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# Groundbreaking Day at St. Mark's

## We Broke Ground Together

Sunday, April 7, was a beautiful, sunny day with

joyful news for all at St. Mark's. Father Bert Baetz, the Vestry, local dignitaries, and all members of the parish participated in the groundbreaking for our long-awaited Education/ Preschool Building. After our worship service, eve-

ryone processed to the building site singing "The Church Is One Foundation." Then everyone joined in with shovels to break ground and celebrate this memorable and significant start of construction.













## And the Winners Are...

Congratulations to the winners of St. Mark's World Championship of Shovels contest. Trophies, construction hat crowns, and scepter shovels were presented to Lynnett Alderson (Best Representation of St. Mark's Core Values), Jeri Culberson (The Best Decorated Shovel), Lee Leaman (Biggest Shovel), and Jan Leaman (Smallest Shovel).





St. Mark's Vestry

Governor Rick Perry officially recognized St. Mark's groundbreaking ceremony with a beautiful certificate, bearing the Seal of the State of Texas, proudly displayed by Father Bert.



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# **ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**



Mayor Vincent M. Morales, Jr. of Rosenberg and Mayor Evalyn Wendt Moore of Richmond were guests at the St. Mark's groundbreaking ceremony.

This is the second issue of St. Mark's "Growing in Grace" newsletter. The purpose of these newsletters is to keep the parish informed as to the expenses of the campaign, funds collected for the campaign, and the progress on the construction of the building. The monthly newsletters are being produced and printed entirely "in house" by members of the follow-up team. The pink envelope in each newsletter is to be used for any contribution. Questions from the parish are encouraged and answers will be printed in subsequent issues.

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# FINANCIAL UPDATE-APRIL 2013

### PROGRESS TO DATE:

Number of Capital Campaign Pledges: 39 from within Parish 6 from outside of Parish

Amount of Capital Campaign Pledged: \$503,310

**Total Pledge Contribution:** \$273,610.45

Amount Given Not Pledged: \$3,570

**Total Pledge Contribution:** \$277,180.45

## **PROGRESS THIS MONTH:**

Number Giving This Month: 18

New Givers This Month:

- 0 Amount Given Pledged: \$2,967
- Amount Given Not Pledged: \$60

**Total Contribution:** \$3,027

New Pledges This Month:

EXPENSES:

Expense This Month: \$356

"Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground, for it is the time to seek the LORD, that he may come and rain righteousness upon you."

Hosea 10:12