



Sunday Schedule

Morning Prayer 7:05am
 Holy Eucharist7:30am
 Choral Eucharist 9:00am
 Christian Education 10:15am
 Holy Eucharist 11:15am
 Evening Prayer5:00pm
 Evensong is offered on select Sunday evenings at 6:00pm

Weekday Schedule

Morning Prayer

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00am
 Wednesday, Saturday8:40am

Holy Eucharist

Monday, Friday12:00pm.
 Tuesday6:30am
 Wednesday, Saturday 9:00am
 Thursday 6:00pm

Evening Prayer

Daily (except Thursday).....5:00pm
 Thursday 5:40pm

Confession

Saturdays at 8:00a.m.-8:30a.m.
 (or by appointment)

All weekday services take place in St. Mary's Chapel

St. Vincent's uses the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* as its standard form of worship

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Called to Holiness... Can you hear me now?

God wants us to be holy. That is, he wants us to be able to say yes to what he wants even when we don't feel like it --- even when it is not what we want.

To help us get holy, to help us get in spiritual shape to serve God, the Church provides us with a specific training season and a specific set of exercises.

Lent is that training season. Self denial is the name of the exercise --- the "name of the game".

The Church's custom on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday is to have a fast in some form, unless age, health, or heavy labor dictate otherwise.

On Wednesdays and Fridays in Lent, the custom is not to eat. All Sundays are "little Easters" --- feast days, even in Lent. However, if you are trying to break some bad habit, such as smoking, it would be a mistake to indulge on Sundays.

Notice: the food we give up is good --- we are giving God that which is good. Furthermore, the practice of saying "No" to my own desires helps me become better able to say "Yes" to God on those occasions when I feel like saying "No".

One thing more: part of my difficulty in responding to God comes from not hearing him very well. The world makes so much noise and shouts so many lies!

The Church --- every one of its members, you, me --- needs to withdraw from the world from time to time in order to refocus our attention on God. Lent is the ideal time to do that.

Consider reducing the amount of TV you watch, for instance. In some way or other, set aside some time for silence each day to give God a chance to speak to you --- or, I should say, to give yourself a chance to hear what he may already be shouting at you!

May God bless you and me --- and his whole Church --- with a strenuous (spiritually) and Holy Lent as we say "yes" to God.

God bless you!

Adapted from an article first published in *The Evangelist* (1993) by Fr. Richard A. Cantrell

Thank-you notes...

To St. Vincent's Parish:

Thank you for the Epiphany Gifts. We truly appreciate and value every member's prayer, support, and love.

Dean Reed, Fr. Cantrell and Fr. Moore.

I wish to thank my St. Vincent's family for the visits, food, cards, and especially for your prayers and support during my recent surgery and recuperation. I hope to be back in church with you soon.

God Bless you

Audrey Herrbold

Not Tame, But Good

Have you seen *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* yet? If you haven't, I highly encourage you to go (and to take the family with you!). It is a magnificent movie and, unlike *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, follows very closely to the original book by C.S. Lewis. In fact, the movie is even better after you've read (or re-read) the book.

Of course, there are so many things to talk about in terms of the book/movie, but there was one quote that is still echoing around in my head. In fact, it's been haunting me for days now. At the end of the story, it is said that Aslan is not a tame lion, but he is good.

In case you didn't know, Aslan is seen as the Christ-character in the story (hope I didn't ruin it for you!), and it got me to thinking about what C.S. Lewis might have meant by saying that Christ is not a tame lion, but he is good.

Ever since I was a child in Episcopal Sunday School, I always thought of Jesus as "good." Even when he was turning the tables over in the courtyard or rebuking the Pharisees or telling stories about Vineyard owners destroying the unfaithful tenants. Jesus was always good in my childlike eyes. Thankfully, he still is good in my grown-up eyes as well.

And in these same grown-up eyes, I have come to find out that there are a lot of descriptions of Jesus that we've either avoided or to which never paid much attention. Perhaps our understanding of Jesus has been altered in the child-like-faith of your youth or perhaps we always equated "good" with "nice". Either way, descriptions like dangerous, untamed, scandalous, judging, wild and rebellious may have been once a part of our lexicon in describing Jesus, but in our adulthood, we have made Jesus "tame".

