



## ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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### MARCH 2015

Dear Members and Friends of St. Mark's,

We are already a week into the Lenten Season. March 1<sup>st</sup> will be the Second Sunday of Lent. From very early in the history of the Christian Church, Lent – the forty days leading up to our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection - has been a season given over to prayer, self-examination, repentance, fasting, and special liturgical observances. I pray that Lent will be a meaningful time for all of us here at St. Mark's.

On Sunday, March 8, at 4 p.m., our choir will lead us in a special Lenten Evensong, which will be preceded by an Organ Recital by Daniel Scifo at 3:15 p.m.

We are jointly offering a Lenten study course in conjunction with the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Chappaqua. It is led by the Rev. Bill Doubleday of St. Mark's and the Rev. Gwyneth Murphy of St. Mary's. It meets on Sundays from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. The REVISED SCHEDULE of the remaining topics and locations is on the following page.

I am conscious of the fact that Holy Week that Holy Week begins at the end of this month, on Sunday, March 29, 2015, which is Palm Sunday. We will observe that Sunday with the Distribution of Palms and the Reading of the Passion Story at both our 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Services. You will find the entire Holy Week schedule elsewhere in this issue of Markings.

Many of us give up or take on something during Lent. May I suggest that instead of or in addition to giving up some sort of food or drink, that each of us might consider giving up a behavior which we might wish to change, not only in Lent, but perhaps throughout the year. Something like: impatience with one's children; inattention to elderly relatives; binge drinking on the weekend; smoking; gossiping about neighbors or church; or avoiding the doctor or failing to take prescribed medication. May I also suggest taking on something like: keeping the Sabbath more seriously; finding some quiet reflective time in every day; getting more much needed exercise; adopting or fostering an abandoned animal; or volunteering in some social ministry or outreach program. If you need more ideas, I would be glad to brain-storm with you!

As we journey together towards Holy Week and Easter, be assured of my prayers and my care for each of you.

Faithfully yours,

Bill Doubleday

# ADULT FORUMS PLANNED FOR 2015

During the **2015** program year, we will experiment with a monthly Adult Education Forum in the Parish Library between the two Sunday services on the First Sunday of Each Month. We will begin at 9:10 a.m (SHARP) and we will adjourn for church-going no later than 9:50 a.m. Coffee and Tea will be available in the Parish Hall. The Forum will begin with a short presentation, followed by discussion and questions:

**March 1, 2015:** What Do Anglicans Believe about Forgiveness?

**April 5, 2015:** NO FORUM – EASTER SUNDAY

**May 3, 2015:** What is Happening in the Episcopal Church? 2015 is a General Convention Year!

**June 7, 2015:** Theological Reflections on Summer and Sabbath Time



## A Lenten Journey to Easter

Five Sunday Afternoons in Lent 4:00 - 5:30 pm, alternating between St. Mary's the Virgin, Chappaqua, and St. Mark's, Mt. Kisco. Led by the Rev. Bill Doubleday, Priest-in-Charge, St. Mark's, Mt. Kisco, and the Rev. Gwyneth Murphy, Interim Pastor, St. Mary the Virgin, Chappaqua.

March 1	Healing	St. Mary the Virgin, Chappaqua**
March 8	No Class:	Evensong at St. Mark's
March 15	Forgiving	St. Mary the Virgin, Chappaqua
March 22	Grieving	St. Mark's, Mt. Kisco
March 29	Resurrection	St. Mark's, Mt. Kisco

Light refreshments will be served.

\*\*St. Mary the Virgin, 191 South Greeley Ave., Chappaqua. (Saw Mill River Parkway Exit 32; exit onto Rt. 120 North into Chappaqua; turn left on South Greeley, SMTV is on the left, just past Bell Middle School; additional parking in school's lot)

*April Markings deadline for articles is  
Monday, March 23, 2015*



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
COME TO  
EVENSONG**

**SUNDAY, 8 MARCH 2015 AT 4**

Organ Recital by  
Daniel Scifo, Watertown, CT at 3:15

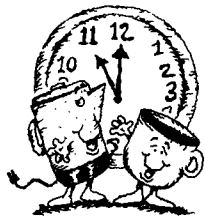
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## Defensive Driving Course

**Saturday, March 21; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.** Instructor Bob Niedzwiedz. Receive 10% off your car insurance for 3 years and also reduce up to 4 points on your driving record by attending. Fee \$50. You are welcome to invite friends and neighbors. Proceeds will be donated to St. Mark's. To register call Bob Niedzwiedz @666-5570 or the church office.

