



ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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MARCH 2014

Lent is at Hand! With the beginning of March comes Lent this year. Ash Wednesday is March 5, 2014 and we will have Ash Wednesday Liturgies, with the Imposition of Ashes, at 6:45 a.m., 12 Noon, and 7:30 p.m. If you want to receive Ashes and cannot attend a service, call and then come by and I will try to accommodate you! The previous evening, March 4, 2014, we will have a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, from 5 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. I hope to see many of you on those two special days!

From very early in the history of the Christian Church, Lent – the forty days leading up to our Lord's Passion and Resurrection - has been a season given over to prayer, self-examination, repentance, fasting, and special liturgical observances. I pray that Lent will be such a time for us here at St. Mark's this year.

During Lent, we will be shifting our Eucharistic Liturgy slightly. We will begin with the Penitential Office which puts the Confession of Sin at the beginning of the Service and we will be using Eucharistic Prayer A. We will also revert to the responsive reading of the Psalms. On the Fourth Sunday in Lent, we will begin the 10 am service with a Modern Version of the Great Litany sung in procession.

During Lent, I will be offering two Adult Education Workshops on Saturday afternoon. The first one is on "Forgiveness and Reconciliation in the Anglican Tradition" on Saturday, March 22, 2014, from 2 to 5 p.m. The second is on "Health and Healing in the Anglican Tradition" on Saturday, April 12, 2014, from 2 to 5 p.m. There are more details elsewhere in Markings.

For the entire Sawmill Deanery/Interparish Council, I will be reprising the lecture series I did last Fall here at St. Mark's on "Being the Church: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow: Religion, Spirituality, and American Culture Since 1945." It will be offered, with Tea, on Sunday afternoons from 4 to 6 pm. at St. Luke's Church, in Somers, and here at St. Mark's Church, with Soup, on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. during the first five weeks of Lent. If you missed the series or particular lectures, this is an opportunity to participate now, as well as to meet other Episcopal clergy and laity from our area. This is one of a number of ways that the clergy and churches of this area are collaborating and sharing resources. (More details elsewhere in Markings.)

Many people try to give up something for Lent, often only to resume a bad habit with gusto after Easter. Might I suggest that instead of that, might we all commit to undertaking a minimum of three random acts of kindness every day during Lent.

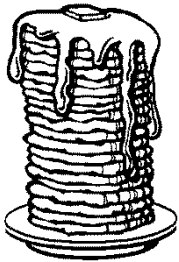
Faithfully yours, Bill Doubleday



The Third of Four Special Sundays

March 2, 2014 - Choral Evensong

The 3rd afternoon of our “Four Special Sundays” will be on Sunday, 2 March. Jamie Hitel, Organist and Director of Music at Christ Church, Greenwich will play the recital at 3:15 pm. Choral Evensong will follow at 4 pm with works of Herbert Howells and Samuel Sebastian Wesley.



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER – WITH A HINT OF MARDI GRAS

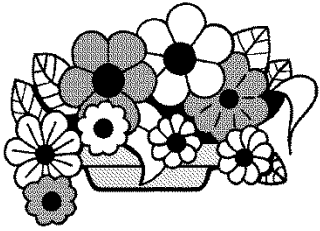
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

**ALL ARE WELCOME – FREE WILL OFFERING
SIGN UP APPRECIATED**

Ash Wednesday Services

- 6:45 am – Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes
- 12:00 noon- Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes
- 7:30 pm – Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes



Giving Memorial or Thanksgiving Flowers

The following Sundays are open for the donation of altar flowers:
May 4, May 18, June 15, June 29.

If you are interested, please contact Shelagh Bosch, 914-238-4829.
Minimum donation \$75.



ST MARK'S PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

Now that our new website is close to being up and operating, we are tackling another project, the update of the PARISH DIRECTORY, last done in 2012. So don't be surprised if Vinny Tuccillo or Karen Kelley tap you on the shoulder after Church, during the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, or perhaps jump out from behind the kitchen door and say "SMILE." We are so looking forward to having a Directory with EVERYONE'S picture and up-to-date contact information.

