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Deaths

Mike McAfee, father of **Bob Ewing**, grandfather of **John & George Ewing**, on August 6, 2022

Community

This year's Early Bird Acolyte Training is set for this Sunday! Meet in the choir stalls immediately after the 10:30 am service. All new and returning acolytes are welcome!

Happy Birthday

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| August 21 | 23 | 26 |
| Pete Blanchard | Scott Stroud | Julia Horne |
| Esther Thompson | Lee Berry | John Herzog |
| | Whit Davis | Lillian Randall |
| 22 | Nelle Lloyd | Nan Colgin |
| Cherry Grosz | Chuck Tubbs | John Patrick Bartle |
| Elizabeth Tamplin | Natalie Nuckolls | |
| Kay Hyatt | | 27 |
| Michaelann Nichols | | Gene Hilliard |
| Alexander Childs | 24 | Sara Blanchard |
| Liz Davis | Ron Roberts | John Bowen |
| | Donnette Martin | Isabel Carter |
| | Morgan Emmons | John Allen Thomas |
| | | Kendall Gibbs |
| | 25 | Todd Thompson |
| | Janis Thompson | |
| | Cody Brooks | |
| | Kayla Marinoni | |

Our Vestry has realized and responded to a significant need to clean and seal the exterior of our Cathedral. Martin's Specialty Coatings has begun the project of installing joint sealant on the exterior of Cathedral where the mortar has deteriorated over time. Then they will wash the entire facility and seal it. This project will take 4- 6 months. The workmen will have large equipment and scaffolding on all four sides of the Cathedral at different times as they proceed. In that regard, there are times when we will be inconvenienced and might have to use a different door or parking lot to enter the Cathedral. We apologize in advance for any inconveniences, but please realize our need to maintain the integrity of our facility. If anyone has concerns or additional questions on this project, please contact Lisa Love at liallove6203@gmail.com.

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It's not too early to start thinking about Rally Day! Rally Day is **August 28**. We will gather in the Gym after the 10:30 am service for lunch and a look at what St. Mark's has to offer this fall. Mark your calendars.

All the St. Mark's Catechists would like to extend a heartfelt thank you

to Suzie Walker Sharp for sewing all the Vestments of the Priests for a work that we teach our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd children in the Level 1 Atrium. Suzie volunteered her time and talents and has done a beautiful job sewing these vestments. Thanks also goes to Mary Alice Roundtree, Betsy Roberts, Carol Ann Caraway and others for their efforts in support.

Dinners for Eight is reforming for the fall!

The purpose is simply to have fun and to get to know others on an informal basis in our homes. Groups of eight people - singles and couples of various ages - are randomly formed for a period of one year. Groups share four dinners throughout the year. **Contact Judy Storer if you would like to participate in one of these groups. 318-455-6840 or jkstorer@redballmedical.com.**

Back to school help is needed!

All Friendship Houses in Community Renewal are in need of school supplies. Approximately forty items are needed of EACH of the following: hand sanitizer, scissors, pencils, pencil boxes/pouches, composition books, primary tablets, crayons, multiplication charts, and math flash cards. Any and all donations are welcome! These items will be collected NOW through the end of August. **If you would like to donate monetarily or have additional questions, contact Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net**

Join Bishop Owensby and the 2022 General Convention Deputation at St. Mark's on Thursday, August 25 from 6:00 till 7:30 pm for reflections on the work they accomplished in Baltimore. They will discuss resolutions that affect our common life, new leadership for the House of Deputies, the Church budget, and amendment of the Constitution and Canons.

Calling all Artisans! We will have an Artisan table set up at Rally Day again this year. Items will be for sale, and all proceeds will go to the Maggie Lee's Closet which gives used clothes from the community to children in need. We would love for any artisans to participate and we hope everyone will stop by our table. Please text Emma Caraway with any questions or if you would like to donate. **(318) 532-2688.**

The Wednesday Night Book Study group is on sabbatical for the summer but we will resume meeting in the Parish Library on Wednesday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m. The group will be reading and discussing *The Cost of Discipleship* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Bonhoeffer was a German Lutheran pastor, theologian and anti-Nazi dissident who helped found the Confessing Church. The book compels the reader to face himself and God in any situation and asks "What can the call to discipleship, the adherence to the word of Jesus, mean today to the businessman, the soldier, the laborer, or the government worker? What did Jesus mean to say to us? What is his will for us today?" Dietrich's practice of his faith lead to his execution on April 9, 1945 in Flossenburg concentration camp by the Nazis. **For more information, please contact William Weaver at william.weaver@uhsinc.com or by calling (302) 276-3750.**

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

What matters to God is not the gift, but the giver. Stewardship is God's invitation to a way of life. It helps make God real to us. It helps us grow. It helps us to overcome our selfishness and our love of things

We have been given much. To receive and not give is poor stewardship. What we do with what we have been given is a sign to God and to the world of the depth and meaning of our commitment.

Upcoming Events

August 21 Early Bird Acolyte training 11:45 am

August 25 General Convention update with Bishop Owensby 6:00 pm

August 28 Rally Day

Sunday Readings

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 58:9b-14* Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17