My hero, author Mike Yaconelli, says it this way: "It is as if The Good News is no longer good news, it is okay news. Christianity is no longer life changing, it is life enhancing. Jesus doesn't change people into wild-eyed radicals anymore, He changes them into "nice people". If Christianity is simply about of

being nice, I'm not interested"

I believe that youth ministers should challenge a teenager's perceived notion of Jesus. We have to introduce a Jesus that "ruins" their lives from leading perfect lives to leading lives for Him. We need to show a Jesus that captures their hearts and makes them uncomfortable with the world's "status quo." We should astonish kids, captivate them, and show them a wild and unpredictable Jesus. We should introduce them to Judgement that is jarringly honest, Grace that is wonderfully scandalous, Mission that is extravagantly loving, and Mercy that is ridiculously pardoning.

"The Jesus of the New Testament was a long way from dull," writes Yaconelli. "Crying one minute and knocking over tables the next; showing courageous compassion to a fallen victim one day and cursing hypocrites the next; blasting the Pharisees one day for having such a narrow view of adultery, then on the next day forgiving a woman caught in adultery. The New Testament writers continually describe the crowds as responding to Jesus with amazement."

In the book, C.S. Lewis describes Aslan at play with Lucy and the children like this: "It was such a romp as no one has ever had except in Narnia, and whether it was more like playing with a thunderstorm or playing with a kitten Lucy could never make up her mind." Imagine that: A Jesus that wants to romp and play.

Shouldn't the followers of Jesus be untamed as well? Shouldn't Christian youth be known by the fire in their souls, the wild-eyed gratitude in their faces, the twinkle in their eyes and a holy mischief in their demeanors? Threatening the status quo, living outside the lines, and beyond categorization or definition should be the hallmark of an entire pride of untamed lions.

Jesus is an untamed and good lion. And I believe that He calls his children to be untamed and good lions as well.

-- Tom Riggs

Telet

The Episcopal lay

Have you ever been in a situation where you wanted to tell someone about the Lord, but you didn't know what to say? Probably. We all have. TELET is a training seminar for Episcopalians who wish to become comfortable with sharing the Christian Faith and bringing others to know the Lord. Bishop Iker says of TELET: "Many people are reticent to talk to others about their personal faith. TELET is an experience that addresses that reality in a non-threatening way and is designed to help us learn to share our faith with others in an authentic and natural way. It is a program that has my enthusiastic support."

St. Vincent's will host a TELET workshop on February 18th (8:30am-2:30pm) and March 4th (8:30am-3:45pm). The cost is \$40 for both sessions and covers all materials, lunch, and a light breakfast. Call the office to Register. Make checks payable to The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.

More blessed to give than to receive

Don't forget St. Vincent's in your annual financial planning. Giving Opportunities include Seminarian Fund, Fr. Paul Hadley Financial Assistance Fund, The Benevolence Fund, Music and Flower Memorial Fund, Tower Bell Campaign, Upper School Second Floor Capital Campaign as well as the many opportunities to contribute to the ministries of the St. Vincent's Women's Fellowship, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, EYC, and the Mission Committee.

February Birthdays

- 1 Ronald Caldwell, Thomas Crook, Thomas St. John
- 2 James Chapman, Connor Michael Croak,
- 3 Marie Beattie Looney
- 4 Jimmy Cullen, Michael Daggs, Nichole Holstein, Robert Robb
- 5 Joe Filipski, Claire Adele Young
- 6 Mary Fuller, Michael Polley
Mack Wesley Cleveland
- 7 Scott Johnson, Blane Nunez
- 10 Steffi Kellam
- 11 Sarah Bixler, Jacob Murrah, Harriet Wade
- 12 Marion Lee, Kathryn Michelle Staggs
- 13 Audrey Herrbold, Megan Lemmon, Patricia Schroeder, Mike Vickers, Timothy Wilson
- 14 Mitchell Whitfill
- 15 Debra Bird, R. Victor Blood, Courtney Holbrook, Vicki Lendl, William Whitfill
- 16 Thomas Murrell, Logan Odeneal, Jenny Runkel
- 17 Victor Grice, John Lind
- 18 Elizabeth Altland

