



THE LION'S TALE

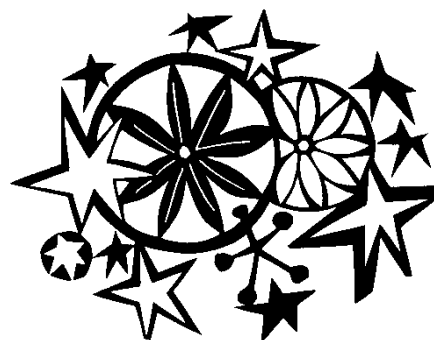
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE REV. DR. PETER VANHORNE, INTERIM RECTOR
4714 CLIFTON AVE
ST LOUIS MO 63109
314/832-3588
WWW.SAINTMARKS-STL.ORG

NOVEMBER 2011



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6th

A favorite feast at St. Mark's.
We remember our connection to all God's holy ones throughout the ages. Also at both the 7:30 and 10:00 a.m. services we will pray for those who have died. Make sure that you give the names to the office ASAP. (parishoffice@saintmarks-stl.org) We will gather on the church plaza before the 10:00 a.m. service for a procession to the All Saints' Memorial Garden and then into the church. The piper, Laura Hartung, will also be here.



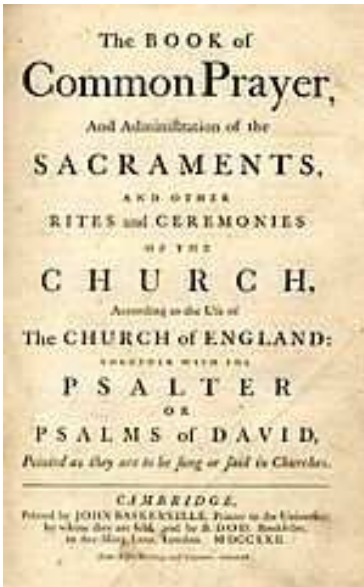
2012 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Soon members of the parish will be receiving their Stewardship Letter and Pledge Card.

As our stewardship ingathering is Sunday, November 20, time is short between when the letters and cards are distributed and the ingathering. Please begin prayerful consideration of your financial pledge for 2012. You may place it in the collection plate, or mail to the church office. *Copies of our pledge card also will be online at our website.* Thank you for your support.

A (Liturgical) Journey Back in Time

November 14 is the day the Episcopal Church commemorates the ordination in 1784 of Samuel Seabury as first Bishop in America after the end of the Revolutionary War.



As the Episcopal Church was organizing itself in the late 1780's, Bishop Seabury was instrumental in overseeing the adoption of the first American Prayer Book in 1789, which was based on the 1662 Prayer Book. The 1662 Prayer Book of the Church of England was the Prayer Book of the British Empire, and was the one used in the Thirteen Colonies until 1789.

Bob Mullgardt and I have organized a service using the 1662 Prayer Book along with hymns and service music of that time period, and this is the liturgy we will use at the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, November 13. I will give a few words of explanation before the service begins that morning. In the meantime, dust off those "thee's" and "thou's," and stranger words such as "vouchsafe" and "beseech" and be ready for the way our spiritual forbears worshipped 350 years ago.

Pete Van Horn



FEED MY PEOPLE Adopt a Family Christmas Basket Program

These packages normally include canned goods, non-perishable groceries, and a gift certificate to an area grocery store to cover the cost of meat and fresh food for a holiday meal. Flyers are available on the bulletin board in the parish house for more information. Registration for this program needs to be in by Nov. 14th.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Clergy and delegates from St. Mark's will be attending Diocesan Convention on November 18 and 19. Our delegates are Ellen Jeffery and Lynn Heritage, and alternates Margaret Hvatum and Carey Tisdal. You can also learn more about the diocesan convention at:

<http://www.diocesemo.org/governance/convention2011.htm>



A Search Committee Update:

Now is the time to submit names of clergy you would like the search committee to contact. Please send any clergy names, along with their current city/state location to Ellen Jeffery.

Once we have all the names gathered we will send a query to each to see if they have an interest in participating in our search.

Our next search committee meeting is December 1st. At that meeting we fully anticipate we will be reviewing names with the Cannon to the Ordinary, Dan Smith.



FALL BACK

Daylight Savings Time will end on Sunday, November 6th. Don't forget to turn back your clocks one hour.



WHAT'S COMING UP?

WEDNESDAYS Choir 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOV. 6TH All Saints' Sunday

FRIDAY, NOV. 11TH Trivia Night (see p.5)

SUNDAY, NOV. 13TH 10:00 a.m. 1662 Prayer Book Service (see p. 2)

FRIDAY, NOV. 18TH Movie Night

SATURDAY, NOV. 19TH Hall Rental

SUNDAY, NOV. 20TH Vestry Meeting 11:15 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23rd Ecumenical Service at the Church of St. Gabriel the Archangel

THURSDAY, NOV. 24TH St. Mark's Thanksgiving Dinner

SUNDAY, NOV. 27th
~12:30 P.M. St. Louis Fashion Doll Club

THE MAGNETIC CHURCH

**GRACE CHURCH, KIRKWOOD
FRIDAY EVENING, NOV. 11 AND
SATURDAY, NOV. 12TH**

Non-confrontational, practical evangelism to help our church attract and retain new members. Presented by Andrew Weeks, a gifted lay evangelist and humorous, inspiring speaker. Are YOU ready to welcome the stranger and invite others to church? Learn more or register online at www.gracekirkwood.org



COFFEE HOUR THIS FALL

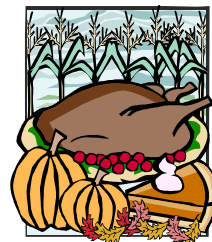
In the parish hall after the 10:00 a.m. service. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the parish hall or you can email the parish office.

