

# St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

March 28, 2024

## Upcoming Events

### Maundy Thursday

3/28, Thursday 7:00 p.m.

### Hour of Prayer

3/28, Thursday 8:30 p.m.

### Stations of the Cross

3/29, Friday 7:00 p.m.

### Easter Service Rehearsal

3/30, Saturday 10:00 a.m.

### Easter Sunday

3/31, Sunday 10:00

Egg Hunt 11:30 a.m.

Mimosas & Treats 11:30 a.m.

### Office Closed

4/1, Monday

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## From the Rector Fr. Doug Wasinger



Today many American families have a challenging time gathering for a meal. We are a busy people, with our calendars full of important and meaningful events. We have more demands on our time and more choices to make when it comes to locations and events for personal fellowship. People have adapted over the years, and many families now experience fellowship outside their homes at sporting events, school activities, and other structured evening affairs. Over the years the fellowship of the Church has changed along with society. Jesus's life, death, and resurrection have found new ways to be reworked to fit into our changing world and break into our lives in refreshing and meaningful ways. One way Jesus does this "breaking into our lives" can be found in a meal.

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

## Sunday Worship Service

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

[Visit our website](#)

## Happy Easter

May You  
and Your  
Family  
be  
Blessed!



## Happy Easter!

## Holy Week Activities



## Holy Week Activities

### REHEARSALS:

3/27, Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. **Acolyte** Rehearsal for Maundy Thursday

3/30, Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Easter Service Rehearsal

- **Maundy Thursday Service:** 3/28, 7:00 p.m. with an hour of prayer when the service concludes.
- **Stations of the Cross Service:** 3/29, 7:00 p.m.
- **Easter Resurrection Service:** 3/31, 10:00 a.m. with the egg hunt and refreshments after the service in the courtyard. We'll enjoy mimosas and treats.

Below is the Holy Week Schedule. Here is [a PDF](#) for you to print as well to use as an invitation to invite family and friends to our services.

**The loose offering and any designated gifts donated at the Easter service will go to support our missionaries, Erin Cottos, currently in Baja Mexico, and the Miller family, currently in Spain. Thank you for considering a donation to support their work.**



## Join us for Holy Week March 24 through March 31

**Sunday 10:00 a.m.** Palm Sunday

**Monday—Wednesday 12:15 p.m.**  
Noonday Prayer

**Thursday 7:00 p.m.** Maundy Thursday Service  
**9:00-10:00 p.m.** Hour of Prayer

**Friday 7:00 p.m.** Stations of the Cross

**Sunday 10:00 a.m.** Easter Resurrection Service  
Flowering of the Cross  
Alleluia Banner Hunt  
**11:30 a.m.** Easter Egg Hunt & Celebration

St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
2727 Airline Rd.  
[www.stmarkscc.org](http://www.stmarkscc.org)

## Easter Lily Plants

### Lily Plants

Thank you to everyone who sponsored the lilies used to decorate the altar for the Easter service. Your generosity has helped to make the altar beautiful.

If you opted to take the lily plants you sponsored, you may take them with you when our families finish taking pictures after the Easter service this Sunday.



## Diaper Drive & Baby Shower



### Diaper Drive and Baby Shower for the Thomas Family

Matthew and Hannah Thomas's little girl Rosemary (Rosie) June was born at 4:27 p.m. Friday, March 22nd. She weighed seven pounds one ounce and was nineteen inches long.

To show the Thomas family a little love, we started a diaper drive, which will culminate in a baby shower the Sunday that little Rosie is baptized. There are two possible dates, April 14th or the 21st. A date will be decided after she arrives. If you'd like to help with the shower, please contact Judy in the church office at (361) 994-0285, or email her at [judy@stmarksc.org](mailto:judy@stmarksc.org). Here is a link to their [baby registry](#).

If you'd like to participate in the diaper drive, please leave a package of diapers on either brown bench in the sanctuary entryway or on the designated table in the fellowship hall.

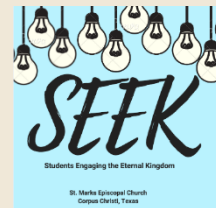
Hannah's friend organized a meal train for them, which you may participate in as well. You may sign up to provide a meal, a gift card to a restaurant or to Door Dash. Here is a [link to the information](#).



## Youth Group & Children's Ministry

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

Youth Group will **not meet** this Sunday so they may celebrate Easter with their families. They'll resume meeting Sunday, April 7th.



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  
Will NOT Meet this Sunday but will  
Resume April 7th**



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

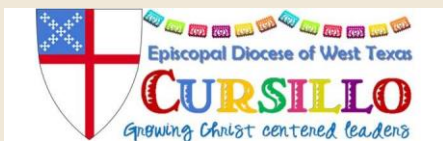
## Collecting Gardening Tools

### 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.



## Women's Reunion Groups



### Cursillo Women's Reunion Groups

Calling all St. Mark's women who have made their Cursillo! New **reunion groups** 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](mailto: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.

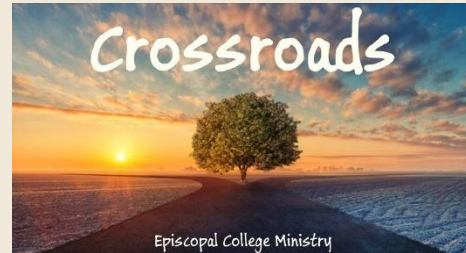
Looking ahead, two Cursillos are scheduled for the fall, October 3-6 at Mustang Island Retreat Center and November 7-10 at Camp Capers.

## 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](#).

**EclipseFest**-- at Camp Capers April 7-9--For details [click here](#).

**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 [March 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 [March calendar](#).

### **March 28 - Thursday**

7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service--Sanctuary

8:30 p.m. - Hour of Prayer--Sanctuary

### **March 29 - Friday**

7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross--Sanctuary

### **March 30 - Saturday**

10:00 a.m. - Easter Service Rehearsal--Sanctuary

### **March 31 - Sunday**

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

11:30 a.m. - Egg Hunt--Courtyard Area

11:30 a.m. - Mimosas and Refreshments--Courtyard

### **April 1- Monday**

**OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

### **April 2 - Tuesday**

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

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

### **April 3 - Wednesday**

8:10 a.m. - Clothing Sorting--Timon's Ministries, 10501 S. Padre Island Dr.

11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Old Guys--Niko's Steakhouse, 5409 Saratoga Blvd.

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

6:30 p.m. - Men's Reunion Group--Nolan's Restaurant, 7426 S. Staples St.

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

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[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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