



# 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.

March 2004

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## Lent

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Lent is the season of the church year that runs for forty weekdays and six Sundays between Ash Wednesday and Easter and is a special season of preparation for Easter. The liturgical colors are purple or the natural color of unbleached linen. The penitential tone of the season is reflected in the prohibition of the singing of the Gloria in Excelsis during Lent. Many people observe Lent by undertaking special programs of study; many practice self-denial. The purpose of Lent is not self-punishment but preparation for Easter through concentration on fundamental values and priorities.

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## Lent at St. Mark's

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Lent is a time of preparation for the great feast of Easter. To aid in your preparation for Easter, St. Mark's is offering a number of opportunities for you to practice your faith. Below are listed worship, fellowship and education, and outreach opportunities.

### Worship during Lent

Ash Wednesday, February 25: Services at noon and 6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes. Youth and adult candidates for confirmation and reception will be enrolled at the evening service.

Healing Service: Every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday morning Eucharist with laying on of hands for healing is part of St. Mark's cycle of services all year. Lent, however is often a time when we become more aware of the need for healing of body, mind or spirit. In the context of this service we may pray for healing for ourselves or for others. If you would like to know more about this service, speak to the rector, or join us on Tuesday mornings in the church.

Morning Prayer: Tuesday through Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

## 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

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## Highlights

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Lent at St. Mark's

Bridge Party

Blood Drive

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## Fellowship and Education

Shrove Tuesday, February 24: Pancake Supper at 6:00 p.m. in Langley Hall, hosted by St. Mark's vestry. Cost is \$3.50 per adult and \$1.50 per child under 10.

Lenten Wednesday Evening Suppers and Programs: Supper: 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. A choice from two soups, a salad and a beverage. Bring your own sandwich if you wish. Cost to be announced.

Each week the supper will be coordinated by a different group from the parish: The Education Committee will serve on March 3; ECW on March 10; the youth on March 17; the choir on March 24; and volunteers on March 31.

Programs for all ages: 6:45 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Children's Lent Program: Three...Two...One... Blast Off! Get ready to rocket into excitement with Space Mission. At Space Mission, your children will blast off on a mission of God's love. They will discover how God helps them to believe in Jesus and to be kind, helpful, thankful and faithful. The children will explore stories, learn a Bible verse and create out-of-this-world crafts. Teacher: Jeannie Park

Youth Lent Program: The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren will be used to help understand why we are alive and God's amazing plan for us - both here and now and for eternity. They will undertake a 40-day spiritual journey that will transform the answer to life's most asked question: What on earth am I here for? Knowing God's purpose for creating us will reduce our stress, focus our energy, simplify our decisions, give meaning to our lives and, most important, prepare us for eternity. Teacher: Andy Blieden

Adults: Dr. William (Bill) Brosend will be leading the adult series. He currently serves as Associate Director of the Louisville Institute based at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary and as Adjunct Professor of New Testament and Preaching at the Seminary. A graduate of Denison University (B.A.) and the Divinity Schools at Vanderbilt University (M.Div.) and the University of Chicago (Ph.D.), his commentary on the New Testament letters of James and Jude will be published by Cambridge University Press this spring. Dr. Brosend will be focusing on the book of James during this five-week Lenten series.

## Outreach

There are several opportunities for families and/or individuals to volunteer during the Lenten season. The first is "Operation Brightside". During the first three Saturdays of March (3/6, 3/13/ & 3/20), it's Brightside's annual compost pick-up. Hours will be from 12:00-4:00 p.m. at the Okolona landfill. Volunteers are asked to work on only one of these Saturdays. There is no lifting-just directing people to the compost area.

The second opportunity is to donate candy (must be sugar-free), toiletries, snacks (crackers, pretzels etc.) to the hospice ward at the Veterans Hospital. There are both men and women in this unit and there are approximately 25 beds. If there are any families or individuals interested in these opportunities for Lent, please contact Ellen Eirk in the church office (895-2429) or sign up in the Information Center.

## Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 4: Palm Procession and Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 8: Foot Washing and Holy Eucharist at 6:30 p.m., followed by Agape Supper and the Stripping of the Altar (childcare provided)

Good Friday, April 9: Good Friday Liturgy at 12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m. (childcare provided during evening service)

Easter Vigil, April 10: 8:30 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral

Easter Day, April 11: Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

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## Catechumens

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Three St. Markers will be admitted as catechumens on Ash Wednesday, February 25. Please remember them in your prayers: Tammy Koger, Summer Koger and Jon Brockman.

While the catechumenical process is open to interested persons, it is specifically for those who are exploring baptism, confirmation in the faith, reception by the Episcopal Church or a reaffirmation of the faith.

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## Diocesan Convention

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The 176th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky will meet at Trinity Church, Owensboro, on March 5 and 6. The lay deputies from St. Mark's are Ms. Gwen O'Dea, Ms. Katherine Kingren, Dr. Bernie Sams, and Ms. Jan Ward. Our youth representative will be Ms. Ginnie Taber.

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## Bridge Party

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ECW will be hosting a Bridge Party and Luncheon on Tuesday, March 23, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Dreher Room. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Reservations can be made by calling 895-2429, 897-2083 or 426-2818. Deadline for reservations is March 18.

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## Vestry Retreat

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The vestry will be on retreat Saturday, March 20, at Christ Church Cathedral from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Please be in prayer for your vestry during this time of education and reflection.

