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### Deaths

Harriet Spanberg on August 8, 2021.

Hollis Thames Rogers, Jr., grandfather of Michael Ameen, great-grandfather of Michael Paul and Elizabeth Ameen, on August 9, 2021.

### Happy Birthday

- August 15**  
Sanders Hearne  
Zoe Caldwell  
Chris Zepeda  
Emma Tamplin  
August Knicely
- 17**  
Laurice Goodrich  
Amanda Fortiz  
Quinn Kennedy
- 18**  
Ena Henry  
Eddie Jenkins  
Cynthia Anderson
- 19**  
Anne Marie Schoonover  
Allie Gillen  
Emma Caraway  
Katherine Renda  
Chandler Aaron
- 20**  
Susan Evans  
Jim Graves  
Karol Fontaine  
Steve Horne  
Blair Irion
- 21**  
Hani Dehan  
Chris Carter  
Brody Peterson  
Holly Hargrove  
Pete Blanchard  
Esther Thompson
- 16**  
Bob Lafargue  
Mikey Carlisle  
Scott Douget  
Cindy Mack  
Gerry Damlouji  
Joe Jayroe  
Chris FitzGerald  
Emily Smith
- 18**  
Michel Fritze  
William Allen  
Piper Brightwell

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### Community

**Due to a new surge of Coronavirus cases in Louisiana The Bishop has requested that we observe some more stringent guidelines for our Sunday worship.**

Facemasks and social distancing are mandatory for everyone, even if you are vaccinated. We will continue to intinct at communion and ask that you sanitize your hands. Please just wave at your neighbor at the Peace. And we ask that you consider the advantages of receiving the COVID-19 vaccine if you have not already done so.

**There will be two acolyte training sessions this Sunday and next Sunday** for all new and returning acolytes. You must attend one of the sessions. Those sessions are immediately after the 10:30 am service. Please meet in the choir stalls.

**Rally Day is coming up on August 29!** If you or your group would like a display table, please contact Jennifer Beruvides as soon as possible. [jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net).

**CALLING ALL ARTISANS!** We will have an Artisan Table set up at Rally Day this year. Items will be for sale, and all proceeds will go to the Gingerbread House, which provides services for abused children. We would love for any artisan to participate if you would like, and we hope that you will be sure to stop by our table. Contact Emma Caraway at [emma.caraway2008@icloud.com](mailto:emma.caraway2008@icloud.com) for questions.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

**Our Sunday Eucharistic Lectionary Bible class** meets each Sunday at 9:30 am. We hope that you will grab a cup of coffee and join us in The Garden Room for this gathering and scriptural study.

**The Looking for God in Messy Places Summer Sunday School Class** is 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.

**Hello St. Mark's Families!** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is beginning again **Sunday, September 12**. Level 1 Atrium is for children in K3 (who are potty-trained) - Kindergarten. Level 2 Atrium is for 1st graders - 3rd graders. Look out for registration forms available at the church office and by the nursery door. Please stop by our table to talk to Catechists at Rally Day in August **Learn more about Catechesis at <https://www.cgsusa.org/>**.

**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).

**Community Renewal Highland House needs volunteers to help elementary age children after school.** Days and time vary. Contact Jennifer Beruvides for more information.  
[Jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:Jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net)

**St. Mark's Wednesday Night Book Study resumes meeting on September 15 at 6:00 pm in the church library and is open to anyone interested.** This fall we will complete a six week study of the book *Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful* by Adam Hamilton. There are two ways of viewing Peter: 1. The ordinary fisherman that left everything to follow Jesus with a passion that changed the world; 2. As the poor, uneducated, quick tempered man full of doubts and fears. In studying the man that Jesus called the "rock", we will exam our own special gifts, talents and abilities that God can use to make a difference in our world.

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

**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).

## Sunday Readings

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
Proverbs 9:1-6 \* Ephesians 5:15-20  
John 6:51-58

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Throughout his teachings, Jesus simply asked that we change the way we think ... change the way we look at ourselves and our neighbors; learn to use our life, our talents and our gifts to serve others, and through service to others, find that we have served and loved God.

## 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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