

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

April 16, 2026

Upcoming Events

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4/16, Thursday

Access Plus Ramp Build

4/18, Saturday

Food Distribution at Cimarron Senior Apartments

4/20, Monday

Time of Contemplation and Healing Prayer Service

4/22, Wednesday

Inquirer's Class

5/3, Sunday

Book Discussion

5/9, Saturday



Reflections from the Rector



The announcement of Jesus's resurrection has been with us for approximately two thousand years. In that time, humanity has pondered how that single event changes everything we know about Jesus's life and ministry. While we have the privilege of a historical view, the questions first asked at the empty tomb remain with us today: How did he rise, and what are we to do with this message?

The Gospel of Luke portrays a deep awareness of those who express doubt. In the story of the Road to Emmaus, two of Jesus's followers are walking home, about seven miles from Jerusalem, following the Passover. As they walk, a stranger joins them. When he asks what they are discussing, they look at him with disbelief, wondering where this guy has been for the past week. They then share the news of Jesus of Galilee, a man wrongly accused and executed in the most humiliating way known to the ancient world, and a sad commentary on the justice system of the

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Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

day. But the most alarming part of their story isn't the death; it is the report that Jesus is alive. They simply cannot comprehend it.

[Click here for the rest of the article.](#)

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Meals for the Farris Family



Meal Train Created for Sahara & Noah Farris

Sahara, Noah, and Everette welcomed little Ember into their family last week. A [meal train](#) was organized to bring meals to them for the first couple of weeks now that they are home. The link to sign up is above in blue text. You may sign up to cook them a meal, donate funds, or send them a gift card via DoorDash.

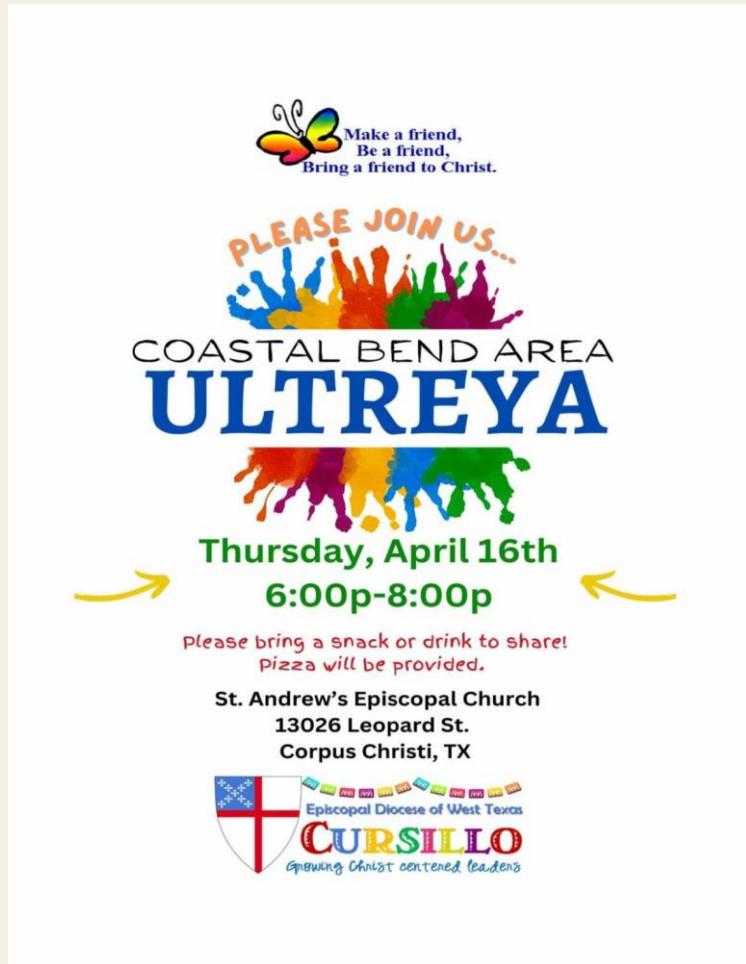
Thank you for helping this precious family!

Ultreya

Ultreya Thursday, 4/16 6:00-8:00 p.m. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

If you've been to a Cursillo weekend, please consider attending this Ultreya gathering at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Callalen.

Pizza will be provided.
Please bring a snack or drink to share.



Make a friend,
Be a friend,
Bring a friend to Christ.

PLEASE JOIN US...

COASTAL BEND AREA
ULTREYA

Thursday, April 16th
6:00p-8:00p

Please bring a snack or drink to share!
Pizza will be provided.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
13026 Leopard St.
Corpus Christi, TX

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Access Plus Ramp Build



Access Plus Ramp Build Saturday, 4/18, 8:00 a.m. 3305 Gollihar Rd.

Doug Wayland and his team will be working on a ramp for Emma this month. She and her family will be blessed to have better access to her home.

You don't need any building or construction experience to help with the ramp build. The team is happy to train people. If this ministry interests you and you would like more information, please contact Doug at (361) 813-1781. He would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Cimarron Senior Apartments Ministry

**Ministry to the Residents at
Cimarron Senior
Apartments
2802 Cimarron Blvd.**



**Food Distribution
Monday, 4/20, 11:30 a.m.**

Conversations with God Bible Study on the First Monday of Every Month at 11:00 a.m.

Once a month, John deMontel, Fr. Doug Wasinger, and others provide snacks and a Bible study they call "Conversations with God" for the residents. It generally lasts an hour. If you'd like to help with this ministry, please contact John at (361) 815-9498.

Food Delivery to Residents on the Third Monday of Every Month at 11:30 a.m.

