

This Week at St. Mark's

Today	8:00 am – HE, The Rev. John Weatherly, Preacher 9:10- am—Adult forum- “Social Justice, Realizing God’s Vision” 10:00 am-HE, The Rev. John Weatherly, Preacher 1:00-4:00 pm – San Marcos (S, PH, GH) 3:00-7:00 pm – Girl Scouts (PH) 4:00-8:00 pm – Pan de Vida (S)
Monday, 10/16	7:00-8:30 pm-BS Troop 4077 (PH) 7:00-9:30 pm – Vantage Homeowners Association
Tuesday, 10/17	7-9:00 pm-Pan de Vida (S)
Wednesday, 10/18	10:30 a.m. - HE and Healing, The Fairfax 7:00-9:00 p.m. – San Marcos (PH)
Thursday, 10/19	9:30 am – Morning Prayer 10:00 am – Holy Folders 6:30 p.m. – Women of the Spirit (Heff ner Room)
Friday, 10/20	7:00-9:00 pm – Pan de Vida (S)
Saturday, 10/21	1:30 – 3:30 p.m. The Truth Deliverance Center (S) 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Pan de Vida (S) (PH)

Adult Education Forum

Oct. 22nd	Our 2018 Every member Canvass
Oct. 29 th	“A Kingdom Without Walls”
Nov. 5 th	All Saint’s Day Observed/ Reports from Diocesan Convention
Nov. 19 th	Dedication Sunday. What Now?

ST. MARK’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

“Opening the doors of Christ’s love:
Offering Good News in the midst of a confusing world.”
October 15, 2017

2017 Inquirer’s and Confirmation Classes

This year’s program is intended for anyone in eighth grade or above, who is interested in learning more about their life in Christ, and the Episcopal Church. Those who wish to make a “mature commitment” to Jesus Christ through Confirmation or Reception, in the Episcopal Church, may be presented when Bishop Susan Goff comes for her visit Dec. 3rd.

Confirmation is for those who have never before made an adult, public confirmation of their faith in Christ. Reception is for those who have previously made an affirmation of faith in another denomination and wish now to do so in the Episcopal Church. Those who wish to be presented to the Bishop are expected to attend all four classes. Classes are open to all and will be held in the Rector’s office at 11:15, unless otherwise noted.

Oct. 29 th	The Promises We Make and the Vows We Keep. Baptism, Creeds and Confirmation The Rev. John Weatherly
Nov. 5 th	Overview of the History of the Church
Nov. 12 th	Instructed Eucharist, 10:00 a.m. Introduction to the Book of Common Prayer, Presenter: The Rev. Donna Foughty
Nov. 19 th	Organization of the Anglican Communion, Stories from the Field Preparation for Confirmation, “What is a Bishop and Why is He Coming?” Any Questions? Call 703.765.3949

Intercessions, Thanksgiving, Prayer Requests



Please pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or adversity, especially in the St. Mark’s Parish: Phil Brown, Betty Hughes, Lindsay Drabick, Dick Stockstill, Juliana, Albie, Lou, Janet, Judy, Sarah Derringer, Muriel Hughes, Mary, Caroline Bradford, Jeanette Parris, Kimberly Earle, Carol Farley, John Dell, Kevannah Campbell, Velma Campbell, Emily Davis, Kent White, Tyler Chui, Betty Hughes, Rosemarie Beyma & the Lewis family, including Gloria & Karen, Rebecca Carrier, Beth Oakes.

Extended family: Phyllis Nezart-Biggs, Rod Pearson Sr., Betty Bradley, Sandra Robinson, Col. Wil Scudder, Elmore, Mike Greenham, Kwan Dae Suk, Jean Blair, Gordon Murchie, John Savage, Timmy Carper, Bob Schaeffer & Jenny Crabb, Carol Ostergard, Joe Farren, Kevin and Richard Campbell, Baby Iris, Grayson Howard, Isatu Samura, Wendell Patterson, Emmett Sims, Sarif Harding.

We remember especially Roxanne Hornberger who died unexpectedly on October 1, 2017. She was the daughter of Keith Hornberger and Edie Ramioka and granddaughter of the late Shirley Hunter. She would have celebrated her 28th birthday on October 9th.

