

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

November 11, 2021

Upcoming Events

Allemand Baby Shower Brunch

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

Christmas Pageant

Sun, 12/12 10:00 a.m.

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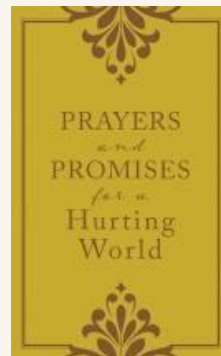
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Sunday Worship Service:

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

[Visit our website](#)



God's Promise of Rescue

Excerpt taken from
"Prayers and Promises for a
Hurting World" by Laura Freudig

"If you want to return to the Lord with all your hearts, get rid of your foreign gods and your images of Ashtoreth. Turn your hearts to the Lord and obey him alone; then he will rescue you." 1 Samuel 7:3

Dear Lord, we desire many things. Are You among them? We want the stuff of this world: nice houses, delicious foods, new cars, stylish clothes, the devices and trinkets of each passing season. We desire peace and prosperity and blessings. Wanting these things is not wrong; they are all gifts from Your hand. But do we desire You--the giver--with the same fervency? Do we seek Your wonderful face, or do we look past You to the next new thing?

Lord, we ask You today to search our hearts and reveal the wicked idolatrous ways in us. We can make an idol out of anything, and we do. We ask You to smash them, no matter how painful that is for us because we want You more than anything else. It's easy to say that without really meaning it, however. So we also pray that our Saviour

will be interceding for us by Your throne; we pray that Your Spirit will fill us and displace everything not of You. Let the things of this world grow dim, until You are our all in all. Amen.

Veteran's Day

Thank You for Your Service!



Allie & Landon Allemand Baby Shower

**THIS 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

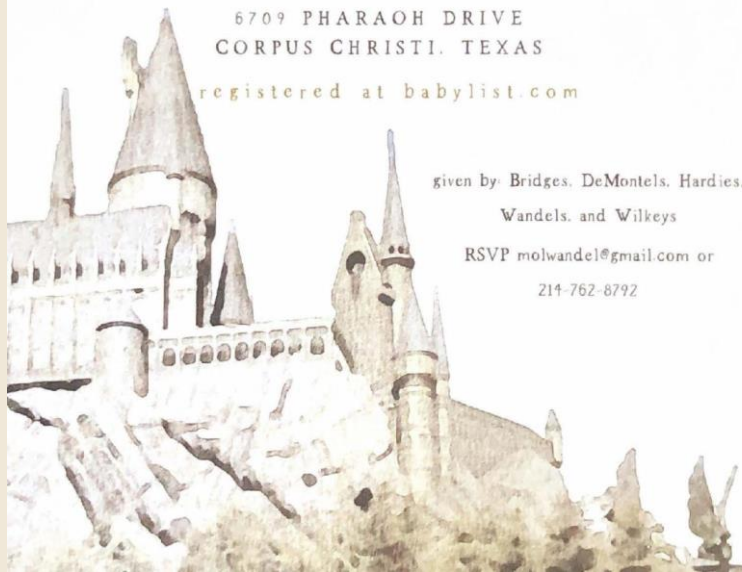
ALLIE and LANDON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

11 am - 2 pm

6709 PHAROAH DRIVE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

registered at babylist.com



given by: Bridges, DeMontels, Hardies,

Wandels, and Wilkeys

RSVP molwandel@gmail.com or

214-762-8792

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.





Stewardship Season

Support Kingdom Work through St. Mark's Estimate of Giving Cards Due November 21st

Our acts of obedience to what God calls us to do in terms of giving to His Kingdom are always blessed. We may not see how God chooses to use our gift, but do not doubt that God uses all gifts to bless others.



TIME
Talent
TREASURE

Living a Life of Stewardship

When you decide to make a commitment to give to God's Kingdom through St. Mark's, your commitment is not taken lightly. Your Estimate of Giving Card is prayed over and blessed even before the envelope is opened. God will do more with your act of obedience than you will ever know.

If you haven't been able to submit your Estimate of Giving Card, you still have time. There will be cards available in the sanctuary Sunday or in the office. You can also email the office with your intentions for 2022. Please get them into the office by 11/21.

Mission 911

10% Tithe to Outreach Supports Mission 911

Since the very beginning, St. Mark's has tithed 10% of all money that comes into the operating account to outreach ministry to those outside the walls of St. Mark's. We often support ministries who do work we are not able to do but have a passion for, as in the case of providing food for those who need it. We had a food pantry, but after years of taking food that was near its expiration date to Timons Ministries,



we realized our location is not in the part of town where the need is. So, now we financially support the food bank.

The same is true for Mission 911. Tony Reyes, the director, came in August as our second speaker after Fr. John retired and inspired us to trust God and move joyfully toward our new opportunity in ministry. He talked about Mission 911, but here is a link to a short video done by the [Caller Times](#) that brings more to the testimony he delivered in August.

Here are some of things going on in November at Mission 911:

- 11/1--They started taking clients.
- 11/9--Day of Giving--Trying to raise \$85,000.
- Will be starting AA meetings every Friday at 6 p.m.
- 11/22--Their Thanksgiving meal distribution starting at 6 p.m. at the Mission.
- Preparing for their Golf Tournament Fundraiser on Saturday, 12/4/21.

For more information about Mission 911, go to their [website](#). John deMontel would also be happy to visit with you about their ministry work.

Search Process Update

Here's the latest from John deMontel

The Search Committee was trained yesterday and is ready to start their commissioned work to find our next rector. But they're still on hold for a bit as the work of the vestry needs to be finished next week.



Monday, the Vestry will meet with Caroline Mowen regarding the finances for the clergy compensation package, budgets, etc. They will also discuss the parish profile.

Please pray for each other, Fr. Rick, our search process, and future Rector. Use the scripture below to pray and meditate through.

II Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

1:9 (God) who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began.

3:16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

3:17 That the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Rejoice! Rejoice! ...

4:22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.

Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Food Basket Project

Food Collection Deadline Sunday 11/21

Our Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Food Basket delivery is scheduled for Tuesday, November 23rd, so we need to have the food items listed to the right by the Sunday before, November 21. There is already a growing selection of food items in the fellowship hall.

A count was done of what has been brought in as of today, 11/11, and this is what is still needed:

51 Stuffing Mixes
24 Turkey Gravy Mixes
42 Sweet Potatoes/Yams
43 Cranberry Sauce
24 Green Beans
20 Corn

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!!



SEEK Youth Group

What's Happening?

Youth group will meet this Sunday after the service for fun and fellowship until 12:30 p.m.

Next Sunday, 11/21, stay for a while after the service to sign cards for Sea Gulf Villa residents and organize items as needed for our Thanksgiving Meal Basket delivery.

Meet in the parish hall Tuesday, 11/23, at 8:15 a.m. to bag canned goods for delivery. Then we'll leave for Sea Gulf Villa about 9 a.m. to visit with residents and bring joy in the form of Thanksgiving dinner!



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

November 14 - Sunday--

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist--Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall
Kids in Christ--Fellowship Hall
SEEK Youth Group--Fellowship Hall

November 15 - Monday

6:30 p.m. - Vestry Meeting--Fellowship Hall

November 16 - 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 17 - Wednesday

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

November 18 - Thursday

7:00 p.m. - South Texas Amateur Radio Club--Fellowship Hall

November 20 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--1210 Vernon Street

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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