

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

weekly news & updates

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Upcoming Events

Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Baskets

Tues, 11/24 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m.--Morning Prayer--Under the Oaks
10:00 a.m.--Morning Prayer--Recorded Service--
Online

[Visit our website](#)



Hey, Christian! Are ya praying?

Ten days have ticked away since the November 3rd election. We certainly are accustomed to knowing who the president-elect is by this time. But 2020 is a different kind of year. The abnormalities started in February, and I'll wager that they aren't petering out 'til this year is over.

I don't know if Joe Biden is the "president-elect" in your mind or not. The mainstream media has crowned him so. Others, like me, would like to see if the investigations and lawsuits shed light on illegal activities from *any* quarter that we need to know about. From there, we can see where the law takes us.

But one thing is for certain. A president will be elected, and he will be in dire need of prayer.

To continue reading, [click here](#).

It's Someone's Birthday!

Happy Birthday to You!



Someone has a milestone birthday Monday, 11/16!

Fr. John's birthday is Monday and he'll be turning. . . , well it rhymes with pixie. Help him celebrate in style by sending him an email, dropping off a card or shooting him a text. Let's show him a little love on his very special day!

Happy Birthday, Fr. John!

We're Still Here...

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As of today, we have received estimate of giving cards from 24 families for the year 2021. Thank you to each one of you!

After a year of low attendance due to the virus, it's vital that as many people as possible participate in our stewardship effort. We need everyone to really pray about this church's future.

Please be looking for a packet in the mail that includes a letter from Eddie Jackson, and Fr. John's booklet of readings to help you re-realize the spiritual importance of your stewardship.

If you would like a digital [Estimate of Giving Card](#) (a fillable PDF document), click here. Once you've filled it out, you may save it and email it to judy@stmarksgc.com, or print a copy and mail it to the office:

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
2727 Airline Rd
Corpus Christi, TX 78414



There is a statement of giving on the front of the card. Additionally, on the back, you may write about your offering hopes for 2021 in your own words. This statement can include aspects of your spiritual life, ministry work, as well as your financial gifts.

Please prayerfully consider what God is calling your family to do for 2021. By submitting your card, you are helping the vestry plan for next year.

The vestry is considering two versions of a 2001 Budget. Each will require an increase in our [giving](#) if we want to reach our ministry goals.

Verse of the Week

"But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation."

1 Thessalonians 5:8



Boy, that's a conversation worth having!

St. Paul was a Roman citizen. He also was a regular guest in Roman jails. He was around Roman soldiers a lot.

This week's verse of the week was his earliest reference to armor that soldiers wore -- in this case a breastplate and a helmet. Why would he choose those? In other words, what is so precious about a Christian's heart and a Christian's mind that they warranted protection? What does it mean that we belong to the day?

Thanksgiving Food Basket Collection

Sea Gulf Villa Thanksgiving Food Basket Delivery Tuesday, November 24

**Thank you to those of you who have
donated food items!
We're off to a good start!**

This year we are furnishing everything necessary for a Thanksgiving Dinner for 99 residents of Sea Gulf Villa, a low income apartment complex. The residents always look forward to our annual visits, not just the food baskets. They enjoy seeing our youth and the volunteers who help with the delivery.



We invite you to consider participating by:

- supplying the nonperishable food items listed below
- donating funds to help purchase the items if you can't participate for health reasons
- joining the team to help with the delivery

We will be collecting food items until Sunday, November 22.

Stuffing—6 oz boxes
Turkey Gravy—1 oz packet

Sweet Potatoes/Yams—15 oz can
Cranberry Sauce—14 oz can
Green Beans—15 oz can
Corn—15 oz can

The church will supply the perishable items--the turkey, rolls and pies to round out the food baskets.

To stay adequately distanced during the delivery:

- Food baskets will be distributed in the parking lot at the apartment complex, rather than delivery door to door.
- Everyone will wear a mask and gloves.

Contact Cecilia Colbourne 1 (858) 761-7809 or Michelle Markert (361) 774-6086 for more information.

Thank you for assisting us in blessing the residents of Sea Gulf Villa!

Online Giving

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ARE CONTINUING TO
SUPPORT ST. MARK'S CHURCH!**



Is the Lord blessing you? Are you grateful for what He has done in your life? Remember His Church. Though we haven't been worshiping, 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 the four 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 our app, Give+Plus. To get the app, go to the app store and search for "Give+Plus". The icon background is white, the word "Give" is gray and the "+Plus" is a mustard color. Download the app and follow the prompts. You can use it to set up a one-time or recurring gifts.
- 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 will be checking 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 door at the fellowship hall.

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 November schedule for our ministries.

November 15 - Sunday

9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer Service Under the Oaks--Courtyard

10:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer Service--Online--Facebook Page

November 17 - Tuesday

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study & Prayer Group--Online--Zoom Meeting

November 18 - Wednesday

12:00 p.m. - Elders Meeting--Online--Zoom Meeting

November 19 - Thursday

6:45 a.m. - Elders Prayer Groups--Under the Oaks

Helpful Links

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

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

[Donate to St. Mark's Church](#)

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

[Diocese of West Texas](#)

[Diocesan Newsletter and Reflection Magazine](#)

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