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Deaths

Tiddle Florsheim, mother of **Lauren Florsheim**, on July 19, 2024.

Births

Miller Mackenzie Vick, on July 23, 2024.
Parents are **Catherine Humphrey & Marshall Vick**. Grandfather is **Woodus Humphrey**.

Happy Birthday

July 28	30	2
Pepper Lang	Jan Glass	Emily Nelson
Jack Berg	Thomas Siskron	Tad Dicharry
Oliver Jenkins	Patrick Caraway	Hannah FitzGerald
Lauren Ewing	Laura Boyd	
	Jaden Allen	3
29	Matt Woodard	Stuart Briscoe
Chloe Thompson	Robin Breithaupt	Anna Kate Childs
Tom Thompson		Ben Davis
Frank Harris	31	Sindee Finch
Diane Long	Rick Newell	
Wes Arnold		
Tammy Arnold	August 1	
Samuel Cooper	Brad Lepore	
Ann Nuckolls	Larry Cunningham	
J.J. Fortiz		
Chelsie Pugh		

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THE MESSENGER

Community

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.

Back to school! Shriners Hospital is needing school supplies!

Here are the top nine needs:

- 1 and 2 inch binders
- Loose leaf paper
- Pink erasers
- 1, 3, and 5 subject spiral notebooks
- Pocket folders with brads
- #2 pencils
- Red, blue and black pens
- Composition notebooks
- Small pencil sharpeners

Please drop off at the church office by July 31. If you would like to donate money, contact Jennifer Beruvides at beruvidesr@bellsouth.net.

Attention all new and returning acolytes! Early bird acolyte training sessions are scheduled for Sundays August 11 & 18, immediately after the 10:30 am service. All acolytes must attend one of the sessions. We meet in the choir stalls.

Education for Ministry (EfM) is open for registration. If you are interested in joining the program for the 2024-25 year, please be in touch with Fr. Thomas (thomas@stmarkscathedral.net) as soon as possible.

The St. Mark's Altar Guild is putting together a cookbook! The title will be "St. Mark's Altar Guild Sets the Table." It will also include a brief history of St. Mark's, pictures, as well as pictures of our silver and the new Sacristy. There is an email address for members of the congregation to begin sending in recipes. Send them to altarguildcookbook@gmail.com
Deadline for entry is October 31.

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:

My Stephen Minister and I met once a week for almost two years. He was very good, dedicated and a great listener! I like to say he listened to my war stories! This program really fits someone like me who has no family to visit with, although I'm sure others would benefit also. Thank you for letting me be in your Stephen Ministry program; I wish you continued success and blessings!

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

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
Necessary equipment onsite.
Call Dean Johnson in the office for more information.

Sunday Readings
The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Kings 4:42-44 * Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Gratitude for all that comes from God's hand should lead to generous giving. The fact is, we can decide to accept or reject Christ, but once we have decided to accept him, stewardship is no longer optional. We may be a good steward or a poor steward, but once we have become a Christian, we are a steward. We have been entrusted with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are stewards of that. We have been entrusted with material things. We are stewards of those.

Upcoming Events

July 29-August 2	We Serve Camp
August 8	First Day of School
August 25	Rally Day Luncheon
September 2	Labor Day