The Newsletter for the Musicians of St. Mark's Cathedral

Musical Musings

February, 2012

February Birthday greetings to…..
Joy Ratcliff (1st),
Andrea Petrosh (3rd),
Marilyn Kirkland (4th),
Lory Tubbs (12th),
Best wishes to you all!

Upcoming Liturgical Dates in 2012

Ash Wednesday -February 22
Palm Sunday—April 1
Maundy Thursday—April 5
Good Friday—April 6
Holy Saturday/Easter Eve—April 7

EASTER DAY — APRIL 8

Youth Sunday—April 13
(Parish Picnic—May 20)

Pentecost Day—May 27

Bishop MacPherson's Final Visitation—June 24

Ordination/Consecration/ Installation of the 4th Bishop of the Diocese of Western Louisiana—Saturday, July 21

Happy Valentine's Day!

Upcoming 2012 *Singing Sundays* for our children and youth…..

THIS SUNDAY, February 5, 2012
March 18
Easter Day, April 8, 10:00 am service only

Each chorister is vital to a successful performance!

Clear your calendars NOW!
Attention: Jr. Choristers and Parents
Sr. Choristers and Parents
Adult Choristers and Spouses

Our choir season ends with a final Evensong, Choir Banquet and Awards Presentation. This year we will celebrate together on **WEDNESDAY EVENING, April 25th**, The Feast of our Patron Saint, St. Mark the Evangelist!

The Schedule for the evening is:
5:00 pm Warmup for Evensong
5:30 pm **EVENSONG**
6:15 pm Banquet and Awards Presentation
Concluding by 8:00 pm.

Invitations will be mailed soon and you will be asked to RSVP so a lovely (child friendly) dinner can be planned. Committees for all aspects of the evening will be organized during February and you will have the opportunity to assist.

News from the Bell Tower….February training day will be held on Saturday, February 25. One of our favorite guest ringers, Baucum Matthews of Trinity Cathedral in Little Rock will be with us!

Instrumental Ensemble Schedule…. Our trio of high school instrumentalists will rehearse on Friday, February 10, at 4:00 pm in the Cathedral. They will play during Communion on Sunday, February 19, The Last Sunday after the Epiphany! We look forward to their offering of music.

CONGRATULATIONS……to those who sang at Evensong on January 29. All that hard work paid off with a beautiful service. We now prepare for our Lenten Evensong on Sunday, March 18, with music by Mozart from his youthful choral masterpiece, *Vesperae solennes de confessore.* Each upcoming Wednesday rehearsal will be preparing this music, so singers are requested to be present as much as possible so the final rehearsals can be spent on appropriate refinements to our work.

To love and serve Christ. To love and serve one another in Christ. To love and serve the world for Christ.