



MESSENGER
of St. Mark's

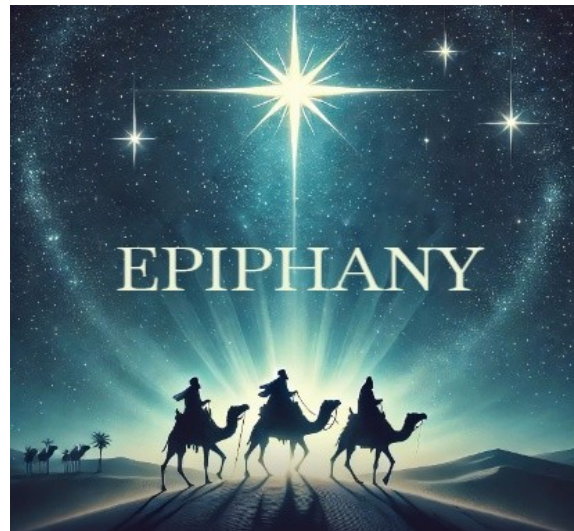


Dec. 27, 2024



Join Us for
Carol Singing
and

Potluck Dinner on Saturday
January 4, 2025
5:00 pm



Sunday, January 5, 2025

Feast of the Epiphany Party
King's Cake Reception Following Worship

The Chosen Season 4 Kick-off

January 5 at 6:00 pm

Join us on Sunday evenings in the library to watch Season 4 of "The Chosen."

Feel free to bring snacks to share! All are welcome.

In Episode 1, An intoxicating dance leads Herod to put an end to John the Baptizer, but no one can stop what or who he's ushered in.

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Feast of Baptism of our Lord with Holy Baptism
4:00 pm LGBTQ+ Movie Night and Pizza at St. Mark's

UPCOMING EVENTS

Important Dates:

- Sunday, December 29 at 11:30 am - Coffee Hour and Art Talk
- Saturday, January 4 at 5:00 pm - Carol Singing and Potluck
- Sunday, January 5 at 10:30 am - Feast of the Epiphany Party
- Sunday January 5 at 6:00 pm - The Chosen Season 4
- Sunday, January 12 at 9:30 am - Feast of Baptism with Holy Baptism
- Sunday, January 12 at 4:00 pm - LGBTQ+ Movie Night & Pizza at St. Mark's
- Sunday, January 26 at 9:30 am - Vestry & Delegate Annual Meeting

Coffee Hour and Art Talk Sunday, December 29th at 11:30 a.m.

Please bring a plate of leftover Christmas Cookies or other goodies to share for Coffee Hour.

This Sunday, we'll enjoy Christmas treats and fellowship following the service. Then, around 11:30 am, we will have the opportunity to learn more about the new Sacred Arts Exhibit hanging in the Parish Hall. St. Mark's iconographer and artist, Pat Catlett, will present.

Top Right: **Jacob Wrestles the Angel** by Brett S. Braud.

Bottom Right: **Archangel Gabriel, Messenger of God, 2023** by Pat Catlett.



Music that Makes Community New Year's Retreat

There is still space to register for Music that Makes Community's New Year's Retreat, January 2nd thru the 4th, 2025 at the Norbertine Abbey in Albuquerque. Join us for 1/2 day, full day, or full retreat. Commute, or reserve a hermitage and stay at the Abbey. [Click here for details and registration.](#) Contact [Mother Sylvia](#) with questions.



NEWS & UPDATES

Nativity Trio Raffle



St. Mark's member Shawn Hall was the proud winner of our Christmas Eve Raffle. St. Mark's raised \$570 selling raffle tickets for The Nativity Trio, lovingly hand-stitched by Else Tasseron. Thank you, Else, for this beautiful reminder that each of us can use our gifts to the glory of God and in support of our church community. And thanks to everyone for your support!

Vestry & Delegate Members Wanted

Three vestry positions open up each January at St. Mark's, as well as one delegate position for the Diocese Convention. Ty Camp, Diane Ball, Blythe Clark and Lucy Sinkular, Sr. Warden have ably served as St. Mark's vestry members for the past three years (2022-2024), and Laurel Leisher-Cabral has served as one of our two delegates to convention the past two years (2023-2024). We owe them much gratitude.

Positions Open:

3 Vestry Positions

1 Delegate to Diocesan Convention and Deanery Representative

See Nomination Form Links below for more information.

