

Saint Mark's  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
CANTON, OH



## The Lion's Pause

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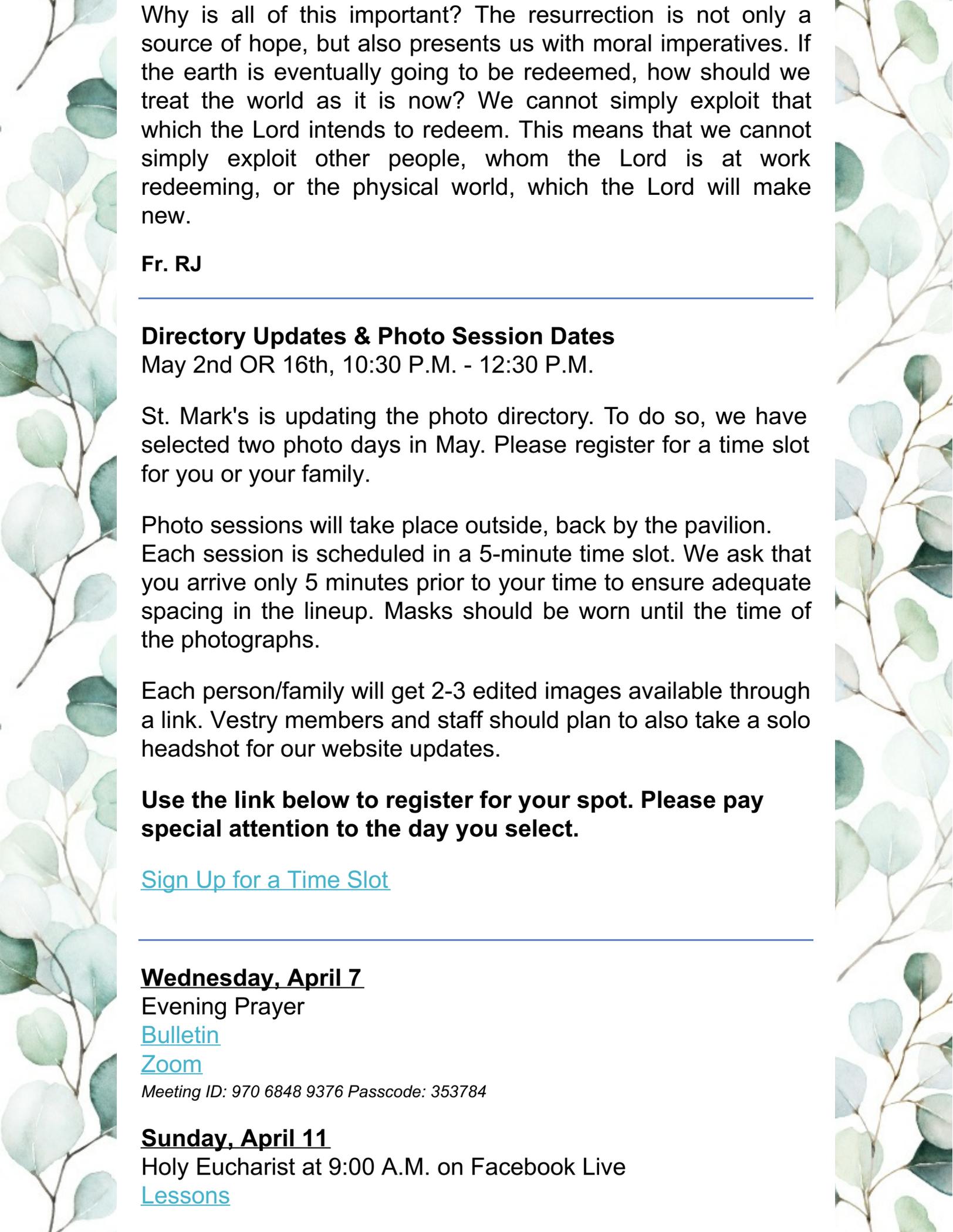


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The resurrection is probably one of the least understood doctrines of the Christian faith. People often think of a spiritual existence in heaven as the ultimate destination of Christians. That, however, is not what the scriptures say about our ultimate destination.

This is part of what we celebrate during the season of Easter. The tomb was empty, not because Jesus had no more need of his body, but because his body was resurrected. Thomas was invited to put his fingers into the holes where the nails had been. Jesus' physical body was raised from the dead. It also appears that his body had been transformed somehow. Locked doors did not pose a problem for him. Time and distance seem to have been different for the resurrected Jesus. However, it was still his body.

