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Baptisms

John Wiley Harmon, son of Whitney & Jonathan Harmon, on December 26, 2020.

Happy Birthday

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| January 3 | 5 | 7 |
| Helen Herzog | Curt McClure | Eron Brainard |
| Anne Mitchell | Charlotte Walter | Caroline Turnage |
| John Godwin | Sunni Burgess | |
| John Paul Grigsby | Jennifer Jones | |
| Claude Lockhart | Erin Dicharry | |
| Faye Aaron | | |
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| Andrea Giacalone | Marti Westmoreland | |
| Mary O'Brien | Shirleen McKay | |
| Sean Stott | Terri Nelson | |
| Mae Smitherman | Julia Ameen | |
| Nickolas Gore | | |

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Community

This Sunday's worship is 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 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.

The church office will be closing at noon on Christmas Eve and will be closed all day on Christmas.

Next week, we will close at noon on New Year's Eve and be closed all day New Year's Day.

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 or call 318-747-5520.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

Pursuant to the by-laws of St. Mark's Cathedral

the Nominating Committee has nominated the following persons to be elected at the Annual Meeting to be held on Sunday, January 24, 2021 to serve four year terms on the Vestry of St. Mark's Cathedral:

Clarence Babineaux
Rebecca Bryant
Patrick Caraway
Mark Sealy
Lynn Yancey

The following names will be placed in nomination for the Warden positions:

Bill Kalmbach - Senior Warden
Lisa Love – Junior Warden

Senior Warden Lad Shemwell will be stepping down and will be honored for his years of service. The following members are rotating off the Vestry this year and will be honored for their service:

Matt Coady
Carol Anne Caraway
Bob Ewing
Brandy Griffes
Debbie Hall

Due to the Pandemic, St. Mark's Cathedral School will not hold an Open House this year for potential new students, but individual tours can be scheduled. Reenrollment contracts to current students will be offered in January and to new families in February. Contact the school office at 221-7454.

Happy New Year!

Despite the challenges of this past year, St. Mark's EYC has both held together and grown. Average EYC attendance has nearly tripled over the course of 2020 even during a long period of not being able to meet in person. I give huge thanks to Sarah, Stephen, and our EYC mentors who have helped build this youth group. We had to bid farewell to two of our EYC mentors, Carson and Laura, who moved. We send prayers of blessings and best wishes for them as they start this new chapter of their life together, and we give thanks for their service during their time at St. Mark's

We will resume EYC on **January 10** in-person. Please look to our Instagram page @smceyc (also on Facebook) for weekly updates and information on events. God Bless your New Year. God is doing great things in St. Mark's EYC.
 Rev. Andrew Christiansen

STMPT (St. Mark's Physical Training) still meets at 5:30 a.m. every weekday morning in the field across from the parking lot.

Sunday Readings

The Second Sunday after Christmas Day
 Jeremiah 31:7-14 * Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a
 Matthew 2:1-12

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

This is a new year: 2021. When you resolve to make the changes in your life that have been nagging at you, don't forget our responsibilities as stewards of God's gifts. This is our chance to renew our efforts to share the grace bestowed upon us.

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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