



CROSSROADS

Church of the Holy Cross

(A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas)

February 2010

Sunday, February 7, 2010

You are invited to come be a part of our

140th Anniversary Celebration

at Holy Cross

We will have one combined service with
Bishop Stanton as the Celebrant.

Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM

***Brunch will be served in Parish Hall
immediately following the service.***

Come share the memories.

The first church service was

Sunday, February 7, 1870

(Not in the current building)



Mardi Gras on the Avenue
Fr. Terry Germann
Interim Rector



This is the time; this is the season that we would chain up our ladders on the green in the median of Napoleon Avenue in New Orleans, LA. We were neighbors, this was our street and this stretch of the parade route for the Mardi Gras floats was our gathering place. Parades started weeks before Mardi Gras. We had built boxes on the top of the step ladders so that our children could sit up there above the crowds, see the colorful floats and possibly grab some of the gold, blue and green beaded necklaces and doubloons that were tossed. Each year I would tell myself that I was not going to get caught up in the frenzy of yelling, "Throw me something mister!!" But by the time the second float had passed there I was just like the rest of the crowds, reaching, grabbing for beaded necklaces, and calling out to the people on the floats to throw me something. If they tossed a doubloon we learned that you don't reach down to get it unless you wanted to get your hand stepped on, you would first step on it and then pick it up.

And then on Mardi Gras evening, the day before Ash Wednesday (February 17 this year) when the last parade passed, the police cars came alongside the curb with lights flashing, sirens blaring, herding the people back for the noisy and dusty street cleaners that followed them picking up the debris. And then there was silence, Lent began. And those bags of doubloons, trinkets and necklaces were tossed in the closet to collect dust along with the take from the year before. What seemed to be so important as the floats passed we realized had little lasting value. What then did matter?

The interesting thing that I discovered living in New Orleans is that during the Lenten Season people didn't ask "Are you fasting?", but rather, "What is your fast?" It was assumed that you would use this season for spiritual reflection and growth. That is what really mattered.

Maybe we can learn from these celebrations that if there is Mardi Gras to remind us that there is a season to rejoice and celebrate and have a good time and maybe even play the fool then the Lenten Season reminds us there is a season and a time to take seriously our spiritual life and its growth, and aliveness. God gives us a season in which to renew that relationship, restore our sagging faith and quicken spiritual awareness. So in these days before Lent we celebrate the goodness that God has given us and prepare ourselves for a Lenten Season of reflection and spiritual renewal.

Our Lenten Season will include Wednesday evening services beginning February 17, Ash Wednesday. Our Ash Wednesday services at 12:15 pm and 6:00 pm will include the Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes. The following Wednesday evening services will be our service of Healing and Eucharist starting at 5:30 followed with Soup and Discussion. The Discussion Session will end by 7:30. We will have more information on guest speakers later. Sunday Morning messages will focus on the Spiritual Disciplines that help us to grow in faith and faithful living. We will focus on the Spiritual Disciplines of Fasting, Silence and Solitude, Simplicity, Suffering, Meditation and Prayer. Join us in making this Lenten Pilgrimage one of Spiritual Growth and Wellness.



THE YOUTH GROUP DECIDES TO PREPARE THE SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper & Talent Show February 16

Sausage & Pancakes served by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew
beginning at 5:15 PM and continue until 6:00 PM.

Cost—\$5.00 per person—family maximum—\$20.00

The Talent Show will begin about 5:45 PM, and
no later than 6:00 PM

Anyone who wishes to enter the Talent Show, please call
Melissa Wickersham at **903-366-2207**

Bring the family for some really good food, fun and fellowship

All proceeds benefit the EYC and the Episcopal Day School

Usher Assignments

8:00 AM

Feb 14 Jerry Akers & Ed Pitts
Feb 21 Ron Knight & Bill Richards
Feb 28 Marilyn & Robert Thornburrow
Mar 7 Marilyn & Ralph Wardle

9:30 AM

Feb 7 Tommy Haynes & Bill Kirby

10:30 AM

Feb 14 Mike Dougherty & Jack Thomson
Feb 21 Kent Klinkerman & Jim Hardin
Feb 28 Reeves Hayter & Keith Green
Mar 7 Greg Wilson & Richard Hunt

Coffee Hour

8:00 AM

Feb 7 Celebration
Feb 14 Barbra Francis
Feb 21 Bev Harris
Feb 28 Linda & Ron Knight
Mar 7 G.R. Fasken

10:30 AM

Feb 7 Celebration
Feb 14 Anne & Will Biard
Feb 21 Kay & Pike Burkhardt
Feb 28 Mary Clark
Mar 7 Jenny & Greg Wilson

