

St. Mark's this Week

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COMMUNITY

St. Mark's Reads — Fall 2026. This fall we're reading *There Is No Place for Us: Working and Homeless in America* by Brian Goldstone and *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond. **We'll gather Sunday, November 1 at 6pm to discuss.** Loaner copies available.

More information on our website.

Gathering with Our Grief Group
Continues at 9am on 1st & 3rd Sundays.

Justice & Advocacy meets today
Sunday, October 18 at 12:15pm.

It's Stewardship Season! Today we will hear from Mel Collett about why it is important to support St. Mark's community ministries.

Vestry meets Tuesday, October 20 at 6pm.

ACTION

Food Pantry — 2nd & 4th Saturdays. We need shelf-stable food! We distribute grocery bags, offer a meal, and provide a place to relax and use the bathroom. Questions or donations? Contact Food Pantry Coordinator Karen Franklin at forpop247@gmail.com.

We need canned food: Chef Boy Ardee, Spam, Tuna, Chili, Heart Soups & Stews, etc. More folks are coming to the Food Pantry for support. Help us keep them fed. Bags & Lists available!

October 24 breakfast team: McCauley & Herman families

12-Step Ministry. Contact Suzanne Long to learn more about supporting this ministry. Wednesdays, 7:30–9:30 p.m. **October 21 host: Douglas D'Urso**

VOTE! Polls are open for early voting - make your voice heard. More info - League of Women Voters Metro Richmond, lwv.org.

EVENTS



Parish Retreat 2026 - October 23-25 at Shrine Mont! Sign-up info on the website and in the emails!

Curmudgeon's Lunch is Wednesday, October 21, noon at Arianna's on N. Sheppard Street.

BOO! Halloween Fun on the Porch is Saturday, October 31, 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Get your goblin on and come by to help hand out candy, or just say hello!

Community Dinner is Tuesday, November 3 at 6pm. Menu details to come. A full meal with beverage and a chance to win a gift basket all for a mere \$10 donation! And the fellowship is free!

Christmas for the Elders! Lists have been requested for our friends in City District 8. We will let you know when they arrive.

Diocese Of Virginia Convention is November 5,6 & 7 in Fredericksburg.

This is the annual gathering of our diocese to conduct business and hear from its clergy and lay delegates. Our lay representative is Jean Klele with Ryn Kennedy as Alternate. Mickie Jones and Karen Franklin will also be there as they are members of the Standing Committee (Mickie) and Executive Board (Karen). Ask any of them about their roles in the diocese.



Sunday, November 15 - Coffee Hour Craft Fair! Start your Christmas shopping with us. More info to come.

Blood Drive - Tuesday, November 17, 11am - 4pm. More info and sign-ups to come from the American Red Cross. We did such a good job last year they are coming back for more!



Walk In Love - Adult Confirmation Preparation begins on Sunday, November 22 with an information session, 9am in the Aiken Meeting Room. Questions? Chat with Father Benjamin.

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