

## Leaving Your Mark in God's World



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*I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands...that I still possess.*

— Martin Luther (1483-1546)

### Dear Friends,

I hope that you are well and enjoying this fall deliverance from the summer heat. If you have walked by my office in the past few months you will notice that there are piles of boxes spread across the floor. These boxes contain files and files and files from our parish archives. With the wardens, Bill Kalmbach and Lisa Love, they are being prepared for a more permanent home. Within these files are the names, deliberations, and decisions of the faithful who have gone before us; those who have carried our parish in their hearts and minds and actions, some going back fifty and sixty years, so that we can now have a home-base from which seek God's invitation in our lives.

I have come to think of these boxes as a kind of shrine, a testament, a marker of where the people of God have left a mark in the world of the One they sought, and the One they worshiped. Just glancing in their direction invites me into moments of prayerful thanksgiving. I am also grateful that we are in the midst of adding our own contribution, our own

boxes, marking where our treasure lay.

We are in the midst of our season of Stewardship discernment. Please know that our faithful Vestry leaders only benefit from the commitments we make to our annual pledged giving; without your pledges, without the promise of your commitment to our parish, their deliberations on our behalf grow in difficulty. Each of us comes to St. Mark's for our own reasons, offering our own response to God's invitation in our lives. However, we all share the place and the life in which we are answering that invitation. Your pledge, your financial support, is not only contributing to your own journey; your pledge, your financial support of St. Mark's is contributing to the journey of others – both within the parish, and within our city. Without your response to God's invitation - being generous in giving your time, your talent, and your money - there will be fewer memories, fewer deliberations, fewer boxes, a mere shadow of what we have received from those before us and what might be possible in the future.

Will we continue to give in such a way that it will be known that a people of God prayed and lived in this time and place?

I doubt seriously that I can write or say the exact words that will cause you accept the invitation to live a holy life dedicated to Jesus Christ. However, what I can tell you is that such a life is possible; the Spirit of God is in our midst, and I can tell you that I discern the presence of that Spirit in the life and

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*To love and serve Christ. To love and serve one another in Christ. To love and serve the world for Christ.*

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 am, 10:30 am, & 6:00 pm  
Sunday Holy Eucharist

**NOVEMBER 5, 2023**

***The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost***

Micah 3 :5-12    1 Thessalonians 2 :9-13  
Psalm 43    Matthew 23 :1-12

**NOVEMBER 12, 2023**

***The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Eucharist & Baptism 10:30 am***

Wisdom 6 :12-16    1 Thessalonians 4 :13-18  
Psalm 70    Matthew 25 :1-13

**NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

***The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost***

Zephaniah 1 :7, 12-18    1 Thessalonians 5 :1-11  
Psalm 90 :1-8, 12    Matthew 25:14-30

**NOVEMBER 26, 2023**

***The Last Sunday after Pentecost***

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24    Ephesians 1:15-23  
Psalm 100    Matthew 25:31-46

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work that we share at St. Mark's. I can tell you that I trust that God moves in the lives of those who are seeking Him, and that in the end the only thing that we will value are those things that we have given to God – our hearts, souls, minds, and bodies. And the astonishingly beautiful thing is that when we crossover into that region, our lives are not merely projects for our own sake, they become the conduit of giving and receiving such holiness, compassion, and beauty with one another.

Pray well, live well, and do all things for His glory.

*Blessings and Godspeed,  
Alston Johnson, Dean – St. Mark's*

## Were You Married at St. Mark's?

If so, would you like to be part of St. Mark's pictorial wedding history?

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](mailto: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

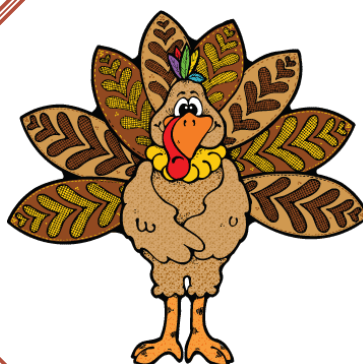
If you have any questions, please contact Mary Alice Rountree at 318-464-8004 or Gerry Damlouji at 318-820-9012.



