

November 14, 2024

Upcoming Events

Access Plus Ramp Build

11/16, Saturday

Ingathering of 2025 Commitment Cards

Giving in Gratitude Potluck Lunch

11/17, Sunday

Fishpond Thanksgiving Food Collection Due

11/20, Wednesday

Fishpond Distribution of Thanksgiving Food Baskets

11/26, Tuesday

Advent Begins

12/1, Sunday

Youth Group & Adult Bible Study

Sundays following the service

A Word from the Rector

Fr. Doug Wasinger



At the very beginning of the 1953 Peter Pan movie the narrator states, "All this happened before, and it will happen again. This time it happened in London." In the Gospel of Mark, as Jesus is leaving the Jewish Temple, a place of splendor that rivaled all the local god's temples, he points out that the Temple is going to be destroyed. He was speaking from historical experience. The Harvard Divinity School website explains:

After the destruction of the First Temple in Jerusalem by the Babylonians in 586 BCE, the Jews of the Kingdom of Judea went into exile. In 538 BCE during the reign of Cyrus the Great, the Jews returned to

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Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

Jerusalem and were able to build the Second Temple on the site of the original one that had been destroyed. Secular accounts place the completion of the Second Temple in approximately 516 BCE but some Jewish sources date the completion much later in 350 BCE. Herod the Great rebuilt the Temple in 20-18 BCE. The Jews led a revolt and occupied Jerusalem in 66 CE initiating the first Roman-Jewish war. In 70 CE the Romans reclaimed Jerusalem and destroyed the Second Temple with only a portion of the western wall remaining.

[*Click here for the rest of the article.*](#)

[Visit our website](#)

Access Plus Ramp Build

Access Plus Ramp Build

Saturday, November 16, 8:00 a.m.

3426 Kenwood Dr.



The ramp build for November is this Saturday beginning at 8:00 a.m. Doug Wayland will have everything needed for this build, including water and coffee!

Please consider joining in the blessing of Cipriana and her family with easier access to her home. You don't need to have any construction experience, as Doug and his crew will gladly train you.

Walk in Love Bringing Faith to Life



Walk in Love

Bringing Faith to Life Campaign

Culminates this Sunday

We will celebrate the culmination of our Walk in Love Bringing Faith to Life campaign this Sunday.

We will have an opportunity to place our commitment cards for 2025 on the altar to be blessed for God's use through our church during the service. The cards were mailed out last week. If you didn't receive one, or if you leave yours at home, there will be cards available Sunday.

Following the service, we'll enjoy our annual Giving in Gratitude Potluck Lunch, which has a Thanksgiving meal theme. Donna Burks has put together a movie of photos of all the events, and ministries we participated in this past year. It's always fun to look back at the previous year.

If you can help with the set up Sunday, please be at the fellowship hall by 8:45 a.m. rather than 8:15 a.m.



Fishpond Food Collection

Collection for the Residents at the Fishpond Living Apartments Deadline is Wednesday, 11/20



The residents are looking forward to our youth group coming back this year with their cheerful smiles to distribute Thanksgiving food items. The residents await this visit with great anticipation every year.

We are collecting food items to complete Thanksgiving meals for the residents of the Fishpond Living Apartment Complex, formerly known as the Sea Gulf Villa Apartments. The church will provide the turkey/ham, rolls, and pies. We just need your help with the nonperishable food items. Please bring your donations to the church by **Wednesday, November 20th**. There is a box in the sanctuary in which you may place your items this Sunday. There are also tables in the fellowship hall on which you may place your items.

Currently Needed:

Need 46—Stuffing—6 oz boxes

Need 64—Turkey Gravy—1 oz packet

Need 65—Sweet Potatoes/Yams—15 oz can

Need 65—Cranberry Sauce—14 oz can

Need 34—Green Beans—15 oz can

Need 65—Corn—15 oz can

Please note that these numbers are current as of Thursday 11/14. The insert that you'll find in your bulletin Sunday morning will show larger numbers because several items came in after the sheet was printed.

The distribution of the food baskets will be **Tuesday, November 26th**. Please be at the church by 9:00 a.m. if you'd like to help with this project.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this important ministry to the residents of the Fishpond Living apartments.

Youth Group



Youth Group meets Sundays,

but not this Sunday so everyone may attend the Giving in Gratitude Lunch.

They will resume meeting next

Sunday after the service.

December heads up: The Christmas pageant is scheduled for Sunday, December 15th. Look for more information in the coming weeks. It will be followed by caroling at the Corpus Christi Nursing & Rehabilitation Center next door.

Youth Group will also make plans to see the Best Christmas Pageant Ever movie sometime in December. The date has yet to be determined.

Adult Bible Study

**Adult Bible Study
will not meet this Sunday
but will resume next Sunday
so all may attend the
Giving in Gratitude Lunch**



Participants in the Adult Bible Study Group will not meet in the Fellowship Hall for Bible study after the service this Sunday. The group will continue the study of the Gospel of Mark on November 24th . Bring your Bibles if you'd like; however, there will be some available if you need one. Grab some refreshments and join in the conversation.