Jeanne Goldberg, Parish Secretary, will be working with Vinny and Karen to compile this, so don't hesitate to email Karen at karenkelley4@verizon.net and/or Jeanne at stmarkschurch@optimum.net with any new contact information and changes you may want to make. Also, if your current Directory picture is out of date and you would like a new one, please tap us on the shoulder or email a digital pix to the office. The latter is especially helpful in families where the children have grown or are off at college, but still remain a part of our St. Mark's Parish Family.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation and patience!



CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

For the past month, the children have been rehearsing **Siyahamba**, a South African hymn, under the direction of members of the choir including Paige Porter, Rider Foster and Gabi Tortorello who have generously given of their time and talent. The hymn became popular in North American churches in the 1990s. The title means "We Are Marching" or "We are Walking" in the [Zulu language](#), and we thought it fitting for February, Black History month, and certainly even more so in the wake of the loss of Nelson Mandela. On March 2, the children will be performing the song during the service.

The hymn complements our church school review of the Exodus story. We have talked about how African slaves, and later advocates in the Civil Rights movement, drew from the story of Exodus spiritual strength to fight cruel injustice.

Looking ahead, we are excited to be planning a seed growing project to commence March 9, as we realize the notion that from little things big things grow. We are looking forward, with Shelagh's help, to transplanting the fruits of our growing project in the area of the columbarium later in the spring. As Lent begins, we will be distributing Lenten boxes for the children to use in securing collections for an outreach program.

April and May will be filled with fun events and projects for the children. Adults are welcome anytime to join in! Look to April Markings for a through rundown of these!

TWO LENTEN ADULT EDUCATION WORKSHOPS PLANNED

1. Forgiveness and Reconciliation in the Anglican Tradition

Saturday, March 22, 2014

2 – 5 p.m.

Forgiveness and Reconciliation are at the heart of the Gospel message. Pastor Bill Doubleday will lead this workshop which will explore Biblical, psychological, liturgical, sacramental, and personal dimensions in the process of forgiveness and reconciliation.

2. Health and Healing in the Anglican Tradition

Saturday, April 12, 2014

2 -5 p.m.

The healing of body, mind, and spirit were a frequent part of the ministry of Jesus. The care of the sick and the dying has been a central feature in the church's pastoral ministry throughout its history. Pastor Bill Doubleday will lead this workshop which will explore many of the resources for healing which are a part of our tradition, including intercessory prayer, laying on of hands and anointing, Biblical story telling, sacramental confession, pastoral visitation, crisis counseling, spiritual direction, and the Eucharist itself.

COMING IN EASTERTIDE

1. Grief and Bereavement in the Anglican Tradition

Saturday, May 10, 2014

2 – 5 p.m.

2. Marriage and Human Sexuality in the Anglican Tradition

Saturday, May 31, 2014

2 – 5 p.m.



St. Ann's Sunday Deliveries

We are pleased to announce that Shoprite Supermarket has graciously agreed to donate bread products for our Sunday deliveries to St. Ann's in the Bronx.



PRAYER CORNER... from Verann England

From the book Looking Up While Lying Down by John E. Biegert

Prayer to me is not magic. It is the sharing of my deepest feelings with God. When I am ill, it is natural for me to pray for the restoration of my health. However, if I contract a serious disease or suffer a near fatal accident, the restoration of health might be impossible or improbable. Even so, my prayer would be for wholeness because I love life and I want to go live, and God loves me and wants wholeness for me,

But since there will be for me, as well as for every other person, a time when restoration to physical wholeness cannot occur, my theology of prayer is to thank God for the health that still is mine and to ask for the strength that I need to cope with whatever situation comes my way. This, God always has done and I know will continue to do!

