

THE EVANGELINE



The Latest News from Clarke Parish

1 LENT

The First Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2019

8 am (GEC) - Holy Eucharist (Rite I)

9 am (SM) - Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

11 am (GEC) - Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Lessons: Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

Lay Readers: 8 am - Sue Nolan / 9 am - Gwen Malone / 11 am - Marilyn Estep

Acolytes: Maggie McFillen, Molly McFillen and Gray Jones

Ushers: **Volunteers Needed for March**

Altar Guild: Bette Brondstater, LaShonda Preston and Cummie York

Coffee Hour: **Volunteer?**

A new sign-up sheet for 2019 is posted in the parish hall's foyer

2 LENT

The Second Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2019

8 am (GEC) - Holy Eucharist (Rite I)

9 am (SM) - Morning Prayer

11 am (GEC) - Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Lessons: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-35

Lay Reader: 8 am Robin York / 9 am - Bob Holmes / 11 am - Jon Campbell

Acolytes: Terrence, Diane & Robyn Preston

Ushers: **Volunteers Needed for March**

Coffee Hour: Linda Porter

FLOWERS

ALTAR FLOWERS (3/10/19) - The altar arrangements at Grace Episcopal Church are given to the glory of God by Cummie York in memory of loved ones.

ALTAR FLOWERS (3/17/19) - The altar arrangements at Grace Episcopal Church are given to the glory of God by Susie Bailey and Barbara Clagett in loving memory of their father, William B. Clagett.

EASTER FLOWERS - ORDER FORM

If you would like to give spring flowers to help decorate the church on Easter Sunday, please complete and return this form to the office with a \$10 check payable to Grace Church by April 14th.

Easter Flowers are given to the glory of God in **memory, honor** or **celebration**
(please circle choice)

OF: _____

BY: _____

For St. Mary's, please contact Dorothy D. @ 304-229-4710

FROM THE RECTOR

Wednesday, March 6th

When you receive this, it will be Ash Wednesday, the beginning of a forty-day journey that we call Lent. The word "Lent" comes from the Middle English word "Lencten", which means Spring. It is a period leading up to Easter, following the same length of time as Jesus fasted in the Wilderness for penance and fasting. Since Lent generally falls during the Spring it gradually became confused with Spring, which some may argue in a little incongruous, given the celebration of new life that Spring conjures up in our minds, compare to the penitential atmosphere of fasting that Lent concurs up.

During Lent traditions has stated that we should give something up, some people more recently have suggested taking something positive on instead, maybe a new volunteer opportunity or similar. Tradition in the Western Church has been to fast on Fridays during Lent, eating fish or vegetarian on those days. You will notice that our worship spaces become more austere, with minimalist floral arrangements and crosses veiled in burlap.

Lent is a time to reflect inward. It is a time to repair our broken relationships with God. As we enter Lent we should do so with a reflective, somber tone so that we can return to the Lord and prepare ourselves to celebrate the great victory of Easter. This Lent I invite you to make worship central to your Lenten discipline, I invite you to start that off with attendance at one of our two Ash Wednesday services of Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes, If you are not in Berryville on Ash Wednesday I encourage you to find a church near your office or place where you will be and attend there. I wish each and everyone of you a holy and blessed Lent.

"Remember thou art dust and to dust thou wilt return."

Blessings, *Justin+*

LAY READER & ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Please click the link below to access the Lay Reader and Acolyte schedule for February or March.

It contains scheduling information for both Grace and St. Mary's.

[March 2019](#)

Please remember to contact the office in case of conflict or unavailability.
The Schedule for April 2019 will be available soon.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Daylight Saving Time (DST) **BEGINS**
THIS SUNDAY, March 10th at 2 am

This shift in time moves one hour of daylight from evening into the morning hours. Please remember to **SPRING FORWARD** and set your clocks ahead 1-hour **BEFORE** going to bed on Saturday night (3/9). This way you'll be sure to get to church on time and, heaven forbid, not arrive when the service is concluding.



CHURCH NEWS

TAIZE SERVICE – starting this Saturday @ 5 pm!

Please join us in the McIntosh Chapel of Grace Church at 5pm on Saturdays during Lent for this contemplative service of Holy Eucharist, using music from the Taize Community in France. Taize is an ecumenical monastic community of men near Cluny in France, founded by Brother Roger at the end of World War 2 as he harbored Jews in un-occupied France. The community welcomes hundreds of thousands of pilgrims under the age of 30 every year. The music is very distinct. Please join us and invite your friends and neighbors. Thanks Justin



Last Chance to attend a Listening Session!

Join us **THIS SATURDAY**, March 9th from 6:30 - 9 pm at the home of Mike and Melissa Casey in Berryville. Contact Justin for more information or directions @ 571-277-1470.

