St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

November 26, 2025

Upcoming Events

Thanksgiving Day 11/27, Thursday

Missionary Sunday 11/30, Sunday

Advent Season Begins 11/30, Sunday

Election of Delegates & Alternates to Diocesan Council
12/7, Sunday

Christmas Pageant & Christmas Caroling 12/14, Sunday



From the Rector Fr. Doug Wasinger



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Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

Wishing you a very blessed holiday!

Visit our website

Thanksgiving Blessings

Happy



Thanksgiving!

Remember your blessings of this past year!

Missionary Sunday



Missionary Sunday THIS SUNDAY, November 30th

Fr. Duane and Sharon Miller have prepared a video update on their ministry in the Madrid area, which we'll see on November 30th, our Missionary Sunday. The loose offering and any designated gifts will support their ministry as well as Erin Cottos's ministry. Thank you for your generosity and support

of ministry outside the walls of St. Mark's.

Fishpond Living Thanksgiving Meals

Fishpond Living Residents Blessed

The residents of the Fishpond Living Apartment Complex were truly blessed yesterday when our youth group, their friends, and our adult helpers delivered the Thanksgiving meals. They were happy about the food but even more excited to see everyone this year. Thank you for supporting the ministry for these residents. We are all blessed by being able to share our lives with them.



Tell Out My Soul Campaign



Tell Out My Soul Stewardship Campaign

Thank you to everyone who has submitted a ministry support card. Fr. Doug blesses all cards as they come in.

If you weren't able to submit your ministry support card, you may still do so on any Sunday by placing it in the offering basket or by mailing it to the office. There are extra ministry support cards in the sanctuary and in the office.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting St Mark's Church through our Tell Out My Soul stewardship campaign. Your gifts and commitments help to further the Kingdom of God through St. Mark's.

2026 Flower Chart

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The flower chart for the Sundays in 2026 is available in the entryway to the sanctuary. You may sign up to sponsor the altar flowers for any Sunday you would like to honor a special someone or event in your life. Of course, you are welcome to sign up for more than one Sunday. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday but can't be here to sign up, call Judy at the office at (361) 994-0285 or email her at judy@stmarkscc.org to check if the date you would prefer is available; if so, she will put your name down for that date.



Near the beginning of each month, an email will go out to all who signed up to sponsor a Sunday in that month, reminding them of the Sunday they signed up to sponsor. The email will include a request for a dedication for the flowers and information on how to cover the \$55 cost of the flowers.

Thank you for helping to make our altar beautiful each Sunday!

Youth Ministry



SEEK Youth Group Meets Sundays after the Service

Registration for <u>Mid-Winter Camp and Summer Camp at</u>
<u>Camp Capers</u> is open. Click on the link to the diocesan page to obtain more information and to register.

Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His face continually. (1 Chronicles 16:11)

Books Available

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Our library is receiving a much-needed cleanup and clean-out. Teresa Bacon and Marlyce Rysavy have been working on it for over a month now. There were lots of books in the library that are no longer needed but are still great to share. So, they are available in the fellowship hall and are free to take. Go over after the service on Sunday to see if any of the titles are of interest to you. Happy reading!



Cimarron Senior Apartments Ministry



Ministry to the Residents at Cimarron Senior Apartments 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

Conversations with God Monday, 12/1, at 11:00 a.m.

Conversations with God Bible Study on the First Monday of Every Month at 11:00 a.m. Once a month, John deMontel, Fr. Doug Wasinger, and others provide snacks and a Bible study they call "Conversations with God" for the residents. It generally lasts an hour. If you'd like to help with this ministry, please contact John at (361) 815-9498.

Food Delivery to Residents on the Third Monday of Every Month at 11:30 a.m. The Coastal Bend Food Bank delivers food to the Cimarron Senior Apartments once a month. A team of dedicated St. Mark's volunteers helps distribute the food to the residents after it has arrived. If you have an hour or so to give, please consider helping with the monthly food distribution.

