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Deaths

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

Baptisms

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

Happy Birthday

October 29	31	3
Bridget Hill	Tiddle Florsheim	Cody Mayo
Mary Jane Young	Jennifer Brown	Selby Moss
Jerry Malone	Eleanor	Ryan Campbell
Sarah Elizabeth Tamplin	McGlothlin	Samuel Hill
Henry Hilario	November 1	4
Mickaela Clark	Harrison Smith	Lauren Barnett
Emily Hill	Louise Williams	Charlotte Cloutier-
	Jennifer Cooper	Kamil
30	Lex Childs	
Nancy Cecil	Philip Thibodeaux	
Robert Cook		
John Gatschenberger	2	
Ann Mack	Stella Walker	
	Greg Anderson	
	Shelton Floyd	
	Jack Gilchrist	
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Community

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS Is Your Heart Heavy With Grief? Please Join Us for A FREE Seminar **Monday, November 6**, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Garden Room of the Ministry Center. To register, call 318-226-4025 or Email: Bess@stmarkscathedral.net

Our mission for October is helping 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**

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**

Fall is in the air! That can only mean that it is time to start preparing the Advent meditations for this year. The Advent meditation booklet is a gift St. Mark's parishioners give ourselves. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Please contact Laura McLemore, laura.mclemore@lsus.edu, for information.

Who doesn't like a celebration? Highland Community Renewal is looking for volunteers to celebrate a monthly birthday party and/or quarterly good grade parties. Small celebrations at their community center to acknowledge how special these kids are!! For more information or to volunteer contact Jennifer Beruvides at jennifer@stmarkscathedral.net

Come sing with us! The St. Mark's Cathedral Choirs rehearse on Wednesdays (Boys and Girls Choir at 4:15 pm and the Cathedral Choir at 6:15 pm) and all are invited to the family dinner at 5:30 pm. For more information, contact Choirmaster Derrick Meador, **226-4038** or derrick@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.

Youth in 6th – 12th grade are welcome to participate in EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) at St. Mark's Cathedral. Join us in the youth rooms in the ministry center from 5:30-7 on Sundays!
Upcoming EYC Dates:
Oct 29: Halloween EYC @ 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.
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.

Sunday Readings

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 * 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Real stewardship means more than giving money for God's work on earth. It involves offering all that we are and all that we have to serve our Creator who is the Giver of all in the first place: body, mind, spirit, talent and energy. Stewardship is fulfilling God's plan for us as we live, serve, and give our all for the one who made us and keeps us here on earth. There is a story about a man who understood the requirements of being a faithful steward. Another man observed his seemingly tireless work on behalf of his church and the community and asked the man why he did so much to serve God and needy people in the town where he lived. The worthy steward replied by saying that he believed it was a privilege to serve as a servant and use his life to work on behalf of the kingdom of God. He might also have said that we Christians often pray for God's Kingdom to come and for God's will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven. If that is so, why shouldn't we try to help make the prayer come true by being worthy servants of the Lord here and now?

Upcoming Events

November 9	East Texas Organ Festival 10:00 am 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm
November 12	Choral Evensong 5:15 pm
November 23	Thanksgiving