- 19 Charles Dowden, Annelise Jane Mraz, John Matthew Ward
- 20 Chandler Johnson
- 21 Paula Lind, Brent Troy
- 22 Joseph Bertapelle, Fred Dezendorf, Daniel Monk
- 23 Mary Ortiz
- 24 The Rev. Richard Cantrell, Betty St. John
- 25 Judy Bertapelle, Diane Ewing, Mark Polley
- 26 Daniel Jacob Angell, Diane Cook, Jennifer Richardson
- 27 Linda Cates
- 28 Virginia Anderson, Beverly Passmore, Ernest Repass



From the Parish Records

Confirmed

Jacque Ridgway
Ira Grant Whittenberg

Received

Jeanne Graber
Linda Johnson

Departed

Thomas Kilgore (T.K.) Campbell

Note: You must be listed on our Communicant rolls to serve on the Vestry or as a Delegate to Convention, or to be eligible to vote at our annual parish meeting in January. If you haven't transferred your membership and would like to, please contact the parish office. If you have any questions regarding membership in the church contact the parish office or speak to Dean Reed, Fr. Moore, or Fr. Cantrell.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Special Notes

Saturday, February 11

9:00 AM

Sub-Deacon Meeting – after Mass. Vest in Cassocks

Saturday, February 25

9:00 AM

Lay Minister Meeting after Mass. Vest in Cassocks

7:00 PM until 9:00 PM

Lay Minister/Sub-Deacon Social gathering at the Home of Ron and Jan Turner

February 5, Epiphany 5

7:30 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Ron Turner; LM - Tom Dickson

9:00 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – David Ebert; LM – Dean Hautanen

Acolytes: S1 – Taylor Ebert; Cr – Paige Ebert; Th/CC – Victoria Jackson; S2 – Beth Ward; T - Matthew Ward; T – Alex Mueller

Ushers: Jason Brown, David Cobum, Rudy Jackson, Steve Mueller, Rick Ward

11:15 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Randall Foster; LM – Jerry Lambert

Acolytes: S1 – John Donor; Cr – Nick Young; S2 – Claire Young; T – Leah Lambert; T – Natalie Young

Ushers: Terry Brown, Raul Ortiz, Jim Cox, Parker Crook, Bill Denny

Evening Prayer 6:00 PM

Ofc – Dean Hautanen

February 12, Epiphany 6

7:30 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Mary McKee; LM – Ellen LoCurto-Martinez

9:00 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Mark Jeffers; LM – John McGee

Acolytes: S1 - Meredith Boroughs; Cr – Kelsey Thornton; TH/CC – Nick Mueller; S2 – Mitchell Whitfill; T – James Duffer; T – Jacob Mattson

Ushers: Fred Dezendorf, Charles Dowden, Mark Dunn, Rick Jones, Will Whitfill

11:15 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Josh Kellam; LM – Mark Cleveland

Acolytes: S1 – Victoria Jackson; Cr – Andrew Holmes; S2 – David O'Neil; T – Daniel Frey; T – Will McEntire

Ushers: John Fain, Peter Grays, Kyle Holmes, Mike McEntire, Stan O'Neil

Organ Recital, 5:30pm

Evensong & Benediction 6:00 PM

Lay Ministers: Ofc. Rick Ward

Acolytes: Th – Josh Jeffers; T – Leah Lambert, T – Gracie Riggs

February 19, Epiphany 7

7:30 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Neil Rogers; LM – Harriet Wade

9:00 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Ron Turner; LM – Sharon Wilson

Acolytes: S1 – Nick Mueller; Cr – Megan Kirkwood; TH/CC – John Donor; S2 – Alex Hautanen; T – Alex Mueller; T – Sarah Mueller

Ushers: Chad Haney, Bob Johnson, Craig Jutras, Josh Kellam Jas Kirkwood

11:15 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Lenore Rothman; LM – Tony Clark

