

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

November 10, 2023

Upcoming Events

Access Plus Ramp Build

11/18, Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Fishpond Food Collection Deadline

11/19, Sunday

Fishpond Thanksgiving Meal Basket Delivery

11/21, Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving

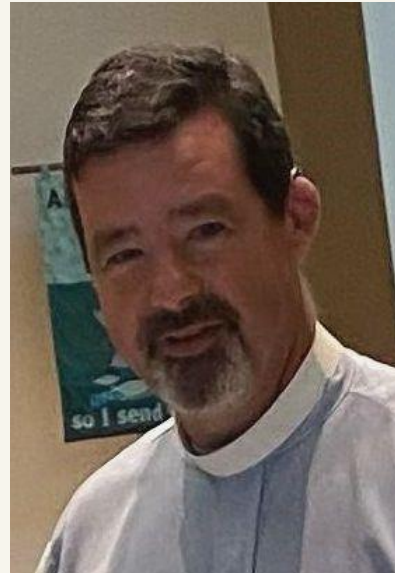
11/23, Thursday

Election of Delegates & Alternates to Diocesan Council

12/3, Sunday 11:30 a.m.

From the Rector

Fr. Doug Wasinger



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According to my theology, the generosity of God's love knows no limit. I believe when it comes to hope, by sharing it, hope increases. Jesus's mercy seems to know no bounds; even when Jesus is on the cross, he is still concerned about others rather than himself. He asks the Almighty God to forgive the people who are participating in the regrettable action of putting him to death in such a public way. Yet, in Matthew's Gospel, there is a parable where sharing did not take place.

To read the rest of the article, [click here](#).

Sunday Worship Service

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

[Visit our website](#)

Shining Our Light Campaign Results

Ingathering of Ministry Support Cards

The initial ingathering of the 2024 Ministry Support Cards this past Sunday was quite good. The total amount of support for 2024 came in at a little over \$222,000. It's a great start.

It's not too late to submit your Ministry of Support for 2024 cards. If you weren't able to be with us last Sunday, please bring your cards with you to put in the offering basket this Sunday. Fr. Doug will bless them as a proclamation of our commitment to God through St. Mark's. We will have extra Ministry Support cards available Sunday if you forget to bring yours. You may also mail them in. Fr. Doug will take them to the sanctuary, where he'll place them on the altar to bless them before they are accounted for.



Here's a PDF of the [Ministry Support Card](#) if you would like to print out a copy for Sunday.

THANK YOU for your support of the ministry that will happen through St. Mark's!

Fishpond Thanksgiving Food Baskets



Nonperishable Food Item Collection for Fishpond Residents

year.

Sea Gulf Villa is now Fishpond Apartment complex, and we will continue to supply the food staples for Thanksgiving dinner for those residents who would like a basket, which is 89 residents this

Parishioners are asked to participate by donating the nonperishable food items, while the Outreach Fund will take care of the turkeys, rolls, and pies. The food items are due Sunday, November 19. There will be flyers listing the items in your bulletins Sunday morning. Here's a PDF of [the flyer](#) if you'd like to have it.

Baptism

Ayden Guerra Baptism Postponed

Ayden Guerra's baptism has been postponed due his grandmother and grandfather coming down with COVID.



Access Plus Ramp Build



Access Plus Ramp Build 2519 Morris St. Saturday, 11/18, 8:00 a.m.

The November ramp build is for a sweet lady named Maria. She and her family are grateful that she will be receiving the blessing of a ramp build to give her better access to her home.

If this ministry interests you, but you feel that you don't have the skills necessary to help, please don't let that stop you. Doug Wayland and his team would be happy to train you.

Game Night

Timon's Ministry Men's Clothing Collection

Timon's Ministry has requested donations of new or gently used men's small or medium sweatpants and jeans. They are also in need of tennis shoes of all sizes for men. If you can donate any of these items, please bring them by the church office. Thank you for your help.



Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible Study of the Gospel of Mark Sundays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

All are welcome to join the Bible study. Come to one week, or come to them all. The class meets in the fellowship hall at noon and ends around 1:00 p.m. Grab a cup of coffee and some snacks, then head over to the

designated tables to sit down.

Here are links for past study dates and the upcoming Sunday:

[the introduction](#) to the class

[map of the Sea of Galilee](#)

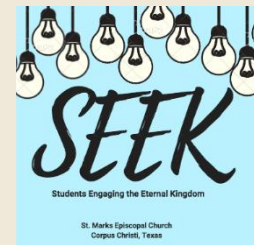
[chapter one](#) study notes

[chapter two](#) study notes

Youth Group & Children's Ministry

SEEK Youth Group Meets Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

Youth group meets right after the worship service, so grab a snack and a drink, and bring them with you to the youth room. Come see everyone and catch up!



Camp Capers Mid-Winter Camps I, II, and III: January 2024

Registration is open for Mid-Winter Camps at Camps Capers the first three weekends of January 2024. With dedicated sessions for 9th-12th graders, 6th-8th graders, and 2nd-5th grade campers, Mid-Winter Camps are opportunities to recharge midway through the school year, reuniting with camp friends and making new ones, while growing and learning in faith.

Camp I--1/5-1/7--9th - 12th grade

Camp I--1/12-1/14--6th - 8th grade

Camp III--1/19-1/21--2nd - 5th grade

[Click here](#) for more information or to register.

Game Night

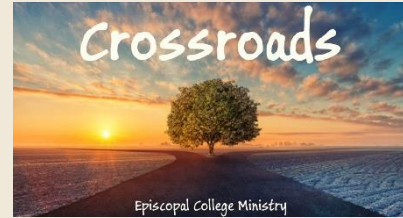
Game Night Photos

Everyone who attended Game Night this Wednesday had a great time. Here are some pictures of the festivities.



College & Young Adult Ministry

Crossroads Table Talk Thursdays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Del Mar College



The ministry to college students and young adults began recently and will continue weekly every Thursday beginning at 12:00 p.m. Del Mar College is hosting the gathering in the Harvin Student Center in Conference Room #1. Fr. Doug is leading a themed discussion each week to offer a safe place for those who are curious about faith to come learn and share their lives.

Prayer Partners for College Students and Young Adults

If you enjoy praying for others, please consider selecting an envelope that contains information on one of our college students or a young adult from the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. If you are praying for one of our youth, why not consider praying for a college student or young adult as well?



2024 Flower Chart



2024 Flower Chart Available

If you'd like to sponsor the altar flowers on a Sunday to honor a special event or person in your life, please sign up on the new 2024 flower chart available in the entryway to the sanctuary. A reminder email will be sent at the beginning of the month for which you signed up to sponsor the flowers. It will include a request for how you would like the dedication to read and information about taking care of the cost, which is \$55. Please remember that we won't have altar flowers during Lent.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan News



Diocesan ENews--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. Though we have experienced limitations for worshipping together, we still 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 [November 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 [November calendar](#).

November 12- Sunday

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist/Ingathering of Ministry Support Cards--Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall

November 13 - Monday

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

November 14- Tuesday

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

6:30 a.m. - Embracing the Journey Team Meeting--Fellowship Hall

November 15 - Wednesday

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

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

November 16 - Thursday

12:00 p.m. - Crossroads Table Talk--Del Mar Harvin Student Center Conference Room #1,
101 Baldwin Rd.

November 18 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--2519 Morris St.

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

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