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## The Messenger of St. Mark's | After Pentecost | June 20, 2024

For your thought:

*As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. --2 Corinthians 6:1*



### [Study this Sunday's Readings.](#)

Lectionary Note: From 6/2 until Advent (12/1), we will be reading from Track 1 for our Old Testament readings - Psalms, Epistle and Gospel readings will be from Track 2.

## WORSHIP CORNER



Worship on Sunday is both in person and virtually, every week at 9:30 a.m. We live stream Sunday liturgies on our [Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#) channels.

Also, we offer a Midweek Eucharist every Thursday at 11 a.m. that is both in person and on our live-streaming platforms.

[Orders of Worship](#)

This Sunday's Coffee Hour brought to you by:

The 4th-Sunday-of-the-Month Team (all parishioners with the last names beginning with the letters S-Z are asked to please bring ready-to-serve snacks to share this Sunday for Coffee Hour).



A huge THANK YOU to all who bring food to share, and to those serving on coffee-hour teams, for our radical hospitality at St. Mark's would not be possible without your contributions!

[All Offerings](#)

Useful links:

- [Fill out a form](#) to volunteer, donate altar flowers, fill out a new member/visitor form, and more!
- Access and/or edit your [Member Directory](#) information.
- To read or view [previous sermons](#), [click here](#).
- **Schedule a meeting with Mother Sylvia** [by clicking here](#).
- **Schedule a meeting with Deacon David** [by clicking here](#).

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Wed. June 26, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Sun., June 30, 10:45 a.m., Coffee Hour: Pancake Breakfast - Please bring fruit to share!
- Wed. July 3, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Thurs., July 4, Offices Closed/No Midweek Eucharist
- Wed. July 10, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Wed. July 17, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Fri-Sun, July 19-21, All-Parish Campout in Bandelier
- Wed. July 24, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Wed. July 31, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)

## SAINT MARK'S MISSION, MINISTRY & OUTREACH

### Beware: Texts Appearing to be From Staff of St. Mark's



We had several reports on Thursday morning that some individuals were getting texts from Jeremy, our Director of Music. The text was from a number other than Jeremy's. If you receive a text from anyone presenting themselves as staff, please look their number up in the directory to make sure it's the actual person, or make an effort to verify it is the actual individual before responding. If you discover it is a scam, please report it to our office: [info@stmarksabq.org](mailto:info@stmarksabq.org). The same goes with emails.

Thank you for staying alert and being extra diligent.

### Outreach Committee (Help Asylum Seekers)



Last weekend, the Outreach Committee met, after making 108 lunches for Church Unbound. We agreed that St. Mark's will send some money to the Roadrunner Food bank to help with the summer feeding program. Summer is the hungriest time of the year.

Buses of immigrants/refugees/asylum seekers have started up again. The most recent bus had 14 families. Currently, the buses are arriving every other Thursday. Volunteers are needed in all capacities. Spanish not necessary. If you would like to help, please contact Pauline Artery ([via email here](#)). Pauline volunteers in the clothing room, but there are other ways to volunteer (like medicine, travel, clothing, and food).

**Please help the newly arrived refugees by bringing the following items to St. Mark's and putting them in the labeled box in the narthex:**

- Diapers size 4 and 6
- Ladies clothing size small tops, bottoms, underwear
- Men's pants – stretchy at the hemline – sweats or jogging pants – ICE is putting them in ankle bracelets.
- Kids clothing
- Long sleeve shirts are helpful for bus and air travel
- Hygiene products
- Coloring books and crayons for the younger kids

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon David for more information ([email him here](#)).

### 5th Sunday of the Month is Coming: Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, June 30th after worship (~10:45 a.m.)



St. Mark's will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, June 30th, following our worship service. We ask that everyone bring a side of ready-to-eat fruit to share.

## ST. MARK'S MONTESSORI SCHOOL

### Summer Program at SMMS



"The goal of early childhood education should be to activate the child's own natural desire to learn" - Maria Montessori

## GIVE TO ST. MARK'S



**Give by mail** (St. Mark's has a secure mailbox and is checked regularly). Send to: 431 Richmond Place NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106.



Give electronically through [By PayPal®](#).