The resurrected Jesus points to our ultimate destiny. We will be raised with bodies like the resurrected body of Jesus. In 1 Thessalonians 4, St. Paul writes that just as Jesus was raised, when he returns, those who have died will also be raised. Together with resurrected bodies, our ultimate destiny also includes a redeemed earth. In Revelation 21, St. John writes of a new Jerusalem descending from heaven where the dwelling of God will be with humanity. In Romans 8, St. Paul speaks of all of creation groaning until the children of God are revealed, because when that happens, when the general resurrection comes, all of creation will be set free.



Why is all of this important? The resurrection is not only a source of hope, but also presents us with moral imperatives. If the earth is eventually going to be redeemed, how should we treat the world as it is now? We cannot simply exploit that which the Lord intends to redeem. This means that we cannot simply exploit other people, whom the Lord is at work redeeming, or the physical world, which the Lord will make new.

**Fr. RJ**

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## **Directory Updates & Photo Session Dates**

May 2nd OR 16th, 10:30 P.M. - 12:30 P.M.

St. Mark's is updating the photo directory. To do so, we have selected two photo days in May. Please register for a time slot for you or your family.

Photo sessions will take place outside, back by the pavilion. Each session is scheduled in a 5-minute time slot. We ask that you arrive only 5 minutes prior to your time to ensure adequate spacing in the lineup. Masks should be worn until the time of the photographs.

Each person/family will get 2-3 edited images available through a link. Vestry members and staff should plan to also take a solo headshot for our website updates.

**Use the link below to register for your spot. Please pay special attention to the day you select.**

[Sign Up for a Time Slot](#)

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### **Wednesday, April 7**

Evening Prayer

[Bulletin](#)

[Zoom](#)

*Meeting ID: 970 6848 9376 Passcode: 353784*

### **Sunday, April 11**

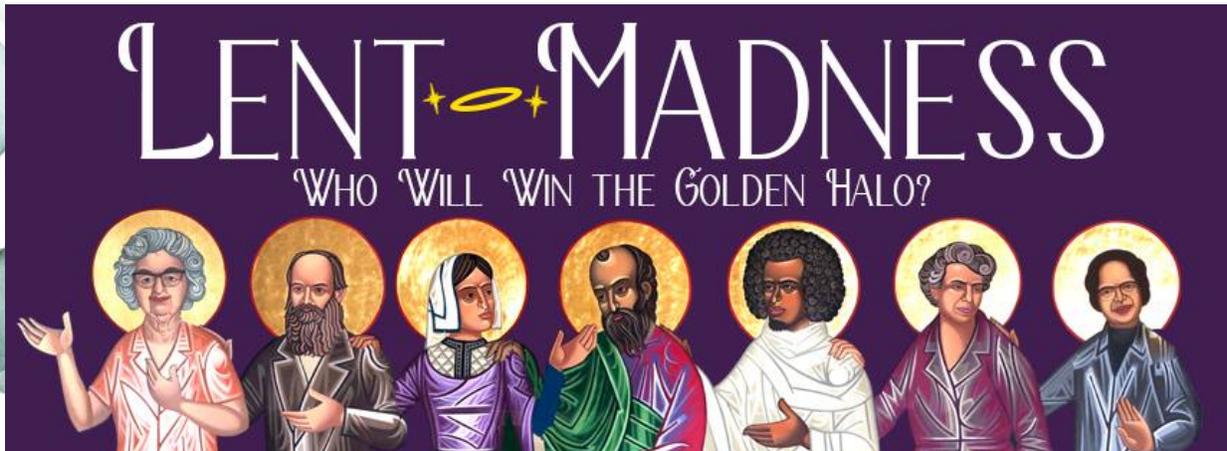
Holy Eucharist at 9:00 A.M. on Facebook Live

[Lessons](#)

## Book Club

Book Club is starting back up on Zoom. We will meet the second Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M. If you're interested in joining, please email Leslie Redmon [leslier37@hotmail.com](mailto:leslier37@hotmail.com)

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## Lent Madness-We Have Two Winners!

The SEC last Thursday announced this year's winner of the Saintly Smackdown (aka Lent Madness). Absalom Jones, defeated the always-inspiring Benedict the Moor, and joins previous Golden Halo winners George Herbert, C.S. Lewis, Mary Magdalene, Frances Perkins, Charles Wesley, Francis of Assisi, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Florence Nightingale, Anna Alexander, Martha of Bethany, and Harriet Tubman.



