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Serving in the Armed Forces: Ana Maria, Mike, Chuck, Brian, Zachary, Gabriel, Alex, Daniel Pagan, Ryan Ehrler, Matt Baicleme, Kaitlyn Haley, Blake, Dean, Steve and Ryan Ekler.

Celebrating Birthdays this Week (Prayer 50 or 51-BCP 830):
John Collins and Mark Shoemaker

Celebrating Anniversaries this Week (BCP 439):
Charles and Denice Vaughn

Re“Mark”able News

Week of September 25, 2022

Invest In Hope: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores." Luke 16:19-20



It's remarkable how many of Jesus parables and sayings revolve around money and wealth and the lack thereof. Clearly, when Jesus spoke of the kingdom of heaven he was focused on social justice and equity.

“Let’s Celebrate This Christmas Together At St. Mark’s”

After we announced our fundraising drive for Christmas Together, many of you immediately donated. We can not thank you enough for your generosity. This was the first prong of our campaign, to raise much-needed cash. The second prong is to bring in new members to our Spanish and English services. Each of these elements is necessary to grow our community of faith and allow us to survive into the future. We continue to ask those who have not yet donated, to please do so. Any amount helps. The Diocese of Arizona has approved a \$25,000 Covid relief payment to St. Mark's which will also alleviate some of the urgent needs. St. Mark's, being an older facility, is facing a major sewer rebuild. This is an unexpected expense, and one of many that often occur behind the scenes that our members do not see or know about. Please continue to pray for St. Mark's, invite friends, family and neighbors to events or services, and donate. If you love St. Mark's, please continue to give. "For where your treasure is, there your heart is also". We have so many options that there is no excuse to give generously. You can use check, cash, online payment direct from your bank account, or PayPal from our website www.stmarksmesa.org.

Please make a note indicating "Christmas" as the designation. We also continue to collect your coins! How far will they stretch? If you love St. Mark's, NOW is the time to donate. As Fr. G said, "If we do not

gather, we will scatter". God Bless and let us all be cheerful givers! Dianne Nunez, Stewardship and Faithful Fundraisers Chair.

Sunday School is Back!:

Beginning Sunday Sept. 11th at 9am to 9:45am, we are back to our One Room School House for Sunday School in the Parish Hall. Kids of all ages are welcome and encouraged. We will be meeting every Sunday from now on, except on special days with notice, to gather for a video song (just like at VBS) a Bible Lesson, and then we'll split into age group for younger and older kids, diving into the lesson at their age level, with activities, crafts and learning how Awesome is Our God! We have lots of fun events planned for the fall like our Blessing of the Animals and our Annual Halloween Carnival! Show up on Sunday Sept. 11th at 9am for all the fun and information! We can't wait to see you! For more information, contact Dianne Nunez at 480-641-8073 or email at nunezkevin@msn.com

Food Pantry: Distribution for the month of September will be September 13th and September 27th. Our set up days will be Monday, September 12th and Monday, September 26th, 8AM-11AM. Volunteers are welcome and appreciated! Come any of these days or all! Join our team and help feed the hungry in our community! May God bless you for supporting St. Mark's Food Pantry!

Daughters of the King: The Daughters of the King are collecting women's hygiene items for the Apache Junction Women's Center. These items may be left in the Narthex. We are asking for: all feminine hygiene products, shampoo, soap and body wash and deoderant. Contact Cyndi Armstrong for more information.

MarkDowns Thrift Store: The St Mark's Thrift Store will reopen on Tuesday, September 27. Our hours this year will be: Food Pantry Tuesdays: 8AM to 12 PM. Friday and Saturday, 9AM to 1PM. And Sundays between services. Gently used items are gratefully welcome for donation during business hours. If you would like to volunteer at the Thrift Store, please contact Diane Lewis or Kathy Cheatham.

Weekly Services

Weekly Services: You may also go to our website: www.stmarksmesa.org and click on "Join Online Services" to view online live or recorded services.

- ⇒ ***Tuesday, 10 am Healing Service***
- ⇒ ***Wednesday, 12 Noon, Noonday Prayer***
- ⇒ ***Friday, 7 pm Compline***
- ⇒ ***Sunday, 8 am - Spanish Service***
- ⇒ ***Sunday at 10 am - English Service***

Parish Prayer List

Parishioners in Need of Prayer: Pam Vespie, Pat Mack, Bruce and Donna, Edithanne Knight, Sandra Eiker, Chris and Judy Hossack, Kay Summers, Caryl Bayless, Helen and Arnold Cooper, Pete and Barbara Willan, Dee Greiner, Marguerite Gray, Allyn Evans, Helen Frost, Lois Pettengill, Barbara Haug, Laura Haug, Jan Northcutt, June Roberts, John and Carol Banker, Anna, Dawn Cook, Donna Kelly, Alice Brunett, Genevieve Muth, Flor Castillo, Zuleyzka Castillo, Sri-lanka Castillo, Nadia Gazale, Midura Family, Jeannie Buckingham, Judy Ricketts, Barry and Penny Place, Kylie Marks, Frank and Joan Taggart, Cyndi Armstrong, Skip Haley, Debbie Smith, Drew Cruer, Casey Leone, Bobbie Degnon, Glenn Jetton, Charlie Vaughn, Shirley Boswell, Terri Hollencamp, Glenda Richardson, Janet Lusk, Fr. Gerardo and Viviana, Fr. Harry Way, Nathan Reddall and Bishop Reddall's family

Others in Need of Prayer: Glen Brown, Josh, Cliff, Lila, Remi Dannels, Terry Baker, Marjorie McGrath, Damian Davies, Al Leslie, Paul Haertel, Kay Justed, Norma Chiarcilla, Antoinette Davies, Linda, Joyce Hurr, Dan Sullivan, Diana Carter, Bill Weedon, Natalie Myers, Aspen Krebs, Jeff Cook, Alex and Family, David Wenger, Carol, Dave, Brenda, Curtis, Rad, Marcy, Susie, Avery, Dylan, Ryan, Jack, Keegan, Clementine, Scout, Courtney, Bilinga, Juliana Greenfield,