Acolytes: S1 – Josh Jeffers; Cr – Ashley Lamey;

S2 – Jacob Jeffers; T – Natalie Young; T – Gracie Riggs

Ushers: Sam Kuykendall, Harvey Craig, Jowell Lee, Chris Mason, John McGee

Evening Prayer, 6:00 PM

Ofc. Tony Clark

February 26, Last Epiphany

7:30 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Rick Ward; LM – Dean Hautanen

9:00 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – David Ebert; LM - Jason Cowen

Acolytes: S1 – Molly Rippy; Cr – Jill Jones; Th/CC – Nick Young; S2 – Jacob Kalbfleisch; T – James Dutter; T – Scott Polly

Ushers:

11:15 AM

Lay Ministers: SD – Randall Foster; LM – Tom Dickson

Acolytes: S1 – Jordan Lambert; Cr – Julia Manson; S2 – Chip Lambert; T – Clare Young; T – Leah Lambert

Ushers: Scott Siek, Bill Smead, Mike Staggs, Bob Thornton, Chris Webb

Evening Prayer 6:00 PM

Ofc. Ellen LoCurto-Martinez

Legend:

SD – Sub Deacon LM – Lay Minister

C – Chalice Ofc – Officiant

S1 – Sr. Server Cr – Crucifer

S2 – Jr. Server T – Torch

Bn – Banner T/Bn – Torch/Banner

Th/CC – Thruifer/Clergy Cross



Sunday School Happenings

The children have been so busy this season. We have learned about Jesus' family tree, walked with the shepherd's, celebrated His birth, and put on a great pageant. It was so beautiful and moving and I want to thank everyone for your help and participation.

We are back in the classrooms now and continuing with our curriculum. This winter we are hearing stories that tell about people whose lives were touched and changed by Jesus and those who were healed by Jesus.

We will be studying John the Baptist, Mary and Martha, Zacchaeus, and the woman at the well.

The Sunday School teachers and I want to let you know how much we enjoy your children. We love to see them on Sunday mornings and when we have a full classes it makes our lessons and discussions more exciting and interesting. We ask that you encourage them to come to class, listen and learn, and share.

We will continue to help your children come to know Jesus, learn stories from the Bible, and understand God' promises to us.

"Let the children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." Mark 10:14

If you are not on my email list and would like to be, please contact me at jkirkwood1@charter.net or (817) 427-0096.

God Bless,
Julie Kirkwood

Softball getting in the swing for spring

The St. Vincent's Men's Softball Team is getting ready for another season of great softball action! There will be a team meeting on January 29th at 6:00pm at the St. Vincent's Gym (come to the meeting, stay for pick-up basketball afterwards at 7:00pm). We will be making our league/night selection, discussing uniform shirt options and making other key decisions. For more information contact Tom Riggs at 817-564-3474 or tagmeriggs@comcast.net

St. Vincent Women's Fellowship Pre-Lenten Bake Sale

St. Vincent's Women's Fellowship is following up their kickoff January Potluck with the Pre-Lenten Bake Sale. Desserts are on the menu. Come shop for that final splurge in the courtyard on February 12.

All women of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend the monthly meetings where many of the fundraising, service, and fellowship events are planned. This is the best way for women of the church to get involved and get to know other women of the parish and it is where many wonderful and lasting friendships are formed. Childcare is available in the nursery if needed. The meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00pm in the SVCS Library. The next meeting is February 8. Amy Haney is this year's president and is available at 817-355-1649 to answer any questions about the Women's Fellowship ministry.

ALL-BACH RECITAL FEBRUARY 12, 5:30PM

Preceding Evensong on February 12, Mrs. Burton will play a short program of Bach works for organ, as follows:

Prelude & Fugue in A Major
Vater Unser im Himmelreich, two settings from the *Clavieruebung*, Part III
Prelude & Fugue in A Minor

The A Major Prelude and Fugue is atypical of Bach's free works for organ, gentle and graceful in its contours. Bach scholar Hermann Keller comments that "all the brightness of a day in spring seems to have been cast over it."

