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# THE MESSENGER

## Deaths

**James Monk**, grandfather of **Field Baber**, on November 1, 2023.

## Community

**Services of Choral Evensong will be presented by the St. Mark's Cathedral Choir** this Sunday, **November 12** AT 5:15 pm. Please join us for this beautiful and contemplative service. The 6:00 pm Eucharist will follow.

**St. Mark's Kids Club is coming!** Our children's programing is expanding to Wednesday nights starting in January. If you would be interested in working with Club K-2 or Club 345 please contact Amy amy@stmarkscathedral.net or Laura laura@stmarkscathedral.net No experience is necessary just a willingness to help!

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

## Happy Birthday

### November 12

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

### 14

Bart Wagner  
Jessica Lee  
Brenda Midyett  
Jim David

### 17

Susan Davis  
Caitlin Coley

### 18

Georgia Cook  
Lisa Miller

### 15

Joy Rabalais  
Theiler Van Norman

### 13

Janet Barlow  
Brenda Pettit  
Gretchen Reeks  
Barron O'Neal

### 16

Janis Teague  
Molly Bryan  
William Bennett  
Joey Ourso

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**Beginning November 29, the Wednesday Night Book Study Group will be reviewing Adam Hamilton's "Faithful...Christmas through the eyes of Joseph."** Due to the business of the holidays, this study was chosen because it can be completed in four weeks and reading is not required. While there is a book available, the video we will use at the start of each week's discussion will summarize the topics to be covered. Please contact William Weaver at 302-276-750 or [william.weaver@uhsinc.com](mailto:william.weaver@uhsinc.com) to get a copy of the book.

**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](mailto: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.

**St. George's Episcopal Church in Bossier City is sponsoring their annual Christmas Market on Saturday, November 18** from 9:00 am till 1:00 pm. You can shop for homemade crafts, gifts and food. 1959 Airline Drive.

**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.

## Sunday Readings

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Wisdom 6:12-16 \* 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
Matthew 25:1-13

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

About 12 years ago, I was given an insight into the true meaning of stewardship without ever realizing it until recently. My then two-year old son had his bath and was given a snack to enjoy. While he came into the living room to watch television with his me, he climbed up on the sofa and showed me his snack ... an absolutely perfect pear. He then said to me, "Daddy, would you like the first bite of my pear?" It was very nice of him to offer, but more importantly, he had hit on the heart of stewardship. Do we offer the first "bite" of our most precious fruit to God for all that he has given to us? Or, do we offer the second, third, or sometimes the core back to God?

## Upcoming Events

November 12	Choral Evensong 5:15 pm
November 23	Thanksgiving
November 29	Advent Wreath making 5:30 pm Parish Hall
December 17	Christmas Pageant 10:30 am Lessons and Carols 4:00 pm