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Ash Wednesday Schedule of Services
Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist

7:00 am Chapel

8:00 am Cathedral (School Service)

Noon Cathedral

5:30 pm Cathedral

Happy Birthday

March 2
John Hyatt
Lee Grigsby
Taylor Weir
Johnette Huguley

3
Wade Culbertson
Christopher Marsalis
Ava Burch
Emily Merckle
Mae Horn
Leah Nansubuga

4
Cherie Sealy
Judy Werner
Phil Lattier
Robert Russell
Cook Douthitt

5
Ted Hardtner
Scott Grayson
Matt Snyder
Mimi Hedgcock
Rowena White

6
Nicholas Pavlick
May Brown
Bay Moss
Michael Melerine

7
Susan Young
Trisha Q=Petersen

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ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

THE MESSENGER

Community

Lent is almost here!! And that means Shrove Tuesday as well. Please join us next **Tuesday, March 4**, in the courtyard at 5:45 pm for the burning of the palms followed by a pancake supper in the Parish Hall. Everybody is invited.

Our 7:00 a.m. daily Monday-Friday Eucharists begin on March 6 and run through **April 17** Please join us in the Chapel and make this special service part of your Lenten journey.

One of St. Mark's Lenten traditions is the Fasting Fund. The purpose is simple: We ask that you forgo one meal a week, and contribute a few dollars - what you would have spent on that meal - to the fasting fund. (Of course, you can forgo more than one meal a week if you wish.) Baskets are placed at the back of the chapel for the 7:00 a.m. Eucharist services and the base of the steps to the chancel for Sunday services to collect these offerings. Please consider making the Fasting Fund a part of your Lenten observance. A simple fast of one or more meals a week can teach us a lot about the temptations Jesus faced in the wilderness and our own earthly journey.

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Our Cross of Nails group is continuing to work with "The Hub" in the "Purchased" ministry. A big thank you to all who have volunteered and donated. Many have asked what they can do to help and another opportunity has presented itself. On Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, help is needed to size, sort, and stock the articles received for each week's shopping. No need to stay the entire time, come and go as your schedule permits. No experience necessary. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated.

We have soup! Do you, or someone you know need a bowl of hot, healthy soup? There are "to go" containers of soup in the new freezer in the kitchen These are available to parishioners and others in need of a hot, healthy meal. The soup is turkey, chicken and vegetable and is gluten free. Please ask any church staffer for assistance.

If you have children or grandchildren in St. Mark's Christian formation and you would like to be added to our notification list to keep up with our schedules, we now have a simple way to do that! Just scan the QR code below to be added to the list!

The Altar Guild has an opening for memorial flowers for the High Altar for March 23. Please contact **Sherri Skrivanos: stskrivanos@gmail.com**

This Lent please consider joining the Wednesday Night Book Study Group at 6:00 p.m. in the Library for a 6-week study of Rev. Matt Rawle's book entitled: *The Final Days.* Ponder the themes of justice, poverty, freedom, and love. The four New Testament Gospels aren't the same story, but they offer the same Resurrection hope. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John devote most of their story detailing Jesus' last week in Jerusalem, all highlighting Jesus' triumphant entry into the city, the suffering and humiliation of the cross, and the empty tomb come Sunday morning, but the stories they tell aren't quite the same. Each Gospel offers a different lens through which we understand Jesus' Passion. Matt Rawle is Lead Pastor at Asbury United Methodist Church in Bossier City, Louisiana. Matt is an international speaker who loves to tell an old story in a new way, especially at the intersection of pop culture and the church. **Contact William Weaver at william.weaver@uhsinc.com for more information**

Come sing with us! The Boys and Girls Choir at St. Mark's Cathedral offers free professional music education! The Choir is open to ages 7-14, and no religious affiliation is required.
Rehearsals: Wednesdays, 4:15 - 5:30 pm with a family dinner provided
Want to know more? Contact Derrick Meador derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

Sunday Readings

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Exodus 34:29-35 * 2 Corinthians 3:12- 4:2
Luke 9:28-43a

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Stewardship is what I do after I have said I believe. Stewardship is our attitude toward everything that God has placed at our disposal during our stay on this earth. It is our humble acknowledgement that all good things come from God.

Upcoming Events

March 4	**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner** **Parish Hall** **6:00 pm**
March 22-23	**Communion Celebration**
April 27	**Spring Fling**