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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.**

Happy Birthday

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| September 11 | 13 | 16 |
| Brown Humphrey | Bill Sanders | Gloria Smith |
| Mary Harter | Bill Trickett | Kathleen Jackson |
| Holden | Debbie Grand | Renee Torrans |
| Kowalewski | Angie Waltman | Brent Weir |
| | Alice Sample | Steele Fritze |
| | Jacki Kennedy | |
| 12 | Julie Jacobus | 17 |
| Patsy FitzGerald | | Gayla Hargrove |
| Sheryl Ostendorff | | Elise Patin |
| Cole O'Neal | 14 | Emily Milner |
| Cecilia Hilario | Judy Austin | Timothy Coleman |
| Robert Hunter | Brooks Glover | Jamie Hardtner |
| Vanderberg | Eliza Storer | Catherine Evans |
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| | Betty Birmingham | |
| | Jackson Reeks | |
| | Jennifer Thomas | |
| | Robert Jackson | |
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THE MESSENGER

Community

All Sunday school will resume this Sunday, September 11.

For our Adult Class, Join Dean Johnson and Father Nsubuga for a course about The Apostle Paul, his life and work, with lectures from NT Wright. N. T. Wright's definitive biography of Paul reveals the apostle's lasting role in Christian history as an inventor of new paradigms for how we understand Jesus and what he accomplished. Wright celebrates Paul's stature as one of the most effective and influential intellectuals in human history, while shedding fresh light on his writings, thoughts, and ideas. What, exactly, happened on the road to Damascus that changed the course of Paul's life and the course of human history? **We meet at 9:30 am in the Ministry Center Garden Room.**

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 14th 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.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

A new Spiritual Direction group is starting! Come join us in the church library beginning **Wednesday September 14** at 11:45am after the Ladies' Bible Study. This group is especially designed for those who have little time and are interested in a new Rule of Life that focuses on the daily gospel reading and a way to prayerfully listen to our God who wants to be known to us! We will enter and leave in silence.

The Shreveport Shriner's Hospital is asking for donations for their 100th anniversary fundraising gala! Donations can be gift cards or items like grills, computer/ipad, etc. Donations forms are available for tax purposes. The gala is September 17; **donations are preferred on/before Monday, September 12.** Please contact either Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net or Jennifer Martin at jmmartin@shrinenet.org to donate.

Cooking Crew has resumed for the fall! We are looking for more volunteers to join us! Volunteers help ONE morning a month from 8:00 am-noon! Come and enjoy the fellowship while feeding our community! No cooking experience necessary! Contact Jennifer Beruvides for more information jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net.

The Wednesday Night Book Study group has resumed meeting in the Parish Library on Wednesdays 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. **For more information, please contact William Weaver at william.weaver@uhsinc.com or by calling (302) 276-3750.**

EYC Wednesday!! EYC will be meeting on Wednesdays this fall to encourage families to attend dinner together in the Parish Hall. Dinner starts at 5:30 PM. We will all eat together and break out into small groups 6:00 -7:00 pm. Please contact Sarah (smceyc318@gmail.com) with questions.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be hosting a Centering Prayer Workshop on Saturday, October 8 from 9:30 am till 3:00 pm. Centering Prayer is a method of silent prayer rooted in the Christian contemplative tradition, which opens us to the presence and action of the Holy Spirit. The workshop will be led by Pamela Begeman and lunch will be provided. **To register, call 318-865-8469 or e-mail communications@stpaulsshreveport.org.**

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a member of our Altar Guild? If you have, or if you just would like a look around, we are having a tour of the sacristy on **Saturday September 17 at noon.** You can learn about the duties and the beautiful way the guild serves your church family. If you want to go a step further, members will be on hand to explain how to join us! There will be a cleanup of the cathedral on **October 1,** from 9:30 am to noon. We are asking families to join us for an hour to give our cathedral an overall cleaning. Even if you only polish your pew, it's a wonderful way to give back to the church. For questions and more information, contact Becky Bryant at rgavin10@msn.com.

Sunday Readings

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 32:7-14* 1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

In order for you to be what you should as a church member, you must first define and confirm your stewardship obligations and commitments between yourself and Christ who gave his all for you. Stewardship of time, talent and possessions is the very heart of Christian discipleship and our way of expressing our love in response to God's amazing grace.

Upcoming Events

September 11	All Sunday school classes Resume
September 17	Tour of Altar Guild Sacristy Noon
September 23	SMCS Grandparents Day
October 1	Cathedral Cleanup Day 9:00 am
October 2	Organ Recital 4:00 pm Choral Evensong 5:00 pm Cathedral