

August 22, 2024

**Upcoming Events**

**Guest Ministry Team Meeting**

8/24, Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

**Parish Meeting & Potluck**

8/25, Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

**Hooks Baseball Game**

8/30, Friday at 7:05 p.m.

**Youth Group & Adult Bible Study**

9/8, Sunday

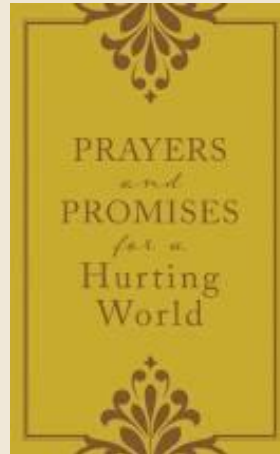
**Bishop's Visit**

10/6, Sunday

**An Excerpt from**

**Prayers and Promises for a Hurting World**

by Laura Freudig



**Wait for Me**

Today I am impatient with the slowness of my sanctification. Lord, I want to be perfect---*now*---but I keep sinning, over and over, in the same frustrating ways. I lose my temper with those close to me. I speak callously to people I don't know. I choose myself over others. I act without thinking of You. I complain and mutter like a spoiled child instead of praying. I keep my salvation to

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## Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

myself as though it isn't the greatest gift in the world.

Lord, I know Your purposes will not be thwarted---and that's true in my small life as well as in the larger purposes and plans You have for this world. Thank You that You are working in me all the time, even when I feel like nothing is happening or that I'm not making positive progress toward You. Help me to press in to You and to constantly turn back when my sin pulls my gaze away from You. I thank You that Your love is so patient. You have suffered long for me. Thank you for not giving up. Help me be patient with myself too. Change is hard, Lord, but I am not who I once was. And I am not who I will be when I finally see You face-to-face. Amen.

*May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through . . .*

*The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24*

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## Guest Ministry Team

### Guest Ministry Team Meeting

Saturday, 8/24, at 11:00 a.m.

3448 Newcastle Dr.



The Guest Ministry Team will meet on Saturday, August 24th, at 11:00 a.m. If you would like to join us in welcoming our Sunday guests, please give me a call. It is a great way to get involved in the life of St. Mark's. The meeting will be held at my home, 3448 Newcastle Dr. For more information, you may contact me at 361-903-5060.

**We welcome new members to the team!**

Blessings,

Lori

## Parish Meeting and Potluck



### Parish Meeting and Mexican

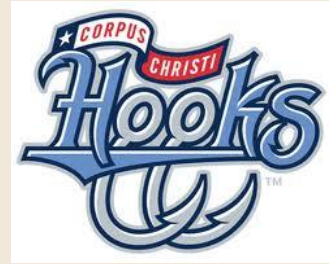
Theme Potluck

**THIS Sunday, 8/25**

We'll begin the fall with a potluck and parish meeting to catch up on the year and learn what plans are in place through the end of the year. Lunch will be a potluck with a Mexican food theme. Please join us, even you're unable to bring a dish. There is always plenty of food!

## Episcopal Night at Whataburger Field

**The Corpus Christi Hooks will take on  
the Tulsa Drillers  
Friday, 8/30, at 7:05 p.m.**



Fr. Doug will be at the front of Whataburger Stadium with a list of those who signed up for tickets to the game. Be sure to find him to pick up your tickets.

This will be a fun evening, enjoying the ballgame with each other and fellow Episcopalians. Go Hooks!!!

## A Christian Journey Course



**The Discovery Series  
A Christian Journey Course  
Sunday, 9/8, at 11:30 a.m.**

One of the rich traditions of the Episcopal Church is the Rite of Confirmation / Reaffirmation / Reception into the Episcopal Church. The Bishop of every Episcopal diocese is the primary celebrant for this service. Sunday, October 6, 2024, will be our annual opportunity to host this service when the Right Reverend Dr. David Read will be visiting St. Mark's. For those who would like to be Confirmed / Reaffirmed / or Received into the Episcopal Church, Fr. Doug will be hosting a preparation series. During the one-hour sessions we will learn about:

- **Roots of Ministry**, which will cover topics like the Anglican Communion, the different roles of ministers, and church governance.
- **Episcopal Worship**, which will help people become familiar with The Book of Common Prayer and the sacraments.

