Happy Birthday

April 27
David Smelley
Piper Overdyke

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Diane Sino

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Dianna Sentell
Margaret Brace
Mark Florsheim
Jean Cottingham
J. Drummond
Kristen Godwin

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Jim Kirkland
Chan Teague
Anne Lasseigne
Caroline Sibley
Iris Jackson
Liza Johnson

May 1
Amy Brainard
Tremper Williams
Mary Risher
Paul Guidry
Evelyn Thompson

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Murphy Tamplin
Malloy McInnis
Cole Guthrie

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ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

THE MESSENGER

Community

Join us this Friday for the blessing of the new columbarium. We will begin with Eucharist in the Chapel at 5:30 pm and then go out to the courtyard for the blessing and light refreshments. All are welcome! If you have not seen the new addition to our columbarium, this will be a wonderful opportunity.

Please note! The parking lot between the church and school will be closed this Sunday for Spring Fling. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

The 42nd annual Holocaust Remembrance Service of Northwest Louisiana will be this Sunday, April 27 at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Guest speaker is Kathy Kacer, a child of Holocaust survivors.
For more information, visit **HolocaustRemembranceService.org.**

Sunday May 4 is Youth Sunday when we recognize all our seniors who are graduating this May. If you have a senior, make sure we have their name. Please contact Amy Garsee: **amy@stmarkscathedral.net.**

The annual Community Renewal Bob Griffin Croquet Classic is set for April 26. You can register online at **www.communityrenewal.us.** For more information contact Diane Loridans or Jimmy Graves at 425-3222.

The Episcopal Clergy of Northwest Louisiana and the Together We Win Network present "Bridging the Gap" a panel discussion on the racial impact of the Colfax Massacre. The Massacre was a largely forgotten incident in Grant Parish in 1873 that resulted in the deaths of over sixty Black men. The dialogue features the Rev. Avery Hamilton and Dean Woods, both descendants of the massacre. The event will be held at St. Mark's on **Thursday, May 8** from 6:00 til 8:00 pm. Its free and open to the public.

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.

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**

The Great Masterpiece Series will present an organ recital with James Kealey on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral. Kealey is the Director of Music and Organist at Third Presbyterian Church in Rochester, NY. He is the First Prize and Audience Prize winner of the 2022 American Guild of Organists National Young Artist Competition in Organ Performance. The performance is free and open to the public.

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.

Congratulations to Fr. Thomas Nsubuga who has been named the Volunteers for Youth Justice Caddo CASA Advocate of the Year! The award was presented by the VYJ management and board of directors in recognition for Fr. Thomas' outstanding service to the group.

Sunday Readings

The Second Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32 * Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31

Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Lest we make the mistake of thinking that all we gain is the result of our hard efforts, we are asked to let go of the first and best portion, no matter how hard pressed we are to use it all. This is one message of the scriptures on the right use of material wealth and money.

Upcoming Events

April 25	**Consecration of the Garden Columbarium 5:30 pm**
April 27	**Spring Fling**
May 4	**Youth Sunday**
May 13	**Great Masterpiece Recital 7:00 pm Cathedral**
May 18	**Confirmation 10:30 am**