


The St. Mark's Calendar - JULY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>All dates, times and places on this Calendar are subject to</p>	<p>change due to the COVID-19 virus Restrictions. Go to the St. Mark's Web-site for more</p>	<p>information about our Zoom Services.</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2 9:00 - 12:00 Food Pantry</p>	<p>3 Office Closed For July 4th Holiday</p>	<p>4</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div>
<p>5 9:30 a.m. Zoom "Coffee Hour" Ante-Communion</p>	<p>6 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry Summer Parish Office hours begin 9—2</p>	<p>7 Parish Office 9—2 9:30 a.m. Zoom Staff Meeting</p>	<p>8 Parish Office 9—2</p>	<p>9 Parish Office 9—2 9:00 - 12:00 Food Pantry</p>	<p>10 Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 9:30 a.m. Zoom "Coffee Hour" 10:00 On Zoom with Fr. Jim Speer</p>	<p>13 Parish Office 9—2 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry</p>	<p>14 Parish Office 9—2 9:30 a.m. Zoom Staff Meeting</p>	<p>15 Parish Office 9—2</p>	<p>16 Parish Office 9—2 9:00 - 12:00 Food Pantry</p>	<p>17 Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>18</p>
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A Note From Fr. Shaw Mudge

Dear Friends,

1) St. Mark's Vestry has created a "Regathering Task Force", chaired by Stephen Hard, and regular members include Susan Holland and myself. Additional people may be participating, depending on need.

There are several important aspects we plan to consider as St. Mark's moves forward: those who are age 65 and older, those of any age with co-morbidities (such as diabetes), the protocol recommendations of the Governor of Connecticut as well as the protocols of the bishops of ECCT, and more.

Current plans lead us in the direction of continuing online and Skype services through the Governor's phase 2, and beyond. It is too early yet to determine what might be likely in Phase 3 or when Phase 3 would begin. What the future looks like after Phase 3 is also an interesting thought.

More information coming at a later date.

2) Conversation about etiquette for email has been circulating around the Internet: what to say in this time. A general recommendation is to use the words "take care". A small matter, yet it sends an appropriate message of both empathy and encouragement.

3) We are in the Season after Pentecost. This is a time when the Church continues the mission of the people of God across history, guided by the Holy Spirit. Included in that mission is a desire to be holy as disciples of Christ. This pursuit of holiness manifests itself in many ways including the pursuit of God's wisdom regarding decisions we make, and manifests itself in hospitality to people we encounter from various backgrounds and skin colors.

Prayerfully consider what your part in this pursuit might be.

God bless you, and take care.

Fr. Shaw