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Deaths

Daisy Kime, on October 15, 2022.

Miller Matthewson Armstrong, brother of Dorothy Shemwell, uncle of Brooke, Sarah Margaret & Merritt Shemwell, on October 16, 2022.

Weddings

Ellen Sweeney & Ian Summers on October 22, 2022.

Happy Birthday

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| October 30
Nancy Cecil
Robert Cook
John Gatschenberger
Ann Mack | November 1
Harrison Smith
Louise Williams
Jennifer Cooper
Lex Childs | 3
Cody Mayo
Selby Moss
Ryan Campbell |
| 31
Tiddle Florsheim
Eleanor McGlothlin | 2
Stella Walker
Greg Anderson
Shelton Floyd
Jack Gilchrist
Charles Hardtner
John Stewart Slack | 4
Lauren Barnett
Charlotte Cloutier-
Kamil |
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Sherry Pendley
Jack Ostendorff
Chris Stage
Frances Smitherman
Adrian Winham
Lauren Dulaney | |

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THE MESSENGER

Community

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS **Is Your Heart Heavy With Grief?**

Please Join Us for A FREE Seminar
Monday, November 7, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Garden Room at St. Mark's Cathedral
Call 318-226-4025 to register and reserve a free book.
Or Email: Rowena@stmarkscathedral.net

Join us this Sunday for our EYC Halloween Party!!!
We'll have fun Halloween activities and lots of treats!
Dress in your costumes for fun and bring your favorite
candy to share! 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Youth Room.
Grades 6 - 12 welcome! Please email Sarah
(smceyc318@gmail.com) to be added to our contact
list.

Our annual All Saints' service at the historic All Saints' Chapel in Stonewall is coming up! We will
gather at 3:00 pm on Sunday afternoon, **November 6**.
Please join us!

For anyone who is interested who has not signed up for the Acolyte Program this school year, there is still
time! Please contact Jacques Lasseigne, either by
phone/text (455 – 3154) or by email
(jlassjog@aol.com).

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

In early Christianity, Advent was a season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians at the January feast of Epiphany, the celebration of God's incarnation. Later, Roman Christians tied Advent to Jesus' second coming in the clouds as judge of the world. In the Middle Ages, Advent was linked to Christ's first coming at Christmas. Throughout the ages, Advent has been a time of preparation, remembrance, and anticipation. Today, the first two Sundays in Advent look forward to Christ's second coming, and the last two Sundays look backward to remember Christ's first coming. Reflecting on the daily readings during seasons of preparation and penitence is a gift to others and to ourselves. **Please help us put together an Advent Daily Meditation booklet for St. Mark's this season.** Laura McLemore will send contributors instructions and a set of readings from the Episcopal Daily Office for one day during Advent. **To participate, contact laura.mclemore@lsus.edu.**

The Wednesday Ladies' Bible Study has resumed each week at 10:30 in Room 101 of the Ministry Center. Initially we will study the Lectionary Gospel reading for the following Sunday. 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.

The Centenary College Hurley School of Music will present a Camerata Concert on Monday, October 31 at 7:30 pm at the Cathedral. The performance is free and open to the public.

St. Mark's will host a blood drive for Beth McMurry who is battling Acute Myeloid Leukemia. The drive will be Saturday, **November 12** in the Ministry Center beginning at 9:00 am. We will have a registration table in the back of the church on **Sunday, November 6.**

The Second Annual Conference on Alzheimer's & Dementia is scheduled for November 4 at First United Methodist Church. The conference runs from 8:00 am till 3:45 pm and is for anyone who is affected by dementia, professional and laypeople. The conference is presented by the Bridge Alzheimer's and Dementia Resource Center. Cost is \$25. Doors open at 7:30 am.

The St. Mark's Cathedral School is taking orders for holiday greenery, Poinsettias and gift wrap through November 4. Order online at www.stmarksschool.com/holiday.

We are again looking for volunteers to staff the front desk! We are looking for someone to work Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 11:00 am till 2:00 pm. You can work every week or once a month, whatever your schedule can fit. **Contact Priscilla McLean, priscilla@stmarkscathedral.net**

Sunday Readings

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 1:10-18* 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

A friend of mine, a respected priest, was once asked what the two greatest needs in the church were today. "The first," he said, "is preaching, the second ... money" He knew that preaching sets forth the word of God, but money enables the work of God. Without both, God's Kingdom won't be furthered much. To put it another way, where we put our money will be where we are most interested, most teachable, most responsive, most open! To deal with a person in terms of what they do with their money is to deal with most people where they really live. Financial giving can be an avenue to spiritual growth in a unique way. It can be so if we put ourselves and our money on the line for the Lord's work because as Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also".

Upcoming Events

October 29	SMCS Paw Paw Sprint
October 31	Centenary Camerata Concert 7:30 pm Cathedral
November 6	All Saints' service 3:00 pm All Saint's Chapel Stonewall Organ Recital 4:30 pm Cathedral
November 10	East Texas Pipe Organ Festival
November 12	Blood Drive 9:00 am Ministry Center