For the second consecutive year, Susie Hines has selected the winner of the Golden Halo! When we resume in-person services we will recognize Susie and present her with her LM mugs.

Congratulations to Susie and Absalom!

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## Sunday School

St. Mark's Sunday School is continuing with their lessons each Sunday via ZOOM. All of our wonderful teachers are doing a great job of keeping the lessons creative in this remote setting.

If a child in your life is interested in joining us, please contact Emily Gordon at [ecgordon16@gmail.com](mailto:ecgordon16@gmail.com).

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## Online Giving

To facilitate stewardship during this difficult time, the Diocese has launched an online giving resource. Simply set up your one-time or recurring gift and select your parish from the pull-down menu (Canton, St. Mark's). The Diocese will transfer your gift to St. Mark's. We thank you for your continued support and prayers.

[Designate a Gift to St. Mark's](#)

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## Music Notes with Bob Morrison

While I was busy with music ministry at First Methodist in downtown Canton (the name changed to Church of the Savior UMC when the denomination merged with the Evangelical United Brethren), interesting things were happening at St. Paul's Episcopal down the street, that lovely church with its cobalt blue stained glass window up front. Our very own Joe Hoot was a thurifer - an incense bearer. Makes me think of St. Mary the Virgin Anglo-Catholic parish in NYC which is called "Smoky Mary's" with its clouds of incense, formulated of the highest quality ingredients in the church basement, including frankincense and myrrh.

Some of the parishioners did not prefer a high church service with incense. Those who were considering the formation of a new parish started meeting at Frazer and Mason Schools, awaiting the construction of a new building in 1960. The land was purchased from Randy Fawcett, whose family lived in the house on the SW corner of 48th and Market. Fawcett developed the area and reserved the space for a church - a perfect location for St. Mark's.

John Werren has furnished me with a good history of this project.

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## April Birthdays

1 Sarah Highman  
10 Barbara Whitehouse  
12 JD Cerrone-Arnold, Susie Hines  
20 Katie Cerrone-Arnold  
25 Stew Hudson  
26 Sandi Kaustinen  
27 Karen Violand

If you would like to have your birthday or anniversary listed in the bulletin and Lion's Pause, please send them to [office@stmarks-canton.org](mailto:office@stmarks-canton.org).

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## Prayer Concerns

Jane Schutrum, Amelia Rowland, Ron Brookes, Jack & Pauline Briggs

**Family and Friends:** Jackie & Dave, Lynnda Hoefler, Terri, and Christine (friends of Sue Little), Cathy & Caleb (step-mother & nephew of Mandy Pelger), AJ (family friend of Temelkoffs), Carol Jones (daughter of Buck & BJ Jones), Steve O'Krepki, Corinna (family of Beth Crowl), Marilyn Cobb (former member of St. Mark's), Don Stewart (uncle of Kathy Kennedy), Dr. Angela Peters, and Rev. Carol Fleming (friends of Kathy Kennedy), Steinsapir family, Adriana, & Bobby Guerin (friends of Pam McCarthy), Chris Lamb (daughter of Bernie Reed), Sherry Hixon-Davis (cousin of Bruce Hixon), Ann Warren (Norm Warren's mother), Eddie Hornsby (friend of Father RJ), Sandy Snyder (friend of the Rands), Jerry Burris (friend of the Thorleys'), Paula Temelkoff (daughter-in-law of the Temelkoffs), Linda Kendrick (friend of the Kieslings), Bridgette (Friend of the Browns), Lesley (family friend of Paulette Frech), Addelyn, (friend of Judy Hixon), Jim Bellamy (friend of Marcia Tirpak), , Marc Hostetler (brother of Susan Hostetler), Gabrielle Karam (friend of Diana Cornell), Adriana (Pam McCarthy's daughter's friend), Lynn McBride (father of Beth Crowl), Baby David (friend of the Schaub's'), Nancy Sauer and Helen Carnahan, Bob Patterson (friends of Diana Cornell), John Streb & Pastor Marilyn Roman (friends of the Mulls), Johnny Willoughby, Jim Mesko (friend of Jim

Weaver).

For all those serving in the Armed Forces.

For all those who have died.

Please update Bobbi or Katie on the status of your friends or family members as to when they may be removed from the prayer lists.

### **PRAYER CHAIN:**

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for the specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at [ggordon24@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ggordon24@sbcglobal.net)

Prayer requests may be placed on the private Prayer Chain or on the Prayer Concerns list appearing in the Lion's Pause and Sunday bulletin or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference. Unless otherwise instructed, names will be listed as we receive them.



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