For all military and civilian personnel and those serving in harm’s way, we lift up Colin Maloney, Robert Payne, Tim, Emily and family, Walter Smiley, Andrew Kley, Pat Foughty and Brian Talay. We pray for those of every generation who live with the wounds of war or who have given their lives for this nation.

Announcements

Episcopal Relief and Development Organization Offering: The Episcopal Relief and Development Organization of the Episcopal Church, a long established and trusted relief agency, is still receiving funds for South Texas, Florida, Louisiana Puerto Rico and the Caribbean. An envelope is provided at the back of the church for any gifts you may like to make.

First and Third Wednesdays of the Month Potluck: Join us for dinner this Wednesday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m. for Fairfax County's Nurturing Parent's Program. We gather for potluck and fellowship the first and third Wednesday of each month. Under the tutelage of Kathy Hughes, we will provide a main course, i.e. lasagna, baked chicken or meatloaf and we invite the parish family to come with a salad or desert. Dinner will start at 6:30 and finish by 7:15. Spanish language classes in parenting will begin at 7:30. Come and join us!

Christmas Pageant: In anticipation of the Christmas Pageant (December 10th with live animals), we ask that as you are doing your end of season clothes sorting/donating, you look for bathrobes (for shepherds) and graduation gowns (for angels or wise men depending upon the color). Donations can be given to any Sunday School teacher. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Parish Pictorial Directory: If you did not have your family photograph taken for our Parish Directory, there will be a make-up session on Sunday, October 22nd from 11:30-6:00pm. Sign up online at the LifeTouch (formerly Olan Mills) website: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y3tycmrs/>. Lifetouch will give a \$5 discount coupon to apply towards any portrait purchase if you make a contribution to UCM or bring non-perishable food to donate to UCM when you come for your portrait. **If you are having any difficulty booking an appointment on line please see Bonnie Wilkins or call the Parish Administrator.**

Women of the Spirit: The Women of the Spirit meet each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Heffner Room. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Rev. Cornelia Eaton or Ms. Michaelene Miller, Conveners.

~Opportunities for Community Engagement~

Oct. 15th - Virginia Organized in Interfaith Community Engagement (VOICE)
Oct. 17th - 6:00 pm -Advocacy Starts with You - Alex. Friends Meeting House, 8990 Woodlawn Road, Ft. Belvoir, VA
Oct 18th - Impact of Domestic Violence on Children - Workshop for Clergy and Congregation Faith Leaders
Nov. 4th - VIC walk to help the hungry - 8 a.m. at Fort Hunt Park. Donations accepted at any agency along the Route 1 corridor. (No donations accepted on site)

The Rebirthing of God: John Philip Newell will present this powerful workshop on Celtic practices of Faith on October 27-29, 2017 at St. Adian's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road, Alexandria, VA. For more information and registration fees please visit <http://conta.cc/2vcAknF>.

Outreach: Please check board in the Narthex to see upcoming opportunities. As St. Mark's parishioners, positively engage our community by reaching out!

Worship Schedule: Thank you to all the Ministry Leaders that submitted your 4th Quarter Worship Schedule. If you have any changes or substitutions, please submit them to the Parish Administrator as soon as possible. The Worship Committee will meet on October 22nd at 11:15 a.m. in the Rector's office.

Virginia Organized in Interfaith Community Engagement (VOICE): The Annual State Wide Election Forum will be held today from 4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. at the Patriot High School, 10504 Kettle Run Road, Prince William County. All are welcome.

E-giving -Getting started with online giving is easy. Visit stmarksalex.org and click the "Donate Now" link to create an account and make your donation.

Welcome!!!: We welcome Joshua Ventura, son of Brenda who was born on October 11, 2017, weighing in at 7lbs. 13ozs. Congratulations!!!!



Please wear your name tag! If you need one, please let us know.



Upcoming Birthdays

10/14 - Peter Hardwick
10/15 - Phil Brown
10/16 - Jamie Grigsby/Mya Kelly
10/17 - Salma Bustamante/Rodney Fisher
10/20 - Katherine Larson

