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## Bulletin Board

April 15, 2021

A Big Thank You!!! to John Carmichael for his hardwork and expertise in lighting the cross in the Memorial Garden.

It looks Awesome!





The fours are getting ready for Peter's Free Wheelin' Virtual 5K! Are you ready to run for the preschool?



## Peter's Race!!!

Peter's Free Wheelin' 5K will be a virtual race during the month of April. Register at Your registration link!

[https://endurancecui.active.com/new/events/74792933/select-race?e4p=c9794049-979f-4ed1-8910-11959d90b60e&e4ts=1618233787&e4q=ec2598c2-bf9d-4679-8771-7c40220faf56&e4c=active&e4e=snawe00000000&e4h=1bafca849c460faa12c057fb850d70cf&e4rt=Safetynet&\\_p=34167521089360076](https://endurancecui.active.com/new/events/74792933/select-race?e4p=c9794049-979f-4ed1-8910-11959d90b60e&e4ts=1618233787&e4q=ec2598c2-bf9d-4679-8771-7c40220faf56&e4c=active&e4e=snawe00000000&e4h=1bafca849c460faa12c057fb850d70cf&e4rt=Safetynet&_p=34167521089360076)

Race participants may pick up their t-shirts on Friday, April 23rd from 4:30 until 6:00 pm or Saturday, April 24th from 9:00 until 10:30 am.

For more information email Laura at [director@stmarksdalton.org](mailto:director@stmarksdalton.org)

# IN OTHER NEWS

As the Diocese begins to allow increased access back into our churches, we need to also ensure compliance with Safeguarding requirements. One requirement is controlling who is able to enter St. Mark's facilities. Therefore, we are once again checking on keys to the church! If you have come off of a guild, other church committee or for some other reason no longer need (not just "nice to have") a church key, please turn it in to either Kim Littell or Curry in the office. If you need your key to be picked up, let us know and we'll come get it. In a few weeks after tabulating the results, I will call to confirm key numbers in your possession if you've not already done so. We greatly appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter to help ensure your safety and that of St. Mark's facilities.

Thanks!  
Kim Littell

## Nature Note by Marilyn Lance

### Wisteria

Most of us are familiar with the group of plants called legumes. These are the plants that can fix nitrogen by using special bacteria on the roots to convert nitrogen gas in the air around the roots to nitrogen compounds that plants can absorb. We grow a lot of legumes in our gardens and yards, plants like peas, beans, peanuts and clover. But this family also includes trees and woody vines. Two trees that are common in our area are Redbud and Black Locust. Now we can see clusters of purple flowers hanging from trees. This is Chinese Wisteria, a vine which sometimes takes over a whole tree. When I was building the nature trail at St. Mark's I found some huge wisteria vines, some of them 2" in diameter and growing to the top of 40' trees. Most of the wisteria I've seen in this area has purple flowers, but white flowers are also possible. We chose the white variety for an arbor at our house because it is supposedly less aggressive. The flowers are very fragrant and look like pea flowers. Chinese Wisteria was introduced into America in 1814 as an ornamental plant. It is beautiful and fragrant BUT it can destroy brick walls and siding on a house. Many gardeners advise against planting wisteria unless you are committed to keeping it under control with pruning. Also most parts of the plant are poisonous to humans and many animals. Chinese Wisteria is considered a serious invasive plant in Georgia because it can choke out native trees. Japanese Wisteria has also been planted in the South. Chinese and Japanese wisteria are similar but the vines of the Chinese variety spiral clockwise while the Japanese variety spirals counterclockwise.



## ALTAR GUILD NEWS

We are planning a training for Saturday April 24 at 9:00 with Fr. Rick. We will be going over his preferences for set up and the changes we have had to make to comply with the restrictions for Covid. We hope all current members can attend. If you have ever wondered about all the lovely hangings, linens, brass, and silver and would like to join us, we would welcome all new members. Please let us know if you can come. We will serve light refreshments.

Anne Blaylock and Martha Minor



**Humane Society**  
OF NORTHWEST GEORGIA

The Humane Society of NW GA, located in Dalton, is looking for volunteers and hope you can help. We adopt out 700-800 cats and dogs each year. Many of them before coming to us have struggled just to stay alive. Taking care of the 75-85 cats and dogs that we have at any given time requires 60 volunteer hours each day! We hope that you can tell your church members that we would love to have them join our volunteer team! We have three 3 hr. daily shifts to care for dogs and three 1 hr. daily shifts to care for cats. To volunteer, they can go to [hsnwga.org](http://hsnwga.org) and fill out a volunteer application. Thanks for your help-our cats and dogs thank you too!

