

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

June 27, 2024

Upcoming Events

Cimarron Senior Apartments

Conversations with God

7/2, Tuesday 12:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School

7/8-7/11, Monday - Thursday

9:00-11:45 a.m.

Cimarron Senior Apartments Food Distribution

7/18, Thursday 12:00 p.m.

From the Rector Fr. Doug



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Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

Have any of us experienced a moment of healing grace that changed our lives? The Gospel of Mark presents an interesting story about healing. As Jesus was growing in popularity, large crowds started to gather around him. Jarius, who was a local religious leader, had a daughter who was very sick. Frantic, he approached the controversial healer, Jesus. That Jarius, a man of high social status, would humble himself by throwing himself at Jesus's feet shows clearly that he was willing to do anything to have his daughter healed. Jesus didn't see Jarius's social rank but a father who was distressed about his ill daughter. Jesus, touched by this act of desperation, agreed to go to the home of Jarius, a potential rival.

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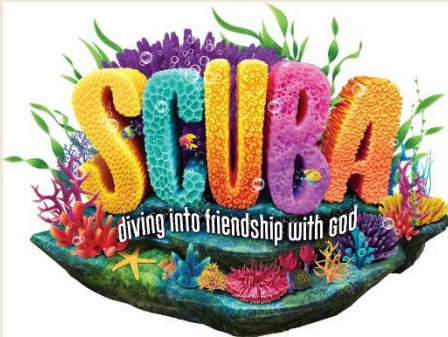
Missionary Support Sunday

Missionary Support Sunday THIS SUNDAY, June 30th

In an effort to provide more support for our missionaries Erin Cottos and Duane and Sharon Miller, it was decided to make the months with five Sundays "Missionary Support Sunday Months." The month of June has five Sundays, so this Sunday the loose offering and any designated gifts will go to support these missionaries. Please prayerfully consider how you would like to participate.



Vacation Bible School



Scuba Vacation Bible School Monday-Thursday, July 8-11, 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Our Vacation Bible School program, "Scuba, Diving into Friendship with God" is a little over a week away. Sally Buck and her wonderful team have been hard at work planning and decorating to make our Vacation Bible School a fun adventure learning about God for the kids.

Here's a [link to register children](#) to attend, or you may use the QR code at the bottom of this section. Please share with others who may have children who would like to participate.

There is a need for H.E.B. gift cards to purchase the snacks for each day. If you could pick one up, you may either drop it off at the church office next week Monday-Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or put it in the offering basket Sunday. Thank you everyone who donated supplies. We now have enough!

Please contact Sally Buck at (361) 813-5732 if you have any questions.



Cimarron Senior Apartment Ministry

Ministry Opportunities at Cimarron Senior Apartments

We started a partnership with Cimarron Senior Apartments a few months ago to find areas where we could provide help. Two areas were identified: a time of study and fellowship called "Conversations with God" and help distributing food boxes supplied by the Coastal Bend Food Bank.



Conversations with God is the first Tuesday of the month, so the next gathering is July 2nd. The group meets at 12:00 p.m. The food box distribution is the third Thursday of the month, so next month's distribution is July 18th. If you would like to participate in either of these ministries, please contact John deMontel at (361) 815-9498 or the church office at (361) 994-0285.

Coffee Hour Help



Coffee Hour Fellowship

Sharing our lives with one another over a cup of coffee while enjoying a sweet treat describes Coffee Hour. We have a very small dedicated team that works hard to make sure there is something offered each Sunday.

We need some new team members to volunteer to help once a month. The job duties include setting up the drinks and refreshments, serving, and cleaning up afterward. It can be very simple. You don't have to bake anything or even pick something up at the grocery store if your time is limited. We have snack items in the freezer and pantry that may be used. Of course, if you enjoy baking and want to bring in homemade treats, no one will object. Everything is appreciated!

Please consider being a part of this team. If you'd like to serve, please let Judy know in the office at (361) 994-0285.

Hurricane Preparedness

Are You Prepared for a Hurricane?

Hurricane Proof your Property

Are you able to hurricane proof your home by boarding up windows, securing outdoor property, etc.? If not, and you don't have family who could help you, please contact the church office at (361)994-0285 so our staff will know who might need assistance prior to a hurricane. With advance notice, a team of people could come assist those who need help protecting their property.



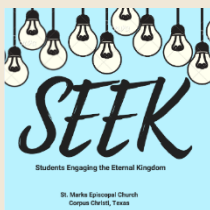
Emergency Contact from Church

To stay informed of emergency situations, receive information on resources that the church may offer, and to check in with your church family during an emergency, please join the St. Mark's General Text Group. You may do so by scanning the QR code below. Fill in your cell phone number and your first and last name; check the box "Verify you are human"; click the "Subscribe" button, and you will automatically be put in the text group.

A test of the service was sent out last week. If you didn't receive the text message, that means we don't have a good working cell phone number for you. If you'd like to be a part of this text group, please use the QR code below to make sure you don't miss any important updates or information.



Youth Group & Children's Ministry



SEEK Youth Group Will Take a Break During the Summer

Youth Group: We will not meet regularly during the summer months.

Vacation Bible School: Stop by the Scuba Vacation Bible Adventure table this Sunday during coffee hour and see where you can help this year! Vacation Bible School will be July 8th through July 11th.

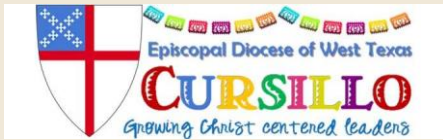
Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study Group is Taking a Break for the Summer

The Sunday Adult Bible study group will take a break during the summer months. The group will resume meeting in the fall to continue with its reading and discussion of the Gospel of St. Mark.



Cursillo & Women's Reunion Groups



Cursillo Community Information

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

Looking ahead, two Cursillos are scheduled for the fall: October 3-6 at Mustang Island Retreat Center and November 7-10 at Camp Capers.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan News



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 [June 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 [June calendar](#).

June 30 - Sunday

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

11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall

July 1- Monday

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

July 2- Tuesday

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

12:00 p.m. - Conversations with God--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

July 3 - 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.

July 4 - Thursday

OFFICE CLOSED FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY

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

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