

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

March 12, 2026

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Reflections from the Rector



When asked during the Civil War if he believed God was on the side of the North, President Abraham Lincoln suggested that the better question is, are we on God's side? It's a question worth asking today. How often do we stop to consider what God desires while we spend so much time pursuing what we want?

In the ninth chapter of John's Gospel, we hear a story that reveals something about God's work in the world. As Jesus walks with his disciples, they encounter a man who has been blind from birth. The disciples ask a familiar question—one humanity has asked for centuries: Who sinned? Who is to blame for this man's blindness, poverty, and social marginalization?

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Jesus's response reveals the heart of God. He says the question isn't about who sinned. Rather, this moment is an opportunity for God's works to be revealed..

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

Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

[Visit our website](#)

Cimarron Senior Apartments Ministry

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



**Food Distribution
Monday, 3/16, at 11:30 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 residents after it arrives. If you have an hour or so to give, please consider helping with the monthly food distribution.

Lenten Soup & Study



The Lenten Soup and Study *The Chosen* Series Season 4 Week 4 Wednesday, 3/18, at 6:00 p.m.

Our Lenten study has been quite interesting. The evening begins with a soup supper followed by a discussion of the fourth season of *The Chosen*. Please let the office know if you didn't sign up earlier but would like to attend, so we have enough soup for everyone. You can call the office at (361) 994-0285 or email Judy at judy@stmarksc.org.

Please watch the assigned episodes before the Wednesday gathering. There will be scripture to reflect on, items to watch for when you view the episode, and a Lenten practice.

Here is the information for this coming week:

- **Watch:** Episodes 6 "Dedication" and 7 "The Last Sign" before Wednesday.
- **Reflect on:** John 11:35
- **Watch for:** Grief as part of faith
God's presence in silence
Trusting God when prayers seem unanswered
- **Lenten practice:** Pray slowly with Psalm 22, allowing its lament to become your own.

Four Ways to Watch *The Chosen*

Below are four ways to watch *The Chosen*. *The Chosen App* is free, but the streaming services may have a cost.

Install *The Chosen* App on your smart TV.

Go to the main menu, locate **SETTINGS**, use the **SEARCH** option to search for *The Chosen* app, then select **DOWNLOAD**. Log in as **GUEST** or set up a free account. Open the app on your smart TV and search for *The Chosen*.

Amazon Prime Video – You will need a Prime Membership.

Open Prime Video, then search *The Chosen*.

Peacock – You will need a subscription to use Peacock

Open Peacock, then search *The Chosen*.

Scan the code with your phone to install the apps, then open the same app on your TV.

QR Code to *The Chosen* App



QR Code to Peacock streaming service

Time of Contemplation & Healing Prayer

Time of Contemplation & Healing Prayer Thursday, 3/19, at 5:45 p.m.



The next “Time of Contemplation and Healing Prayer” service is Thursday, March 19th, at 5:45 p.m. It will last 30-40 minutes.

Have you ever heard about Contemplative or Centering Prayer? Do you have any idea what it's all about? There are probably many theological answers, but in layman's terms, the answer might be that it consists of a couple of themes. It is a time to quietly contemplate your relationship with God through prayer to Him. And, more importantly, it is a chance to spend time listening to what He wants to tell you or to have you hear. This time can be a way to enhance our relationship with our Creator and Savior.

[For more information, click this link.](#)

Access Plus Ramp Build



Access Plus Ramp Build 4429 Green Grove Saturday, 3/21, at 8:00 a.m.

The March ramp build is for a lady named Diana Zamora. She and her family are looking forward to receiving the ramp, which will give her better access to her home.

Anyone who's interested in this ministry is encouraged to come on Saturday morning to work. Doug Wayland and his team are happy

to train anyone who wants to learn how the ramps are built. No experience is necessary, just a willing heart!

Farris Baby Shower

Baby Shower for the Farris Family Sunday, 3/22

Help us celebrate Sahara and Noah at a baby shower for their daughter on Sunday, March 22nd, after the worship service in the fellowship hall. Noah and Sahara have a [baby registry at Amazon](#). Click on the link to check it out, or scan the QR code below. Please make plans to join the celebration.