The Coastal Bend Food Bank delivers food to the Cimarron Senior Apartments once a month. A team of dedicated St. Mark's volunteers helps distribute the food to residents after it arrives. If you have an hour or so to give, please consider helping with the monthly food distribution.

Time of Contemplation & Healing Prayer Service



**Time of Contemplation & Healing
Prayer Service
Wednesday, April 22nd, 5:45 p.m.**

The Time of Contemplation and Healing Prayer services held during Lent were quite meaningful to people, so St.

Mark's will offer them on a regular basis on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. The next service will be held in the chapel of the sanctuary on April 22nd.

Volunteer Hours App

MyTimeTithe

Track Your Volunteer Hours. Celebrate Your Service.

A simple app for St. Mark's volunteers to log hours and stay connected with your church community.

Scan the QR Code to Sign Up!

MyTimeTithe.org/stmarksc

Created by Jeremy Wilkey

MyTimeTithe App to Track Volunteer Hours

The time we serve in ministry at St. Mark's, or in the community, or in any other capacity matters and has economic value. Wouldn't it be interesting to know how much time we serve? Jeremy Wilkey developed an app for us to use to log the hours we serve. You can [click on this link](#) or scan the QR code to get started.

Enter your name in the space provided. If it's your first time, click "Don't see your name? Add yourself" to enter your name. Then fill in the page that opens up. You will select the date, the number of hours you served, which ministry the hours were for, and you may add a note if you'd like about your service.



Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible Study Class Meets on Sundays after the Service

The Adult Bible study class will meet in the fellowship hall library. The new topic is "Post-Resurrection Narratives in the New Testament."

If you'd like to join in the study, head to the fellowship hall after the service for some refreshments and then find a seat around the table in the library. Bibles will be available if you need one.

Inquirer's Class

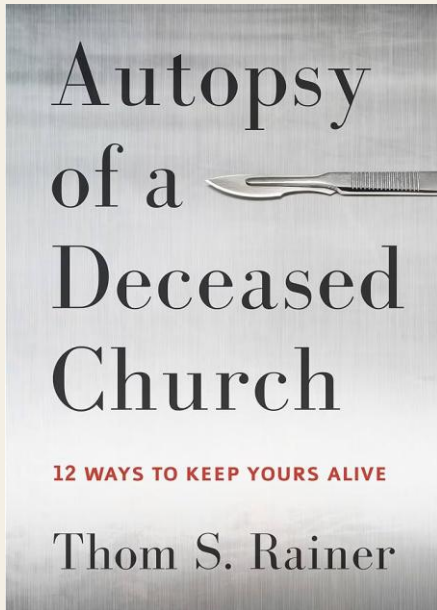
Inquirer's Class Sunday, May 3rd After the Service

Fr. Doug is offering an Inquirer's Class on Sunday, May 3rd. The class is designed for those who are newer to St. Mark's and those who want to learn more about our church history and our beliefs. If you'd like to attend the class, you can sign up on the Connection Card in your bulletin this Sunday, or contact Judy in the office by calling (361) 994-0285 or emailing judy@stmarkscc.org.

INQUIRER'S CLASS



Book Discussion



***Autopsy of a Deceased Church* 12 Ways to Keep Yours Alive Discussion Saturday, May 9th, 10:00 a.m.**

John deMontel will facilitate a discussion of the book *Autopsy of a Deceased Church* by Thom S. Rainer on Saturday, 5/9. The book exposes twelve pitfalls that churches which are no longer open fell into, leading to their demise.

If you'd like to be a part of the discussion, please sign up on the back of the Connection Card found in your bulletin this Sunday. You may also contact the church office by calling (361) 994-0285 or emailing Judy at judy@stmarksc.org.

Copies of the book are available in the church office. Just let Judy know if you'd like to have a copy. You don't need to have read the book to be a part of the discussion, but it would be helpful. The book is about 100 short pages long, so it's a fast read.

Youth Ministry

SEEK Youth Group

Summer Camp--Registration for [Summer Camp at Camp Capers](#) is open. Click the link to the diocesan page for more information and to register.

Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His face continually. (1 Chronicles 16:11)



Timon's Ministry



Ministry in Partnership with Timon's Ministries

The volunteer work at Timon's Clothing Closet has been temporarily suspended due to changes in its hours of operation. We are hoping the volunteers can return soon to the ministry they have come to enjoy.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan News



Spiritual Retreat in Recovery--These weekends are designed for those who are in recovery from alcohol or other abuses and their families. The next retreat is scheduled for May 1st-3rd, at Camp Capers. [Here is a link for more information.](#)

Summer Camps at Camp Capers-- Registration for Summer Camps has opened up for campers. [Here is a link for more information.](#)

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 on 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 our [April ministry schedule](#). Click here for the [April church calendar](#).

April 16 - Thursday

6:00 p.m. - Ultreya--St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 13026 Leopard St.

April 18 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--3305 Gollihar Rd.

April 19 - Sunday

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

11:30 a.m. - Coffee & Conversation--Fellowship Hall

11:30 a.m. - SEEK Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room

11:30 a.m. - Adult Bible Study--Fellowship Hall Library

April 20 - Monday

9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

11:30 a.m. - Food Distribution--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

6:30 p.m. - Vestry Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

April 21 - Tuesday

8:00 a.m. - Women's Reunion Group--Corner Bakery Restaurant, 4928 S. Staples St.

April 22 - Wednesday

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

5:45 p.m. - Time of Contemplation & Healing Prayer--Fellowship Hall Library

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

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

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