### COFFEE



### HOUR

## Sunday Coffee Hour at St. Mark's

We continue to be thankful for all who contribute to our coffee hours on a regularly basis. Whether in hosting, in preparing food, or in cleaning up, you make it possible for us to be hospitable and welcoming to one another and to visitors and newcomers. You may be aware that for budgetary reasons, the Vestry has abolished the position of Sunday Sexton. Our regular Weekday Sexton, Misael Enamorado, comes in briefly to check on heat, cleanliness, set ups, and to start the coffee, but he is not available for routine cleanup at the end of Sunday morning. For this reason, and because of the current unreliability of the parish dishwasher, we will be using more disposables to simplify clean-up. We definitely need a few more coffee hour hosts. If you are willing, please contact Fran Osborne @ 914-238-4901 or [pbofmo@aol.com](mailto:pbofmo@aol.com). Thanks!



## 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 February service is planned for Tuesday, March 24 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!



## PRAYER CORNER.... from Verann England

From Daily Guideposts 2015

*And they mourned over him, saying, "Alas, my brother!" 1 Kings 13:30*

Another thing about joy is that you never stop being surprised by the deeper levels of joy and how joy is like an elevator that keeps going down another floor farther than you knew there were floors and how what you thought were the pinnacles of joy were only mountains beyond which there are many more mountains, some of them shrouded in darkness.

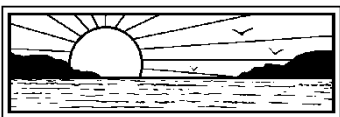
For example, this odd, painful, strange, subtle, awful, sweet joy last year: my oldest brother was dying of cancer. He had cancer everywhere. He lost a hundred pounds. He lost his hair. He lost his balance. But he never lost his sidelong grin – never. Right near the end he and I went driving through his favorite forest, and even though he could hardly speak and his death was sitting companionably in the backseat, we were both filled with joy. We were brothers for fifty-five years, and about ten years before he died we got to be the same age, finally, as sometimes happens with brothers if they are lucky and we were happy together watching birds and playing chess and trading silly postcards.

He died on the first day of summer. There is a hole in the world the size of the man he used to be before cancer ate him. There will always be that big grinning hole in me and in his family and in his thousand friends. But there is a joy persistent and insistent, a joy that death cannot steal: I was graced to be that man's brother, and he loved me and I loved him. What used to be his body is now ash in the dense soil of Illinois. But who he is, who he always is, is in me and those he loved, and every time I think of this lovely terrible truth, I grin... as he would, sidelongingly.

*Dear Profligate Deliverer of Brothers, well, You were especially generous to me, insofar as I was given six of them. But You have seen fit to retrieve four over the years, which was hard for me to endure, but I am pretty sure it is You whispering in my ear that I will see them again in the fullness of time and that will be a day of unimaginable joy.*

Brian Doyle

*Digging Deeper: Psalm 133:1*



## Rise and Shine

Saturday, March 28, 9:00 am

Start your weekend off with us as we shine the silver  
in preparation for Easter.

All are welcome to make new friends and have some fun.

Coffee, bagels and good conversation will be served.

