

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

January 2, 2025

Upcoming Events

Office Closed

12/30 through 1/6

Adult Bible Study Resumes

1/5, Sunday

Youth Group Resumes

1/12, Sunday

Annual Meeting & Potluck Lunch

1/26, Sunday

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Sunday Worship Service

Morning Prayer at 10:00 a.m.

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It's a New Year filled with New Beginnings!

May this New
Year be a time of
fresh beginnings
and renewed
spirit.



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A Prayer

"Lord, open new doors, new opportunities for us. Open our eyes that we may use these opportunities to bring glory to your name. We trust in you Lord with all our hearts. We will not depend on our own understanding but rather on your mighty Word. Amen!"

Holiday Office Closure



Office Closure 12/30 through 1/6

The church office closed Tuesday, 12/24/24 at noon, and will reopen Monday, 1/6/25 at 9:00 a.m. While we're out of the office, we'll monitor email and phone messages.

Email Scam

Email Scam using Fr. Doug's Name

If you receive an email that looks like this one, report it as spam and delete it. It is

not from Fr. Doug. The email address it came from is not an email address for Fr. Doug. There have been several attempts to scam the people of St. Mark's using Fr. Doug's name as the person sending the request. There have been emails and text messages, so please be aware that this happening. If you receive a communication that seems suspicious, please call the church office at (361) 994-0285 to ask about it.

Re: [Doug's Email] Requesting ✓



Fr. Doug Wasinger <mail0t3ch000x@gmail.com>
To Judy Netek

Follow up. Start by Thursday, January 2, 2025. Due by Thursday, January 2, 2025.

Hello,

Are you still active on this email account? I'm unable to speak over the phone due to serious throat pain caused by laryngitis. I need you to do me a little favor. Kindly email me at your earliest convenience.

Kind regards,
Fr. Doug Wasinger

[Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail for iPad](#)

Poinsettia Plants



Pick Up Poinsettia Plants

If you sponsored a poinsettia plant, thank you for helping to make our altar beautiful for the Christmas Eve services. If you opted to take the plants you sponsored, you may pick them up after the service.

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study Sundays after the Service Will Resume THIS Sunday



Participants in the Adult Bible Study Group normally meet in the Fellowship Hall for Bible study but will not this Sunday due to the caroling scheduled after the service. The group will continue the study of the Gospel of Mark in January. 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 will begin meeting again this Sunday.

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](#)

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



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 [January schedule](#) for our ministries. The schedule is an ongoing work in progress, so please check each week to see if there are any changes.

January 5 - Sunday

10:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer--Lessons & Carols--Sanctuary

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

January 6 - Monday

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

January 7 - Tuesday

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

12:00 p.m. - Conversations with God--Cimarron Senior Apartments, 2802 Cimarron Blvd.

January 8 - Wednesday

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

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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