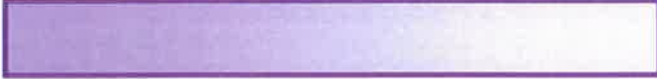


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**Anyone who is interested in forming a young adults Sunday school class** is invited to meet this Sunday at 9:30 am in the church library. Fr. Thomas will be leading the class. **Please contact [thomas@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:thomas@stmarkscathedral.net) to register or if you have any questions.**

## Happy Birthday

<b>October 9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>
Nelson Liles	Jeanne Liles	Jane West
Nancy Ketner		Mason Pavlick
Rosalind White	<b>13</b>	Steve Powers
Ella Eagles	Steve Yancey	Tillman Brown
	Betty Sue Clark	
<b>10</b>	Patrick Harrison	<b>15</b>
Dwight Verges	Lisa Weber	Sonny Moss
France-Claire	Colton Martin	Jill Carnie
Hebert	Bill Stott	Clay Erwin
Cage Van Norman	Henry McGrew	Ashley Humphrey
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## Community

**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](mailto:laura.mclemore@lsus.edu).**

**EYC Sunday Nights!!** EYC will resume meeting on Sunday nights 5:30-7:00 pm in the Youth Room. Grades 6-12 welcome. Please contact Sarah ([smceyc318@gmail.com](mailto:smceyc318@gmail.com)) to be added to our email list!

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

**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).

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be hosting a Centering Prayer Workshop this 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.**

**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.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:william.weaver@uhsinc.com) or by calling (302) 276-3750.**

**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](mailto:jkstorer@redballmedical.com).**

**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 347-4982.**

## Sunday Readings

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c\* 2 Timothy 2:8-15  
Luke 17:11-19

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

It is always a joy to be a vital part of a worthy victory. You have sensed the needs of this poor, stricken world, grievously vexed by doubts, confusions, anxieties, sorrows, cruelties, and deepening fears. The church, with your help, can change this situation. One institution, the church, is the open channel through which you can work to establish truth, mercy, justice, brotherhood, confidence, faith and love. The church must be victorious! The victory may depend on you!

## Upcoming Events

October 21	Rhythms of Grace MC Garden Room
October 22	All Saints Chapel clean up
October 29	SMCS Paw Paw Sprint
November 6	Organ Recital 4:30 pm Choral Evensong 5:00 pm Cathedral
November 10	East Texas Pipe Organ Festival