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## The Gift of Life

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St. Mark's will be sponsoring a Blood Drive in conjunction with the American Red Cross on Sunday, March 28, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Langley Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood as well as assist with donor transportation, staff the canteen and help with registration. Please sign up in the Information Center, indicating how you would be willing to help. If you have any questions, please contact

Paul Gill, Parish Nursing Coordinator, at 448-2176, Let's make this drive our most successful one to date.

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## Learn to Make Palm Crosses

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The Altar Guild invites all St. Markers to help make palm crosses on Saturday, April 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. No experience is necessary--just come to the kitchen and instructions will be provided.

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## Congratulations...

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To Patti Irvin who was recently awarded the "Spirit Award" by Prudential Park& Weisberg and presented with a 25-year plaque.

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## Sympathy

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Sympathy is extended to Dean Rice on the death of his mother.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Robert Grainger Scherer.

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## We Need Your Help!!

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In addition to our annual Easter Egg Hunt, we will be entering a float in the Frankfort Avenue Business Parade. To help defray costs we would appreciate any help you might be able to share by donating any of the following items:

### Easter Egg Hunt and Parade Wish List

Individually-Wrapped Candy (no chocolate)  
Bright Color Tissue Paper  
Colored Cellophane Paper/Wrap  
Easter Grass (Green)  
Balloons  
Chicken Wire  
Lattice Wood Panels  
Empty Baby Food Jars  
Plastic Easter Eggs  
Stickers  
Pipe Cleaners

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# Parish Life

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## Birthdays

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Houston Jones	March 2
Doris Berry	March 2
Ellen Eirk	March 3
David Pearson	March 3
Cara Kirven	March 4
James Atkins	March 5
Hill Walthall	March 6
Penny Pearson	March 7
Madeleine Denley	March 9
John Velten	March 12
Norman Berry	March 13
Linda Wood	March 13
Billy Cogswell	March 14
Edna Snodgrass	March 18
Connie Jaquith	March 20
Rebecca Kimball	March 20
Langley Scherer	March 20
Gordon Breitschneider	March 20
Bruce Cunningham	March 21
Finnegan Schad	March 21
Hadley Schad	March 21
Virginia Peterson	March 21
Anita Poynter	March 21
Nathan Potter	March 21
Sara Sladen	March 21
Adam Boone	March 22
Joan Bickel	March 23
Babs Moore	March 23
Claire Morris	March 25
Judy Semonin	March 25
Liz Cobb	March 25
Anne Taber	March 30

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## Anniversaries

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Chuck & Ellen Eirk	March 25
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## Prayers for Healing

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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.

Nina Babcock, Bud Van Meter, Bree Murphy, Robert, Sally Browning, Ann Stewart, Ted Stewart, Virginia Wynn, Katie Kiehffer, John Madeya, Ginner Cunningham, Rob Hester, Amber Gibson, Lucy Caudill, Ruby Osborne, Patty Irvin, Gloria Helm, Vickie Ferguson, Layne Michler, Anna Clarke Sawyer, Stacy Harvey, John Claypool, Fred Conrad, Pat Jackson, Betty Sherrill, Dwight Ramsay, Fred Livers, Bradley, Ally, Virginia Peterson, Deroy Scott, Janie Kall, Thom Holmes, Sally Dupree, Richard Dame, Julie Jordan, Nancy Carlisle, Henry Bickel, Dorothy Leason, Marian Calvert, Kennedy Helm, Marjorie Carter, Ed Shannon, Lettie Shawler, Richard Gibson, Dick Day, Steve Howard, Jim Speed, Margaret Dick, Betty Collins, Ann Lamberton, Gordon Caldwell, Perry Collins, Susan Fox, Judy Semonin, Jane Wilson, Mary Deetsa, Joan Bickel, Mason Bennett, The Babcock Family, Janice Wood, Nina Radford, Vera Wallace

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## Parish Register

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### Transfer Out

Donald Davis McGuire  
(St. Thomas, Campbellsville, KY)

### Transfers In

John and Mary Helfrich  
(St. Matthew's Episcopal Church)

Mary Beth Ellis  
(Grace Church in Nutley, NJ)

Boyce F. Martin, Jr.  
(St. Francis in the Fields)

### Baptism

Peter Nicholas Stelzer  
(February 7, 2004)

### Death

Robert Grainger Scherer  
(May 6, 1929 - February 15, 2004)

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# Parish Prayer List

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**Anglican Cycle of Prayer**

March 7 - Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Central Africa.  
March 14 - Give thanks for The Anglican Church of the Central American Region.  
March 21 - Give thanks for The Anglican Church of Canada.  
March 28 - Give thanks for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane du Congo.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

Trinity Church, Russellville, KY

**Parish Partners**

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

**Parish Cycle of Prayer**

**Week of March 7**

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John Doerschuk  
Karen Doerschuk  
Ethan Doerschuk  
Dorothy Durning  
Robert Durning

**Week of March 14**

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Edward Dumesnil  
Shirley Dumesnil  
Rankin Dumesnil  
Anne Ebendorf  
Jennifer Ebendorf

**Week of March 21**

◆  
Ellen Eirk  
Chuck Eirk  
Mary Minton Eitel  
Mary Beth Ellis  
Shirley Elmore

**Week of March 28**

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John English  
Linda English  
John English  
Robert English  
David English

**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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March Altar Candles  
are given to the  
*Honor and Glory of God...*

**Candles**

Eucharist Candles for March by Judy Semonin in loving memory of her parents, Paul F. and Virginia R. Semonin, and Charles and Eileen VanWinkle

Five Branch Candles for March by Dr. and Mrs. Henry Fairleigh in loving memory of her aunt, Helen Humphrey.