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Deaths

Dorothy Gates, mother of **Ben Gates**, on August 19, 2022.

Baptisms

William Proby Dulaney, IV, son of **Lauren & William Dulaney**, on August 21, 2022.

Happy Birthday

August 28	30	September 1
Patsy Reeks	Larry Shea	Casey Payne
Elizabeth Prince	Pete Jones	Lyla Hall
Jenny Weber	Timothy Brown	Katy Wagner
John Ourso	Emaree Wallace	
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		Knighton Clarke
29	31	Charlotte Baldrige
Bill Kalmbach	Linda Allen	Scott D'Anna
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THE MESSENGER

Community

Rally Day is this Sunday! We will gather in the Gym after the 10:30 am service. Learn more about the programs you can be involved in at St. Mark's. Lunch will be provided and there will be jumpies and a water slide for the kids. Dress casually and bring your friends!

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.**

Join Bishop Owensby and the 2022 General Convention Deputation at St. Mark's this Thursday 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.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

The Wednesday Ladies' Bible Study will resume on September 14 at 10:30 in Room 101 of the Ministry Center. Initially we will study the Lectionary Gospel reading for the following Sunday. On the 14 the assigned text will be Luke 16:1-13. The text will be read aloud in the group, followed by comments, including the context and discussion of its meaning in our lives today. Participants are encouraged to read and reflect on the text beforehand. This informal group is open to everyone! Please join us! For the first few sessions, the leaders will be our clergy. Then various women will be encouraged to sign up to lead the discussion; several have already expressed an interest in doing so!

Dinners for Eight is re-forming 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**

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.**

Services of Choral Evensong will be presented by the St. Mark's Cathedral Choir on Sunday, September 11. Please join us for this beautiful and contemplative service. Choral Evensong begins at 5:00 pm and immediately precedes the 6:00 pm Eucharist.

Episcopal Relief and Development is mobilizing with Anglican agencies and other partners in order to provide humanitarian assistance to people fleeing the violence in Ukraine. Working with the Action by Churches Together Alliance (ACT Alliance), Episcopal Relief and Development will provide cash, blankets, hygiene supplies and other needed assistance. **You can donate at episcopalrelief.org.**

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Loving God, as the sower scattered seeds with the hope of an abundant crop, we commit these tithes and offerings to help grow your Word and ask that their impact in our world may grow a hundred, sixty or thirty times what is sown.

We know that our lives are full of weeds, planted by enemies of greed, consumerism and fear. As we commit these gifts to your ministry, help us to separate the first fruits in our lives from the weeds and all that is good in your name from all that which tempts away from you.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-43

Upcoming Events

August 25	General Convention update with Bishop Owensby	Cathedral	6:00 pm
August 28	Rally Day	Gym	11:45 am
September 11	Choral Evensong		5:00 pm

Sunday Readings

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Sirach 10:12-18* Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14: 1, 7-14