



The Messenger

“Our purpose is to be a faithful and inviting community focused on the worship of God, growing in our relationship with Jesus Christ, and sharing His life in all that we do.”

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Sunday Service Schedule

8:00am

Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00am

Christian Education

10:00am

*Holy Eucharist, Rite I
with Music*

Nursery Available

5:00 p.m.

Youth Group

Were You There When...

Were you there on Ash Wednesday when ashes were placed on foreheads of people at the altar rail as a choir member chanted Psalm 51? Did you hear the Gospel of Matthew 6:1-6 where the message was during Lent ‘don’t be a clanging gong, bringing attention to yourself, but reflect in quiet what these 40 days will bring.’

Were you there on Maundy Thursday when we observed how Jesus was a servant to the disciples? The congregation was invited by Father Townsend and Deacon Cindy to come forward so they could perform the same act as Jesus did by washing each person’s feet. We heard and saw love and compassion for one another. The altar was stripped in preparation for Good Friday.

Were you there at noon on Good Friday when we “walked the Stations of the Cross”? We heard Jesus was condemned to death. We walked the Stations with Jesus in our hearts and on our minds as Father Townsend read the how and why at each Station.

Were you there at 6:00 p.m. Good Friday when we heard the Passion Gospel about Jesus’ last days? Our choir chanted Psalm 22:1-11. Prior to the reading of the Passion Gospel, they sang “Were You There When They Crucified My Lord”. The cross was carried into the church and hung back up behind the altar as our choir sang “When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”. Father Townsend’s sermon told us without Good Friday there can be no Easter Sunday. After this service a Vigil was kept as people came every hour during the night to “keep watch”. Deacon Cindy kept watch (and tended the door) all night until 7:00 a.m. Saturday.

Were you there on Easter Sunday when Father Townsend said “Alleluia Christ is risen” and we responded, “The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!” We renewed our Baptismal Vows at the 8:00 a.m. service and the 10:00 a.m. group got to participate in a Baptism. What a glorious day!

I love Holy Week and the renewal it brings each year. If you missed all or part of Holy Week check these dates for next year. Ash Wednesday Feb 17, Maundy Thursday April 1, Good Friday April 2, and Easter Sunday April 4.

So when someone says to you on April 5, 2010, Were You There When, you can give thanks to God and say YES!! May you come to know the joy that the Easter season brings and bask in the warmth of Jesus’ love for you.

Your brother in Christ,
Dave Foster



Academy of St. Margaret
**Wednesday Night classes have resumed and
 will continue up through Wed. May 20th.
 Fellowship and Bible Study for All Ages!**
 Dinner served at 5:30 p.m. / Bible Study at 6:00 p.m.

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Doris Weber

Tracey Hutchinson

New Bible Study Program

A new bible study program has been added to Wednesday nights. The group, led by Dee Hamilton, is open to both men and women and will feature a method of prayerful and contemplative Bible Study called the "African Method." The scriptures to be studied will come from the Sunday lectionary texts. The group will also pray for the concerns of its members and the congregation. If you are not part of a study, this is a wonderful way to get started.

Continuing Bible Study Programs

Men's Disciple Bible Study - Women's Beth Moore Study

Children's Movies for Kids

Childcare is available for children under 5 years old.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

There is adult Bible Study **every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.** We are studying the letters of the Apostle Paul and we are currently spending time in 2 Corinthians. The forum is open discussion. Please join us. Childcare is available.

Children's Chapel

Calling all children 5 years old to 4th grade! Join us in Children's Classroom #1 at 10:00 a.m. for Chapel. This is a hands-on bible lesson with activities to help you learn God's word in a fun and engaging way.

YOUTH GROUP

Attention All Youth! Our youth group meets every **Sunday at 5:00 p.m.**

Join us at that time for dinner and Bible study.

Stewardship Minute...

"Remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth." Deuteronomy 8:18

Lord Hear Our Prayers...



The Family of John+, Loretta, Louie, Marguerite, Howard Bushey Jr., Henry, Oscar Sr., Andre' Jr., Art, Matthew, Chad, Liz, Tony, Ty D., Andy, Madison, Jazzlyn, A.J., Kady, Cheryl, Mike & Valerie, Mac, Bill, Nabors, Harrison, Loretta, Harrison, Katie, Ken



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 4th Sunday of Easter	4 Men's Group @ 6:30 p.m.	5 AA Meets @ 6:30 p.m.	6 5:30 p.m. Din- ner 6:00 p.m.. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Choir	7	8	9
10 5th Sunday of Easter Mother's Day	11	12 AA Meets @ 6:30 p.m.	13 5:30 p.m. Din- ner 6:00 p.m.. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Choir	14	15	16 Hopekeepers Meets @ 10:00 a.m.
17 6th Sunday of Easter Baccalaureate— Reception after Service.	18 Vestry Meets @ 6:00 p.m.	19 AA Meets @ 6:30 p.m.	20 5:30 p.m. Din- ner 6:00 p.m.. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Choir	21	22	23
24 7th Sunday of Easter Feast of the Ascension	25 Office Closed! (Memorial Day)	26 AA Meets @ 6:30 p.m.	27	28	29	30
31 Pentecost  (Baptism)						

