



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.

Happy Birthday

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Community

The church and office will be closed on Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day.

There will be no EYC this Sunday due to Memorial Day.

St. Mark's is hosting a blood drive for parishioner Beth McMurry on Saturday, June 5 from 10:00 am till 3:00 pm. in the Garden Room. Please drop by and donate if you are able.

As most of you know, Fr. Drew Christiansen and his wife Rachael will be leaving us next month for a new ministry in Lafayette. There will be a reception for Drew and Rachael on **Sunday June, 6** at 6:30 pm in the Ministry Center Garden Room. Please join us!

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

Ready to enjoy some fellowship and a light read with no homework this summer? Join our Summer Sunday School Class beginning **June 6** at 9:30 a.m. It's open to everyone. We'll be reading Bishop Jake Owensby's new book, *Looking for God in Messy Places*, chapter by chapter and discussing it. We'll read it aloud in class, so all you have to do is show up! The book is currently buy one, get one 50% off now on Amazon if you want to get your copy. **E-mail Lauren Thibodeaux at thiblauren@gmail.com if you have any questions.** See you soon!

Dean Johnson, and other Cathedral clergy, will be 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 for this gathering and scriptural study. We will begin **June 13** at 9.30 am.

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.**

The Dean's Inquirers Class will not meet this Sunday.

Don't forget! We have returned to our week-end service schedule of Eucharist in the Chapel on Friday evenings at 5:30, followed by Sunday services at 8:00 am, 10:30 am, and 6.00 pm. Our Choral Evensong is on hiatus while we bring our new Cathedral organist and choirmaster, Derrick Meador, on board over the summer. I hope that you will take a moment to say hello to Derrick in the coming weeks. He will be in the office beginning June 1.

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

Lost Anything at Church? Or maybe you're just missing some item and have no idea where it might have gone. Drop by or call the church office and check into our lost and found! We have everything from sunglasses to scarves to cell phones to jewelry (including some very nice pieces.) Check and see what you're missing!

Sunday Readings

Trinity Sunday
Isaiah 6:1-8 * Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

If we are honest, we can see areas in which we can improve our response to God. You might ask, I do give? I invite you to take a closer look at your giving habits. When you give, in what spirit do you give? It is to give loudly, so all those within range know of your gift. When you show some kindness or use your talent, are you pompous and pumped up? Then the reward is superficial. The gift is given in the spirit of self-service. As the words of Scripture remind us to be "doers of the Word, not hearers only."

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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