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Baptisms

Timothy Houston Brown, III, son of Timothy & Jennifer Brown, on January 16, 2022.

Births

Thomas Charles Harrison, on January 17, 2022. Parents are Annelies & Seth Harrison.

Happy Birthday

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| January 24
Sara Herrington
Briggs Mobley | 26
Theresa Meldrum
Beth Ann Holmes
Renee Deupree
Robin Quinn | 28
Henry Coutret
Merritt Chastain
Foster Gavin |
| 25
Lissa Grounsell
Gary Love
Kelly Crawford
Evan LeBleu
Jett Trudeau | 27
Jackie Cooper
Susu Jones
Dru Florsheim
Blain Coady | 29
Kelly Larremore
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Community

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 30, 2022 to serve four year terms on the Vestry of St. Mark's Cathedral:

- Karen Hardtner**
- Chad Hill**
- Claire Rebouche**
- Jason Waltman**
- Warren West**

The following members are rotating off the Vestry this year and will be honored for their service:

- Marilyn Kirkland**
- Cody Mayo**
- William Weaver**
- Bud Westmoreland**

Mark your calendars for the St. Mark's Cathedral Annual Meeting January 30, 2022. We meet immediately after the 10:30 a.m. service in the Parish Hall. Annual reports will be given, Vestry elections will be held and lunch will be served.

EYC is going BOWLING!!! Grades 6-12 welcome. We will meet at the church at 5:30 PM to carpool to Holiday Lanes in Bossier. Dinner and bowling will be provided by St. Mark's. Pick up will be from Holiday Lanes. Please bring a mask.

We are still in need of volunteers to provide dinner for EYC on Sunday evenings. Please email Sarah (smceyc318@gmail.com) to schedule your day!

The Friends of Faith group is moving their monthly meeting due to illness. We will meet on **Wednesday, January 26** instead of this week. We meet from 6:00-7:30 pm in the Parlor. This year, we are reading *Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi* by Amy-Jill Levine. Come join us for fellowship, discussion, and prayer. If you have questions, e-mail Jorie O'Brien (jorieobrien@gmail.com) or Lauren Thibodeaux (thiblauren@gmail.com).

February Collection: Woody's Veteran Home, founded in 2003, is a local charity that operates two homes for veterans suffering from mental health issues. They are accredited with the local VA hospital. Items that are in daily need include: paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, and plastic utensils. **To donate monetarily contact Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net. Also visit their website to learn more: www.wh4v.com.**

Volunteer Opportunity! While we welcome all guests to St. Mark's Cathedral, safety is of the utmost importance making it necessary to keep the doors locked during office hours. We are looking to create a schedule of volunteers to sit in the front office, answering the door and performing other tasks, from 11-2 Monday-Friday. Whether you are able to commit weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly, please contact Lauren Ewing at Lauren.ewing@me.com or 318-550-1743 to join the team!

If it's Mardi Gras, can Lent be far behind? March 2 seems faraway now, but Ash Wednesday will arrive before we know it. We need contributors for the Lenten Meditations booklet. Lent is our opportunity to take a searching personal inventory, contemplate the price of our redemption, and also to celebrate our renewal in Christ's resurrection. Writing a meditation on the daily readings for one day is a great way to do that for ourselves and to share the Lenten experience with others. To contribute to Lenten Meditations 2022, **please email Laura McLemore at laura.mclemore@lsus.edu.**

The Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 10:30 am January 5-May 25. We meet in room 101 of the Ministry Center for coffee and conversation around the upcoming Sunday's lectionary readings. Please contact Mother Beth if you are interested or if you have questions (beth@stmarkscathedral.net).

Have you heard about our "Pew Project?" St. Mark's is in the process of refurbishing all of the pews in the church, including the kneelers and the book racks. And you can be a part of it. Parishioners can "sponsor" a pew to have redone. Your gift will be acknowledged with a brass plaque on the pew. **If you are interested, or for more information, contact John Scheel at 226-4023.**

Sunday Readings

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 * 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
Luke 4:14-21

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

God has created each one of us with some talents. Such is the wonder and mystery of God's creative activity that each human being is precious and unique and given talents that others do not possess. Look seriously at yourself and ask, "What bag of gold has God given me?" and "What am I going to do with it?" One major part of growing up in Christ is the discovery of our own strengths and how we might use them to glorify God and help others.

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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