK
THE HOLLY & THE IVY \$1,000	**	**	2 MUGS	*	\$75 VOUCHER	**
EVER GREEN \$500			2 MUGS	*	\$50 VOUCHER	*
MISTLETOE \$250			1 MUG	*	\$20 VOUCHER	*

FAMILY SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We invite you to be a sponsor for the fourth annual St. Nicholas Market at St. Rita Catholic Church!

THE HOLLY & THE IVY (\$1,000)

Market Benefits:

- Reserved table for 8
- Reserved parking spot on-site
- 2 commemorative St. Nicholas Market mugs
- 1 commemorative St. Nicholas Market apron
- \$75 food vouchers for Knights of Columbus and Hispanic Ministry food tents
- Professional family photo with St. Nick (digital edited copy)

EVERGREEN (\$500)

Market Benefits:

- 2 commemorative St. Nicholas Market mugs
- 1 commemorative St. Nicholas Market apron
- \$50 food vouchers for Knights of Columbus and Hispanic Ministry food tents
- Professional family photo with St. Nick (digital edited copy)

MISTLETOE (\$250)

Recognition Benefits:

- 1 commemorative St. Nicholas Market mug
- 1 commemorative St. Nicholas Market apron
- \$25 food vouchers for Knights of Columbus and Hispanic Ministry food tents
- Professional family photo with St. Nick (digital edited copy)



FAMILY SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM: ST. NICHOLAS MARKET

Thank you for considering a sponsorship for the fourth annual St. Nicholas Market! Sponsorships will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis.

Please complete the information below, and send your payment along with this form at your earliest convenience. All payments are due by November 22, 2024. Thank you for your support and God bless you!

Please check one:

The Holly and the Ivy Family Sponsor (\$1,000) Evergreen Family Sponsor (\$500) Mistletoe Family Sponsor (\$250) Other donation: \$_____

Address:

Contact Name:

Phone:

Email:

*Preferred Form of Payment:

Check

Credit Card

Wire Transfer

FOR CHECKS: Make check payable to: **St. Rita Catholic Church**

Remit payment to: St. Rita Catholic Church Attn: St. Nicholas Market 3815 Russell Road Alexandria, VA 22305

For any questions about sponsorships or payment, please contact: Amanda Bowman at stritahospitality@gmail.com