*April Markings deadline is Tuesday,
March 18*



VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE – MARCH 2014

		MAR 2	MAR 9	MAR 16	MAR 23	MAR 30
Altar Guild	8 am	Ruann England	Irene Linares	Jill Finch	Irene Linares	Irene Linares
	10 am	Sue Hewitt	Karen Kelley Deb Lunn	Annette Steiner	Celeste Lynn Elizabeth Schreiner	Sue Hewitt
Chalice Bearers	8 am & 10 am	Ted Raymond	Zoher Miyakawa	Ted Raymond	Ted Raymond	Zoher Miyakawa
Lectors	8 am	Ruann England	James Cottingham	Kedrick Carr	Ted Raymond	Mary Ann Niedzwiedz
	10 am	Elizabeth Nicolato	Jennifer Lewis	Susan West	Stella Terhune	Alex Antes
Ushers	8 am	Ruann England Kedrick Carr	Gary & Brendan Ford	Mary Ann & Robert Niedzwiedz	Ted Raymond James Cottingham	Kedrick Carr Ruann England
	10 am	Zoher Miyakawa Jim Hewitt	Jim Hewitt Alex Antes	Stella Terhune Barbara Tortorello	Raimo Bakis Jim Hewitt	Jim Hewitt Alex Antes
Acolytes	10 am	Andrea & Neil Steiner	Kathie Bannon Turner Williams	Luca & Sofia Cuccia	Turner Williams Kathie Bannon	Neil & Andrea Steiner
Flower Guild		Shelagh Bosch Gloria Kissell Anna Stone	Grace Gibbons Rosemary Valenti	Nancy Weeks	Fran Osborne Joan Robinson Annette Steiner	Shelagh Bosch Anna Stone
Hospitality		Kendle Arcidiacono Shelagh Bosch Fran Osborne	Grace & Robert Gibbons Lakshanthi Galpotthawela Lisa Dondiego	Jennifer Lewis Barbara Tortorello Lynthia Romney	Ann Bakis Irene Watts Susan West	Amanda Allen Helen Williams Eileen Marks
St. Ann's Drivers		Kedrick Carr	Ann & Raimo Bakis	Alex Antes	Vinnie Tuccillo Dale Schweizer	Ted Raymond



SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Participants with developmental challenges and their care-givers from throughout Northern Westchester communities attend this service. Parishioners are needed to assist. The March service is planned for Tuesday, March 25 at 7 pm. Please arrive at 6:45 pm to assist our friends to get into the church, or to help set up the refreshments in the parish hall. The event is over and all volunteers are finished before 8 pm.

You receive a lot of blessing for an hour's time! Hope to see you there!

Being the Church: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

Religion, Spirituality, and American Culture Since 1945

*A Lenten study sponsored by area Episcopal churches at two locations
Lead speaker: the Rev. William A. Doubleday*

Sunday Afternoons: Tea and class at 4:00pm

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Sanctuary, 331 Route 100, Somers

Wednesday Evenings: Soup at 7; class at 7:30; closing prayers at 8:50 pm

St. Mark's Episcopal Church Parish Library, 85 E. Main Street, Mt. Kisco

The Post World War II Era: Sun., March 9 (Somers) and Wed., Mar. 12 (Mt. Kisco)
The Protestant Golden Age: Myth or Reality?

The 1960's: Sunday, March 16 (Somers) and Wednesday, March 19 (Mt. Kisco)
An Era of Radical Social Change and Its Impact on the Church

The 1970's: Sunday, March 23 (Somers) and Wednesday, March 26 (Mt. Kisco)
An Era of Change in the Church: Remarriage after Divorce; Liberation Theologies; Women's Ordination; Prayer Book Revision, and the Rise of Human Sexuality Issues

The 1980's and 1990's: Sunday, March 30 (Somers) and April 2 (Mt. Kisco)
"Sheilism"; Self-Help Movements; Rapid Technological Change; Two Career Households; Struggles Over Inclusivity, and the Ascendancy of the Religious Right

