

## Deaths

**Leonard Selber**, father of **Anne Jenkins**, grandfather of **Arthur & Frances Jenkins**, on November 13, 2020.

## Baptisms

**Cecilia Jane Hilario**, daughter of **Danielle & Henry Hilario**, on November 14, 2020.

## Weddings

**Abbie Aiello & Joshua McCord**, on November 14, 2020.

## Happy Birthday

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| <b>November 22</b><br>Daisy Kime<br>Susan Boutte<br>Jonathan Evans<br>Blake Jackson<br>Isabella Wise | <b>24</b><br>Liz Montelepre<br>Glenn Langley<br>Anna Marsalis<br>Landry Jones | <b>27</b><br>Lacy Williams<br>John Stroud                     |
| <b>23</b><br>Bess Maxwell<br>Susie Crichton<br>Susan Perkins<br>Patrick White<br>Cason Cooper        | <b>25</b><br>Molly McInnis  | <b>28</b><br>Allison Lockhart<br>Ethan Courtman<br>Mary White |
|  | <b>26</b><br>Henry Hearne<br>Bill Hall<br>Riley Waddell                       |   |



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## THE MESSENGER

## Community

### **This Sunday's worship is back in the Cathedral!**

You must wear a mask, wear gloves or use hand sanitizer, and observe all social distancing requirements.

We will have an 8:00 am Eucharist - Rite I on Sundays in the Garden Room, a 10:30 am worship in the Cathedral; and a 7:00 am Eucharist - Rite I on Wednesdays in the Chapel.

We will continue to have our online Morning Prayer service via YouTube and on our website and Facebook. **COMMUNION WILL BE GIVEN TO ONE PERSON AT A TIME – WHILE THE REST OF THE CONGREGATION REMAINS SEATED.** Only the Bread of the consecration will be shared with the congregation.

**It's time to start planning for Christmas!** Given our need to maintain social distance, as well as give time for clearing our buildings of possible COVID infection, we are having our services in various locations at St. Mark's this year. **We are also asking that you make reservations with Bess Maxwell in the Cathedral Office.** [Bess@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:Bess@stmarkscathedral.net)

*Children's Christmas service with Holy Eucharist - 4:00 pm - Parish Hall*

*Christmas Eucharist with Bishop Owensby - 5:30 pm - Cathedral*

*Midnight Christmas Eucharist - 10.45 pm - Cathedral Courtyard*

*Christmas Day Eucharist - 10.00 am - Garden Room*

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

**Join us for a Thanksgiving Day service at 10:00 am on Thursday, November 26 in the Cathedral.**

**The church office will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 26 & 27.**

**Have you heard of the Renesting Project?** It is a community furniture bank in Bossier City that collects and provides gently used furniture and household items to those in need in our community. Whether you are remodeling or cleaning out - this is a great way to put your unneeded items to good use! Pickup is available for large items. They accept: decorative items, furniture, tools, linens, small appliances, kitchen items, and many more! Volunteers are also needed for sorting and apartment delivery and setup. For a full list of items and volunteer times go to [www.renestingprojectinc.org](http://www.renestingprojectinc.org) or call 318-747-5520. Additional questions? Contact Jennifer Beruvides at [jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net).

**EYC is back.** For several months, EYC has been strictly virtual and we have greatly missed seeing so many of you. Weather permitting, we will have our sessions outside in the picnic area and soccer field by the Cathedral. As it gets cooler, we will use the Ministry Center for our activities. Please bring a mask. **We will have EYC this month on November 29**, and we will be back to weekly soon after. Note for parents: we would like to start having one EYC a month be off-site if you are willing to host it at your home or backyard. Please get in touch with Fr. Drew if you are interested in doing this. For all updates and info regarding St. Mark's EYC, please follow on Facebook and Instagram @smceyc

**The Nominating Committee will meet to formulate a Vestry slate to present to the parish at the Annual Meeting in January.** If you wish to nominate someone for their consideration, nominations have to be to the Senior Warden **by December 6, 2020**. To be eligible for the Vestry, a person must be a confirmed communicant in good standing. This means confirmed, regularly attending worship and pledging. **Nominations can be e-mailed to Senior Warden Lad Shemwell at [shemwell@weems-law.com](mailto:shemwell@weems-law.com)**

**The Cathedral has been having a lengthy series of problems with our telephone system which left us without service for several weeks.** We do now have a working phone at the front desk but it is not staffed continuously. If you need to get in touch with us, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible. We are checking our messages frequently.

**The St. Mark's Cathedral School Holiday shop is now open!** Order poinsettias, greenery, gift wrap, and custom-made ornaments and plaques with the Cathedral building on them. Great gift options for friends, family, and clients. **Please visit [stmarksschool.com/holiday](http://stmarksschool.com/holiday) or contact Kim Carter at [kcarter@smc.school](mailto:kcarter@smc.school)**

## Sunday Readings

The Last Sunday after Pentecost:  
Christ the King  
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 \* Ephesians 1:15-23  
Matthew 25:31-46

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

To live in the Spirit of Christ endows you and me with the capacity to live thankful lives despite our circumstances. How I wish more of us really understood this. The companionship of Christ ... whether traveling along the bright hilltops of life or through dark valleys filled with failure, sorrow, and challenge ... supports our whole outlook and approach to life. God yearns for us to find our joy, our satisfaction, our needs fulfilled, not in material things and prosperity, but in God. The loss of prosperity, and indeed the disappointing search for it, can ruin any deep sense of thanksgiving. As Thanksgiving Day approaches, take time to think about your reasons for being thankful. How deep are they? Perhaps you will want to take this season to accept more fully God's companionship as your richest possession. Worship God with a thankful heart!

## Additional Resources

Dean Alston Johnson's Blog:

<https://thecarpentersnail.blog/>

St. Mark's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marks-Cathedral-Shreveport-181096028587074/>

Bishop Jake Owensby's Blog:

<https://jakeowensby.com/blog/>

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