St. Margaret's Service Schedule May 2009

	May 3	May 10 <i>(Mother's Day)</i>	May 17 <i>(Baccalaureate)</i>	May 24	May 31
LEM	8:00 Dave Foster 10:00 Bill Leblanc	8:00 Peter Barrios 10:00 Jay Weber	8:00 David Cassidy 10:00 D. Westphal	8:00 Dave Foster 10:00 Fee Hamilton	8:00 Peter Barrios 10:00 D. Westphal
LECTORS	8:00 Wayne Barnett 10:00 M. Montalbano	8:00 Herb Dyer 10:00 S. Newton	8:00 David Cassidy 10:00 Bob Obier	8:00 Dave Foster 10:00 Jay Weber	8:00 Peter Barrios 10:00 Ruth Leblanc
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	8:00 Wayne Barnett 10:00 M. Montalbano	8:00 Herb Dyer 10:00 S. Newton	8:00 David Cassidy 10:00 Bob Obier	8:00 Dave Foster 10:00 Jay Weber	8:00 Peter Barrios 10:00 Ruth Leblanc
ACOLYTES	Gracie Newton Demi Newton	Will Johnson	Jordan Weber	Olivia Bridges	Gracie Newton Demi Newton
USHERS	8:00 Kathy Foster 10:00 Ashley & Sherri Bridges	8:00 Wayne & Fay Barnett 10:00 H. Hamilton	8:00 Kathy Foster 10:00 Ashley & Sherri Bridges	8:00 Wayne & Fay Barnett 10:00 H. Hamilton	8:00 Kathy Foster 10:00 Ashley & Sherri Bridges
HOSTS	8:00 Kathy Foster 10:00 Suzanne Newton	8:00 TBD 10:00 Sherry Bridges	8:00 TBD 10:00 Jane Matt	8:00 TBD 10:00 Kathy Curtis	8:00 TBD 10:00 Suzie Coffee
ALTAR GUILD	Denise Westphal Hayley Westphal Marie Montalbano	Ruth Leblanc Grace Brown Susan Henderson	Marguerite Gaines Irma Jackson Patty O'Malley	Kathy Foster Doris Weber Ryan Weber Fay Barnett	Denise Westphal Hayley Westphal Marie Montalbano
LAWN TEAM	K. Krogstad		B. Leblanc		K. Dyer
CLEAN-UP		Hewitt Smith		Weber	
FLOWERS	OPEN	Bandioli	H. Wilson	Leblanc	H. Wilson

If you can not serve at your scheduled time, please arrange for a replacement and notify Shelia Gilds in the Church office.
E-mail: secretary@saintmargarets.com or telephone (225) 766-8314 Ext #203. Thank you!

News Updates...

The Church Office Closed Monday May 18th
In observance of Memorial Day. If you have an emergency, please contact the priest on call at (225) 588-1530.

Baccalaureate

On Sunday May 17, we will celebrate with all of our high school seniors who will be graduating in May or early June at the 10:00 a.m. service. If you or any of your children are graduating this year. A reception will take place in the parish hall after service.

Calling All Laypersons

The Diocese of Louisiana is in the process of writing a profile for the election of the new Bishop, and they are looking for your input. Visit <http://www.edola.org> and click on the "Bishop's Election" link on the right side of the page for a survey so that you can participate as well.

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to thy never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that thou art doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Birthday Blessings To...



5/1 Jacqueline Curtis

5/7 Katherine Stark, Benjamin Waddill

5/13 Bill LeBlanc

5/18 Doris Truman, Doris Weber, Charles Burrell

5/29 Fr. Townsend Waddill

5/31 Brian Truman

Coming this fall...

Men's Fraternity

In this day and age, true authentic Biblical manhood is under assault from our culture. It has become politically correct and expedient for our culture to teach that men and women are the same, when in fact, men and women are not the same. We are created differently, each with our own sets of gifts, which complement each other. Movements within our culture have found their way into much of the media that we watch, and this has caused men—often without realizing it—to become somewhat confused about what real manhood is. And as a result, it also causes problems within the entire family structure.

Men's Fraternity is a curriculum written by Robert Lewis, an evangelical teaching pastor in Little Rock, Arkansas and a football player for the Arkansas Razorbacks. The purpose of *Men's Fraternity* is to provide a place where men of all ages can come together in fellowship and study. Men study a Biblical definition of what manhood should be by contrasting Adam, from the book of Genesis, to Jesus Christ (as the new Adam).

We would love for you to join us this fall. Please call Fr. Townsend Waddill in the church office for more information.

**Men's Fraternity: "Rejecting passivity—Accepting responsibility
Leading courageously—Expecting the Greater Reward, God's reward."**

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