Please consider checking the box that reads, "I'd like to add to my donation to help offset the cost of processing."

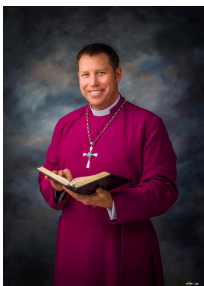


Give electronically through the [Diocese of the Rio Grande Parish Donation site](#) and check the box next to "Albuquerque-St. Mark's".

Just fill out the rest of the information and **click the Next button at the bottom of the page**. Please make sure fill out "special instructions or comment" to let us know how to apply your gift (e.g., pledge, congregational relief fund, etc.).

## DIOCESE & BEYOND

### Bishop Michael Hunn Speaks About the Changing Church



The Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF) is honored to share its recorded webinar, *A Conversation with Bishops: The Role of the Diocese in the Changing Church*. Bishop Michael Hunn was one of the participating bishops because of your diocese's current engagement with the [Diocesan Vitality Initiative](#).

It's no secret that The Episcopal Church is approaching a period of significant change with the upcoming 81st General Convention and the elections for Presiding Bishop and House of Deputies' President. These changes come with excitement but with a fair share of anxiety as well.

The engaging and insightful session, now available for on-demand viewing at [ECF Vital Practices](#), brought together prominent bishops to discuss the evolving responsibilities and opportunities for dioceses within the modern church landscape.

"We have got to figure out how to be a diocese in a different way. And the first step is telling the truth about that." – Rt. Rev. Michael Hunn, Bishop, Diocese of the Rio Grande

## Calling all Episcopalians! Join the Episcopal Pulse



The Episcopal Pulse Survey is a monthly micro-survey that dives into the pressing topics facing our church today – from church finances to young adult church attendance – and everything in between! The Pulse is a joint project between the Episcopal

Church Foundation (ECF) and The FaithX Project designed to hear directly from Episcopalians to capture insights that will enrich resources for congregational leaders and enhance programs to better serve local Episcopal communities. Their latest survey dove into congregational health – have a look at our [results!](#) Click here to join the Episcopal Pulse to participate in future surveys: <https://go.ecf.org/joinpulsediocesan>.

## General Convention 2024 - Starts Sunday, June 23

**The General Convention is the governing body of The Episcopal Church. Every three years it meets as a bicameral legislature that includes the [House of Deputies](#) and the [House of Bishops](#), composed of deputies and bishops from each diocese.**

**Why is this coming [General Convention](#), the 81st, important?** This General Convention marks the conclusion of Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry's primacy and the election of his successor, [the 28th presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church](#).

### **Who is going to be there?**

The short answer is lots of people, just like you, lay and clergy, including deputies from each of our 110 dioceses in the United States and abroad, lay leadership and diocesan bishops, as well as members of the Episcopal Church Women, and other visitors.

### **Where is it going to be?**

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY! The 81st General Convention will take place June 23 – 28, 2024, in Louisville, Kentucky, at the Kentucky International Convention Center.

### **When is it going to be?**

June 23 – 28, 2024

### **What else don't I know?**

- [There is a special children's program for children and young people.](#)
- [There is an opportunity for YOU to volunteer.](#)
- [There is an Official Youth Presence with delegates from each province.](#)

### **Doing this work:**

- [The Staff of The General Convention Office](#)
- [The Diocese of Kentucky](#)
- [The hospitality and convention industry in Louisville](#)
- [And hundreds of volunteers from around The Episcopal Church - Thank You!](#)

### **Go Deeper**

- [The 81st General Convention](#)
- [The Blue Book Reports](#) – Reports by each standing committee, the Executive Council, the House of Deputies, and the House of Bishops.
- [Calendar of the Convention](#) – What happens each day, including the election of the next presiding bishop?

[See more here.](#)



All are welcome to join us for worship during our Thursday 11 a.m. midweek Holy Eucharists and our Sunday Holy Eucharists at 9:30 a.m. You may join us in person or on Facebook & YouTube. Come as you are!

Email submissions should be sent ([via email](#)) to the Communications Specialist by 9:00 a.m. each Wednesday for inclusion on Thursday's e-news.

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