

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

October 12, 2023

Upcoming Events

Sundays:

Study of the Gospel of Mark

11:30 a.m.

SEEK Youth Group

11:30 a.m.

Pumpkin Carving

10/19, Thursday 6:00 p.m.

Access Plus Ramp Build

10/21, Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Honor Choir Visit

10/22, Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Fall Festival

10/28, Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Game Night

11/8, Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

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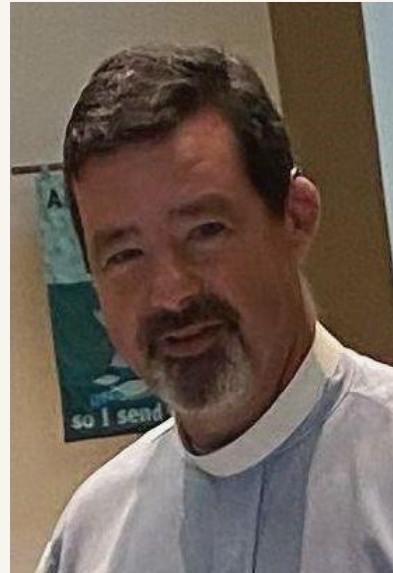
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From the Rector

Fr. Doug Wasinger



There was a time not so long ago people thought that weddings were going out of style. It seemed that they had become an old-fashioned and dated tradition. However, today's weddings continue to be significant in our society. In Biblical times weddings were events which brought entire communities together to celebrate the joining of two families to create a new one. Wedding festivals would last a week during Jesus's time on earth.

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

Helpful Links

Sunday Worship Service

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

Visit our website

Pumpkin Carving

Pumpkin Carving Thursday, 10/19, at 6:00 p.m.

Pumpkin carving is always fun and messy! Come join us for a night of fellowship and creativity.

We'll meet in the fellowship hall, and pizza will be provided. Just bring a pumpkin to carve!



Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible Study of the Gospel of Mark Sundays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 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 11:30 a.m. and ends around 12:30 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](#)

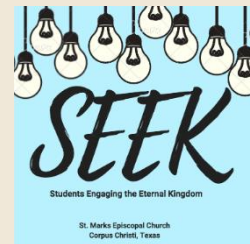
[chapter one](#) study notes

[chapter two](#) study notes

Youth Group

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

Youth group will meet 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!



Access Plus Ramp Build



Access Plus Ramp Build 1618 Sycamore Place Saturday, October 21, 8:00 a.m.

The October ramp build is for a man named Richard. He and his family will be blessed to have better access to his home.

If you enjoy working with your hands or power tools, this might be just the ministry for you to be involved in. Contact Doug

Wayland at (361) 813-1781 for more information, or show up at 8:00 a.m. on the 21st.

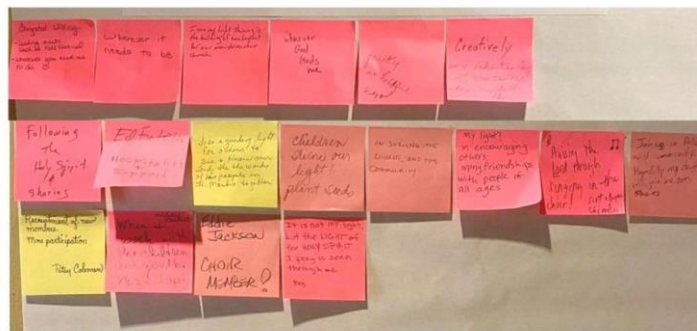
Shining Your Light Responses

Where do you see your light shining at St. Mark's?

Last Sunday we introduced a new question, which we'll answer again this Sunday. Eighteen people submitted a response. Here's a sampling of them:

- "Wherever God leads me."
- "Praising the Lord through singing in the choir!"
- "Creatively and volunteering with my sisters when needed."
- "I see my light shining in the building of excitement for the ministries of our church."

Where do you see your light shining at St. Mark's?



Thank you for your help with this little project!

Honor Choir Visit



The Children's Honor Choir Back for Visit Sunday, October 22

A few years ago The Children's Honor Choir shared their musical talent with us during our worship service and during lunch. They will return October 22 for

another visit, so be sure to mark your calendars.

Fall Festival

Fall Festival
Saturday, 10/28,
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

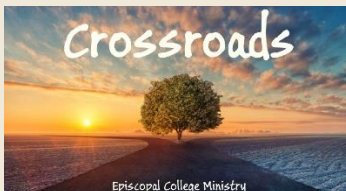


We will team up with Kindercare Daycare centers to host our Fall Festival. You will be able to sign up to volunteer to help with games, participate in the Trunk or Treat, or volunteer in other capacities on a goldenrod insert that can be found in your bulletin this Sunday. You may also let the office know if you'd like to help, or contact Chrystal Wilkey by phone at (361) 549-8917 or by email at achry92300@aol.com.

We also need your help with candy to be handed out during the Trunk or Treat. You may bring in your donations on Sundays or drop them off during office hours Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m.

**Thank you for your help to make
this a special event again this year!**

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 last week 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?



Parishioner Need

Parishioner Needs a Vehicle

Penny Hughes is in need of a nice used car. If you have one you'd like to sell, or know of someone who does, please get in touch with her at (913) 636-2322.



Game Night



**Game Night has been
moved to
Wednesday, 11/8,
6:30 p.m.**

We had so much fun at the last game night that we've decided to do it again! If you didn't get to come last time, make

plans to join us on November 8th. You are welcome to bring a snack to share. Lemonade and water will be provided.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan News



Bishop Reed's Retirement

Festivities--Click on this link for the [event November 4th](#). Fr. Doug is planning to attend. If you'd like join him, please contact the church office.

Connecting with College Missions--Click on [this link](#) if you'd like to get connected with the diocesan college ministry.

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 worshiping 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 [October 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 [October calendar](#).

October 15- Sunday

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist--Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall
11:30 a.m. - Study of the Gospel of Mark--Fellowship Hall
11:30 a.m. - SEEK Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room

October 16 - Monday

9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library
6:30 p.m. - Vestry Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

October 18- 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.

October 19 - Thursday

12:00 p.m. - Crossroads College & Young Adult Ministry--Del Mar Harvin Student Center, Conference Room #1
6:00 p.m. - Pumpkin Carving--Fellowship Hall

October 21 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--1618 Sycamore Place

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

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