- **What We Believe**, which will provide a review of the Creeds of the Episcopal Church, thus promoting a deeper understanding of them.
- **The Baptismal Covenant**, which is the final session where participants will learn more about the Episcopal Church's theology pertaining to this rite of adoption into God's family.

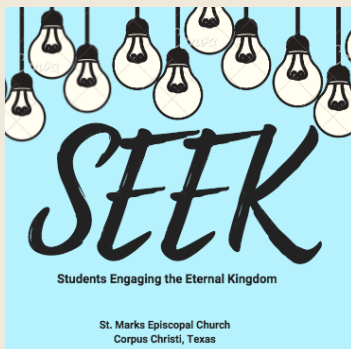
Fr. Doug will be hosting these one-hour sessions after church starting September 8, 2024. If you are interested in participating, please sign up on your Connection Card Sunday, or contact the office at (361) 994-0285 or email [stmarksgcc@stmarksgcc.org](mailto:stmarksgcc@stmarksgcc.org).

## SEEK Youth Group & Adult Bible Study

**SEEK Youth Group &  
Adult Bible Study  
to Resume  
Sunday, 9/8, after the service**



Both the SEEK Youth Group and the Adult Bible Study Group will begin meeting again September 8th. Our SEEK Youth Group will gather in the Youth Room in the Fellowship Hall. The Adult Bible Study Group will continue their study of the Gospel of Mark in the Fellowship Hall.



## Stuffed Animal Drive



### **Stuffed Animal Drive to Benefit the Children of Plaza de Paz**

**Deadline October 6th**

The diocese has asked that diocesan churches participate in a stuffed animal drive. Please consider donating new or gently used stuffed animals. The collection will conclude Sunday, 10/6. There will be boxes in the entry way to the sanctuary and the fellowship hall for the donations.

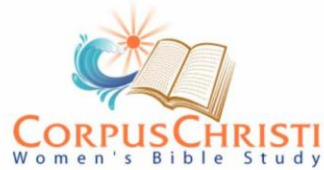
The Plaza de Paz is a respite center for immigrants in San Antonio. Many of the families arrive with very little. These stuffed animals will serve as an encouragement to the children.

## Cimarron Senior Apartments Food Distribution

**Pictures of Food Distribution at  
Cimarron Senior Apartments  
Earlier Today.**



# Corpus Christi Women's Bible Study



## Celebrating 20 Years of Fellowship and Learning

### COME FOR COFFEE

Information • Registration  
Wednesday, September 11, 10:00 AM  
First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall • 900 S. Shoreline Blvd.  
(Main Entrance facing Water Street)  
Nursery provided

### CLASSES BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:30-11:30 AM  
First United Methodist Church  
Sanctuary  
Music • Small Group Discussion • Message  
Nursery provided

#### Teaching Directors

Jan Ayliffe • Judy Hamrick • Gwen McMath • Brenda Tollett

#### Curriculum: Gospel of Mark

Gwen McMath, Author

Registration fee \$40 payable to "Corpus Christi Women's Bible Study"  
Pay fee and get your book at the Registration Coffee  
*If you cannot attend the Coffee, mail your check to:*  
47 Lake Shore Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78413  
Questions: Susan Lewis, [susanlewis846@gmail.com](mailto:susanlewis846@gmail.com)

**Community Bible  
Study Opportunity  
for Women begins  
September 18th**

Be sure to register by  
September 11th.



## Timon's Ministry

### Ministry in Partnership with Timon's Ministry

Over the course of many years, St. Mark's has partnered with Timon's Ministry in various ways. Timon's goal "is to provide a hand up, empowering individuals to regain their strength, dignity, and ultimately, their place in the workforce." Our women's reunion group has discovered several ways to serve this community.



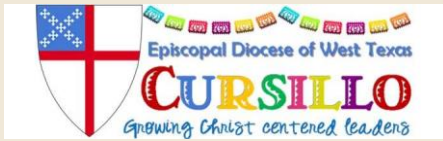
Members of the group have been volunteering their time at Timon's Ministry working in the Clothing Closet organizing items and visiting with people. The group has asked for help with their efforts through any of the following ways:

- Donating band aids, bandages, and gauze
- Donating clothing, especially men's shirts, jeans, or athletic shoes
- Donating travel size deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bars of bath soap, body wash
- Donating toothbrushes
- Donating items for to-go food bags: tuna and cracker packs, granola bars, chips, bottled water, etc.
- Sorting clothing on Wednesdays from 8:10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

You may leave your donations in designated boxes located in the entryway to the sanctuary and in the fellowship hall. Contact Pam Cater at (361) 446-4498 for more information.