Quiet Day: Women's Call to Prayer

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Women's Call to
Prayer
at
St. Bartholomew's
Episcopal Church
622 Airline Rd.
December 6th,
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The Daughters of the King group at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church is offering a day of prayer for women. The event will include worship, prayer, and fellowship. Please RSVP to Helana Barmore at (713) 449-4543 if you plan to attend.

Please join us!!

Quiet day: Women's Call to Prayer

Saturday, December 6 9:00 am – Noon

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church Parish hall 622 Airline Corpus Christi, TX 78412

Casual dress with light refreshments Worship ~ program ~ prayer ~ fellowship

RSVP (713) 449-4543 text/call Helana.barmore@gmail.com

Sponsored by Saving Grace Chapter Daughters of the King

Adult Bible Study



the fellowship hall library.

Adult Bible Study Class Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

The Adult Bible Study group meets on Sundays after the service. Tom Curry is leading the study entitled "Understanding the Old Testament in Jesus's Time." Bring your own Bible, or use one of the several that will be available. Pick up some refreshments, and join the class in

St. Mark's History Books

The Story of St. Mark's Books From 1986 to the Present in the Fellowship Hall

We have several books that depict the history of our church. They are usually kept in the library, but we found that people don't know that they're there.



So, for several weeks they'll continue to be on a table in the entryway for you to look through. There is a mix of photos, text, articles, certificates, and more that chronicle our history beginning in 1986. Next year, we will celebrate our 40th year of ministry. What a milestone!

Timon's Ministry



Ministry in Partnership with Timon's Ministries

Over the course of many years, St. Mark's has partnered with Timon's Ministries 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 Ministries, working in the Clothing Closet, organizing items, and visiting with people. The group has asked for help with their efforts in any of the following ways:

- · Donating band aids, bandages, gauze, etc.
- Donating clothing, especially men's shirts, jeans, shorts, athletic shoes, flip-flops, socks, and belts, and women's jeans, shorts, undergarments, socks, and purses
- Donating sleeping bags, backpacks, tote bags, suitcases, and recyclable plastic bags
- Donating travel-size deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bars of bath soap, body wash, bath towels
- Donating toothbrushes and new or used shoelaces
- Donating laundry supplies
- Donating items for to-go food bags: tuna and cracker packs, granola bars, chips, bottled water, etc.
- Sorting clothing and helping clients on Mondays from 8:45 to 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 News



Mid-Winter Camps and Summer

Camps at Camp Capers--Mid-Winter I, for youth 6th through 12th grade, begins on January 2nd. Mid-Winter II, for kids in 2nd through 5th grade, starts on January 9th. Registration for Summer Camps has also opened. Here is a link for more information.

Diocesan ENews--To stay informed on what is happening in our Diocese, you may sign up for the <u>Diocese of West Texas ENews</u> by clicking the link. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on a white button that has "Let's Connect" written on it.

Year-End Giving



Year-End Giving Information

As the year comes to a close, many people want to bless others with a year-end gift. Here is a flyer that explains some of <u>the opportunities</u> that are available to us and what needs to be considered.

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 our <u>November ministry schedule</u>. Click here for the <u>November church</u> <u>calendar</u>.

November 30 - Sunday

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

11:30 a.m. - Coffee & Conversation--Fellowship Hall

11:30 a.m. - SEEK Youth Group--Fellowship Hall Youth Room

11:45 a.m. - Adult Bible Study--Fellowship Hall Library

December 1 - Monday

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

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

11:00 a.m. - Conversations with God--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

December 2 - Tuesday

7:30 a.m. - Women's Reunion Group--Corner Bakery Cafe, 4928 S. Staples St.

December 3 - Wednesday

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.

December 6 - Saturday

9:-00 a.m. - Women's Quiet Day--St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 622 Airline Rd.

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

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