Please let us know you'll be joining us by emailing: [ilinares531@aol.com](mailto:ilinares531@aol.com)



## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE – MARCH 2015

		<b>MARCH 1</b>	<b>MARCH 8</b>	<b>MARCH 15</b>	<b>MARCH 22</b>	<b>MARCH 29</b>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	<b>8 am</b>	Ruann England	Irene Linares Deb Lunn	Jill Finch	Irene Linares	Irene Linares
	<b>10 am</b>	Karen Kelley	Sue Hewitt	Elizabeth Schreiner	Celeste Lynn Elizabeth Schreiner	Sue Hewitt
<b>Chalice Bearers</b>	<b>10 am</b>	Zoher Saour	Ted Raymond	Zoher Saour	Ted Raymond	Zoher Saour
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>8 am</b>	Ruann England	Ted Raymond	Mary Ann Niedzwiedz	Robert Niedzwiedz	James Cottingham
	<b>10 am</b>	Raimo Bakis	Jennifer Lewis	Susan West	Alex Antes	Raimo Bakis
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>8 am</b>	Ruann England Ted Raymond	Mary Ann & Robert Niedzwiedz	Ted Raymond James Cottingham	Gary & Brendan Ford	Mary Ann & Robert Niedzwiedz
	<b>10 am</b>	Karen Kelley Alex Antes	Jim Hewitt Zoher Saour	Dale Schweizer Vinnie Tuccillo	Zoher Saour Alex Antes	Raimo Bakis Karen Kelley
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>10 am</b>	Turner Williams	Kathie Bannon	Andrea Steiner	Sofia Cuccia	Kathie Bannon
<b>Flower Guild</b>		Shelagh Bosch Gloria Kissell Anna Stone	Grace Gibbons Rosemary Valenti	Nancy Weeks	Fran Osborne Joan Robinson	Shelagh Bosch Gloria Kissell Anna Stone
<b>Hospitality</b>		Ann Bakis Eileen Marks	Kendle Arcidiacono Shelagh Bosch Fran Osborne	Grace & Robert Gibbons Lakshanthi Galpotthawela Lisa Dondiego	Catalanello Family Lynthia Romney	Amanda Allen Helen Williams
<b>St. Ann's Drivers</b>		Sally Fay	Robert & Ann Natale	Ann & Raimo Bakis	Vinnie Tuccillo Dale Schweizer	Alex Antes

## ATTENTION TEENAGERS AND THEIR PARENTS

### RE: CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Some of you have expressed an interest in a Confirmation Class this Spring. On the basis of conversations I have had with one or two families, it appears that Sunday morning after church may be the best time for a class. I would like to have 6 sessions of 75 minutes duration. My inclination is to have classes on alternate Sundays starting soon after Easter and ending by mid-June. If the group prefers, we could do six weeks straight through. If these scheduling ideas do not work, I am ready to discuss others.

My experience is that it can be helpful for one or both parents to sit in on most of the classes so that questions and discussion can continue between sessions. If you are, or might be, interested in participating, I would welcome an e-mail: [billdoubleday@stmarksmtkisco.org](mailto:billdoubleday@stmarksmtkisco.org) or a call: 914-666-8058. If you are uncertain, I would be glad to speak with you in person.

# HOLY WEEK

In addition to putting on a shared Lenten study program this year. St. Mark's and the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Chappaqua will be collaborating and sharing in our Holy Week Services. Given your schedules, you may find a service convenient at one or the other parish. The Rev. Gwyneth Murphy, the Interim Rector at St. Mary's, and the Rev. Bill Doubleday, the Priest in Charge at St. Mark's, will be working together on many of the services.

## **Palm Sunday, March 29, 2015**

### **St. Mark's**

8 am Holy Eucharist and Distribution of Palms

10 am Holy Eucharist and Distribution of Palms with Choir

## **Palm Sunday, March 29, 2015**

### **St. Mary's**

8 am Holy Eucharist and Distribution of Palms – Rite 1

10 am Holy Eucharist and Distribution of Palms – Rite 2

## **Maundy Thursday**

### **St. Mark's**

7 pm Maundy Thursday Liturgy, Eucharist,  
and Stripping of the Altar

## **Maundy Thursday**

### **St. Mary's**

12:00 noon Maundy Thursday Liturgy, Eucharist,  
and Stripping of the Altar

## **Good Friday**

### **St. Mark's**

12 Noon Music for Good Friday

1 pm Good Friday Liturgy

2 pm Meditations on the Seven Last Words and Prayer  
Reserved

Each Hour is a Discrete Service and Brief Drop-ins  
are also Welcome

## **Good Friday**

### **St. Mary's**

4pm – 6 pm Rite of Reconciliation – The Revs. Bill  
Doubleday

and Gwyneth Murphy available to hear confessions  
7 pm Stations of the Cross, Communion from the

