

## January 16, 2020

# St. Mary's MESSENGER

# This Week: Jan 6-11

Tues 7:00 PM AA

Wednesday
12:00 Noon
Holy Eucharist II

Thursday 7:00 PM AA

#### Next Week: Jan 13-18

Tuesday
11:00 Morning
Prayer

7:00 AA

Wednesday
12:00 Noon
Holy Eucharist II

Thursday 7:00 PM AA

## This Sunday Jan. 12, 2020

Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 40:1-12 1 Cor. 1:1-9

## From Your Priest:



"What Are You Looking For?" John 1:29-42

In his first encounter with those who follow him, Jesus turns and asks them, "What are you looking

for?" It is an essential question for everyone who wants to follow Jesus. In fact, it is the central question of discipleship every single day. What, exactly, are we looking for? Does following Jesus somehow insulate us from the swift and varied changes of this world? Is that what we are looking for? Well, Jesus certainly understood the perils of popularity and how fleeting security can be. Does following Jesus mean guaranteed prosperity or abundance? Is that what we're after? That might come as a surprise to the Lord, who had no place to call home, and who tended to the poor. Does following Jesus protect us from grief and loss of loved ones? No. Jesus bears that grief and sorrow for us. At the start of a new year, it might be good to ask ourselves the original question Jesus asked that day: "What are you looking for?"

## Mid-Week Holy Eucharist

Rev. Bill has resumed Wednesdays at NOON. At the mid-week Eucharist, he preaches on the "Holy Women, Holy Men" calendar. Hope to see you there! Celebrants:

Rev. William Fowler

Lay Reader:
Linda Joseph
Acolyte
Charlotte Haynie
Altar Guild:
Linda Joseph
Ushers:
The Westerfields
Vestry person:
Mary Casbeer

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us for Morning Prayer on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM in Hirst House.



**SUNDAY ROLL-OUT!** We are serving a hot breakfast starting at **8:30 - 9:45 EVERY SUNDAY!** From 9:10 to 9:50 during breakfast, Rev. Bill will offer a lesson and reflection on being **"Unabashedly Episcopalian."** Join us as we break bread together and fellowship! No worries about being "on time" - come when you can!

## ANNUAL MEETING: SUNDAY, JAN. 26TH FOLLOWING 10:00 AM SERVICE.

**Ladies Bible Study** 

"All Things New: A Study of 2 Corinthians"
led by D'Anne Willis
Tuesdays, January 14 – March 3
OR
Thursdays, January 16 – March 5
10:00 AM
504. S. Arnold St.
Workbooks: \$16.00
Contact Martha Casbeer for more info:
tomandmarthacasbeer@gmail.com or (512) 556-8388



Openings for Altar flowers are available for 2020!

Come check the schedule in the office.

## THINK ON THIS:



Jesus makes all things new. Not some things, but ALL things. What an incredible thing this is! "Therefore, if any man is in

Christ, he is a new creature; the

old things passed away; behold new things have come. Now all these things are from God..." 2

Corinthians 5:17-18

"God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:8

*All* means *all*, not some; *always* means *always*, not sometimes. Lord, today help us to live upon this "all."

-Amy Carmichael, Edges of His Ways



#### **Bow the Knee**

"Trust the heart of your Father when the answer goes beyond what you can see...in the presence of your King, bow the knee." -Chris Machen

#### **Prayer List:**

Larry & Becky Hart, Roz & J.M. Finley, Wilder Brown, Anne Brown, Jim Richardson, Jim & Pat Anderson, Jerry Richardson, Katherine Mezger, Jean Sargent & Family, Buck, Alex, Randy, Debbie, Jack, John, Buddy & Rebecca.

All bishops and ministers and those in authority in government as we start a new year.

"Thou O Lord, are a shield for me; my glory and the lifter of my head."

Psalm 3:3

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