

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

October 29, 2021

Upcoming Events

Harvest Fun

Sun, 10/31 11:30 a.m.

Erin Cottos Visit

Sun, 10/31

Giving in Gratitude Lunch

Sun, 11/7 11:30 a.m.

Allemand Baby Shower Brunch

Sun, 11/13 11:00 a.m.

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Sunday Worship Service:

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



Hope in God's Promise

"Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise."

Hebrews 10:23

When the question is asked, "How many promises did God make in the Bible?", you will get answers that range from five to over 7,000. That's a wide spectrum and an indication that there are A LOT of promises.

Humanly speaking, keeping a promise can be difficult. So we don't take making a promise lightly. God on the other hand is always faithful to keep His promises.

Here are categories of God's promises found in the Bible:

- His help and guidance
- His faithfulness
- Our salvation
- Wisdom
- Peace, joy, and love
- Riches in heaven
- Adoption into his family
- Strength and power
- His provision
- Eternal life

Visit our website

- Deliverance (from enemies, from danger, from temptation)
- Healing
- Renewal

Knowing the promises of God can help us in our daily lives, to be able to navigate both big and small decisions, and to conquer fear, temptation, and danger.

So consider this challenge, open up your Bible and begin reading with an eye to see the promises. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you promises that are important for you in this time in your life. When you know what God has promised us, you can confidently claim those things in your own life and hold tight to the hope you have in God because He can always be trusted.

**Trust God, be faithful, pray,
and let Him have His way.**

Stewardship Season

Erin Cottos, Our Local Missionary THIS Sunday

Erin Cottos will be with us this Sunday to share what God has been doing in and through her this past year. She entered the mission field in 2010 by serving in Haiti through Haiti Medical Missions of Memphis. She has also served in Kenya and Guatemala, and she is currently serving on the Baja peninsula in Mexico. Due to the unrest in Haiti, she has not been able to go back to the country that captured her heart but hopes to return at some point.



This Sunday's loose offering and any designated gifts will go to support Erin's work. Please consider supporting her and her ministry.



Estimate of Giving Cards THIS Sunday

Estimate of Giving cards arrived in mailboxes earlier this week. This Sunday, all who are ready will have the opportunity to place their Estimate of Giving cards for 2022 on the altar during the service. Fr. Rick will lay hands on the cards and bless them for God's use.

Please pray about what God would have you do to support His ministry here at St. Mark's, both monetarily and through your time and talent.



TIME
Talent
TREASURE

Living a Life of Stewardship

Giving in Gratitude Lunch Sunday, November 7

Our annual Giving in Gratitude celebration is a fellowship event that will provide us the opportunity to come together to share our lives and, more importantly, to give thanks for the ways God has provided for us, individually and corporately.



Please sign up on the back of the Connection Card this Sunday to indicate how many will come. Please also indicate if you will bring a side, salad, or dessert that will compliment brisket. Our very own pit masters will use their barbeque expertise to provide a tasty cut of meat. If you would like to come but may not be at church to signup, just contact Judy in the church office at (361) 994-0285, or email her at judy@stmarksgc.org.

Let's prepare to give Him Thanks and Praise!

Family Events

Harvest Fun THIS Sunday

Michelle Markert is planning a fun Harvest event for our kids after our church service Sunday, 10/31. There will be games, pumpkin painting, and of course food.

If you have a favorite Harvest/Fall dessert recipe, please consider making it to bring on the 31st to share with everyone.



KRIS 6 Angel Among Us

Doug Wayland

Doug Wayland was nominated for a KRIS Channel 6 News Angel award by Donna Burks for the work he's done leading our Access Plus Ministry. Donna got the call that he was selected, and the date was set to film an interview with Doug, Fr. John Hardie, and the director of the Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living.

Stefanie Lauber from KRIS Channel 6 News is presenting Doug with the award in the photo to the right. You are invited to view the presentation Wednesday, November 3rd, on KRIS Channel 6.



Communion Wine

Communion Wine Through Intinction Only

Communion wine in the form of intinction will be available this Sunday. Diocesan protocols state that communion wine can be made available only through intinction (dipping the communion wafer) in a common chalice for those who would like to partake.

We realize that not everyone will be comfortable with this practice, but we want to have it available for those who are. If you wish to receive the wine, please go to the right to the chalice bearer after you receive the communion wafer from Fr. Rick. If you do not wish to receive the wine, go to the left to return to your seat.

