

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

July 13, 2023

Upcoming Events

Access Plus Ramp Build

7/15, Saturday, 8:00 a.m.

Strategic Planning

8/4-5, Friday and Saturday

Hooks Game

8/11, Friday

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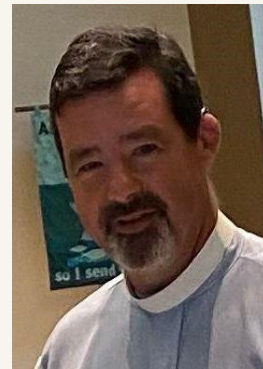
Sunday Worship Service:

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

Visit our website

From the Rector

Fr. Doug Wasinger



I hope your summer is going well. July is turning out to be a productive and full month. Each day I become a bit more familiar with the life of this part of Texas. In the past week I have returned from Mustang Island Family Camp, attended the Ordination and Consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor, and now find myself well into Vacation Bible School at St. Mark's. I am grateful that one of my peers stepped in last Sunday to preach and preside at St. Mark's. This summer is moving right along.

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

Hooks Baseball Game

Hooks Baseball Game August 11th Deadline for Tickets is Friday



St. Christopher's by the Sea Episcopal Church is hosting a "Night at the Ball Park" for a baseball game on August 11th between the Corpus Christi Hooks and the Frisco Rough Riders. They have 150 tickets that they are giving away. If you'd like to attend, please contact our church office by **July 14th** so we can let them know how many tickets we would need. You may call the office at (361) 994-0285, or email Judy at judy@stmarksc.org to let her know how many tickets you need.

Access Plus Ramp Build

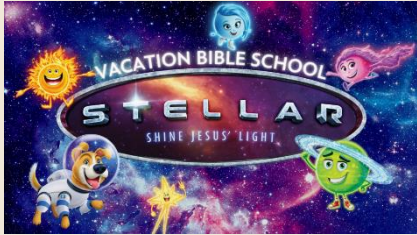


Ramp Build Saturday, July 15th, at 8:00 a.m. 2914 Blake

This month's ramp build is for a couple whose names are Rudy and Irene. They have been waiting for this ramp for quite some time and are looking forward to having better access to their home.

If working with power tools and learning about building interest you, come join the team on the 15h. They would love to have you.

Stellar Vacation Bible School



Stellar Vacation Bible School

The kids and the volunteers have had a wonderful experience at our Stellar Vacation Bible School so far this week. A video of the week will be available soon, once V.B.S. concludes tomorrow. It will be posted on our Facebook page, so be sure to keep an eye out for

it. Look for some pictures too.

This has been an amazing time for all involved.

Thank you for your support!!!

Remind Texting System

Remind Church Texting Service

We will begin using REMIND as a communication tool. It is utilized by 80% of national school districts. REMIND will give us the ability to send text messages directly to your phone, and it will allow you to respond with a message if necessary. Another positive aspect of this platform is that your phone number is protected.



We are using the free version and are limited on the number of groups we may create. Below is a list of nine groups that have been created for our ministries, some of which have been combined. If this works well for us, we may expand our plan to include more ministry groups.

Please be sure to sign up for every ministry group you're involved in. We're asking everyone to sign up for the "**General Announcements**" group because it will be used for event reminders and emergency related information. The group will be one-way texting only.

To sign up for important updates from your ministry group, please text **@(the code for the ministry you are signing up for)** to **81010**.

- **General Announcements @stmarkgen**
- **Youth and Children's Ministry @739d77**

- **Ushers and Greeters @6hed62**
- **Sunday Worship Services** (This includes Presentation Managers / Livestream / LEMs / Lectors / Security Officers / Newcomer Ministers) **@a8c8d8**
- **Outreach Team / Access Plus @82fghdh**
- **Hospitality /Coffee Hour @7c8g6k**
- **College/Young Adult Ministries @69f48hh**
- **Altar Guild @6g9b847**
- **Acolytes @gkf737**

We are excited about having another tool to help with our communications.

Dr. Bob Eckert



Dr. Bob Eckert 1930-2023

Dr. Bob Eckert and his wife Nancy were a big part of our St. Mark's family for many years until their health began to fail. They moved back to Athens, TX to be close to their sons. Nancy went to be with Jesus a couple of years ago. Dr. Bob joined her on June 30th. He will be missed by the many who loved him.

Here is a link to [his obituary](#).

Children's Activity Bags



Children's Worship Activity Bags

During COVID we had to stop offering cloth activity bags for the children to use during our worship service. Now that we're post pandemic, we're bringing the bags back.

You'll find them in a red plastic bin on the bench located on the left side of the entryway as you walk into the sanctuary. Please pick one up for your child to enjoy and return it to the red bin as you leave the service so the contents may be replenished for the next Sunday.

Diocesan Events

Diocesan News



Bishop Coadjutor Consecration

Service--Click on [this link](#) to watch the Consecration service and read the article. [Click here](#) for pictures and the blog.

New: Youth, Children, and Family Ministry Summit--Click on [this link](#) for information on this one-day event August 19th. The cost is \$75 per person.

Connecting with College Missions--Click on [this link](#) if you'd like to get connected with the diocesan college ministry.

Diocesan ENews--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.

Family Camp--Fr. Doug was the spiritual director for Family Camp at the Mustang Island Conference Center last weekend. He had a great time with those who attended. Kathleen Markert is serving the families who attend the family camps all summer. Look at those happy faces and that beautiful sunset!



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. 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 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 [July schedule](#) for our ministries, which is an ongoing work in progress. Please check each week to see if there are any changes.

July 15 - Saturday

8:00 a.m. - Access Plus Ramp Build--2914 Blake

July 16 - Sunday

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

11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour--Fellowship Hall

July 17 - Monday

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

July 19 - Wednesday

11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Old Guys--Silverado Smokehouse, 4522 Weber

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.**

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

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

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

[Denison Forum--News Discerned Differently](#)

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