



Beginning February 13, Dean Alston will reconvene his class on C.S. Lewis's Mere Christianity in Room 101 of the Ministry Center. We will meet at 9.30 am. Given that our Sunday school time is short – we will cover one Chapter every two weeks. This study will carry us through Lent and the Easter season.

In preparation for Session 1 - please read the following from Mere Christianity:

The Preface -

Book 1, Chapter 1, "The Law of Human Nature"

Book 1, Chapter 2, "Some Objections"

Contact Fr. Alston with any questions, abjohnson@stmarkscathedral.net

Happy Birthday

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Community

The St. Mark's Choirs will present Choral Evensong this Sunday, February 6, 2022. Please join us for this beautiful and contemplative service. Choral Evensong begins at 5:00 pm and immediately precedes the 6:00 pm Eucharist.

EYC invites their parents, grandparents, and siblings to an Ice Cream Social this Sunday February 6, in the Parlor after the 10:30 AM service! This will be a great way to get to know each other better and enjoy ice cream! Questions? Please see Sarah Wilkes (smceyc318@gmail.com). (This will serve as our EYC meeting this week and we will not be meeting again that evening.)

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!

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.**

Beginning February 16 at 6:00pm we will host our Inquirers and Confirmation class also known as Episcopal Church 101. This class is for anyone interested in being confirmed by Bishop Owensby in the spring, or who is interested in refreshing their own understanding of the Episcopal Church. The topics we will cover will include Church History, Liturgical Worship, the Bible, Church Teaching and Theology, Spirituality, Church Organization, and the Mission of the Church. Whether you are thinking of joining the Episcopal Church, or would like to simply join others who are reviewing the tenets of our faith, come and join us in the Parlor. Because some cannot make it on Wednesday, we will be offering another option on Sunday at 12:30 pm right after church in Rm 101. We will run seven-one-hour sessions and we ask that those of you who intend to be confirmed will attend at least six of the sessions. **If you plan to attend or have any questions, email Fr. Thomas, thomas@stmarkscathedral.net**

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!

The Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 10:30 am through 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).

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.

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 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Isaiah 6:1-13 * 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Charge them to do good, to be rich in good works and generous, sharing what they have."
1 Timothy 6:18

May Timothy's letter move us to better see how we are using all that the Lord has entrusted to us; our income, our talents. This sense of stewardship will help us grow in faith and concern one for another.

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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