Please prayerfully consider whether your time and talent could be best used in the guiding, collaborative spirit of our Vestry or as our representative to the Diocese of the Rio Grande at Convention. Forms can be found here:

- [Nomination for Vestry Form](#)
- [Nomination for Delegate to Convention Form](#)

You may also find these forms in the church office upon request. Please return the form, with an electronic photo, to the office by January 15th. If you would like to discuss anything regarding nomination, please contact [Fr. Christopher McLaren](#).

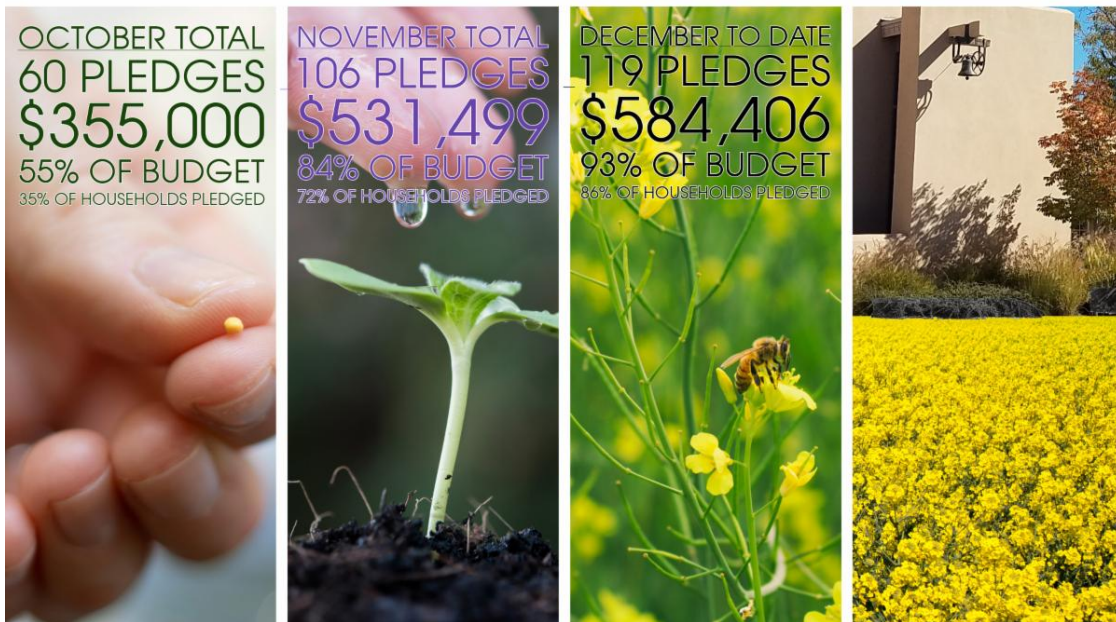
Also, all ministry Annual Report information needs to be submitted to Parish Administrator, Jennifer Lind [via email](#) by Thursday, January 16th. Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26th.

STEWARDSHIP 2025

We continue to receive Annual Giving Pledges to fund our 2025 Budget. Current results are below. Please visit the [Stewardship page](#) or [Click here for the Pledge Card](#).

Annual Giving 2025

Sowing the Seeds of Sanctuary



DIOCESE & BEYOND



Read Bishop Michael Hunn's [Weekly Update](#) and view the Diocese's most recent [videos](#).

WORSHIP CORNER

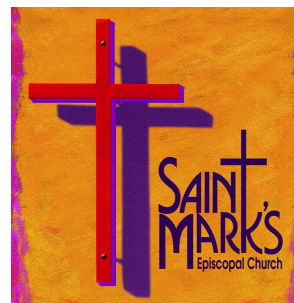
For your thought:

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

[Click here to study this Sunday's Readings.](#)



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

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 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.)

USEFUL LINKS

- Saint Mark's [Home Page](#).
- To join an even of service, visit the [Offerings Page](#).
- **Call** or **email** the church office.
- [Fill out a form](#) to volunteer, donate altar flowers, fill out a new member/visitor form, and more!
- Access the [Member Directory](#).
- To read or view [previous sermons](#).
- Schedule a meeting with Mother Sylvia [by clicking here](#).

All are welcome! Come as you are!

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.

Email submissions must be sent ([via email](#)) by 9:00 am Wednesday for inclusion on end-of-the-week's e-news.

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