March 22, 2023

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Deaths

Mickey Brown, husband of Denise Brown, on March 18, 2023.

Births

Clarence Richard Yancey, on March 16, 2023. Parents are Mary Martha & Richard Yancey. Big sister is Mary Helen Yancey. Grandparents are Lynn & Steve Yancey.

Happy Birthday

March 26

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April 1

Robert Grand Gil Lawton

Suzanne Hearne Priscilla Trenado Lindsey Humphrey

Alison Byrd Lisa Nelson

Frazier Horn

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Tina Short 27

Alexandra Vozzella

Pat Caraway

30 Rebecca D'Anna

Linda Vozzella

Sophie Q=Petersen

Suzy Nelson

Jon-Christian Stewart 31

Susan Roberts

Chase Henagan Mary Megan Sealy

Christina Stage

Art Carter **Erin Holley**

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Community

Join us this Sunday morning for a Parish Breakfast at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. All are invited!

Our Youth Confirmation classes will begin this Sunday at 9:30 am in the youth room of the Ministry Center. The classes will be led by Patrick Caraway, Bob Ewing, Bob McVie and Gary Love and are for 8th through 12th graders who have not yet been confirmed. Youth must attend at least four of the six sessions to be confirmed. Bishop Owensby will be here on May 7 for Confirmation.

EYC Sunday Night!! Join us for EYC this Sunday, 5:30-7:00 pm. We plan to meet at the church and then carpool to Party Central for Putt Putt (weather permitting!!) Grades 6-12 welcome. If it rains, we will stay in the Youth Room. Also, mark your calendars for April 1! EYC will be meeting in the Parish Hall at 9:00 am to assist the Altar Guild with making Palm Crosses.

We are asking again this year for donations of plastic eggs and small things to fill the eggs (no nuts/peanut butter) for the parish Spring Fest and Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday April 16! We will have a collection box in the back of the church and at the church office! Contact Erin Dicharry (Ejack4@gmail.com/ (318) 230-5067) with any questions!!

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

Shriners' children's hospital is in need of waiting room snacks and activities. Ideas for items needed include snack size: crackers, goldfish, cookies, baby snacks, fruit snacks, juice boxes, small water bottles, and small/short books. Please leave your donations in the church office. For questions or donations contact Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net.

Our 2023 Lenten series continues! Next Wednesday, March 29 we will have Community Ministries / Cooking Crew (Candace Higginbotham / Jennifer Beruvides) Dinner and Evening Prayer begin at 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

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.

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

Schedule for Holy Week & Easter

April 2 - The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
The Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist

April 3 - Monday in Holy Week 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

April 4 - Tuesday in Holy Week 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

April 5 - Wednesday in Holy Week 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

April 6 - Maundy Thursday 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar

April 7 - Good Friday
12:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy and Holy Eucharist
from the Reserve Sacrament

April 9 - The Sunday of the Resurrection Easter Day 5:30 a.m. Great Vigil of Easter 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Flowering of the Cross 10:30 a.m. Festival Holy Eucharist

Sunday Readings

The Fifth Sunday in Lent Ezekiel 37:1-14 * Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Our greatest misconception of Christ is that he

seeks the perfect. If that were the case, there would be none fit to serve him! When, in fact, Christ desires all to serve: the timid, weak, fainthearted, wavering, reluctant, shy, inhibited, old, young. We should remember how he used Paul, formerly an unbeliever! It is through Christ we are empowered to be the best suited. He can change our fears to confidence, erase our doubts and turn our inadequacies into a bold belief and the ability to carry out a given task.

Upcoming Events

March 26 Parish Breakfast 9:00 am Parish Hall

April 1 Make Palm Crosses 9:00 am
Parish Hall

April 9 Easter Sunday