## Weekday Worship at the Cathedral

**Wednesday 7:00 a.m.**  
Holy Eucharist  
Chapel

**Fridays 5:30 p.m.**  
Holy Eucharist  
Chapel  
(The 5:30 service is an option for those who cannot attend Sunday worship.)



## It's turkey time!

The cooking crew is gearing up to cook Thanksgiving meals for those in need in our city. We are needing for 40 turkeys by November 7. Please drop them off in the church kitchen. If you'd like to make a monetary donation, email **Jennifer Beruvides** at [jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net)

## Music & Worship

### The East Texas Pipe Organ Festival 2023

The magnificent St. Mark's Aeolian-Skinner organ will be one of the featured instruments for this year's festival. Please join us for three concerts!

#### **Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>** **East Texas Pipe Organ Festival (at St. Mark's)**

**10:00 a.m.** — David Hurd, Saint Mary the Virgin, NYC



**2:00 p.m.** — Frederick Teardo, Cathedral Church of the Advent, Birmingham, AL



**4:00 p.m.** — Richard Elliott, The Mormon Tabernacle (William Teague Memorial Concert)



For more information regarding the East Texas Pipe Organ Festival and the dates and times for this year's concerts, which are free and open to the public, please visit:

[www.easttexaspipeorganfestival.com](http://www.easttexaspipeorganfestival.com)

## SAVE THE DATE *for these* SPECIAL MUSIC EVENTS

### East Texas Organ Festival

Thursday, November 9

10:00 am • 2:00 pm • 4:00 pm

### Choral Evensong

Sunday, November 12 • 5:15 pm

### Christmas Lessons and Carols

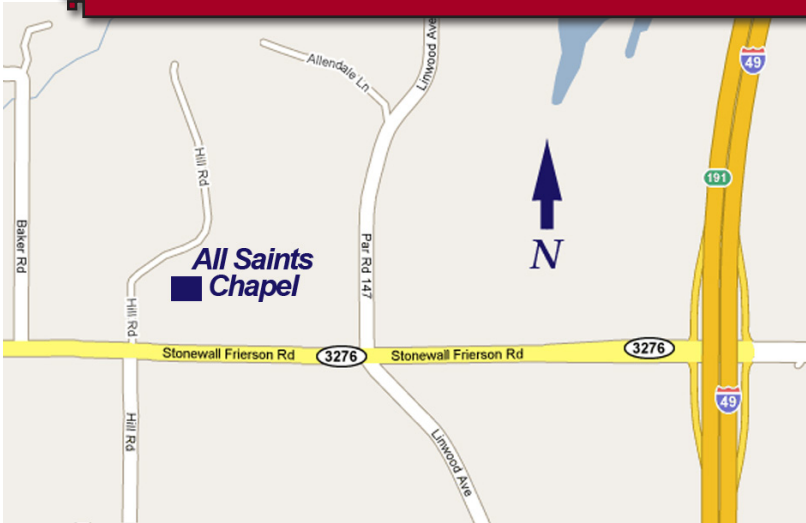
Sunday, December 17 • 4:00 pm



Services of Choral Evensong will be presented by the St. Mark's Cathedral Choir on  
**Sunday, November 12.**

Please join us for this beautiful and contemplative service. Choral Evensong begins at 5:15pm and immediately precedes the 6:00pm Eucharist.

Join us for our annual  
**All Saints' Day**  
 service at the beautiful and historic All Saints' Chapel at Stonewall on  
**Sunday, November 5 at 3:00 p.m.** Dean Alston will lead us in Holy Eucharist.



St. Mark's Cathedral School

## HOLIDAY SHOP

Poinsettias • Greenery • Gift Wrap • Ornaments

Order online at [stmarksschool.com/holiday](http://stmarksschool.com/holiday)

**Orders due Friday, November 3**

Most items are available to ship!

They also make wonderful gifts for friends and family.

Questions? Contact Catherine Simpson, Holiday Shop Chair,  
[atcbdsimpson@gmail.com](mailto:atcbdsimpson@gmail.com) or 318.426.4822.



### Expectant Moms of St. Mark's



If you are or know anyone who is expecting a child our committee is up and running and is looking for mommies to be. Please contact us at [bess@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:bess@stmarkscathedral.net) or sign up on our website under family ministries. We hope to welcome mothers into our community. We look forward to hearing from you soon.



