Non-Profit

This Sunday is the last day for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd until fall. Sunday school for K through high school will continue beginning **June 2.** 4th-5th grades will meet on the second floor in the old nursery location. Middle and high school will meet in the Ministry Center.

Happy Birthday

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Tom Colquitt Diane Mathis Ethan Manco Kem Hargrove **Tracy Brooks**

Brenda Graves Suzie Sharp 23

John Zum Brunnen James Holtsclaw Whit Douthitt Leslye Gilchrist Austin Love

Ian Summers Erinah Nsubuga Caroline Hannigan James Ameen

Finley McSwain

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Mary Ellison Sewell

Tom Allen

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Community

This Sunday is Confirmation Sunday and Bishop Owensby's annual visit. The Bishop will be with us for the 10:30 am service and will meet with the Confirmands at a reception in the Parlor prior to the service. Please make plans to be with us.

If you're making your summer plans, make sure you save these dates! Our annual St. Mark's Music Camp, for grades 2-12, is **June 10-14**, 8:45 am til 1:00 pm. This year's production is 100 Percent Chance of Rain by Walter S. Horsley. Campers will perform at the 10:30 am service on June 16.

Vacation Bible School is set for **July 15-19.** This year's theme is *Celebrate the Savior*. Register on the church website.

NO BIRTHDAY, EVER. Yes, I learned this is the reality for many children in our area. For the Community Renewal Friendship House in Allendale this is a fact of life. Please help alleviate this situation! There is a need for small birthday celebrations for the month of May. They can be as simple or fancy as you like. If interested please contact Jennifer Beruvides, beruvidesr@bellsouth.net. Donations are welcome also.

The Community of the Cross of Nails gathers in the Chapel every Sunday morning at 10:20 am to pray the Litany of Reconciliation. All are welcome to join us.

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

We Serve Camp is July 29-Aug 2, 2024

We Serve is a weeklong day camp where students will be given to opportunity to serve our neighbors both within our parish and our community. We will work on service projects in the mornings and do fun activities in the afternoons. Camp is open to rising 4th graders and up. High School and middle school students will have the opportunity to earn service hours for their work during the week. Some of the places we will be serving will include the cooking crew, The Hub, Common Ground and more. All students will receive a We Serve t-shirt. Go to www.stmarkscathedral.net to register.

<u>Time to sign up for summer camp at Camp</u> <u>Hardtner!</u> Visit <u>www.camphardtner.org</u> for more information.

Bored this summer? Need volunteer hours?

Community Renewal Friendship houses need help in several areas:

- 1. Volunteers to tutor struggling children to keep up their school skills.
- 2. Luggage/duffle bags (new or used) for the youth to go to summer camp.
- 3. Host for a summer splash party.
- 4. Volunteers for summer lunches.
- 5. Donation of travel hygiene items (shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion) for youth going to camp.

A receptacle will be in the church office for hygiene items. Bags/luggage can be left in the front office. For more information or wanting to donate money contact Jennifer Beruvides at beruvidesr@bellsouth.net.

Could you or someone you know benefit from a **Stephen Minister?**

Several who have received compassionate care from one of our Stephen Ministers have agreed to share their experience and gratitude. - One of our Care Receivers writes:

It was really great to have someone with whom I could share my thoughts, frustrations, cares, and good or bad times, especially knowing that whatever I shared, it would not go beyond the confines of our room. It was also helpful to know that if I did ask for my Stephen Minister's viewpoint or opinion, it would be shared in a non-critical manner. I always looked forward to our visits and always had a more serene outlook on life afterwards. It may be harder for us men to ask for any kind of help, especially when it comes to dealing with feelings; we tend to keep it all inside! However my experience was extremely positive, and if I'm in a difficult place again I will definitely reach out! I would recommend this wonderful resource of our church to anyone, as having someone with whom to share whatever is on your mind is such a gift.

For more information about Stephen Ministry, contact the Rev. Thomas Nsubuga.

Sunday Readings

The Day of Pentecost Acts 2:1-21 * Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

We are trustees of what God has put into our care and keeping, and we are responsible to God for the use that we make of these gifts.

Upcoming Events

May 18	Confirmation Retreat
May 19	Confirmation 10:30 am
May 22	Last Day of School
May 27	Memorial Day
June 3-7	Camp Tiger