SWEET TREATS / HEALTHY SNACKS



If you have leftover Halloween candy, you may donate it to the Godly Play class. Our program runs throughout the year. Donations of baked goods, healthy snacks or candy are appreciated at any time. Please see Celeste. Thank you.

THANKSGIVING



**Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service
Wednesday, November 23rd
Church of St. Gabriel the Archangel - 7 p.m.
'A Time of Thanksgiving and
a Blessing of the Bread '**

Sponsored by St. Louis Hills Church Alliance
A free will offering of canned goods, non-perishable food items, or money is suggested.
Items will be donated to Feed My People.
ALL ARE WELCOME.

**Thanksgiving Day Dinner
Thursday, Nov. 24 at 1:00 p.m.**

Anyone who would like to come is invited to share Thanksgiving Dinner in the Parish House. We will gather at one, ovens will be on to cook or to warm dishes. We will plan to eat at 2 p.m. Those who would like to join us can bring table decorations, side dishes or desserts. **And new this year we are looking for someone to provide and cook the turkey.** There is a sign up sheet in the parish hall. For more information contact Lynn Heritage

NOTES FROM THE OCTOBER 16TH VESTRY MEETING

Member Concerns:

- ~Shop 'n Save cards have been requested.
- Margaret Hvatum made a motion to purchase \$4000.00 worth of cards bringing 5%. The vestry approved.
- ~Peter summarized the stewardship workshop two weeks ago for those not present. Sue went over the off-site restaurants she has contacted and will continue to look for a location. Nov. 13 was set as the date.
- ~Trivia night has been changed to November 11.

Clergy Concerns:

- ~Nov. 18&19-Diocesan Convention.
- ~Nov. 23- Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service sponsored by the St. Louis Hills Alliance at the Church of St. Gabriel the Archangel.
- ~Dec. 8- Advent Program by the St. Louis Hills Alliance at Hope UCC with Peter speaking.

Financial Report: Sue Healey went over her report and noted that presently expenses are balanced by income without a full-time rector. She also told us that at the last stewardship campaign we received 48 signed pledges out of 80 pledging units. The interim rector discussed the P/T -F/T - shared church facilities concepts. Sue Healey also informed the vestry that a new check signers card needs to be completed for Bank of America.

New Business: The committee formation and the stewardship campaign are proceeding.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Macke



HELP ST MARK'S WHILE YOU SHOP

Grocery cards for Shop 'n Save will be available soon for purchase after church. You can also pick up a free "E-Scrip" card for Schnucks.

Also . . . **Coffee order forms** are available in the parish hall to order organically grown and Fair Trade Certified coffee.

For the St. Mark's Calendar, please visit our website www.saintmarks-stl.org and click on the calendar tab.

CARDINAL MEMORABILIA RAFFLE

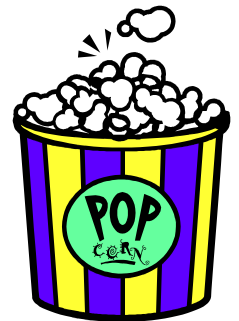
Raffle Tickets for Cardinal Memorabilia – Cost is \$5, Drawing will be 12/18/11 at The St. Mark's Christmas Party
1st Prize is an autographed Lance Berkman Jersey,
2nd Prize is an autographed David Freese ball
3rd Prize is an autographed Stan Musial photo and an autographed Yadier Molina photo.
Please see Tracy Shelton for more information.

FREE MOVIE NIGHTS

Friday, November 18th
at 7:30 p.m.

"Polyanna" with Haley Mills and Jane Wyman and on Friday, December 16th

"Miracle on 34th Street". In the parish hall. Bring snacks, beverages, etc. or purchase soda or popcorn \$.50/each. Invite your friends.



COMING UP IN DECEMBER

SUNDAY DECEMBER 4th – 6:00 p.m. Advent Lessons and Carols at Christ Church Cathedral.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8TH 11:00 a.m. Advent Presentation at Hope UCC by the Rev. Dr. Peter Van Horne

SUNDAY DECEMBER 18th - St. Mark's Christmas Party.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES DEC. 24TH 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE at 10:00 a.m. (no 7:30 a.m. service).

Prior Category "Going Batty" Question: What is the mascot of the University of Wisconsin Sheboygan? ----- Answer: Wombat



An Episcopal Church with a welcome for everyone!

"Nothing's Too Trivial"

8th Annual Trivia Night
Friday November 11th, 2011
(11/11/11)

Gather a group of friends, up to 8 per team
\$160 per table

Basket Raffle
Mulligans
50/50

Price includes beverages and light snacks, outside food permitted

Prizes awarded to the top trivia team

Doors open at 6:00
Questions start at 7:00

For reservations call Rod at 314-832-2226

St Mark's is located at 4714 Clifton Ave
St. Louis, MO 63109

Need directions? www.saintmarks-stl.org

Prior Category "Lucky 13" Question: What element is 13 on the periodic table? Prior Category "Lucky 13" ----- Answer: Aluminium