**Sunday, November 5**

### Change Those Clocks!

Don't forget! Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 5. Make sure you set your clocks **BACK** one hour when you go to bed Saturday night.

**Get involved at St. Mark's**

for more information contact:  
Amy Garsee, Youth & Children's Minister  
318-453-0199  
amy@stmarkscathedral.net



### Youth Activities

6th - 12th grade  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
in the Ministry Center

EYC  
(Episcopal Youth Community)  
Sundays 5:30-7

### Boys & Girls Choir

Open to all ages 7-18

Rehearsals: Wednesday  
4:15-5:30

Free ASM for participants from the school

Free family dinner following rehearsal

Contact:  
Derrick Meador,  
Choirmaster  
318-226-4038  
derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

### Children's Activities

#### Sunday School 9:30am

- \* K3-3rd grade - Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- \* 4th -5th grade - Whirl Rids

#### St. Mark's Kids:

Last Wednesday of the Month 6-7pm  
\* 4th and 5th grade starting September 27.



**Oct 7-8 Fall Break Trip**  
**March 9-16**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Honduras Mission Trip**



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St Marks EYC



## Let's Have Dinner!

The St. Mark's Dinners for Eight program is back! 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, each hosted by a different person/persons. The host provides the entrée and asks members of the group to bring other items. For more information, contact **Judy Storer** at [jkstorer@redballmedical.com](mailto:jkstorer@redballmedical.com)

## St. Mark's is collecting donations for our local Veterans Nursing Home



Supplies needed are body sprays, body wash, and socks (especially diabetic socks). Additionally, cards of thanks/happiness for these veterans would be appreciated. Leave all donations in the church office. For questions or monetary donations contact **Jennifer Beruvides** at [jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net)



## Blessing of the Animals

The Feast of St. Frances of Assisi again brought around the annual Blessing of the Animals at St. Mark's. An overflow crowd of dogs, cats and everything in between filled the field across from the church for prayers and pet fellowship!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### NOVEMBER 1

Harrison Smith  
Louise Williams  
Jennifer Cooper  
Lex Childs  
Philip Thibodeaux

2

Stella Walker  
Greg Anderson  
Shelton Floyd  
Jack Gilchrist  
Charles Hardtner  
John Stewart Slack

3

Cody Mayo  
Selby Moss  
Ryan Campbell  
Samuel Hill

4

Lauren Barnett  
Charlotte Cloutier-Kamil

5

Sherry Pendley  
Jack Ostendorff  
Chris Stage  
Frances Smitherman  
Adrian Winham  
Lauren Dulaney

6

Olivia Bradley  
Bud Westmoreland

Craig Storer  
Sally Byrd  
Ashley Coleman  
Casey Risher  
Michelle Grigsby

7

Grayson Erie

8

David Billingsley  
Peggy Newell  
Sarah Wagner  
Will Sibley  
Ada Jackson  
Camille Frattaccia

9

Randy Smith  
Joe Milner  
Richard Yancey

10

Cheryl Hollingsworth  
Peggy Lyons  
Joyce Murphy  
Shari Crowder

11

JoAnn Wheless  
Arianne Graves  
Lori Cheramie  
Laurel Brightwell  
Jessica Montelepre

12

Wesley Marshall  
John Scheel  
Hope Prince  
Gordon Clingan  
Peyton Hall  
Elizabeth Holtsclaw

13

Janet Barlow  
Brenda Pettit  
Gretchen Reeks  
Barron O'Neal

14

Bart Wagner  
Jessica Lee  
Brenda Midyett  
Jim David

15

Joy Rabalais  
Theiler Van Norman

16

Janis Teague  
Molly Bryan  
William Bennett  
Joey Ourso

17

Susan Davis  
Caitlin Coley

18

Georgia Cook

Lisa Miller

19

Charlotte Ivey  
Donna Howell  
Tom Ostendorff  
Ulysses Coleman  
Sarah King

20

Mary Lou Bylsma  
Angela Glover  
Shawn Holmes

21

Alice Frazier  
Kellum Humphrey  
Deane James  
Abigail Koruna  
Jerry Davis  
Hector Negron  
Seth Harrison