The 21st Century: Sunday, April 6 (Somers) and April 9 (Mt. Kisco)
Changing Demographics; Graying Congregations; Emergent Christianity; Spiritual, but Not Religious; The Nones; Where Do We Go from Here? Glimpses and Hunches about the Future of Faith, the Shape of Mission, and the Nature of the Church both Locally and Globally

The Rev. William A. Doubleday has been the Priest in Charge at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Mt. Kisco, NY since November 2012. He taught Pastoral Theology, Episcopal Church History and Polity, and Church and Society for twenty five years, at The General Theological Seminary in New York City (1986-2005) and at Bexley Hall Episcopal Seminary in Columbus, Ohio (2005-2011), where he also served as Dean. He is a graduate of Amherst College and the Episcopal Divinity School.

**ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
PARISH LIFE CALENDAR ~ MARCH 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm <i>Demaris Colon</i> Mem. Service 2 pm
2 3:15 pm Organ Recital 4:00 pm Evensong	3	4 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Pancake Supper	5 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am with Ashes 12:00 noon – Ashes 7:30 pm - Ashes	6	7	8 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm
9	10	11 7 pm Officer's Meeting	12 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am Lecture #1 7- 9 pm	13	14	15 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm
16 Vestry By-Laws Special Meeting 12:30 – 3:30 pm	17 7:30 Vestry Meeting	18	19 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am Lecture #2 7- 9 pm	20	21	22 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm Forgiveness Workshop 2 – 5 pm
23	24	25 7:00 Special Service	26 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am Lecture #3 7- 9 pm	27	28	29 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm
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**ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
PARISH LIFE CALENDAR ~ APRIL 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am Lecture #4 7 – 9 pm	3	4	5 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm
6 Baptism of Mia Grace Sauther 1 pm	7	8	9 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am Lecture #5 7 – 9 pm	10	11	12 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm Healing Workshop 2 – 5 pm
13 Palm Sunday	14 HOLY WEEK	15 7:00 pm Officers Meeting HOLY WEEK	16 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am HOLY WEEK	17 Maundy Thursday 7:30 pm Holy Eucharist HOLY WEEK	18 Good Friday 12 – 1 pm Liturgy of Good Friday 1- 2 pm Music 2 – 3 pm Stations of the Cross HOLY WEEK	19 Holy Saturday Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm 7:30 pm Great Vigil of Easter
20 EASTER 7:00 am HEII 9:00 HEII with choir 11:00 Festival Easter HE	21 7:30 pm Vestry Meeting	22 Special Service 7:00 pm	23 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am	24	25	26 Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm
27 10:00 am Baptism of Serena Sasso	28	29	30 Holy Eucharist 6:45 am			

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Reverend William A. Doubleday, Priest in Charge
Geoffrey Smith, Music Director Misael Enamorado, Sexton
Jeanne Goldberg, Parish Secretary Jim Terhune, Financial Administrator

WEEKDAY SERVICES AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH

6:45 AM Wednesday - Holy Eucharist
Additional services and events as announced

Our Parish website is: stmarksmtkisco.org
Our parish Facebook Page is: St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Mt. Kisco, NY
The Priest in Charge may be contacted at billdoubleday@stmarksmtkisco.org
The Parish Secretary may be contacted at stmarkschurch@optimum.net
The Director of Music may be contacted at geoffsmith@stmarksmtkisco.org

OUTSIDE GROUPS MEETING WEEKLY AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH

ESL Classes: Tuesdays & Thursdays: 9 am to 12 Noon

Al-Anon: Thursdays: 7 pm

Special Needs Yoga: Monday: 6 pm to 7 pm

VESTRY MEMBERS

Stella Terhune, Churchwarden
Kedrick Carr
Karen Kelley, Clerk of Vestry
Chris Meyer
Robert Niedzwiedz

Eileen Marks, Churchwarden
Fran Osborne
Elizabeth Schreiner
Annette Steiner
Frank Tortorello
Vinnie Tuccillo

Timothy Ghriskey, Treasurer

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