



# The Gryphon's Roar



June, 2009



St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
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**"We at St. Mark's are on a journey seeking God in you,  
ourselves, and all creation"**



### Weekly Schedule

Sundays	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	9:15 AM	Sunday school
	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	9:00 AM	Breakfast – Sept. – May
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
Fridays	8:00 PM	AA Meeting
Saturdays	8:00 AM	Centering Prayer



The Rt. Rev. John Bauerschmidt	Bishop of Tennessee
The Reverend Battle Beasley	Rector
Frank Brannon, M. Div.	Pastoral Care Coordinator
George Kurz	Senior Warden
Gilbert Russ	Junior Warden
Charles Cross & Les Worsley	Treasurers
Leigh Pittenger	Clerk of the Vestry

Next month deadline for submissions is Sunday, June 21, 2009  
**Gryphon submissions to: [submitgryphon@aol.com](mailto:submitgryphon@aol.com)**

### **St. Mark's Vestry:**

Greg Noren, Cindy Fahnestock, Kate Granger	(2011)
Jim Hall, Suzanne Lindsey, Judy Robnett	(2010)
Suzie Abrahamson, George Kurz, Gilbert Russ	(2009)



**Father Battle's sermons are now available on the St. Mark's web site.**

Dear People of God,

The month of June holds some momentous times for St. Mark's. Members of St. Mark's will be making a pilgrimage to Ecuador to participate in a medical mission and to visit with our sisters and brothers from Santiago Apostole. Returning with them escorted by Caprice Campbell will be The Rev. Mariana Loor, priest of Santiago Apostole. We will be hosting a dinner for her Friday night June 12<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Mariana will be visiting several other Churches over the weekend and will celebrate the Eucharist with us Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30. The following Saturday we will be hosting a concert to raise funds for our companion church and to help buy an ambulance for their town. All in all a very busy time. Add to that our garden under the direction of Clay Cardwell, and there will be many opportunities for fellowship and ministry in the month of June. How appropriate that we will have entered the season of Pentecost, or "ordinary" time as the Church calls it. It should be part of our ordinary Christian lives to be involved in ministry of caring for our brothers and sisters here and across the world. It is most definitely part of our being the "Body of Christ" to be joining in times of fellowship, celebrating our gifts with each other. So get ready to join in the fun of ministry and invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

Peace,  
Battle +

**Contact us:**

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The Gryphon is the newsletter of St. Mark's Episcopal Church and as such welcomes articles and suggestions from ALL parishioners. This is your venue for expressing thoughts you would like to share, important events in your families' lives, suggestions you might have to make our parish life better. Please do not hesitate to use it.

Lorna

## Dates to remember

- June 12<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 p.m. – Dinner at St. Mark's honoring The Reverend Mariana Loor of Santiago Apostole, La Pila, Ecuador
- June 14<sup>th</sup> – The Reverend Mariana will be at St. Mark's at the 10:30 service
- June 14<sup>th</sup> – after the 10:30 service, a reception honoring Ann and Norman Baker on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.
- June 17<sup>th</sup> – Vestry Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- June 20<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. St. Mark's is hosting a concert by Carol Ponder and Friends. Suggested donations - Adults \$10, Children \$5. Proceeds will be given to two of our Ecuador projects:
  - 1) Help to purchase Bible Study supplies for our Companion Church, Santiago Apostole
  - 2) Help to purchase an ambulance for the Montecristi Fire Department
- June 27<sup>th</sup> – Work Day
- July 11<sup>th</sup> – Program on healthy eating by Laura Button

### Vestry person responsible for Sunday lock up:

- 6/7/09 - C. Cross
- 6/14/09 - G. Russ
- 6/21/09 - S. Lindsey
- 6/28/09 - G. Noren



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#### About Carol:

Appalachian native and award winning folk singer Carol Ponder brings her repertoire of traditional and contemporary folk music and stories alive on the stage. Sometimes accompanied by guitar, autoharp and spoons, Carol performs material that ranges from the first songs brought over from the British Isles to new songs written in the old styles, as well as stories from the Southern Mountains and her own family.

Carol has released three CDs to critical acclaim: Pretty Bird: A Cappella Ballads in the Southern Mountain Tradition; Little Journeys: A cappella Ballads & Folk Songs; and her latest CD, Going Across the Mountain: Songs of War and Separation, a duet album with renowned fingerstyle guitarist John Knowles.

For more information about Carol, visit [HYPERLINK "http://www.carolponder.com" www.carolponder.com](http://www.carolponder.com)



## Peace Expo

When: June 14 11am – 7pm

Where: Bandshell at Centennial Park, 2598 West End Avenue

With David Rovicks & Peace Mom Cindy Sheehan & More Heroes!

Music, Dance, Poetry & Fun!

Workshops, Arts, Crafts, & Food from around the world! Plus Children's Fun Projects

Sponsored by: Nashville Peace Coalition, Nashville Peace & Justice Center, Code Pink, One Human Race, Vanderbilt Students for a Free Tibet, Tennessee Alliance for Progress, Peace Roots Alliance, Farms Not Arms, Progreso Community Center, More Than Warmth, and many more...

