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Births

Kathryn Harris Eldredge, on November 16, 2023. Parents are **Katie Gayle & Chris Eldredge**.

Happy Birthday

December 3

Betsy Roberts
Scott Deupree
E.C. Latch
Virginia
Q=Petersen
Lee Collier
William McMurry

5

Marian Dehan
Bruce Lowe
Polly James
Carol Reyenga
Riggs Arnold

7

Melody Duncan
Allen Marsalis
Sarah Margaret
Shemwell
Lila Demech
John Mazur Jr.

6

Charlotte Gaffney
Janet Harrell
Kathryn Beaird
Campbell Siskron
Christian Rabalais
Edward Coady

8

Nancy Montgomery
Amy Hodges
Jan Briscoe

4

Bambi Trickett
Marie Kalmbach
Emma Nuckolls
William Childs
Morris O'Brien
Mosty O'Brien
Ean Burch

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Jim Vozzella
Elizabeth Davis
Bill McIntyre
Susan Campbell
Wiley Crockford
Edward Stroud
Chad Hill

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Community

Youth confirmation classes will begin January 7.

Please go to www.stmarkscathedral.net and click on Youth Confirmation Signup to register. Contact Amy in the Church office if you need more information.

The Altar Guild will hold their Christmas cleanup of the Cathedral on Saturday, December 9 at 9:00 am.

All willing helpers are welcome!

Christmas Parents Night Out fundraiser for the Honduras Mission Trip is December 15, 5:30-8:30 pm in the Ministry Center. \$20 per child Contact Amy to register.

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!

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

The Nominating Committee will meet to formulate a Vestry slate to present to the parish at the Annual Meeting in January. If you wish to nominate someone for their consideration, nominations have to be to the Senior Warden **by December 8**. To be eligible for the Vestry, a person must be a confirmed communicant in good standing. This means confirmed, regularly attending worship and pledging. Nominations can be e-mailed to **Senior Warden Bill Kalmbach at bill.kalmbach@cookyancey.com**

Campus update...

by: Lisa Love

This is just a note to update you on some of the many wonderful happenings that are taking place on the campus of our beautiful Cathedral and school:

*The cleaning, sealing and repointing project is complete. It took the better part of a year to complete the full project, but it is finally done. A huge thank you to Clarence Babineaux for his tireless efforts in inspecting the work performed to be certain it was done to perfection.

*Your Vestry is also replacing some rotten windows and doors and repainting the windows on Cathedral Building. The current lift on campus is for the repainting project. Many thanks for your patience in working around the construction vehicles.

*Your Vestry and the Columbarium Committee have been drafting plans for additional columbarium niches on campus. Currently, we have only 8 remaining niches in the Barlow Garden, and the ministry of providing niches for our congregation and their families has increased significantly over the years. Please look forward to viewing the proposed plans on an easel in the

narthex of the Cathedral after the first of the year.

*Large antique mirror from France, dating circa 1810 – 1820 has been donated to the Cathedral by Sandra and John Hoffman, in loving memory of Mary Colvin Thigpen, Pattie Colvin Thigpen and Mary Colvin Hoffman. The mirror has been hung in our Bride's Room in the Narthex of the Cathedral with a plaque recognizing this generous donation.

*A Florida flame maple tree has been planted as a donation to the Cathedral by Friends of Dru and Mark Florsheim in loving memory of their son Mark Florsheim. The tree has been planted beside the south parking lot on the edge of the soccer field.

*The Choir Lounge has been updated, repainted and refurnished through a generous donation and the creative insights of our choir members.

*Two trees have been planted and a bench has been donated to St. Mark's Cathedral School in loving memory of Jordan Rose McGimsey. The bench and trees are located on the school playground area for the children to enjoy.

*The two Youth Rooms in the Ministry Center will be updated, repainted and refurnished over Thanksgiving Break by the generous donation of the Parents Club of St. Mark's Cathedral School, and the space will be shared by both the church youth and the school.

Thank you always for the continued work that each of you do to further Christ's kingdom through our Cathedral and School. We are truly blessed to have this place and one another.

Sunday Readings

The First Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 64:1-9 * 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Will you make the time of Advent important, valuable for your family, friends and neighbors? Prayer, repentance and the spiritual discipline of attending the church's liturgies, can sharpen our spiritual consciousness to truly celebrate Christmas.

Upcoming Events

December 17	Christmas Pageant 10:30 am Lessons and Carols 4:00 pm
December 24	Holy Eucharist 5:30 pm Preludial Music 10:30 pm Holy Eucharist 11:00 am
December 25	Holy Eucharist 10:00 am