



SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL PRO-CATHEDRAL

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HAPPENINGS

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The Forum

Lyndle Lewis, Senior Warden

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.” Proverbs 3:5. This verse is the theme for our Cursillo weekend coming up in less than a month. You have been seeing information about Cursillo for several weeks. Planning is going forward, the team is in place, and candidate applications are coming in. I made my Cursillo weekend 13 years ago and have been on a weekend team several times since then.

Not quite a retreat and not quite a workshop, Cursillo is in a category of its own which defies explanation. Essentially, it is an encounter with the Holy Spirit, with the goal of equipping Christians for the work of ministry, strengthening each other through prayer and mutual support. “Essentially, it is an encounter with the Holy Spirit”? Yes, I realize that is an extraordinary statement. When we open our hearts and minds and invite God in, God meets each of us where we are in the condition we are in and speaks the words we need to hear.

What we try to do in Cursillo is to create a “holy space”, free of distractions, free of clutter, free of the noise of the world and invite the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. Our job for the weekend is simply to offer love, prayer, and peace to the candidates and each other. The Holy Spirit does the rest. At the end of the weekend, having experienced that holiness, each in our unique way, we re-enter the world but with new energy and a renewed sense of purpose for building God’s Kingdom.

Such an encounter often leaves me bewildered but also changed. Being “a bear of very little brain”, I am content to trust in the Lord and happy to know that I needn’t “lean on my own understanding”. I trust that the Holy Spirit will speak to me in a way that I can understand and lead me at a pace that I can follow. I am by no means a spiritual giant. But by slow and steady work, with the support and encouragement of fellow Christians and the gift of the Holy Spirit, I have made some progress. Cursillo has been an important part of that progress.

If you feel the Holy Spirit moving you to make a Cursillo weekend, please ask Chuck or Sig, Katharina, or myself. One of us will be happy to help you with an application.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 30th – May 6th, 2018

Monday, April 30th

By appointment only with Dean Katie

Tuesday, May 1st

6:30 pm – Soul Talk

Wednesday, May 2nd

10:00 am – Healing Rite with Eucharist

6:00 pm – Youth Group

Thursday, May 3rd

5:15 pm – Buildings & Grounds Meeting

6:00 pm – First “Thursday” Fellowship – Kitty’s

Saturday, May 5th

8:00 am – Bible Study at Blue Moon Coffee

Sunday, May 6th

8:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:45 am – Sunday School & Nursery

10:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:00 am – First Sunday Potluck Dinner

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 3rd

Buildings & Grounds Meeting

May 3rd

First “Thursday” Fellowship – Kitty’s

May 9th

Wednesday 10 am service canceled

May 15th

Outreach Meeting

How to Contact St. Mark’s

Phone: 402-462-4126
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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday thru Friday
9:00 am – 11:00 am and 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

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First Friday Fellowship

Please note that our First Friday Fellowship has been moved to the first Thursday of next month - May 3rd, 6 pm at Kitty's Roadhouse.

Sale of Chairs & Glasses

Following the 10 am service on Sunday, May 6th, wooden folding chairs, children/youth chairs, and extra drinking glasses will be for sale to parish members. These items are being sold because they are not being used, and are being sold in "as is" condition. All sales are final and must be paid for and removed when they are purchased. A sample of the chairs and glasses are on display in the Common Room.

New Contact Info

Rod & Laverna Epp have moved to Grand Island. Their new contact info is: 1920 Sagewood Ave., #117, Grand Island, NE 68803. Phone is 308-672-3570.

Bobbie McCormick has moved to Omaha. Her new contact info is: 17475 Frances St., Apt. 231, Omaha, NE 68130. Her phone is 402-502-7793. This is a different number than what was published last week.

Healing List

Please take a look at the Healing List. Let the office know if your friends and family are doing better and can be removed from the list.

Outreach Collections

April - Outreach will collect items for Open Table. i.e. granola bars, fruit cups, and pudding cups. Also, Outreach is collecting wipes & diapers (sizes 4,5,& 6) for SASA.

Science Days

Hey Moms, Dads, and Kids! Mark your calendars for Science Days here at St. Mark's June 15th & 16th. More information to follow!

Cursillo 2018

Plan to join members of the Episcopal Diocese of Nebraska community at the Nebraska Cursillo #26 to be held from May 31 - June 2, 2018 at the Immaculata Monastery, Norfolk. Christians have been experiencing this rich growth opportunity since Cursillo began in Spain in 1944. The key elements of the Episcopal Cursillo Ministry are relationship, evangelism, and reconciliation in the home, the parish, the community, and the world. Visit the website for more info at www.nebraskaepiscopalcursillo.org.

Camp Canterbury is July 23-27, 2018 at Calvin Crest (near Fremont) and is open to youth entering 4-12th grade. Registration runs May 6 - July 6 Space is limited, so register early! Visit <http://campcanterbury.episcopal-ne.org/> for more information. Camp costs \$250/camper - scholarships available - no child should ever miss camp for financial reasons. Contact Noelle at nptomey@yahoo.com if you would like information about scholarships.

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The Kids' Sunday School Class, led by Isabel Shafer, made some art to be hung in the nursery. We have some aspiring young artists, don't you think?