Click the link below to access the sign-up genius

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b4aa9aa2fa13-clarke>



BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM!

St. Mary's Church invites everyone to attend its annual Black History Program **THIS SUNDAY, March 10th beginning at 2 pm** in the church's parish house. This year's featured speaker is Bill Johnston. Stay Tuned -

More details will be shared as we get closer to the program date. The Parish House is located at 15 Barnett Street. Refreshments will be served.

CLARKE PARISH HAS A NEW WEBSITE

Clarke Parish now has a new website!

Check it out at www.clarkeparish.org

In addition we now have a new domain for all our email addresses. All staff can be reached by their first initial and last name @clarkeparish.org, for example jivatts@clarkeparish.org or rmcfillen@clarkeparish.org. Bette Milleson, Karen Keating and Elizabeth Anderson now also have Clarke Parish email addresses too.

LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE

PLEASE JOIN US DURING THE

LENTEN SEASON!



March 6 - ASH WEDNESDAY - Services of Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes with Rev. Justin Ivatts! Noon @ St. Mary's Church / 7 pm @ Grace Church

March 13 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Tom Barnard of Crums United Methodist Church / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

March 13 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Jonathan Bunker of Berryville Baptist Church / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

March 20 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Tom Barnard of Crums United Methodist Church / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

March 27 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Matt Rhodes of Christ Church, Millwood / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

April 3 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Dan Stanley of Berryville Baptist Church / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

April 10 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Larry Santmyer of The Church of New Beginnings / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

April 14 - PALM SUNDAY - The service begins at 10 am @ St. Mary's for the Liturgy of the Palms. Then congregants will process with palms through town and arrive @ Grace Church for a service of Holy Eucharist.

April 17 - NOONDAY OFFICE - Noon @ Grace Church with the Rev. Harry Needing, III of the Boyce, Millwood, White Post UMC / Lenten Lunch to immediately follow

April 18 - MAUNDY THURSDAY - 6 pm @ St. Mary's Church. Communion, Dinner and Veneration at the Altar of Repose with Rev. Ivatts. Please RSVP - seating is limited to 60-70 people. Call Edwina M. @ 955-4617 to reserve your spot.

April 19 - GOOD FRIDAY - Community Worship Service @ Berryville Presbyterian with the Rev. Jonathan Bunker beginning at noon / 7 pm @ Grace Church with Rev. Ivatts.

April 20 - LITURGY OF HOLY SATURDAY - Noon @ St. Mary's

April 20 - EASTER VIGIL - 8 pm @ Grace Church (beginning at the Rectory's firepit

New for 2019 - SATURDAY TAIZE SERVICES - 5 pm @ Grace Church's McIntosh Chapel (3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6 & 4/13) / For more details, see announcement in the Church News section above.



WEEKDAY LENTEN SERVICES & COMMUNITY LUNCHEONS!

are happy to announce that our Lenten program is back on track for 2019! Without proper leadership in place, we were forced to take last year off much to our and the community's disappointment. It's a much beloved tradition that we are happy to resurrect. Beginning on Wednesday, March 13th and continuing through Lent (3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10 and 4/17), there is a weekly noonday service, led by members of the local Ministerial Association in the sanctuary at Grace Church. These are each followed by special luncheons in the Parish Hall.

Volunteers are needed to help the ECW with the weekly lunch program. Sign-up sheets for chefs, servers, set-up and clean-up positions are posted in the Fellowship Hall. Please see where you can lend a hand!

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



SAVE THE DATE 7th Annual Clarke Parish Chili Cook-Off Sunday, March 24, 2019! Do you have what it takes to defeat our past chili champions (Jimmie Harp, English Koontz, Ed Schilling and Tom McFillen)? Are you ready to match your chili cooking skills against them and other entrants? If so, **its time to break out, tweak and perfect your favorite chili recipe and get ready to compete in this year's cook-off!** Cincinnati, 5-Alarm, Vegetarian, White Chicken Chili, Chili Verde - whatever your specialty, bring

in a batch and get ready to compete. You never know until the dollars are counted, who the winner will be - it's anybody's ball game! The Chili Cook-Off is a fundraiser for the Shrine Mont Financial Assistance Fund (SMFAF) and is truly a fun and tasty way to spend the afternoon. Save the date and please join us either as a competitor or judge.



YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL – Saturday April 27th

On Saturday April 27th, The Reverend Justin Ivatts will be leading a youth pilgrimage at the National Cathedral. The theme will be “Liturgy through the five senses”. During the morning we will learn different prayer forms, we will have time to explore the cathedral both as a group and as

individuals, we will take a pilgrim walk and we will attend the noon Eucharist. The pilgrimage will last from 8:30 AM to 12:45 after which we will have lunch at Cactus Cantina opposite the cathedral.

