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Front Desk Help Needed! We are again looking for volunteers to staff the front desk during the summer. 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

Happy Birthday

July 9	11	14
Pam Comegys Mary Martha Yancey	Lauren Florsheim Kellie Kilcline Sam Powell	Amy Lewis Jennie Jamerson
10	12	15
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THE MESSENGER

Community

St. Mark's 2023 Music Camp, is NEXT WEEK, Monday-Friday, July 10-14 from 8:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The camp is for grades 2-12. Students will perform on Sunday July 16 during the 10:30 am service. Camp Instructors are Heather Hooper, Leslye Gilchrist, Theresa Johnson and Derrick Meador. For more information, please contact Derrick Meador at derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

St. Mark's Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! VBS is set for **July 17-21** and this year's theme is *Keepers of the Kingdom!* We will see you there!

It's that time of year! Summertime is always a hot one in Louisiana! The Shreveport Police Community Bureau is collecting box fans for elderly and those in need. Box fans should be dropped off at the church office **between now and July 14**. If you have any questions or would like to donate monetarily contact Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net

The Wednesday Night Book Study will resume September 6 at 6:00 pm in the parish library. We will begin the fall studying the Acts of the Apostles and we are welcoming new group members. For more information, contact William Weaver at William.Weaver@uhsinc.com

Our Hospitality Committee invites parishioners (families, adult singles, siblings, friends) to serve as oblationers (gift bearers) at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. This is a meaningful way to serve the faith community. For more information please contact Kathy Williams at 469-9211.

St. Mark's Cathedral maintains a beautiful Wedding Album of all the couples who were married in the Cathedral since the 50's. There is a full 12 x 12 page reserved for each bride and groom. If you would like to be a part of this fun tradition, please provide us a picture (color or black and white) of your choice no bigger than an 8" x 10". If you would like to see examples of the type of pictures that have been submitted, please visit the Cathedral's parlor where the albums are on display.

WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR WEDDING PHOTO:

1. Submit a digital photo (color or black and white, preferably a jpeg or pdf) which can be printed, by emailing gdamlouji@gmail.com.
2. Drop your wedding photo off at the church's office to the attention of Mary Alice Rountree or Gerry Damlouji.

Whichever means you decide to provide your wedding picture, please be sure to include the bride and groom's full name and date married with your picture

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Alice Rountree at 318-464-8004 or Gerry Damlouji at 318-820-9012.

Could you or someone you know benefit from a Stephen Minister?

Several who have received compassionate care from one of our Stephen Ministers have agreed to share their experience and gratitude. - One of our Care Receivers writes:

It was really great to have someone with whom I could share my thoughts, frustrations, cares, and good or bad times, especially knowing that whatever I shared, it would not go beyond the confines of our room. It was also helpful to know that if I did ask for my Stephen Minister's viewpoint or opinion, it would be shared in a non-critical manner. I always looked forward to our visits and always had a more serene outlook on life afterwards. It may be harder for us men to ask for any kind of help, especially when it comes to dealing with feelings; we tend to keep it all inside! However my experience was extremely positive, and if I'm in a difficult place again I will definitely reach out! I would recommend this wonderful resource of our church to anyone, as having someone with whom to share whatever is on your mind is such a gift.

For more information about Stephen Ministry, contact the Rev. Rowena White or the Rev. Thomas Nsubuga.

Sunday Readings

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Zechariah 9:9-12 * Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Consider this paradox. Compared to the government and the bill collectors, the church almost never asks for money. Yet, of all the things your money could be used for, very few are more important than what the church provides. The church is here to share the love of Jesus Christ himself. Our money goes to serve him. The church continues to provide ministry in Jesus' name to everyone, whether they can afford to contribute or not. Isn't that something you would like to be a part of?

Upcoming Events

July 10-14

Music Camp

July 17-21

VBS