

December 20, 2023



Deaths

Mary Holtsclaw Martin, mother of **Debbie Grand**.

Henry Coutret, on December 16, 2023.

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Happy Birthday

December 24

Robert Laborde
Emily Lofton
Hannah Woodard

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Woodus Humphrey
Tyler Nichols
Keaton Russo
Spencer Craft

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Kathryn Hayes
Ethan Varnadore
Lindsey Aaron
Barbara Messier-
Villafuerte

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Lindsay Atkins
Joseph Breithaupt

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Jim Liner
Sue Scheel
Bonné Summers
Stephen White
Jane Davenport
Samuel Brainard
Henry Perkins

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Jeff Webb
Miriam Martin
McKenzie Boucher
Camille McCall

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Linc Coleman
Rosemary Lafargue
Margaret Elrod
Lea Green
Kay Butcher

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Community

Christmas Schedule at the Cathedral

Sunday, December 24

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist

10:30 am

Christmas Eucharist with Bishop Owensby - 5:30pm –
Cathedral

Midnight Christmas Eucharist - 10.30pm - Cathedral

December 25

Christmas Day

Eucharist - 10.00am - Cathedral

The Cathedral office will close at noon on Friday, December 22. We will reopen on Wednesday, December 27. We will close at noon on Friday, December 29. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 2.

Join us for our Epiphany service and festivities on Saturday, January 6. Service is in the Cathedral at 5:00 pm followed by food and fun and the burning of the Christmas greens in the courtyard at 6:00 pm. Don't forget to bring your trees when you take them down and leave them in the courtyard.

Adult Confirmation classes begin Wednesday, January 3. We will meet in the Ministry Center Garden Room at 6:15 pm.

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.

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 will kick off January 10. Calling all children in Kindergarten -5th grade! Join us for Club K-2 and Club 345 on Wednesday nights from 6-7 pm in the ministry center.

Our 2023 Advent Meditation booklets are available! We have printed versions in the back of the church and there is a link on our website to the online version. This annual labor of love comes from our fellow parishioners.

If you want to mail your 2023 pledges or any other contributions by the end of the year, they must be postmarked by December 31. If you wish to hand deliver them to the church office, they must be in by December 29 when the office closes for the holiday.

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.

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

Sunday Readings

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 * Romans 16:25-27
Luke 1:26-38

Christmas Eve
Isaiah 9:2-7 * Titus 3:4-7
Luke 2:1-14

Christmas Day
Isaiah 52:7-10 * Hebrews 1:1-4
John 1:1-14

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

It's tough to include a real pledge of time or money in your New Year's resolutions. Especially when you realize how you will feel if you do not follow through on it. But this is a new year, 2024. Shouldn't it be the cause of each one of us that we will resolve to give our time, and our money, and become a part of the dedicated people of the new year?

Upcoming Events

December 24	Holy Eucharist 5:30 pm
	Preludial Music 10:30 pm
	Holy Eucharist 11:00 am
December 25	Holy Eucharist 10:00 am
January 6	Epiphany service and celebration 5:00 pm
January 15	MLK Day Office Closed