



Saint Marker

St. Mark's strives to be a community of healing, fellowship and inspiration, sharing love with joy in Jesus Christ and challenging all to life anew.

February 2005

Lent at St. Mark's

Shrove Tuesday

Shrove Tuesday is the day immediately before Ash Wednesday, named for the "shriving," or confessions and absolutions, performed traditionally on that day. It is also known as Mardi Gras, or "Fat Tuesday," for those who prepare for Lent by making sure they have sins of which to repent.

Make plans now to attend St. Mark's Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 8, at 6:00 p.m. Your Vestry and the Fellowship Committee will be doing the cooking. The menu includes bacon, sausage and pancakes. Cost is \$3.50 per adult and \$1.50 per child 10 years and under. Please sign up in the Information Center if you plan to attend.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is the day on the liturgical calendar forty-six days, or forty days other than Sundays, before Easter and marks the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday follows Mardi Gras, "Fat Tuesday," or Shrove Tuesday. The name Ash Wednesday derives from the traditional rite of that day in which the celebrant makes the sign of the cross on the foreheads of worshippers, using ashes made from palm leaves left over from the preceding Palm Sunday celebration.

This year we will conduct Ash Wednesday services at 12:00 noon and 6:30 pm on February 9.

Wednesday Evenings at St. Mark's during Lent

Many persons like to take upon themselves a new spiritual discipline during the season of Lent as a way of preparing for Easter. To that end, St. Mark's offers a special program on Wednesday evenings during Lent. The evening has three components: a simple shared meal, an educational opportunity, and a concluding time of worship.

Worship Schedule

Saturdays

Holy Eucharist 5:30 pm

Sundays

Holy Eucharist
8:00 am and 10:00 am

Weekdays

Morning Prayer
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am

Healing Service
Tuesday 10:00 am

**Reconciliation
and other Sacraments**
by Appointment with the Clergy

Highlights

Lent at St. Mark's

Election Results

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Lenten Worship on Wednesday Evenings for 2005

Each of our Wednesday evenings together will conclude with the Prayer Book service of Compline. The service will be led by the Rector, the Choirmaster, and two Choristers. Participating in a sung service of Compline is a rare opportunity and we hope you will take advantage of this special offering.

Lenten Education Series 2005

Lent is a time of preparation for the Great Feast of Easter. Historically, part of one's preparation was an examination of one's life, an admittance of one's sin (confession), a commitment to change (repentance), and a renewal of life (a new beginning). This part of one's preparation for Easter is conveniently summarized in the Prayer Book as "The Reconciliation of a Penitent" (beginning on page 447). During this Lent, we will study this rite from the Prayer Book. Our study, itself, will be a spiritual discipline: A spiritual discipline we take up as we prepare for this Easter.

Theme: Making Confession in the Episcopal Church

- Week 1: Reconciliation: The Power to Forgive
- Week 2: The Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Week 3: Conversion and Confession
- Week 4: Preparing for Confession: What to Do
- Week 5: Making Your Confession: What to Expect

All the educational sessions will be led by our Rector, The Rev. Dr. Charles Hawkins.

Simple Meal

Each Wednesday evening during Lent a simple meal will be served. Our evenings together begin with a shared meal. A choice from two soups, a salad and a beverage will be served (bring your own sandwich if you wish). Cost is \$4.00 per adult and \$2.00 for children under 10.

Each week the supper will be coordinated by a different group from the parish: Volunteers-at-large will serve on February 16; the choir on February 23; Altar Guild on March 2; ECW on March 9; and the youth on March 16.

Annual Meeting Recap

At the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 30, David Boone, Paul Gill, Jamie Ramsay and Ken Rohleder were elected to serve three-year terms on St. Mark's vestry. On Sunday, February 6, the vestry will meet and elect officers for the year 2005. The vestry will be commissioned during the 10:00 a.m. service that day.

Deepest thanks were expressed to the outgoing members of the vestry: Dean Rice, Layne Michler, Marlene Straughan and Dorothy Durning. Each was presented with a St. Mark's mug.

Debbie Glenn and Jeannie Park were honored as St. Mark's "unsung heroes" for their dedication and service to St. Mark's.

Diocesan Convention

The 177th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky will meet at St. Frances in the Fields, Harrods Creek, KY, on February 25 and 26. The lay delegates from St. Mark's are Bernie Sams, Alex Campbell and Joe Straughan. Alternates are Shirley Elmore, Jan Ward and Gwen O'Dea. The youth delegate is Melissa Dick.

ECW News

ECW will be going to the Interfaith Program at The Temple on Monday, February 7. We will carpool from St. Mark's at 8:50 a.m. for the 9:30 a.m. program at The Temple. All are invited. Please sign up in the Information Center if you plan to attend and indicate whether you will be carpooling.

ECW is having a Valentine's Bake Sale on Sunday, February 13. Please sign up in the Information Center if you can provide some baked goods. Proceeds will go to the Episcopal Church Home Scholarship Fund.

Catechumenate Class: Preparation for Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, or Renewal

Interested in baptism, confirmation, reception, or renewal? The first Catechumenate class will meet Wednesday, February 2. Classes will meet on Wednesdays (at Christ Church Cathedral) and Sundays (at St. Mark's) through Lent. Wednesday classes will be held at Christ Church Cathedral in Bishops' Hall from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Sunday classes will be held at St. Mark's during the Church School hour in the Parlor. The kickoff dinner with Bishop Gulick will be Sunday, February 6 at 6:00 pm at Christ Church Cathedral. If you or someone you know is interested, please call the Parish office at 895-2429.