Sacrament, and Special Music

## **Holy Saturday**

### **St. Mark's and St. Mary's AT ST.MARK'S**

7 pm Easter Vigil with Holy Eucharist

## **Easter Sunday**

### **St. Mary's**

8 am Holy Eucharist – Rite 1

10 am Holy Eucharist – Rite 2

## **Easter Sunday**

### **St. Mark's**

7 am Holy Eucharist with Hymns

9 am Festal Eucharist with Choir

11 am Festal Eucharist with Choir

**ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
PARISH LIFE CALENDAR ~ MARCH 2015**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
<b>1</b> 9:10 Adult Forum 12:30 - 2:30 pm House of Prayer 4:00-5:30 pm Adult Ed at St. Mark's	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Holy Eucharist 6:45 am	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7 - 9 pm House of Prayer	<b>7</b> 9 - 1 Farmers Market
<b>8</b> 12:30 - 2:30 pm House of Prayer EVENSONG 3:15pm-Organ 4:00pm-Choral Evensong	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Holy Eucharist 6:45 am	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7 - 9 pm House of Prayer	<b>14</b> 9 - 1 Farmers Market
<b>15</b> 12:30 - 2:30 pm House of Prayer  4:00-5:30 pm Adult Ed at St. Mary the Virgin	<b>16</b>  Vestry Meeting 7:30 pm	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Holy Eucharist 6:45 am	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  7 - 9 pm House of Prayer	<b>21</b> 9 - 1 Farmers Market 10:00-2:00PM Drivers Education Class
<b>22</b> 12:30 - 2:30 pm House of Prayer  4:00-5:30 pm Adult Ed at St. Mark's	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  Special Service 7:00 pm	<b>25</b> Holy Eucharist 6:45 am	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>  7 - 9 pm House of Prayer	<b>28</b> 9 - 1 Farmers Market  9:00 am Rise & Shine
<b>29 Palm Sunday</b> 12:30 - 2:30 pm House of Prayer	<b>30</b>  HOLY WEEK	<b>31</b>  HOLY WEEK				

**ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
PARISH LIFE CALENDAR ~ April 2015**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
			<b>1</b> Holy Eucharist 6:45 am  <b>HOLY WEEK</b>	<b>2 Maundy Thursday</b> 7:00 pm Holy Eucharist  <b>HOLY WEEK</b>	<b>3 Good Friday</b> 12 – 1 pm Liturgy of Good Friday 1- 2 pm Music 2 – 3 pm Stations of the Cross	<b>4 Holy Saturday</b> Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm  7:00 pm Great Vigil of Easter
<b>5 EASTER</b> 7:00 am HEII 9:00 HEII with choir-Easter egg hunt 11:00 Festival Easter HE-Easter egg hunt	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Holy Eucharist 6:45 am	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  7 – 9 pm House of Prayer	<b>11</b> Mt. Kisco Farmers Market 9am-1 pm
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## 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  
Jennifer Lewis, Director of the Sunday School

### 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](http://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](mailto:billdoubleday@stmarksmtkisco.org)  
The Parish Secretary may be contacted at [stmarkschurch@optimum.net](mailto:stmarkschurch@optimum.net)  
The Director of Music may be contacted at [geoffsmith@stmarksmtkisco.org](mailto:geoffsmith@stmarksmtkisco.org)  
The Director of the Sunday School may be contacted at [jlewis@burke.org](mailto:jlewis@burke.org)

### OUTSIDE GROUPS MEETING WEEKLY AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH

**ESL Classes:** Tuesdays & Thursdays: 9 am to 12 Noon  
**Al-Anon & Alateen:** Thursdays: 7 pm

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### VESTRY MEMBERS

Karen Kelley, Churchwarden  
Kedrick Carr, Treasurer

Fran Osborne, Churchwarden

Ann Bakis  
Lisa (Fleck)Dondiego  
Grace Gibbons

Robert Niedzwiedz  
Elizabeth Schreiner  
Vincent Tuccillo  
Rosemary Valenti

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