Below are the links to the previous study guides for chapters one through twelve if you'd like to review them or catch up. The group is currently discussing chapter 14.

Previous Chapters 1-10:

[Chapter 1 Mark](#)

[Chapter 2 Mark](#)

[Chapter 3 Mark](#)

[Chapter 4 Mark](#)

[Chapter 5 Mark](#)

[Chapter 6 Mark](#)

[Chapter 7 Mark](#)

[Chapter 8 Mark](#)

[Chapter 9 Mark](#)

[Chapter 10 Mark](#)

[Chapter 11 Mark](#)

[Chapter 12 Mark](#)

New Chapters 13-16:

[Chapter 13 Mark](#)

[Chapter 14 Mark](#)

[Chapter 15 Mark](#)

[Chapter 16 Mark](#)

2025 Flower Chart



2025 Flower Chart Available in the Entryway to the Sanctuary

Sponsoring the altar flowers on a Sunday is a wonderful way to honor a loved one or special date in your life. Please sign up on the flower chart that is available in the entryway to the sanctuary. As a gentle reminder, you will receive an email the last week of the month before your assigned date giving details about the flowers, cost, etc. and asking that you provide the dedication for that particular Sunday.

Here are the dates that are still available:

July 6th

August 17th

August 23rd

October 12th

October 26th

November 30th

December 21st

December 28th

Thank you to all who have signed up to sponsor the altar flowers for next year!

Upcoming December Dates

December Events



12/1--Advent begins Sunday, December 1st. We will use Rite I, as we did last year.

12/7--Lay Eucharistic and lector training date is set for Saturday, December 7th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. This training is for all who currently serve and anyone who would like to begin serving in this ministry.

12/8--Election of delegates and alternates to the 2025 Diocesan Council be take place Sunday, December 8th after the service in the sanctuary.

12/15--Christmas Pageant during the service and Christmas Caroling at Corpus Christi Nursing & Rehabilitation Center after the pageant.

Timon's Ministry



Ministry in Partnership with Timon's Ministry

Over the course of many years, St. Mark's has partnered with Timon's Ministry in various ways. Timon's goal "is to provide a hand up, empowering individuals to regain their strength, dignity, and ultimately, their place in the workforce." Our women's reunion group has discovered several ways to serve this community.

Members of the group have been volunteering their time at Timon's Ministry working in the Clothing Closet organizing items and visiting with people. The group has asked for help with their efforts through any of the following ways:

- Donating band aids, bandages, and gauze
- Donating clothing, especially men's shirts, jeans, or athletic shoes

- Donating travel size deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bars of bath soap, body wash
- Donating toothbrushes
- Donating items for to-go food bags: tuna and cracker packs, granola bars, chips, bottled water, etc.
- Sorting clothing on Mondays from 8:45 - noon.

You may leave your donations in designated boxes located in the entryway to the sanctuary and in the fellowship hall. Contact Pam Cater at (361) 446-4498 for more information.

Thank you for your help with this important ministry opportunity.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan & National

Church 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.

Below is a Thank-You letter from Bishop Read regarding his visit October 6th.



*The Episcopal Diocese
of West Texas*
The Bishop Jones Center

The Rt. Rev. Dr. David G. Read
Bishop of West Texas

The Rev. Doug Wasinger
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
2727 Airline Rd.
Corpus Christi, TX 78414-3306

October 31, 2024

Dear Doug,

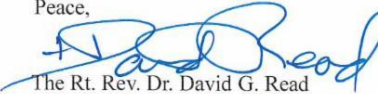
Grace to you and peace.

Please share with the good people of St. Mark's my hearty thanks for their generous gift to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. I am deeply grateful for their faithfulness and for their contribution.

As you know, the Bishop's Discretionary Fund is used to meet a wide variety of pastoral situations, family emergencies, and outreach opportunities across the 60 counties of the Diocese of West Texas and beyond. The fund enables me to respond, on behalf of the people of West Texas.

Through your generous contribution, St. Mark's joins in the wider Church's ministry to make a tangible response in the Name of Christ for people in need. Thank you for your gift.

Peace,



The Rt. Rev. Dr. David G. Read

DGR/ms

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 [November schedule](#) for our ministries. The schedule is an ongoing work in progress, so please check each week to see if there are any changes. Here's a link to the [November calendar](#).

November 16 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--3426 Kenwood Dr.

November 17 - Sunday

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

11:30 a.m. - Giving in Gratitude Lunch--Fellowship Hall

November 18- Monday

8:45 a.m. - Clothing Sorting--Timon's Ministry, 10501 S. Padre Island Dr.

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

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

November 19 - Tuesday

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

November 20- 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.

November 21 - Thursday

11:45 a.m. - Food Distribution--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

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

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

[St. Mark's Episcopal Church](#)

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[St. Mark's Church Facebook Page](#)

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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