Easter Lily Plants



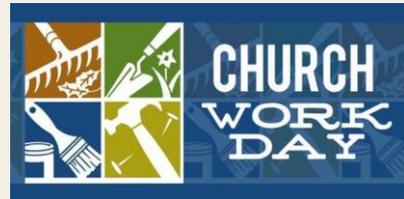
Easter Lily Dedication Forms Available

Please consider sponsoring a lily plant or two to help decorate the altar for Easter Sunday. It's a wonderful way to honor a special someone or a special event in your life. The dedication forms for lily plants will be available in the worship bulletins this Sunday. You can also click here to [print a dedication form](#) to fill out to bring with you. The plants cost \$12. Please fold the form and place your payment inside it. If you would like to take care of your lily order using our eGiving, please write that on your dedication form. The deadline for the Easter lily plants is

Sunday, March 29th.

Church Work Day

Church Work Day
Saturday, March 28th,
at 8:00 a.m.



Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 28th, for a church work day to get our buildings and grounds ready for Holy Week and Easter Sunday. Please consider coming to help, even if you only have 30 minutes to give. Everyone's efforts are welcomed and appreciated.

Hosanna Chalk Art



Hosanna Chalk Art
Saturday, March 28th,
at 10:00 a.m.

All are invited to come decorate the sidewalks with Hosanna chalk art on Saturday, March 28th, in preparation for Palm Sunday.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Week Schedule March 29th through April 5th

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on March 29th. We will have evening services all week. Monday through Wednesday will be evening prayer. Maundy Thursday is on Thursday, and the Stations of the Cross will be on Friday. All of the services are at 7:00 p.m. The culmination of Holy Week will be on Sunday, April 5th, with our Easter Resurrection service.

Here is a link to a PDF of the [Holy Week flyer](#), if you'd like to print a copy for yourself or give it to family and friends as an invitation to join us for our Holy Week services. There will be copies of the flyer in the bulletins on Sunday as well.

A flyer for Holy Week and Easter. The top section has an orange background with a white cross in the center, set against a white sun-like shape. The text "Join us for..." is in the top left, and "Holy Week & Easter" is written in a cursive font across the cross. Below this is a white background with the dates "March 29 through April 5" in bold. A list of services follows, with dates and times on the left and service names on the right. At the bottom, the church's name and website are listed.

Join us for...

Holy Week & Easter

March 29 through April 5

3/29 Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday
3/30-4/1 Monday—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer
4/2 Thursday 7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
9:00-10:00 p.m.	Hour of Prayer
4/3 Friday 7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
4/5 Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Easter Resurrection Service Flowering of the Cross Alleluia Banner Hunt
11:30 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt & Celebration

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2727 Airline Rd
www.stmarkscc.org

Youth Ministry

SEEK Youth Group Meets after worship on Sunday!

Summer Camp--Registration for [Summer Camp at Camp Capers](#) is open. Click the link to the diocesan page for more information and to register.



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

Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible Study Class Sundays at 11:45 a.m.

The Adult Bible study class meets each Sunday in the fellowship hall library. If you'd like to join in the study, head to fellowship hall after the service, grab some refreshments, and then go to the library. Bibles will be available if you need

one.

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

Summer Camps at Camp Capers--

Registration for Summer Camps has opened up for campers. [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 [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 on 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 our [March ministry schedule](#). Click here for the [March church calendar](#).

March 15 - Sunday

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

March 16 - Monday

- 8:45 a.m. - Clothing Shop--Timon's Ministry, 10501 S. Padre Island Dr.
- 9:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting--Fellowship Hall Library
- 11:30 a.m. - Food Distribution--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

March 17 - Tuesday

8:00 a.m. - Women's Reunion Group--Corner Baker Restaurant, 4928 S. Staples St.

March 18- Wednesday

11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Old Guys--Acapulco Restaurant & Bar, 6517 Weber Rd.

12:00 p.m. - Prayer Group--Fellowship Hall Library

6:00 p.m. - Lenten Soup & Study--Fellowship Hall

March 19 - Thursday

5:45 p.m. - Time of Contemplation and Healing Service--Sanctuary Chapel

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

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