We will be joining forces with the youth groups at St. John's, McLean (Justin's former church) and St. Thomas', McLean (Fran Gardner-Smith's current church) for this event. We are also inviting clergy from those congregations to participate in leadership.

Justin has a strong interest in pilgrimage and has been leading similar pilgrimages at the National Cathedral since 2003. The cost is a free-will donation and lunch money. Please email Robin or Justin with any questions. Chaperones needed!

SAVE THE DATE Shrine Mont Retreat - May 3-5, 2019!

If you've never attended, haven't been on retreat in a while, or are new to Clarke Parish, we hope you will consider joining us for either all or part of our yearly weekend at Shrine Mont - We guarantee a god time! The retreat is always a yearly highlight and a fun-filled weekend for parishioners and friends of Clarke Parish, so please mark your calendars now and save the dates. **A sign-up sheet is posted in the Parish Hall so we can get an early idea of our headcount. Actual registration forms will be posted soon.**



The cost for the weekend is:
Adults \$145 / Active Youth \$35
Guests (13 and over) \$160 / Guests (12 and under) \$55
Saturday ONLY (Lunch & Dinner Included) \$40 / Sunday Service & Chicken Lunch \$20
Scholarship aid and financial support is available - please contact the office.

Your ability to pay should not prevent you from participating on the church retreat - We can always figure something out!

Wondering who's already signed-up? To date the list includes: Rev. Ivatts, Miles Ivatts, Robin & Tom McFillen (hopefully Maggie & Molly too), the Bosworth family, the Prestons family, Charlie Boulton, Jess, Rives & Page Bacon, Kathy & Jon Campbell, Page Jones, Carolyn Gordon, Elise Rove, Adam Wilson, Sarah & Stuart Dunn, Ann Finch, Edie Hanscom, Bill, Charlotte & Ellen Smith, Bette & Johnnie Milleson, Alina & Ashlyn Huff, Jimmie Harp, and the Maiberger family. **COME BE A PART OF THE FUN!**

Shrine Mont is one of the two retreat centers owned and operated by the Diocese of Virginia. It is an hour south on I-81 from here and provides time to get to know your fellow parishioners in a far more relaxed and social way. There will be activities for kids, opportunities to hike, fishing in the lake, sporting tournaments, worship at the Cathedral Shrine of the Transfiguration. Yes, the Diocese of Virginia possesses the cathedral with the highest ceiling of any cathedral in the world – the sky.

There will be an optional adult book study. We will study the new book by The Right Reverend Paul Bayes, who is Bishop of our sister diocese of Liverpool in England. The Book is *The Table: Knowing Jesus: Prayer, Friendship, Justice*. For many years the Church has enjoyed a position of privilege and respect, but Bishop Bayes argues this was a “spiritually dangerous place”. Now the Church is on the margins, it no longer holds the important place in society that it once did, but Bishop Bays says this is a good place to be as it enables us to reach out to people on the margins. We have ordered several copies which will be available for purchase since currently the book is only published in England.



SAVE THE DATE Mass on the Grass & Parish Picnic! When: Sunday, June 16, 2019. Service: 10:15 am / Lunch: noon / Where: The Lions Shelter @ Chet Hobert Park! Help us celebrate Clarke Parish, the approach of summer, and the successful close of another year of Christian Education by attending an outdoor worship service and church picnic on Sunday, June 16th

at the Chet Hobert Park. We will forgo both our 9 and 11 am worship services and instead combine for a special 'Mass on the Grass' outdoor Eucharist services beginning at 10:15 am at the park. Immediately following service, we will light the grills and prepare hamburgers and hot dogs for the picnic. Please bring a side dish to add to the feast, and maybe a lawn chair or picnic blanket too. Head over to the park and join us for an afternoon of faith, fellowship, fun & food! Vo punters will be needed to help with organization, set-up, grilling duties, clean-up etc... Please contact Robin if able to assist.

NOTE: The Lions Shelter is located in the back of the park by the T-Ball / soccer fields / back playground.

Plenty of parking is available / look for signs!

Please excuse any typos, misspellings or grammatical mistakes...

Someone must have called or stopped by the office while we were busy preparing the Ev angeline for distribution!

In our haste to share all this good news with you, we neglected to properly proofread the new sletter...oops!



CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!

Remember to VISIT and LIKE our page on Facebook
(**Grace Episcopal Church**)

It's a great way to keep up-to-date on everything
that's happening around here AND
see photos of what we've been up to too!

Also keep up-to-date
by visiting our Parish Website!
www.clarkeparish.org

Grace Episcopal Church & St. Mary's Memorial Church | Clarke Parish | 540.955.1610
amzgrace@verizon.net | www.clarkeparish.org