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## Weddings

**Ashley Renee Martin & Edmundson Peter Sella**, on June 12, 2021.

## Happy Birthday

### June 20

Elaine Lee  
Marjorie Bowen  
Witt Caldwell  
Corbin Lattier  
Jack Q=Petersen

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Jim Elrod  
Holly Woodard  
Elouise Lattier  
Jessie Short  
Mary Kneip

### 25

Cina Hodges  
Talbot Trudeau  
John Henry Nelson

### 26

Kathy Williams  
Debbie Camus  
Leslie Caraway

### 21

Diane Lawrence  
Greg Rembert  
Jan Cooke  
Charles Patterson  
Avery Glover  
Loren Lepore

### 24

Sharon Reed  
Cristina Walker  
Pam Short  
Jonathan Hardtner  
Heidi Sanderson  
William Dulaney  
Camille Sample  
Andrew Irion

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# THE MESSENGER

## Community

**It's time for Vacation Bible School!** Get ready for *Treasured: Discovering You're Priceless to God* **July 5-9** from 9:00 am till noon. You can find the registration link on the St. Mark's website, [www.stmarkscathedral.net](http://www.stmarkscathedral.net). E mail Chelsea Fitzpatrick with any questions: [cfitzpatrick@smc.school](mailto:cfitzpatrick@smc.school). We look forward to seeing everyone!

**The Looking for God in Messy Places Summer Sunday School Class will be taking a break on Father's Day, June 20, and July 4.**

However, please join us all other weeks! It's open to everyone. We're reading Bishop Jake Owensby's new book, *Looking for God in Messy Places*, about hope. We're reading it aloud in class, so all you have to do is show up (and don't worry if you miss some weeks). **E-mail Lauren Thibodeaux at [thiblauren@gmail.com](mailto:thiblauren@gmail.com) if you have any questions.**

**Dean Johnson, and other Cathedral clergy, are facilitating a Sunday morning class and discussion following our Sunday Eucharistic Lectionary Readings.** We hope that you will grab a cup of coffee and join us in The Garden Room at 9:30 am for this gathering and scriptural study.

**Meals On Wheels Opportunity!** It's only a one hour volunteer opportunity every Monday delivering Meals on Wheels to eight seniors at Evangeline senior apartments (across street from Betty Virginia Park) St Marks would like to get a team together to do this once a week. The team can decide on their schedule for the each month. **Please email Jennifer for more information. Jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net**

**If you are going through a difficult time,** one of the Stephen Ministers from St. Mark's may be able to help. Stephen Ministers are laypersons who have received special training to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support for persons who are facing a crisis or going through tough times. After all, there are many difficulties and transitions in this life! Why not give yourself the gift of a Stephen Minister who can accompany you on part of your journey?! The care you receive is confidential, free and very helpful. For more information, contact the **Rev. Dr. Rowena White** at [rowena@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:rowena@stmarkscathedral.net).

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

**We have sadly said good-bye to The Reverend Andrew Christiansen and his wife Rachel. But you can still give them a parting gift!** In the Church it is customary to give the departing minister a "purse," a gift of money, that is a sign of our appreciation for their time with us, and that will help them "along the way" in accepting a new call. If you would like to contribute to Drew's purse, please make out a check to St. Mark's with "Andrew's Purse" listed in the notation line of the check.

**St. Mark's has a birthday card ministry!** If you find yourself wanting to serve but needing to do it on your own time, please consider this meaningful ministry. Materials are provided. For more information, please contact **Lauren Ewing** at 550-1743 or [lauren.ewing@me.com](mailto:lauren.ewing@me.com).

**If you are or know anyone who is expecting a child our committee is up and running and is looking for mummies to be.** Please contact us at [bess@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:bess@stmarkscathedral.net) or sign up on our website under family ministries. We hope to welcome mothers into our community. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

### Sunday Readings

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16 \* 2 Corinthians 6:1-13  
Mark 4:35-41

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

When we give freely of our money to the stewardship of our local church, we not only help build the Kingdom of God, we also affirm that God has first place in our hearts. The Bible says, "Whoever loves money never has enough" (*Ecclesiastes 5:10*). It's o.k. to enjoy God's blessings. But one of the reasons God gives us gifts is so we can share with others and help bless those in need. We can hang on tightly and walk away sad, or surrender everything over to his Lordship and ultimately become co-workers with Christ in the building of his Kingdom, right here and now.

## 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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