Please be patient as we work out the details on how best to do this.



Pastoral Care

Visit with Fr. Rick

Fr. Rick, our interim rector, will be in the office one day a week on Tuesdays. If you'd like to come in for a visit with him, call the office at (361) 994-0285 to make an appointment. He is available to guide you, pray with you, or just have a conversation so you can get to know each other.



Allie & Landon Allemand Baby Shower

Saturday, November 13th
6709 Pharaoh Dr

Allie and Landon are expecting a little girl in mid-December.
Come help us celebrate this new little life at their shower brunch.



A Magical Bundle

IS ON THE WAY!

JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER BRUNCH IN HONOR OF

ALLIE and LANDON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

11 am - 2 pm

6709 PHARAOH DRIVE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

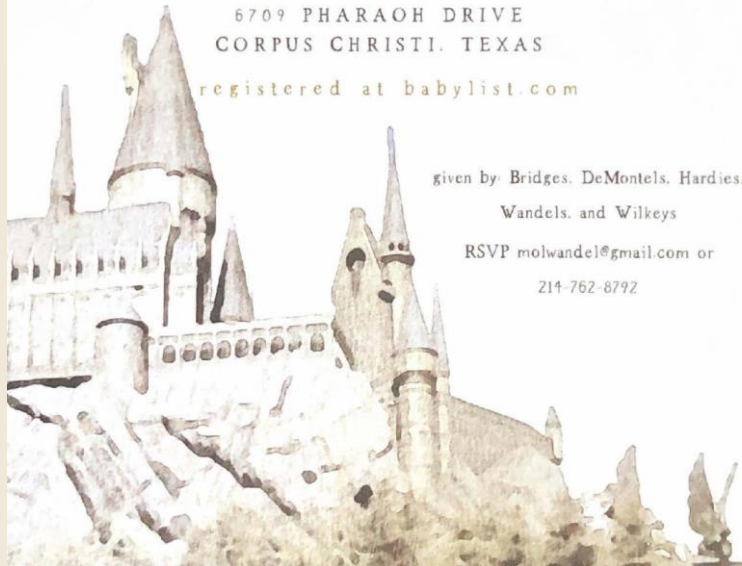
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Books for Baby

ONE SMALL REQUEST.
WE HOPE IT'S NOT HARD.
PLEASE BRING A BOOK
INSTEAD OF A CARD.
BY SIGNING YOUR BOOK,
WE'LL REMEMBER AND SHARE
YOUR SPECIAL GIFT
EVEN WHEN YOU'RE NOT THERE.



Diaper Raffle

BRING A PACKAGE OF DIAPERS (ANY SIZE) TO BE ENTERED
INTO A RAFFLE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE!

NAME

Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Food Basket Project

Food Collection

Our Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Food Basket project is scheduled for Tuesday, November 23rd. We have begun collecting the food items listed to the right.

Thank you for your support!

Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Dinner Donation Items

Our St. Mark's Youth are gearing up for the annual Thanksgiving meal delivery for the residents of the Sea Gulf Villa Apartment complex.

The turkeys, rolls, and pumpkin pies will be supplied by the church. H.E.B. awarded us \$1,000 to use toward the cost of these items. Thank you, H.E.B.!

We need your help with the following items to complete the dinner.

Stuffing—6 oz boxes

Turkey Gravy—1 oz packet

Sweet Potatoes/Yams—15 oz can

Cranberry Sauce—14 oz can

Green Beans—15 oz can

Corn—15 oz can

There will be boxes in the sanctuary and in the fellowship hall where you may drop off your food donations.

Items are due back Sunday, November 21st.

THANK YOU!!



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

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

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 the four 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.
- **NEW APP**----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.
- 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.

**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 October schedule for our ministries, which is still a work in progress. Please check each week to see if there are any changes.

October 31 - Sunday

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

11:30 a.m. - Harvest Event--Fellowship Hall

November 2 - Tuesday

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. - Men's Cursillo Reunion Group--Nolan's Restaurant on Staples near Yorktown

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study & Prayer Group--Online--Zoom Meeting

November 3 - Wednesday

12:00 p.m. - Wednesday Noon Prayer Group--Fellowship Hall

Helpful Links

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

[St. Mark's Episcopal Church](#)

[Donate to St. Mark's Church](#)

[St. Mark's Church Facebook Page](#)

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

[Denison Forum--News Discerned Differently](#)

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