

### Deaths

Dr. Joseph Fisher, uncle of Liza Johnson, on November 20, 2018.

Jed Jones, father of Carson, Landry & Jacob Jones, on November 22, 2018.

Millicent "Mimi" Cunningham, grandmother of Michelle Roberts, great-grandmother of Mary Marshall & Caroline Roberts, on November 24, 2018.

## Happy Birthday

December 2 Lou Palmer John Pou Aimee Aaron Dean Elston **Melissa Flores** Caroline Brainard Abigail Jackson Robert Quinn Lauren Thibodeaux Mosty O'Brien

3 Sue Goff **Betsy Roberts** Lee Hawkins **Scott Deupree** E.C. Latch Virginia Q=Petersen William McMurry

William Weaver **Douglass McKay** Bambi Trickett Marie Kalmbach William Childs Ean Burch Emma Nuckolls Morris O'Brien

Carol Revenga Gifford Smith **Polly James Bruce Lowe David Crider** Marian Dehan

Kathryn Beaird **Charlotte Gaffney** Janet Harrell Campbell Siskron

7 Lloyd Overdyke Melody Duncan Allen Marsalis Sarah Margaret Shemwell

**Christian Rabalais** 

8 Jan Briscoe **Amy Hodges**  St. Mark's Cathedral (Episcopal) 71104 908 Rutherford Street Shreveport, LA

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December 2, 2018

# The St. Mark's Messenger

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of he who brings good news! Isa. 52.

## Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

During this holiday season, let us show our love and generosity! Why is it we are so much more tolerant, so much more generous during the Christmas season? We smile and offer goodwill to all people. We give to others gladly and experience the warm feeling that comes with giving from the heart, in order to please those we love. But why should this feeling be limited to Christmas? The season recalls the birth of Our Lord, true; but Christ is with us always. He didn't appear two thousand years ago and then disappear. Christ is present today, every day, and he watches to see if we will fulfill his commandment of love, his wish that we give of ourselves to others as a sign that we want to give of ourselves to him. Let us all join in during this Holy season and continue during the coming year to show our love and generosity

## Community

This Sunday, December 2, EYC will be partaking in the Cathedral-wide Advent Wreath making in the Parish Hall. - There will be dinner served from Drake's

Catering. The event begins at 6:00 pm after Evensong.

On Wednesday, December 5 at 4:30 pm - we will have an Informational meeting regarding 2019 Mission Trip to Uganda. We will gather in the Parlor.



To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

#### Please Join the EEC (grades 1-5) for our next

event!! - We will be making slime and stuffing stockings for the children at the Community Renewal Highland House. There are approximately 30 children and we are looking for basic kid items to stuff the stockings-so any donations are appreciated.

Date: Friday, November 30.

Time: 6:00 pm Place: Parish Hall

Questions, please email Erin Dicharry at

ejack4@gmail.com.

Our next St. Mark's Social Event will be on Tuesday, December 4 from 5:00-8:00 pm at Taziki's on Line Avenue! - 10% of proceeds will be donated to St. Mark's. Choir member, Marcie-Ellen Duplantis, will also be performing from her latest Christian album. Complementary child care is available. Please RSVP if you would like that child care services to Emily Merckle, 318-453-3377 or emilymerckle@gmail.com.

The Christmas Pageant this year will be during the 10:30 service on Sunday, December 16. - We will have a rehearsal December 9, after 10:30 am service, and run-through the morning of the pageant at 9:30 am. We are in need of children ages 3 through 11 for speaking and non-speaking roles. If you have a child interested, please look for the sign-up sheets in the Atrium or contact Drew at Drew@stmarkscathedral.net

The deadline is fast approaching for donating Christmas Memorial flowers.- Please send your donation, along with the name or names of those to be honored, to the attention of Becky Deverts, no later than Friday, December 7.

#### The Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest

Louisiana, - located at 4221 Linwood, opens a "store" to low income families during the holidays and are looking for an assortment of new items to be donated to be sold in the store. We have a tree set up outside the church office. The cards on the tree will have one item listed on it. The items have to be new and need to be returned to the Church office UNWRAPPED no later than Monday, December 10. The store will be open on Saturday, December 15. They are in need of volunteers from 9:00 am-1:00 pm to wrap the gifts.

The Highland Friendship House Christmas party will take place on Thursday, December 20 from 3:30-5:30pm. - The ECW will be doing a party with presents etc. They are in need of a donated present for each child. We have a tree set up outside the church office. Each card will have a child's name along with their grade and an item off their wish list. These gifts need to be returned to the church office, WRAPPED, and with the name tag attached on the outside NO later than Monday, December 17. We will also be giving each child a stocking SO if you are interested in donating general items like socks/toiletries/pencils/markers/fidget spinners or other small items to place in the stockings then please bring them to the church office in a bag labeled stocking stuffers! These items need to be returned no later than Wednesday, December 5!

# Sunday Readings

The First Sunday of Advent
Jeremiah 33:14-16 \* 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 21:25-36

# Sunday Christian Formation

9:00 am – 9:30 am Cathedral Coffee Time Parlor

For Kids

9:30 – 12:30 pm Nursery (newborn to K3 - 3 years old by September 30)

First floor of Parish building next to Catechesis Atriums

9:30- 10:30 am Sunday school (4th - 5th grade) Second floor of Parish building in the old nursery location

9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
First floor of Parish Building- Rooms 105 & 106
Level I Atrium (K-3 – Kindergarten)
Level II Atrium (1st-3rd grade)
9:30 am EYC Class & Discussion
Ministry Center

10:30 am Children's Chapel (1st – 5th grade)
Second floor of Parish building in the old nursery
location

For Adults

9:30 am Foundations of Apologetics
Taught by Dean Alston Johnson
Ministry Center Room 101
9:30 am Growing in Grace
Ministry Center Garden Room