Anne and Jim, Nisha and Michael, Debbie, Karen, Arden, Mark, Amy Hook, Charla Armstrong, Connie Ellifson, Dorothy Alderson, Bobby Rogers, Haley Pappas, Danielle Buettell, John McIlray, Bruce Solomon, Elizabeth Fresquez, Melanie, John, Dan, Brittany, Bard, Nancy, Donny, Mark and Michelle, Liz, Lyn, Katie, Michael Nitschke, Randy, Peggy Cole, Kean Degnon Family, Nolan, Delilah Shackman, Terrie, Debbie, Brenda, William Seiferth, Tim Caswell, all those affected or afflicted by the COVID-19 virus, victims of violence, members of law enforcement

For the Departed: Sharon Cook

Serving in the Armed Forces: Susie McManus, Ana Maria, Mike, Chuck, Brian, Zachary, Gabriel, Alex, Daniel Pagan, Ryan Ehrler, Matt Baicleme, Kaitlyn Haley, Blake, Dean, Steve, and Ryan Ekler.

Celebrating Birthdays this Week (*Prayer 50 or 51-BCP 830*): Barry Place, Zuleyzka Castillo, Donna Kelly, Chris Perry, Henry Jacobsen, dave Klataske and Michael Sharp,

Celebrating Anniversaries this Week (BCP 439): Paul and Carolyn Midura

Re"Mark"able News Week of December 19, 2021

Invest In Hope: And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. Luke 1:41



The Holy Spirit is just as active today as in Elizabeth's time! Like Mary's cousin, we too are often filled with this spirit of generosity, excitement, hopefulness and care for others.

You Are Invited!: St. Mark's Hispanic Ministry will be hosting Las Posada in the courtyard after the 10AM service today. Music, food and worship will be plentiful! Please join us for this wonderful Advent event.

Pledge Drive: Please turn in your 2022 Pledge to the Church Office as soon as possible. Our The Stewardship/Finance Committee is working hard to finalize our budget. Have faith that God will let you be generous with what He has given you.

Giving Envelopes: Giving Envelopes for 2022 will be available in the Narthex, starting this Sunday. They are in alphabetical order.

Because we ordered fewer envelopes (savin' money !!), many people had their number changed, but you will see that when you look at your envelopes' numbers. For those of you not attending yet, please let us know if we should mail your envelopes to you OR if you want to come by the church on the days we are open and pick up your envelopes.

Food Pantry: Our Food Pantry will continue to operate by out-side, drive thru distribution on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. The Arizona National Guard has been assisting us with this ministry however, their mission to assist us is concluding in November. We hope to carry on but, we need help from volunteers who are

physically able to push carts loaded with food to families cars. Our distributions in December will be on December 14th (7am to 11am) ONLY. Our set up days are the Monday prior from 8am to 10am. We would like and appreciate help from volunteers all four days, but any time you can spare would be most appreciated! Food Pantry Volunteers are all vaccinated and clients are asked to wear masks and stay in their cars. We welcome you to join our mission to feed the hungry in Mesa!

December Tithing: St. Mark's is still present and alive and still needs your support. If you normally bring an envelope with a check to church, you can instead mail that envelope to the church office, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 322 N Horne St, Mesa, AZ 85203. If you usually give loose cash to the church, you can instead write a check and mail, or you can donate through the "Donate" button on our website: www.stmarksmesa.org, and scroll down to the bottom of the page to click. Newly Added: PayPal button on our website! You can also do online payments through your bank, through the Bill Pay option. You could even set up a recurring payment through your bank if you wish, so you will not forget. God Bless and Stay Safe, Dianne Nunez, Stewardship/Finance Chair.

MarkDowns Thrift Store: The thrift store is OPEN on Friday and Saturday from 9AM till 1PM. We are also looking for volunteers to help in the store. Please contact Diane Lewis at: at dilove@q.com or call or text 480-414-5497. Or Kathy Cheatham at 602-578-7538.

Mark Your Calendars:

 Our Food Pantry will continue to operate by outside, drive-through food distributions on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month until further notice.

Christmas Services: Christmas Eve: 5 PM Rite II with Childrens Padgent 7PM Spanish Rite II Christmas Day: 10AM Rite II **CURRENT ONLINE SERVICES:** You may go to our website: www.stmarksmesa.org and click on "Join Online Services" to view online live or recorded services.

- ⇒ Tuesday, 12 pm—Noon Day Prayer
- ⇒ Wednesday, 10 am w/Christian Education
- ⇒ Thursday, 7 pm—Order of Compline
- ⇒ Sunday, 8 am Spanish Service
- ⇒ Sunday at 10 am English Service

Parish Prayer List

Parishioners in Need of Prayer: Edithanne Knight, Chris and Judy Hossack, Mary Twentyman, Kay Summers, Carvl Bayless, Winnie Jackson, Kathy and Mike LaGoy, Helen and Arnold Cooper, Pete and Barbara Willan, Dee Greiner, Marguerite Gray, Allyn Evans, Helen Frost, Lois Pettengill, Ray and Barbara Haug, Laura Haug, Jan Northcutt, June Roberts, John and Carol Banker, Anna, Dawn Cook, Randy and Lori Rogers, Donna Kelly, Alice Brunett, Genevieve Muth, Russ, Flor Castillo, Zuleyzka Castillo, Sri-lanka Castillo, Nadia Gazale, Midura Family, Jeannie Buckingham, Judy Ricketts, Barry and Penny Place, Mark and Amanda Manno, Kylie Marks, Frank and Joan Taggart, Cyndi Armstrong, Skip Haley, Liam Hossack, Debbie Smith, Drew Cruer, Casey Leone, Bobbie Degnon, Glenn Jetton, Charlie Vaughn, Shirley Boswell, Terri Hollencamp, Glenda Richardson, Janet Lusk, Fr. Gerardo and Viviana, Mauro and Rosa Marquez, Ev Harris, Fr. Harry Way, The Rev. Canon Anita Braden, Nathan Reddall and Bishop Reddall's family

Others in Need of Prayer: Bill Weedon, Natalie Myers, Aspen Krebbs, Jeff Cook, The Orlando Lara Family, Alex and Family, David Wenger, Carol, Dave, Brenda, Curtis, Rad, Marcy, Susie, Avery, Dylan, Ryan, Jack, Keegan, Clementine, Scout, Courtney, Bilinga, Juliana Greenfield, Joe Sanchez, Christie Roberts, Jordan Stallings, Bob and Pat Doyle, Cathy Hogan, Ramon Brambila, Judith Brambila, Shae Pifer, Tori Jean, Sharon, Sydney, Paris, Tyler, Christopher, Dave, Billy, Mel, Johanna and family, Russ, Roy, Evelyn, Tudy Breeden, Gemma Paige, Dominic, Esther, Tom, Evelyn, Jillian, Jenni, Baby Emily, Sophia, Leticia Cruz, Erika, Stephanie, Shyann and baby boy Skylor, Katherine, Liz, Al, Sy, Aurora, Mission of Good Shepherd in Belize, Cameron Washburn, Jeff, Don Pedro, Don Brock, Jeannie,