

MARK TIMES

NEWS and NOTES for March 10, 2024

THE WEEK AHEAD:

- Monday 3/11:** 9:00AM Health & Wellness team – conference room
- Tuesday 3/12:** 5:30PM Food Pantry meeting – conference room
- Weds. 3/13:** 6:00PM Lenten Soup Supper
7:00PM *The Pilgrimage Way of the Cross* - church
- Thursday 3/14:** 1:30PM Evangelism & Social Ministry meeting – conference room
6:15PM Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:15PM Voice Choir Rehearsal

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Brian is on vacation **through Tuesday, March 12**. This morning, we welcome back Pastor **Wayland Middendorf** as our guest preacher and presider.

In case of pastoral emergency, please contact **Fr. Mark Ohlemeier** of St. George's at **785-220-5528**.

St. Mark Office Closed

Randi will be out of the office on Monday and Tuesday, **March 11 & 12**. St. George's office will be open. The office will reopen on Wednesday, March 13.

Adult Forum: *Early Jewish Tombs in Jerusalem*

We continue with our video series on *The Holy Land Revealed*. This morning's video examines the history and archaeology of *Early Jewish Tombs in Jerusalem*.

Noisy/Not-So-Noisy Change Collection TODAY

"Giving up" our loose change is a great way to observe Lent while serving our Franklin School families. As of February 16, students still owe \$3914.79 in past due lunch, snack and book fees. The Noisy/Not-so-Noisy change buckets will circulate today, **Sunday, March 10**.

All donations will go to reduce student past due fees. The school staff will determine which student's accounts will be credited. Not so Noisy offerings may also be mailed to the church office with Noisy Change written on the Memo Line or be made at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YT91/campaign/C-14EWR>.

Ladies Lunch Bunch!

All ladies, come join the new "Lunch Bunch" in the St. Mark Parish Hall **THIS Tuesday, March 12** from **11:30A-1:00P**. Please bring your own lunch and beverage this first time only. This will be an organizational meeting to make plans for monthly gatherings at various local restaurants. If you need transportation, call Peggy A. at 618-791-0992 to find a volunteer chauffeur. The more, the merrier!

Midweek Lenten Soup Suppers

Come enjoy a meal of **soup and salad at 6:00PM** in the **Parish Hall this Wednesday, February 28**, before joining us in the church for evening prayer.

Wednesday Evening Prayer: *The Pilgrimage Way of the Cross*

During Lent we renew our commitment to the radical living out of our baptismal promises. The Pilgrimage Way of the Cross we pray on Wednesday evenings this year recall not only Christ's death and resurrection, but also the challenges we each face in living out the baptized life that binds us intimately to both. Join us **Wednesdays at 7:00PM in the church** for this thought-provoking journey with Christ.

Church Decorating Day

The Altar Guild is holding a **workday** on **Saturday, March 30** at **9:00AM** to prepare the church and chapel for Easter Sunday. Come on down - many hands make work light and quick!

Proclaim Christ's Resurrection with Easter Flowers! Orders are now being taken for Easter flowers. Special envelopes can be found in the pews. Please complete the front portion of the envelope and return it, with a check or cash, to the offering box or to the office **by Monday, March 25**. All dedications will be printed in the bulletin.



St. Mark Offerings for 3/3: General Fund: **\$4745.00** (*incl. online offerings received by 2/23*); Franklin School Noisy Offering: \$242.94