22

Susan Boutte  
Jonathan Evans  
Kristy Waltman  
Isabella Wise  
Blake Jackson

23

Susie Crichton  
Bess Maxwell  
Cason Cooper  
Susan Perkins  
Patrick White

24

Glenn Langley  
Liz Montelepre  
Anna Hamm  
Landry Jones  
Analeigh Turner

25

Moly McInnis

26

Bill Hall  
Riley Waddell

27

Lacy Williams  
John Stroud

28

Ethan Courtman  
Mary White  
Allison Lockhart

29

Knox Goodman  
Michele Cook  
Molly Duncan

30

John Peterson  
Lindsey Anderson  
Carmen Mijalis  
Sealy Pettiette



## Adult Christian Formation

9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Diarmaid MacCulloch: **History of Christianity**  
Justin Holcomb: **Know the Heretics**  
*Ministry Center Garden Room*

9:30 a.m. Justin Whitmel Earley: **Habits of the Household**  
*Library*

## Birthday Card Ministry

This year, we launched a birthday card ministry to celebrate all of our parishioners. If you find yourself wanting to serve but needing to do it on your own time, please consider this meaningful ministry. Materials are provided. For more information, please contact **Lauren Ewing** at 550-1743 or [lauren.ewing@me.com](mailto:lauren.ewing@me.com).



## Children's Christian Formation

**Nursery (newborn to K3 - 3 years old by September 30th)**

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 pm

First floor of Parish building next to Catechesis Atriums

**9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

First floor of Parish Building – Rooms 105 & 106



“LET THE CHILDREN COME”  
MATTHEW 19:14

**Level I Atrium (K-3 – Kindergarten)**

**Level II Atrium (1st – 3rd grade)**

**9:30 – 10:30 am Sunday school (4th – 5th grade)** Second floor of Parish building in the old nursery location

**9:30 – 10:30 am Sunday school (6th-8th grade)** Ministry Center Youth Lounge

**9:30 – 10:30 am Sunday school (9th-12th grade)** Ministry Center Youth Room

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

### November 5

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Staunton Brevard Sample, Helen Sample Rickenbacker, Guy Brevard Sample, Camille Chappell Sample, Philip Key Sample and John Vance Huckins.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Thomas Everett Strain, Jr. and in honor of Stephen Richard Yancey, III.

### November 12

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joseph Peter Gaffney.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Ward Paylor, Jr. and Kathleen Paylor Bellamy.

### November 19

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Frederick Patten, and Mr. & Mrs. David Christie Tyrell.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of M. Carl Jones, Frances Ball Jones, James Marshall Jones, Joan Coughlin Jones, and Delmar R. Thompson.



### Oblationers Needed

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.

### November 26

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jack & Virginia Annan and Rev. Robert K. & Martha Cooper.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Vernon Hastings, Jr., Sarah and Stewart Wilson and Jewell and Vernon Hastings, Sr.

## DEATHS

Rest Eternal grant to them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them.

**Betty Birmingham**, on September 26, 2023.

**Victoria Johnson**, mother of **Webster & Chris Johnson**, on October 11, 2023.

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## BAPTISMS

**Edward Shelton Craft**, son of **Jacquelyn & Spencer Craft**, on October 22, 2023.

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

## Join us for Thanksgiving Day Service

November 23, 2023  
10:00 am



Please Join Us for A **FREE Seminar**  
**Monday, November 6, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**Garden Room at St. Mark's Cathedral**  
908 Rutherford St., Shreveport, LA 71104  
Call **318-226-4025** to Register  
Or Email: [Bess@stmarkscathedral.net](mailto:Bess@stmarkscathedral.net)

## ST. MARK'S

# WORK OUT

Come join a group that rises early to exercise in the mornings with short runs, barbell workouts, and calisthenics.

5:30 am - 6:15 am - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
Above 45 degrees - Workout outside.  
Below 45 degrees - Workout in the gym.  
Necessary equipment onsite.

**Call Dean Johnson in the office for more information.**

# Members of the Vestry of St. Mark's Cathedral

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