**Thank you for your help with this important  
ministry opportunity.**

## Cursillo & Women's Reunion Groups



### Cursillo Community Information

Reunion groups for women who have completed a Cursillo weekend are being formed. Both daytime and evening times are possible. If you are interested in participating in a group or just being kept informed of upcoming Cursillo events and activities, please contact Pam Cater at (361) 446-4498 or at [pamela.j.cater@gmail.com](mailto:pamela.j.cater@gmail.com).

Looking ahead, two Cursillos are scheduled for the fall: October 3-6 at Mustang Island Retreat Center, which will be a Spanish speaking retreat, and November 7-10 at Camp Capers.

## Diocesan Events

### Diocesan News



**Suffragan Bishop Election News**--Meet the Candidate meetings have been scheduled. [Click here for more information](#) on the meetings and the process.

**Fishin' for Mission Fishing Tournament**--The tournament will be in Rockport on 9/21. [Click for registration and details for the event.](#)

**Spiritual Retreats in Recovery** --This spiritual retreat is geared for those dealing with addiction personally, whether it is their addiction or recovery, or that of someone they love. Click here for information about the [Recovery Retreat](#).

**Cursillo Information**--Please use the link below to the diocesan page containing information on upcoming [Cursillo weekends](#).

**Diocesan ENews**--To stay informed on what is happening in our Diocese, you may sign up for the [Diocese of West Texas ENews](#) by clicking the link. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on a white button that has "Let's Connect" written in it.

## Ways to Support God's Kingdom through St. Mark's

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO  
SUPPORT ST. MARK'S CHURCH!**



### Thank you for Your Generosity

Is the Lord blessing you? Are you grateful for what He has done in your life? Remember His Church. We have ministries to support and salaries and bills to pay. Give out of faith, thanksgiving, and generosity, and never out of guilt. If you are blessed to be able to give, here are several ways to do that:

- Online through our website. There is a blue "Giving" button at the bottom of each page. Just click on that and it will take you to our online EGiving page. You will need to set up a user profile, and then you can set up a one-time gift or recurring gifts. You can also give through the ["Donate to St. Mark's"](#) link.

- Through your cell phone using the app, **Vanco Mobile**. To get the app, go to the app store and search for "Vanco Mobile". The icon background is dark purple with a white circle and a purple letter "V" in the center. Download the app and follow the prompts. You can use it to set up a one-time gift or recurring gifts.
- You may also use the QR code below.
- Mail in your check to: St. Mark's Church, 2727 Airline Rd, CC, TX 78414. We have a drop-in mailbox that is locked at all times. We check the mail every day, so your check will be secure.
- Drop your check off at the church. Just put it in the locked mailbox to the left of the red doors at the fellowship hall.
- Bequest giving is another way to give to St. Mark's with a gift through your estate. Simply list St. Mark's in your will.

**THANK YOU for helping spread the Kingdom  
through your continuing support  
of St. Mark's Church.**



## Weekly Calendar

### Calendar & Ministry Schedule

Here is the link to the [August schedule](#) for our ministries, which is an ongoing work in progress. Please check each week to see if there are any changes. Here's a link to the [August calendar](#).

#### **August 24 - Saturday**

11:00 a.m. - Guest Ministry Meeting--3448 Newcastle Dr.

#### **August 25 - Sunday**

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist--Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. - Parish Potluck & Meeting--Fellowship Hall

#### **August 26 - Monday**

9:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

#### **August 27 - Tuesday**

7:30 a.m. - Women's Reunion Group--Corner Bakery, 4938 S. Staples St.

#### **August 28 - Wednesday**

8:10 a.m. - Clothing Sorting--Timon's Ministries, 10501 S. Padre Island Dr.

12:00 p.m. - Prayer Group--Fellowship Hall Library

6:30 p.m. - Men's Reunion Group--Nolan's Restaurant, 7426 S. Staples St.

#### **August 30 - Friday**

7:05 p.m. - Hooks Game--Whataburger Field, 734 E. Port Ave.

Below you will find several links to websites or Facebook Pages that you might find helpful.

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