Contact: Chris Lugo 615-593-0304 or Eliz Barger 931-964-2119



# Time to Celebrate



## June Birthdays

Alec Jacobs	1
Max Torlay	7
David Winters	9
Jim Hall	20
Rachel Robnett	20
Suzie Abrahamson	24

## June Anniversaries

Bob & Linda ClenDening	8, 1996
Ann & Norman Baker	19, 1949
Rebecca & Phillip Simpson	22, 2002
Dean & Becky Meyer	25, 1977
Pam Carr-Brannon & Frank Brannon	27, 1992
Thom & Holly Granger	28, 1986

## Graduation

Congratulations to Rachel Robnett who graduated from Smyrna High School with honors on May 14th. Rachel will be attending Middle Tennessee State University in the fall.

## Marriage Announcement

Congratulations and best wishes to Alice Ashmead and Henry Perez who were joined in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. We wish the happy couple many years of wedded bliss.

### *YOU ARE INVITED*

*Norm and Ann Baker  
request the honour of your presence  
at the celebration of their anniversary of  
60 years*

*In Reynolds Hall on Sunday June 14, 2009  
immediately after the 10:30 Service*

*Please – no gifts, just you!*

*Donations to the Rector's Discretionary Fund would be appreciated*

## **WORK DAY – JUNE 27**

There will be a work day on Saturday, June 27 from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

The project will include the following:

- Complete the fence in back of the property
- Prep the vegetable garden
- Prep the soil in two areas in the parking lot for plants
- Paint the sign at the side of the church and the swing set
- Add dirt at the edges of the newly paved areas

Bring your shovels, rakes, and hoes. Come for one hour, two hours, or the whole day – BUT COME!!!



### **Daughters of the King**

The Daughters of the King would like you to remember through your prayers their members who are ill.

Marcia Williams, Ann Baker, Betty McKee, Rose Pinkard

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

Amen BCP p 831



We would also like to thank the men of St. Mark's for preparing and serving the delicious Mother's Day Breakfast. It was superb.

We would also like to thank those who painted the picnic tables on the patio.

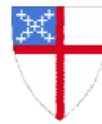
*The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, Bishop of Tennessee  
and Christ Church Cathedral Nashville  
announce a visit from the  
Presiding Bishop  
The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori*

Friday, June 26, 2009

Holy Eucharist  
5:30 ~ 6:45 p.m.

followed by a reception  
7:00 ~ 8:00 p.m.

Christ Church Cathedral  
900 Broadway  
Nashville Tennessee



This event is open to the public

Jesus and Satan were having an on-going argument about who was better on the computer. They had been going at it for days, and frankly God was tired of hearing all the bickering.

Finally fed up, God said, 'THAT'S IT! I have had enough. I am going to set up a test that will run for two hours, and from those results, I will judge who does the better job.'

So Satan and Jesus sat down at the keyboards and typed away. They moused. They faxed. They e-mailed. They e-mailed with attachments. They downloaded. They did spreadsheets! They wrote reports. They created labels and cards. They created charts and graphs. They did some genealogy reports. They did every job known to man. Jesus worked with heavenly efficiency and Satan was faster than hell.

Then, ten minutes before their time was up, lightning suddenly flashed across the sky, thunder rolled, rain poured, and, of course, the power went off.

Satan stared at his blank screen and screamed every curse word known in the underworld. Jesus just sighed. Finally the electricity came back on, and each of them restarted their computers. Satan started searching frantically, screaming: 'It's gone! It's all GONE! I lost everything when the power went out!' Meanwhile, Jesus quietly started printing out all of his files from the past two hours of work. Satan observed this and became irate. 'Wait!' he screamed. 'That's not fair! He cheated! How come he has all his work and I don't have any?'

God just shrugged and said, JESUS SAVES.

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b> Domestic Violence Intervention Group 6-8 pm	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Brain Club 11:00 – 2:00	<b>4</b> Arwen's Dance Class 6:30 PM	<b>5</b> AA Meeting 8:00 PM	<b>6</b> Centering prayer 8:00
<b>7</b> PENTECOST I Trinity Sunday  AA Meeting 5:00 PM	<b>8</b> Domestic Violence Intervention Group 6-8 pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> AA Meeting 8:00 PM  Dinner honoring The Rev. Mariana – 6:30 p.m.	<b>13</b> Centering prayer 8:00
<b>14</b> PENTECOST II Second Sunday  AA Meeting 5:00 PM	<b>15</b> Domestic Violence Intervention Group 6-8 pm	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Brain Club 11:00 – 2:00  Vestry Meeting 6:30 PM	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> AA Meeting 8:00 PM	<b>20</b> Centering prayer 8:00  Carol Ponder & Friends Concert 7:00 p.m.
<b>21</b> PENTECOST III Healing Service  AA Meeting 5:00 PM	<b>22</b> Domestic Violence Intervention Group 6-8 pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> AA Meeting 8:00 PM	<b>27</b> Centering prayer 8:00  Work Day
<b>28</b> PENTECOST IV  AA Meeting 5:00 PM	<b>29</b> Domestic Violence Intervention Group 6-8 pm	<b>30</b>				

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