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## The Messenger of St. Mark's | After Pentecost | July 18, 2024

For your thought:

*He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat.*  
--Mark 6:31



### [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, Mo. Sylvia will preside at the Holy Eucharist for the All-Parish Campout. At St. Mark's, Mo. Billie Abraham will preside and Fr. Michael Jupin will preach at the 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist.**

This Sunday's Coffee Hour brought to you by:

**The 3rd-Sunday-of-the-Month Team (all parishioners with the last names beginning with the letters M-R 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

- Fri-Sun, July 19-21, St. Mark's All-Parish Campout in Bandelier
- Wed. July 24, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Wed., July 24, 7:30 p.m., Movie Night: *Amazing Grace*, Part 1 (In person/Library)
- Sat., July 27, 10 a.m., Fill-the-Dumpster Day (In person/Undercroft)
- Wed., July 31, 7 p.m., Singing Holden Evening Prayer (Hybrid/Nave)
- Wed., July 31, 7:30 p.m., Movie Night: *Amazing Grace*, Part 2 (In person/Library)
- Sat., Aug. 3, 1 p.m., Funeral for Sean Murphy (Hybrid/Nave)
- Sat., Aug. 10, 9-11 a.m., Storytelling Workshop: Sarah of the Bible
- Sun., Aug. 18, 11:15 a.m., Storytelling Practice Group Session 1 (location TBD)
- Sun., Sept. 1, We all share one cup for wine again
- Sun., Sept. 1, 11:15 a.m., Storytelling Practice Group Session 2 (location TBD)
- Sun., Sept. 15, 6 p.m., Storytelling Sharing Event (In Person/Library)

## SAINT MARK'S MISSION, MINISTRY & OUTREACH

### Communion Changes: Coming Soon

Throughout the Covid 19 pandemic, we made a variety of temporary changes to our normal liturgical practices at St. Mark's, according to the needs of our community and the direction of our Bishop. One of those changes was introducing the option of receiving wine in individual vessels at

communion. Despite this temporary concession to a public health crisis, the Common Cup has remained a core symbol of Eucharistic theology and normative Eucharistic practice in the Episcopal Church. In early 2022, at the urging of our bishop, we began a gradual return to normative practice by reintroducing the Common Cup at communion, while continuing to offer the option of individual vessels at the back of the church. **As of September 1, 2024, St. Mark's will discontinue the use of individual vessels for wine at Communion.** If, for any reason, you prefer not to drink from the Common Cup at communion we invite you to participate by reverently acknowledging the presence of Christ in the Common Cup with a reverent nod, bow, touch or kiss--remembering that the Church's historic teaching is that communion in one kind (bread OR wine, alone) constitutes a full communion.



If you have been called to share in the ministry of administering Holy Communion, and you have enjoyed the ministry of administering wine in individual vessels during the pandemic, we invite you to prayerfully consider how you might be called to participate in another, related, sacramental ministry beginning this fall. Do you feel called to serve as a **Eucharistic Visitor**, by bringing communion to people who may be sick or homebound, or by **preparing Home Communion Kits** each week for our Eucharistic Visitors? Do you feel called to serve as a member of the **Altar Guild**, to share in preparing the holy space and objects for worship? Or do you feel called to join our team of **Eucharistic Bread Bakers**? Please reach out to the clergy for further discussion and discernment of how God is calling you to grow in these, or other, ministries.

## Building Renewal Committee (BRC) Update



At the last meeting of the Building Renewal Committee, we heard our liturgical design consultant coach us with this sage advice: “Remember, your work is leadership, not management.” That stung a bit as we all have druthers. Whether guided by tradition, passion, or experience, each of us serving on the team has personal and corporate preferences. I know I have deep respect for my preferences and I love everyone who shares my brilliant insights. But accomplishing our audacious goals – accessibility, flexibility, music, and beauty -- means moving us all from one good place to another good place, not thrusting any of our preferences upon others, or feeling that we’re being “thrust upon.” Our architects have demonstrated the formula described by organizational guru, Peter Drucker, that results are achieved by understanding demographics and asking constituents. The other component is effort, or by another name, work. Our BRC Team has been impressed with our professionals’ tireless efforts to understand us and to listen to us, drafting plans that suit our vision. Our beautiful result will be renewed and enhanced spaces for worship, learning, creating, performing, and communing. These are the products of leadership that will serve us with confidence today and tomorrow, and that represent the true spirit of St. Mark’s. --The BRC Team

## Wednesdays (7/24 & 7/31): Two-Part Movie Nights of *Amazing Grace*

Wednesdays, July 24 (Part 1) & July 31 (Part 2) at 7:30 p.m. in St. Mark's Library



Join us St. Mark's following Evening Prayer 7/24 and 7/31 to view the 2006 film, *Amazing Grace*. We'll watch the first half of the film on July 24th and finish it up on July 31st. *Amazing Grace* is a 2006 biographical drama film, about the abolitionist campaign against the slave trade in the British Empire, led by [William Wilberforce](#). The title is a reference to the 1772 [hymn "Amazing Grace"](#), which was written by [John Newton](#), a captain of slave ships who underwent a Christian conversion and became a major influence on Wilberforce and the abolition movement.