## **Saint of the Week** by Marilyn Lance

Hudson Stark, Priest and Environmentalist



This week on April 22 we honor an Alaskan pioneer from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Hudson Stark was born in 1863 in London, England. After graduating from King's College, London Hudson immigrated to Texas in 1885. In search of adventure he worked as a cowboy and taught in one-room schools. Four years later, he enrolled at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee to study theology. He was ordained an episcopal priest in 1892. Hudson returned to Texas, served a small church for 2 years and then became dean of St. Matthews Cathedral in Dallas. He was outspoken about social reform. He founded a night school for mill workers, a home for indigent women and a children's home. He was instrumental in getting a law against child labor passed in 1903. He regularly preached and wrote against lynching. In 1904 Hudson moved to Alaska to serve with a missionary bishop. His title was

Archdeacon of the Yukon and Arctic and his territory was 250,000 square miles, over which he traveled by dogsled, snowshoe, and boat. He and another missionary established missions, churches, schools, and hospitals. He traveled thousands of miles every year. He was the leader of the first party to reach the summit of Denali in June 1913. Hudson continued to minister to the miners and Native Alaskans. He assisted native youth in furthering their education. Several of the mission churches Hudson helped establish have been listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Hudson wrote several books about his life and work in Alaska. Hudson Stark died of pneumonia on October 10, 1920 at Fort Yukon, on the Arctic Circle. By his request, he was buried in the native cemetery.

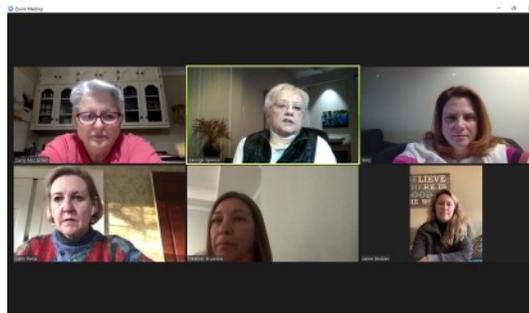
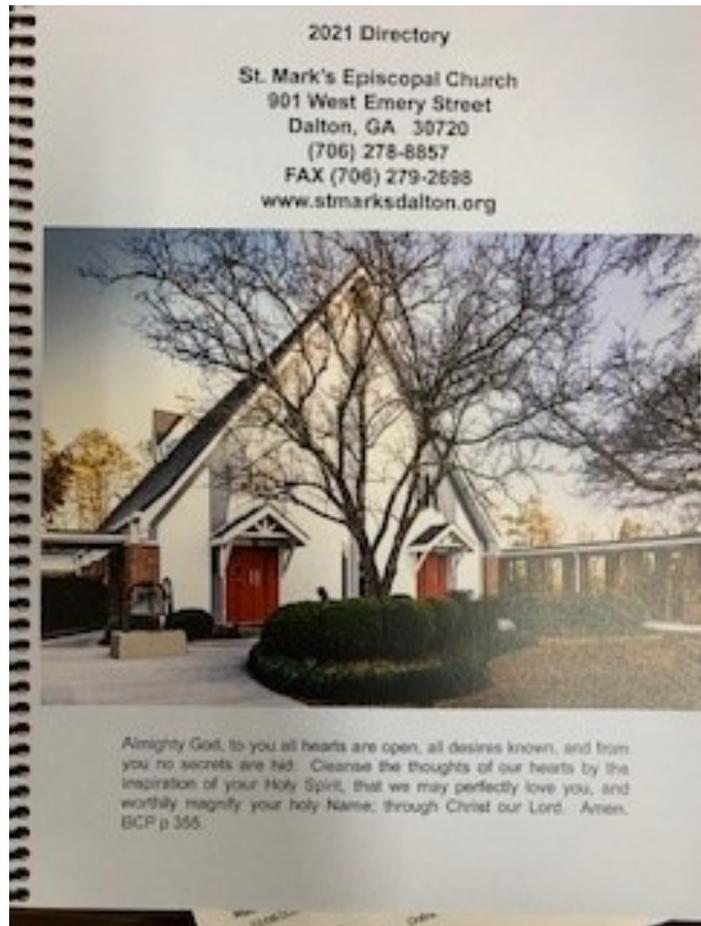
Copies of the 2021 St. Marks Directory will be available after the 8:00 and 10:30 services this Sunday. Please see Jan Littell for your copy. Reminder: we are accepting donations to help offset the cost of these books.

