

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

April 11, 2024

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4/14, Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Shower at 11:30 a.m.

King's Forest Family Picnic

4/28, Sunday 11:30 a.m.

Sun Fest Community Event

6/8, Saturday

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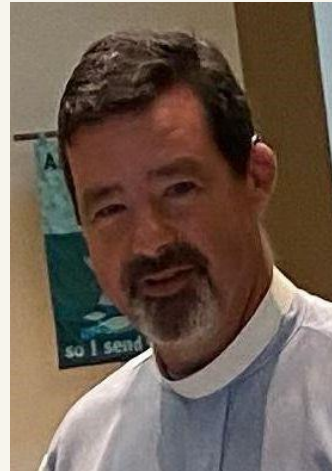
Helpful Links

Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

[Visit our website](#)

From the Rector Fr. Doug Wasinger



I am a fan of hockey. Having grown up in the Western states of Colorado and Wyoming, I am a follower of the professional hockey team, the Colorado Avalanche in Denver. This time of year, hockey teams are entering the playoffs to win the Stanley Cup. The Avalanche team has won the Stanley Cup twice, and it is in a great position to make another deep run in the playoffs. The Stanley Cup has a characteristic that makes it special: the team members who win the championship get their names engraved on the Cup. This means that those players' names will be remembered for generations after they've stopped playing. They have a connection to history. The players are considered members of an elite group of winners.

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

Baptism & Baby Shower



Baptism, Diaper Drive, and Baby Shower for the Thomas Family THIS Sunday

Little Rosemary (Rosie) June Thomas was born March 22nd. We will welcome her into the family of God through baptism this Sunday. 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.

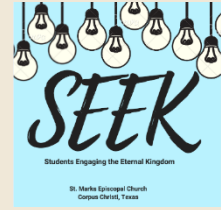
If you aren't able to attend the baby shower but would like to participate, please consider picking up a package or two of diapers for the diaper drive. Here is a link to the [baby registry](#) set up for the Thomas family.

Hannah's friend organized a meal train for them, which you may participate in as well. If you'd like to provide a meal, a gift card to a restaurant or to Door Dash, please use this [link to the information](#).



Youth Group & Children's Ministry

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



Youth Group will meet 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

Access Plus Ramp Build

Ramp Build Saturday, April 20th, at 8:00 a.m. 1545 N. Lexington Blvd.

The ramp build for April is for a lady named Rosalinda. She is excited about the opportunity to get in and out of her home more easily.

Doug Wayland is leading the team that will build Rosalinda's ramp. Anyone interested in this ministry is welcome to come Saturday, the 20th. Doug and his crew would be happy to train you. If you have questions, please contact Doug Wayland by calling him at (361) 813-1781.



King's Forest Family Picnic

Sunday, April 28th, at 11:30 a.m.



What is the King's Forest? Where is the King's Forest? The King's Forest is a three-acre piece of land that has been in the process of being transformed into a small park for several years. It's adjacent to our parking lot behind the nursing home and rehab center. There you'll find a variety of trees, lots of bird feeders to entice the birds to visit, and a water feature.

We will celebrate spring and the beauty of creation by having a family picnic after the Sunday service. Bring lunch for you and your family. There will be two ice chests available, one for warm food and one for food that needs to be chilled, that you may use to put your lunch in during our worship service. Drinks will be provided. Don't forget to bring a blanket or chairs, and your sunscreen, sunglasses, and hat.

Sun Fest Community Event

Save the Date for our Sun Fest Event on June 8th



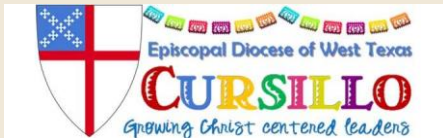
Another free community event has been planned with two goals in mind:

- provide our neighbors with a Saturday morning filled with fun
- raise more funds for our new sign

We will have live music, a D.J., a bounce house, an obstacle course, hot dogs, and family yard games. We will also have Kona Ice and Travelin' Tom's coffee available for purchase.

We'll also be doing a silent auction to raise money for the new sign on Airline Road. If you have an item you would like to donate for the silent auction, please reach out to Chrystal Wilkey at (361) 549-8917. If you would like to help be a volunteer, please let her know.

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.

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.

An Ultreya, which is a gathering for those who are Cursillistas, has been planned for May 11th at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Calallen. For more details [click here for the flyer](#).

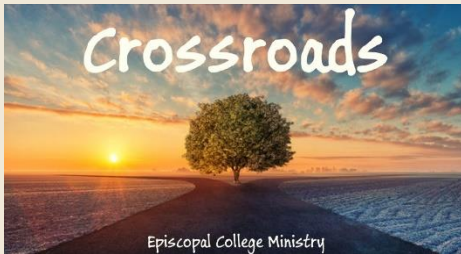
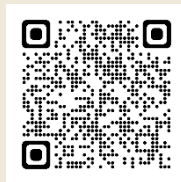
Collecting Gardening Tools

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.



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](#).

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 14 - Sunday

- 10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist & Baptism--Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. - Baby Shower--Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 a.m. - Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room
- 12:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study--Fellowship Hall

April 15- Monday

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

April 16 - Tuesday

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

April 17 - Wednesday

- 8:10 a.m. - Clothing Sorting--Timon's Ministries, 10501 S. Padre Island Dr.
- 11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Old Guys--Nolan's Restaurant, 4117 S. Staples St.
- 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 20 - Saturday

- 8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--1545 N. Lexington Blvd.

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

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[Diocese of West Texas](#)

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