## St. Mark's Fill-the-Dumpster Day!

Saturday, July 27, from 10-12



St. Mark's has collected a lot of broken and outdated items over the years, and a clean out is long overdue. Church staff have been identifying and gathering items for some time and we are ready to finish this project and have more space for those items we actually use. The focus will be mainly in the Undercroft. We have ordered a dumpster to be delivered in the morning and picked up the same afternoon. To accomplish this task, we'll need a many-hands-make-light-work approach.

## Save the Dates: Storytelling Sarah of the Bible Workshop & Practice Sessions

As we approach the second half of our summer of conversation, we would like to invite you into a slightly different kind conversation – one that takes the form of telling stories taken from our sacred texts.



The first set of conversations will focus on the wonderful chain of stories that describe the world and life of Sarah, and will start with a workshop led by Harriet Cole on Saturday, August 10 at 9-11 a.m. in the library.

The workshop will be followed by two practice sessions during Adult Ed time (11:15 a.m.) on August 18 and September 1st.

All this will lead to a Story Sharing (with an assortment of simple, evening snacks) in the library of St. Mark's on Sunday, September 15th at 6 p.m.

**Special Note:** All are invited to all of these activities. Join our workshop and practice sessions if you simply want to listen, and/or you want to learn more about storytelling, but don't know if you want to tell, and/or if you already know that you are up for learning and telling about Sarah!

- Saturday, 8/10, 9-11 a.m., Storytelling Workshop: Sarah of the Bible
- Sunday, 8/18, 11:15-Noon, Storytelling Practice Group Session 1 (location TBD)
- Sunday, 9/1, 11:15-Noon, Storytelling Practice Group Session 2 (location TBD)
- Sunday, 9/15, 6 p.m., Story Sharing Event (library)

## All-Parish Campout Is HERE!



Friday, July 19 – Sunday, July 21

All ages are welcome and so are polite canines. If you have any questions, please contact Lucy at (703) 638-4286 or Scott at (703) 638-2770. We look forward to a fun time together.

For the Ponderosa campsite information, please [click here](#).  
For the map to get there, please [click here](#).

## ST. MARK'S MONTESSORI SCHOOL

### Welcome Ms. Colette: Administrative Assistant to the SMMS Director



Born and raised in NYC, Ms. Colette holds a psychology degree from NYU and is currently pursuing a Masters in Family Therapy, with an emphasis on children, from Pepperdine University. Passionate about children and the process of learning, she has dedicated herself to understanding the intricacies of child development. In her free time, Ms. Colette enjoys hiking, cycling, and embarking on various adventures, bringing the same enthusiasm and curiosity to her personal interests as she does to her professional endeavors.

If you happen to stop by the offices, please give Colette a warm St. Mark's welcome.

## GIVE TO ST. MARK'S



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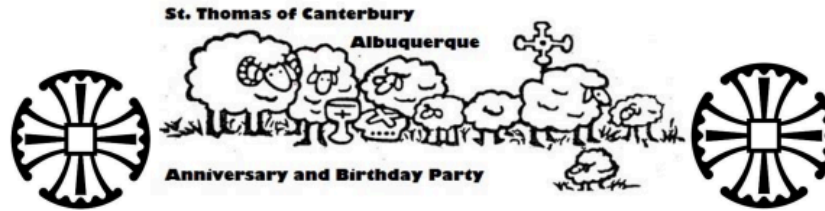
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Just fill out the rest of the information and **click the Next button at the bottom of the page. Please make sure fill out "special instructions or comment" to let us know how to apply your gift** (e.g., pledge, congregational relief fund, etc.).

## DIOCESE & BEYOND

### Happy Birthday to St. Thomas of Canterbury in ABQ!

Circa 1959, the Canterbury Club (UNM Episcopal Campus Ministry) moved from St. Mark's to make its home in a property on Ash Street that would later become St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church. 65 years later, the congregation of St. Thomas of Canterbury invites you to join them in celebrating 65 years as a faith community and 50 years as a parish."



Let's Get This Party Started!

Please RSVP by August 15, 2024, using the email below.

Saturday, September 21, 2024. St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church in Albuquerque invites you to join us in celebrating our 65<sup>th</sup> birthday as a faith community and 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a Parish. Food will be served at 5:30 along with beverages and dessert. Entertainment will include an art exhibit by Canterbury artists and a dramatic presentation.

There will be no charge for food. If anyone would like to help cover the costs donations are welcome, by check to the church or via PayPal on the church website <http://canterburyabq.org/giving/>. Donating in the name of a loved one is most welcome; there will be a memorial Ofrenda.

Sunday, September 22: Join us in a celebratory Eucharist at 10:00 am followed by a luncheon, featuring recipes from "Feeding the Flock" cookbook. Let us know if you will attend the Sunday luncheon as well as the Saturday night get together in your RSVP.

Please reply to the email address above, [canterbury65birthday@gmail.com](mailto:canterbury65birthday@gmail.com), with the names of the people attending, phone number and mailing address. Short videos of greetings or messages to the congregation from those who cannot attend but want to be part of the party are encouraged. Please put your video file on our google drive [here](#). Thanks so much.

See you there!

St. Thomas of Canterbury Birthday and Anniversary Party Planning Committee  
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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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