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## Baptisms

**Samuel Dez Hill & Emily Virginia Hill**, son and daughter of **Bridget & Gordon Hill**, on February 4, 2023.

**Ruby Marie Hargrove**, daughter of **Kelly & Billy Hargrove**, on February 12, 2023.

## Happy Birthday

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| <b>February 19</b> | <b>22</b>        | <b>24</b>         |
| Mary Jo Kayser     | Deneé Locke      | Cass Gaiennie     |
| Holli Hennessy     | Carson Massad    | Deanna Kamphuis   |
| Layne LeBleu       | Ella Bylsma      | Anna Sanderson    |
| Michael Ameen      | Karla Querbes    | Catherine Allen   |
|                    | Ford Gillen      | William Guthrie   |
|                    | Benjamin Johnson | Stacy Moss        |
| <b>20</b>          |                  |                   |
| Dan Herndon        |                  |                   |
| Fran Hewett        |                  |                   |
| <b>21</b>          | <b>23</b>        | <b>25</b>         |
| Carol Anne Caraway | Pede Adams       | Leigh Ann O'Brien |
| Jackie Fontana     | Jay Crooms       | Suzanne Otto      |
| Gaffney Nelson     | Melissa Harris   | Henry Hill        |
| Mario Villafuerte  | Nicole Cotter    |                   |
| Don Huguley        | Frances Jenkins  |                   |
| Thomas Nsubuga     |                  |                   |

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# THE MESSENGER

## Community

**Join us this coming Tuesday** in the Courtyard at 5:45 pm for the burning of the palms followed by our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper in the Parish Hall. Let's give a big Shrove Tuesday farewell to Mardi Gras!

**Ash Wednesday is February 22.** Services of Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes will be held at 7:00 am in the Chapel, and at 8:00 am (School service) noon and 5:30 pm in the Cathedral.

**Our daily Monday- Friday 7:00 am Lenten Eucharists begin again on February 23.** Join us in the Chapel.

**It's a well-known tradition for Christians to give up something as part of a Lenten discipline.** At St. Mark's, a Lenten tradition for almost 20 years has been The Fasting Fund. As part of our Lenten observance, parishioners are asked to forego one or two meals a week and put the average cost of the missed meals in one of the wicker baskets placed beside the steps leading to the Chancel and altar rail or on the small table in the back of the chapel. This year, the Fasting Fund will go to Jewell House, a transitional living facility for homeless girls ages 13 – 21. Jewell House was the first shelter in north Louisiana designed specifically to serve homeless girls and remains the only one to provide shelter beyond 21 days. From its inception, Youth Outreach Services has had a consistent record of success.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

**Mark your calendars for our 2023 Lenten series!**

There is a lot that goes on behind the scenes at St. Mark's. Most of this goes unnoticed and yet is greatly appreciated by both the providers and the receivers. This Lenten Season we are pleased to share with you some of these ministries by bringing you some of the people behind them. They will be sharing with us what these ministries have meant to them and why they continue to do what they do. Please join us **every Wednesday at 5:30 pm** in the Parish Hall for the Evening Prayer and supper to hear and celebrate our ministries.

**March 1** EfM (Alumni) / RBL (Pat Viser / Pamela Peak)

**March 8** Choir / Youth (Derrick Meador / Sarah Wilkes)

**March 15** Altar Guild / Acolyte (Rebecca Bryant / Jacques Lasseigne)

**March 22** Stephen Ministry / Spiritual Direction (Rowena)

**March 29** Community Ministries / Cooking Crew (Candace Higginbotham / Jennifer Beruvides)

**We are looking for a few SOUPER teams** to make a light Lenten meal/soup on Wednesday evenings during Lent. **Contact Jennifer Beruvides at [jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net) for more information.**

**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](mailto:priscilla@stmarkscathedral.net)**

**We are proud to introduce 5 Loaves and 2 Fish!** Our Outreach Coordinator, Jennifer Beruvides, recently visited this Christian based ministry and was very impressed!! They serve Shreveport with multiple ministries: food bank, diaper bank, bible studies, life learning classes, weekend conferences, and summer camps. ALL events and ministries are based and centered around Christian teachings and values. **St. Mark's will be helping with a diaper drive for the month of MARCH.** Please bring any size/quantity diapers to the church office. Volunteers are also needed a few times a month to pack food boxes and distribute food. You can visit their website [5loaves-2fish.life](http://5loaves-2fish.life) for more information on what they do and who they are. If you would like to contribute monetarily contact Jennifer Beruvides at [jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net).

**It is the custom at St. Mark's at Easter to invite our parish family to make a contribution to the Glory of God and in memory or honor of a loved one.** This is not only an appropriate way to honor those who have gone before us, but these gifts make it possible to decorate the Cathedral in a festive manner. If you wish to make a donation please send your check along with the name or names you wish to commemorate to **Becky Deverts** in the Cathedral office **no later than Friday, March 31.**

### Sunday Readings

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany  
Exodus 24:12-18 \* 2 Peter 1:16-21  
Matthew 17:1-9

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

God has taught that you cannot love without giving. God so loved you that he gave his Divine Son. And the son so loved you that he gave his life on the cross for you. Now it is our turn to show our love. During this approaching Lenten season, a time of prayer and penance, think seriously of your need to be responsible to demonstrate your love.

## Upcoming Events

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| February 19 | Derrick Meador recital 4:00 pm<br>Cathedral                                       |
| February 21 | Burning of the Palms 5:45pm<br>Courtyard<br>Pancake dinner 6:00 pm<br>Parish Hall |
| February 22 | Ash Wednesday   |
| March 5     | Recital- Ray Peebles 4:30 pm<br>Choral Evensong 5:00 pm<br>Cathedral              |
| March 11    | Cathedral Clean-up Day 9:00 am  |