Acolyte Schedule

Feb 7 Ashton & Kendall Vogt & Kierstan Ward & Kerri Graves
Feb 14 Shelby & Garrett Wilson & Sidney Frierson
Feb 21 Alyssa & Lydia Klinkerman & Ryan & Beth Ann Dougherty
Feb 28 William Domengeaux, Edan & Eliza Wickersham
Mar 7 Nate & Emily Johnston & Katie Welch

Attention all teams

If you cannot serve when you are scheduled—please call your own replacement. Thanks

Altar Guild Schedule

Feb 7 Margaret Skidmore, Beth Seay, Shelley McDowell & Thelma Chilless
Feb 14 Jessie Reese, Anne McMillan, Tammy Klinkerman & Lucy Stokes
Feb 17 Ash Wednesday—12:15
G.R. Fasken, Kay Burkhardt & Viki Thomson
Ash Wednesday—6:00
Anne McMillan & Nancy West
Feb 21 Margaret Skidmore, Beth Seay, Shelley McDowell & Thelma Chilless
Feb 28 Jessie Reese, Anne McMillan, Tammy Klinkerman & Lucy Stokes
Mar 7 G.R. Fasken, Kay Burkhardt & Viki Thomson



Food Offering Sunday is *February 28th*

The basket is in the church. (every Sunday) Please shop for a few extra items when you shop for yourself—then bring the food for our Food Offering.

On the last Tuesday of each month, Mr. Norton delivers the food from the basket to Christians in Action.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Members:

Myrthe Dirks
Dennis Lee
Carroll Adams
Jo Miesch
Carlos Baeza
Bill Reese
Jack Norman
Jo Norton

Relatives:

Joel Gibbons
Archie Sparks
Honey Kennedy
Blackstone Family
Ann McFarlane
Seth Nordmeyer
Murray Robinson
John Camm
Mildred Camm
Juanita Reyna
Patsy Ford
Bob Kisler
Willis Monroe
Nancy Reeder
Mildred Walker

Jeff Walker

Friends:

Gary Patterson
Hurshal Stinson
MiKyla Pickering
June Preston
Ben Stucky
Richard Caldwell
Fr. Bill Dalton
Dorcas Scarbrough
The McNown family
Homer Sawyer
Rebecca Johnson
Yvette Burnett
Frances Peck

Military

Lucas Arnold
Chip Brewton
Daniel Dierks
Marshall Dougherty, Jr.
Jason Dryden
Bill Dwigins
David Flick
Preston Foster
Samantha Hamrick
Gary Hogan
Brian Long
Nathaniel McClain
Justin Norton
Daniel Page
David Peck
Monique Reese*
James Rutherford

**Pray for all
those who serve
in uniform to
protect us both
at home and
abroad.**

Birthdays February



Kristen Lewis –10th
Bill Kirby –12th
Mary Gail Miesch – 17th
Chivas Clem –18th
The Rev. Betty Clement –18th
Curtis Fendley – 21st
Jack Thomson –21st
Amelia Frierson–22nd
Sadie Cunningham–23rd
Will Biard–28th
Kelly Wickersham–29th

Anniversary February



Monica & Carlos Baeza—15th



Lay Reader Service Assignments

See Church website (www.holycrossparis.com) for readings

Sunday, February 7, 2010

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Reader & Chalice Bearer: Jim Bell

10:30 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 2) Readers: Steve Graves (Psalm & Prayers) Pike Burkhart (Lessons)
Chalice Bearers: Steve Graves Pike Burkhart

Sunday, February 14, 2010

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Reader & Chalice Bearer: Mark Hudson

10:30 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 2) Readers: Mike Dougherty (Psalm & Prayers) Curtis Fendley (Lessons)
Chalice Bearers: Mike Dougherty Curtis Fendley

Wednesday, February 17, 2010

Ash Wednesday

12:15 p.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Reader & Chalice Bearer: Ron Knight

6:00 p.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Readers: Toni Clem (Psalm & Prayers) Mary Clark (Lessons)
Chalice Bearers: Toni Clem Mary Clark

Sunday, February 21, 2010

First Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Reader & Chalice Bearer: Jim Bell

10:30 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Readers: Marilyn Stephenson (Psalm & Prayers) Steve Graves (Lessons)
Chalice Bearers: Marilyn Stephenson Steve Graves

Sunday, February 28, 2010

Second Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Reader & Chalice Bearer: Mark Hudson

10:30 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Readers: Pike Burkhart (Lessons) Laura Hutchings (Psalm & Prayers)
Chalice Bearers: Pike Burkhart Mary Clark

Sunday, March 7, 2010

Third Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Reader & Chalice Bearer: Ron Knight

10:30 a.m. Eucharist (Rite 1) Readers: David Denney (Lessons) Mike Dougherty (Psalm & Prayers)
Chalice Bearers: David Denney Mike Dougherty
