

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

April 5, 2024

Upcoming Events

Baptism & Baby Shower

4/14, Sunday 11:30 a.m.

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Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

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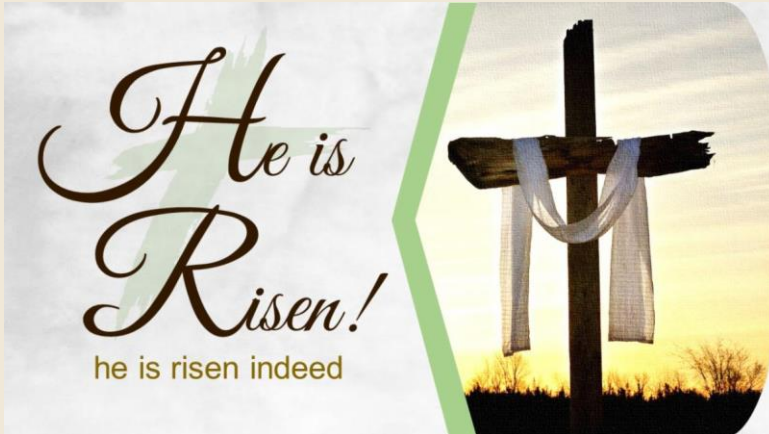
From the Rector Fr. Doug Wasinger



Welcome to the liturgical season of Easter. The Episcopal Church takes the approach that Easter is to be celebrated more than one Sunday of the year. The stunning proclamation that Jesus rose from the dead takes more than one day to integrate into our lives. We are different from the earliest followers of Jesus for we know how the story turns out. It took Luke, along with others, to give more context to what happened during a Passover Meal in a small district in the vast Roman Empire which turned into a history changing event. We too are like the disciples who witnessed Jesus's trial, crucifixion, and burial. All of us need a little more time to get our minds and hearts around the power of God's action of calling Jesus back from the dead and returning him among the living. The church needs this season to celebrate.

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

Easter Season



Welcome
to the
Season
of
Easter!

Easter Lily Plants

Lily Plants

Thank you to everyone who sponsored the lilies used to decorate the altar for the Easter service. Your generosity helped make the altar beautiful.

If you opted to take the lily plants you sponsored, you may take them this Sunday. The altar guild has asked that you leave the gold sleeves so they may be used next year. Thank you!



Baptism & Diaper Drive & Baby Shower



Baptism, Diaper Drive, and Baby Shower for the Thomas Family Sunday, April 14th

Little Rosemary (Rosie) June Thomas was born March 22nd. We will welcome her into the family of God through baptism Sunday, April 14th. We'll also celebrate her arrival with a baby shower immediately after the baptismal service. If you'd like to help with the shower, please contact Sally Buck at (361) 813-5732, or email her at sallyrbuck@gmail.com.

If you aren't able to attend the baby shower but would like to participate, please consider picking up a package or two of diapers for the diaper drive. You may leave them in the sanctuary or the fellowship hall Sunday, or drop them by the office Monday through Thursday

between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Here is a link to the [baby registry](#) set up for the Thomas family.

Hannah's friend organized a meal train for them, which you may participate in as well. You may sign up to provide a meal, a gift card to a restaurant or to Door Dash. Here is a [link to the information](#).

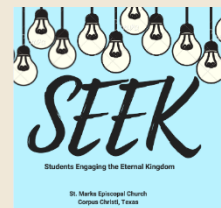


Youth Group & Children's Ministry

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

Youth Group will resume meeting this Sunday to share high's and low's and catch up with one another.

Youth Sunday will be May 12th, which is also Mother's Day. We will hear from some of our seniors who will be graduating, and our youth will serve during the service. The loose offering and any designated gifts will go to support our Youth Endowment Fund for college scholarships.



Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible Study of the Gospel of Mark Meets Sunday at 11:30 a.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

[chapter three](#) study notes

[chapter four](#) study notes

[chapter five](#) study notes

[chapter six](#) study notes

[chapter seven](#) study notes

[chapter eight](#) study notes

[chapter nine](#) study notes

[chapter ten](#) study notes

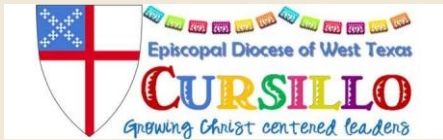
Collecting Gardening Tools

Gardening Tools for Corpus Christi Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

The activities director at Corpus Christi Nursing and Rehab Center next door has asked us to collect gardening tools, gloves, and other gardening equipment that their residents could use in a new garden area that the staff is building for them. Please bring any items you wish to donate to the church office.



Women's Reunion Groups



Cursillo Women's Reunion Groups

Calling all St. Mark's women who have made their Cursillo! New **reunion groups** 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.

The next **Cursillo** will be at Mustang Island Retreat Center, May 2-5. Here's a link for [more information](#). You may also visit with Pam if you're interested in going.

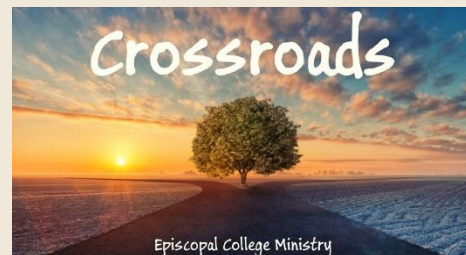
Looking ahead, two Cursillos are scheduled for the fall, October 3-6 at Mustang Island Retreat Center and November 7-10 at Camp Capers.

Crossroads Ministry



Crossroads Ministry to College Students and Young Adults

St. Mark's is continuing to work to establish the Crossroads ministry to college students and young adults at the Del Mar Heritage Campus and Texas A&M Corpus Christi Campus. Above is a QR code to access information to join a text group for students interested in this ministry.



Please keep our efforts to engage with college students and young adults in a real way in your prayers. Thank you!

Diocesan Events



Diocesan News

Cursillo Information--Please use the link below to the diocesan page containing information on upcoming [Cursillo weekends](#).

EclipseFest-- at Camp Capers April 7-9--For details [click here](#).

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 [April 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 [April calendar](#).

April 7 - Sunday

- 10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist--Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 a.m. - Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room
- 12:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study--Fellowship Hall

April 8- Monday

- 9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library
- 6:30 p.m. - Embracing the Journey--Fellowship Hall

April 9 - Tuesday

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

April 10 - 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.

April 11 - Thursday

- 5:30 p.m. - Communications Team Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library

April 13 - Saturday

9:00 a.m. - Financial Review--Fellowship Hall

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

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