See you Sunday! - Jan

I would like to acknowledge the folks who made the new directory possible - These photos were copied during one of many Zoom calls.

This was a great team that got the job done. My humble thanks for all you did to make it happen. -

Jan Littell, Jr. Warden



Myself (Jan), Rhenda Spence, Amy Belk, Kathi Reisz, Heather Brumlow, Jaime Beckler, George Spence and Deb Hull. Special shout-out to Kim Littell for moving the boxes from here to there and back again.

# Office Protocols

Now that office hours are reestablished The office will be taking phone calls from 8am - 1pm, Monday - Thursday then closed Friday. PLEASE NOTE: Social distancing and masks are still required so if you need to come in please call first. In person meetings are by appointment only. Thank you in advance, for your patience.

We celebrate the lives that make up the community of St. Mark's Church.

## Happy Birthday

April 19-25

MARY SQUIRES   THIERRY URBAIN   ADI WICKES  
SYDNEY WAGNER   SUSAN JACONETTI   LAUREN SNEARY

## Anniversaries

BILL AND GINA BARRON

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 04/11/2021 (INCLUDING ON LINE GIVING):

|                        |    |           |
|------------------------|----|-----------|
| Weekly Giving          | \$ | 4,959.47  |
| Total Giving for April | \$ | 20,692.74 |
| MTD Budgeted for April | \$ | 11,730.00 |
| Difference for April   | \$ | 8,962.74  |
| YTD Budgeted           | \$ | 87,975.00 |
| YTD Giving             | \$ | 92,594.74 |
| YTD Difference         | \$ | 4,619.74  |

Thank you for your generosity and support for the work of God here at St. Mark's!

## CHURCH STAFF

**Priest**  
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# Intercessory Prayer List –April 2021

***People on this list have been moved here after being on the Service Bulletin list for four weeks.***

(Parishioners indicated by \*)

|                      |                         |                    |
|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
|                      | Margie Bruner           | Randy Perry        |
| *Geneva Albertson    | Mary Bucy               | Steve Plott        |
| *Joan Anderson       | Sammie Burchfield       | Diana Poarch       |
| *William Brammer     | Susan Butler            | Beth Powell        |
| *Jon Burchfield      | Marita Cantrell         | Michelle Pritchett |
| *Tracey Burke        | Judith Catalano         | Shirley Puckett    |
| *Patti and Gary Cole | Carole Cook             | Bob Rodric         |
| *Cathie Cope         | Mindy Cox               | Mary Schaugh       |
| *Lisa Dinverno       | Doug Enck               | Edwina Schwegmann  |
| *Carolyn Hawkins     | Janelle Ferguson        | John Sewell        |
| *Brenda Hoffmeyer    | Tiffany Fritz           | Nancy Spalding     |
| *Jacob Jones         | Phil Gailey             | Laura Stephens     |
| *Steve Jordan Family | Mary Haughie            | Sylene Taylor      |
| *Sue Killcreas       | Janet Hayes             | Bailey Underwood   |
| *Sandy & Rick Martin | Tasha Hemphill          | Christine Williams |
| *Bee Maybank         | Hyde Family             | Melanie Wilson     |
| *Kim Miller          | Dr. Doris Jeanette      |                    |
| *Teresa Noble        | Katherine Kelehear      |                    |
| *Alice Oosterhoudt   | Beverly Kellett         |                    |
| *Ethel Rutledge      | Aaron Kitchings         |                    |
| *John Schwenn        | James Lambert           |                    |
| *Bernadette Smith    | Beverly Leeds           |                    |
| *Mary Squires        | Becky Lewis             |                    |
| *Carol Taylor        | Pam Lewis               |                    |
| *Virginia Weaver     | Hannah Locke and family |                    |
| *Celia Williams      | Jim Lord                |                    |
| Melvin Adams         | Reese Lukei             |                    |
| Kelly Allgood        | Ann Lumpkin             |                    |
| Thad Arms            | Minnie Marsh            |                    |
| Bobby Ray Armstrong  | Bridget McClure         |                    |
| Lynn Bailey          | Maryanne McDaniel       |                    |
| Charlie Banks        | Michelle                |                    |
| Maxine Broeker       | Esme Miller             |                    |
| Shirley Brown        | Teresa Mitchell         |                    |
|                      | Vicky Morris            |                    |
|                      | Charlie Neal            |                    |
|                      | Rebekah Nichols         |                    |
|                      | Jeremy Norton           |                    |
|                      | Michelle Onorato        |                    |
|                      | Martha Painter          |                    |
|                      | Mary Elizabeth Paris    |                    |