What is Baptism?

Baptism is the rite of full initiation, by water and the Holy Spirit, into membership in the Christian church.

What is Confirmation?

Confirmation is the rite where we express our faith and commitment to Christ, and through prayer and the laying on of hands by the Bishop, receive strength from the Holy Spirit to continue a life of faith and commitment. Confirmation preparation consists of a period of study and the reaffirmation of baptismal vows.

What is Reception?

Reception is the rite of affiliation with this part of the body of Christ (the Episcopal Church), by the public affirmation of faith and the laying on of hands by the Bishop, for those who have previously received the sacrament of confirmation in another part of the body of Christ.

What is Renewal?

Renewal is the rite, for those who have been Baptized and Confirmed, where we express a renewed commitment to the Baptismal vows. Renewal is signified by a public affirmation of the Baptismal vows, prayer, and the laying on of hands by the Bishop.

Youth Opportunities

All first, second and third graders are invited to become a junior acolyte. Junior acolytes are acolytes in training. Each junior acolyte is assigned a mentor. When the junior acolyte's mentor is scheduled to acolyte, the junior acolyte "shadows" the mentor. If you are interested in being a junior acolyte, please contact the parish office.

We are starting a Junior Altar Guild at St. Mark's. Anyone between the fourth and twelfth grade is welcome to come and learn about the work of the Altar Guild. If you are interested in joining the Junior Altar Guild, please contact the parish office.

Parish Life

Birthdays

Jordan Stewart	February 1
David Boone	February 2
Sara Marvin	February 2
Brooks Hower	February 4
Jackson Ousley	February 4
Walter Wood	February 5
Tim O'Dea, Jr.	February 6
Mary Jane Gossman	February 7
Herbert Miller	February 8
Jacob Blieden	February 9
Brent Carlton	February 10
Scott Park	February 10
Barbara Kramer	February 11
Parker Walthall	February 12
Mary Rondi	February 14
Marjorie Vogt	February 14
Alice Taveime	February 14
Mary Eitel	February 15
Piper Schad	February 15
Dani Baker	February 15
Jim Speed	February 16
Dorothy Durning	February 16
Bob Shoher	February 18
Cheri Boden	February 25
Daniel Park	February 26
Cyrus Radford	February 27
Molly Schad	February 28

Anniversaries

Jim & Alice Taveime	February 6
C.J. & Caroline Cronan III	February 23

Prayers for Healing

Prayers are offered for a portion of the following list at each service on Sunday and the entire list at the Healing Eucharist on Tuesdays:

Lynn Boone, Jeff Tafel, Charlie Mendel, Georgia Dodson, Marian Cotton, Lillian Yeager, Bill Butler, Jerry Bennenbach, Ethel Bradshaw, Jean Fairleigh, Dick Scott, Carolyn von Almen, Nancy Michler Burke, Pat Young, Danielle Mueller, Lou Erke, Gloria Helm, Henry Solomon, Jack Yusk, Jane, Tom Vogt, Moyra Skidmore, Rita Gildehaus, Nina Babcock, Virginia Wynn, Rob Hester, Anna Clarke Sawyer, Stacy Harvey, Pat Jackson, Bradley, Ally, Deroy Scott, Janie Kall, Sally Dupree, Richard Dame, Julie Jordan, Nancy Carlisle, Henry Bickel, Marian Calvert, Kennedy Helm, Lettie Shawler, Richard Gibson, Dick Day, Jim Speed, Margaret Dick, Ann Lambertson, Gordon Caldwell, Perry Collins, Judy Semonin, Mary Deetsa, Joan Bickel, The Babcock Family, Vera Wallace

Parish Register

Transfers In

Gary Davenport

Parish Prayer List

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

February 6 - Pray for the work, ministry, and witness of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

February 13 - Give thanks for the Diocese of Maine.

February 20 - Give thanks for the Diocese of Manchester-Hulme (York, England).

February 27 - Give thanks for the Diocese of Maryland.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Messiah/Trinity, Louisville, KY

Parish Partners

St. Frances of Rome, Our Covenant Parish
The congregations of United Crescent Hill Ministries, especially
Third Lutheran Church

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Week of February 6

◆
Ken Schueler
Susan Schueler
Peter Sewell
Cathy Sewell
Anna Sewell

Week of February 13

◆
Scott Shafer
Anne Shafer
Hannay Shafer
Rebecca Shain
Claudia Shaughnessy

Week of February 20

◆
Lettie Shawler
Elizabeth Sherrill
Bob Shober
Reid Shober
Judith Sochor

Week of February 27

◆
Harry Sladen
Sara Sladen
Rachel Snee
Brian Snee
Jackson Snee

Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth,
and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far
off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may
seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold;
pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming
of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

At Morning Prayer each weekday, we pray for the Church around the world including members of our parish. If you are unable to join us for Morning Prayer, please remember those listed above in your personal devotions this month.

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February Altar Flowers and Candles
are given to the
Honor and Glory of God...

Flowers

February 6 By Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tate in loving memory of their parents, William and Maria Tate and Tapscott and Virginia Omohundro; and their aunts, Charlotte Olmstead and Frances Zaal.

Candles

Eucharistic Candles by Gwen and Tim O'Dea in loving memory of their parents, Jean Short Micou, Mary Catherine O'Dea and William C. O'Dea, Sr.

Five Branch Candles by Betty Sherrill in gratitude for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.