The two settings of "Our Father in Heaven" (Luther's German versification of the Lord's Prayer) could scarcely be more different from one another. In the first, the melody is clearly sounded in the top voice. In the second, longer version, it is in canon and surrounded with two ornamental voices, almost totally obscuring the chorale melody. This setting has been described by one scholar as "a symbol of the hard, cruel world through which the Christian must pass, but with the Lord's Prayer in his heart."

The Prelude & Fugue in A Minor is one of five large, celebrated organ works that Bach produced in Weimar when he was about 35 years of age. The first 23 measures of the prelude contain a single line of chromatic intensity and suspense. The gig-like fugue is episodic in the middle, but regains intensity and culminates with several dramatic flourishes at the end.

Evensong following the recital will feature the canticles of the American composer Harold Friedell.

Staff News

Tom Riggs has resigned from the parish staff and full-time ministry to pursue other ventures. We thank him for his foundational work in our youth ministry program during 2005 and are fortunate that the Riggs will remain a part of our parish family.

Andy Bartus, a recent graduate of Texas A&M University, has accepted a position as part-time Director of Youth Ministries for St. Vincent's. We welcome Andy to our staff and both he and his fiancé Laura to the St. Vincent's Family.

Cathedral Staff

The Right Rev. Jack L. Iker, Bishop
 The Very Rev. Ryan S. Reed, Dean
 The Rev. Canon Richard A. Cantrell
 The Rev. Jeffery W. Moore, Curate
 The Rev. Mark Parker, Deacon

Barbara M. Burton *Music Director*
 Katie Bates *Parish Secretary*
 Carol Sawyer *Business Manager*
 Andy Bartus *Director of Youth Ministries*
 Lynn Buffington *Head of Lower School*
 Sharon Mayes *Head of Middle School*
 Julie Kirkwood *Children's Ministries*
 Virginia Murrach *Sunday Nursery*
 Jamie Dixon *Nursery*
 Barbara Wojnicki *Facilities Manager*

Vestry

Mike Staggs *Senior Warden*
 Chris Webb *Junior Warden*
 Ann Atkins *Terry Brown*
 Van Holbrook *Rudy Jackson*
 Joe Kalbfleisch *David Midgley*
 Joan E. Miller *Thom Murrell*
 Blane Nunez *Liz Ward*
 Rick Jones, Treasurer
 Ron Turner, Clerk

St. Vincent's Mission Statement:

**To make Jesus Christ
 known in all that we do**

Cathedral Bookstore

We are pleased to introduce a new section to our bookstore

C. S. Lewis
 20th-Century Christian Knight



On hand will be some of his inspirational writings and a collection of his works, including *THE LION, THE WITCH & THE WARDROBE* and the complete *CHRONICLES OF NARNIA*.



We will also carry books that give us more insight into Lewis, such as *C. S. LEWIS AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH* by Joseph Pearce. Find out why, although "Catholic" in many aspects of his faith & devotion, he never became a Roman Catholic.

Need something other than books? Stop by and see the many other Christian products we have to offer. If you don't see what you are looking for, just let me know and I will be happy to get for you and/or maintain it in our inventory.

Contact Spring Chaltas
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Tape Ministry Table

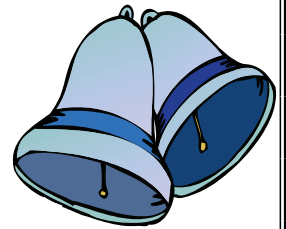
Sunday Services, Special Celebrations, Adult Forum, Basic Christianity and Select Classes

All Tapes, \$ 1.00

Make a Joyful Noise

We are well on our way to fitting our bell tower with bells. Five bells have been purchased, and approximately \$2700 has been raised toward the purchase of a sixth bell. If you would like to participate in this permanent memorial please pick up a form in the office or from the table in the Narthex.

All gifts will be recorded in our Book of Remembrance and plaques for each bell will list donors. The plaques will be mounted at the base of the tower in the prayer garden. A donation can be made in honor or memory of someone or simply to the Glory of God. Bells yet to be purchased are:



Bell	Musical Note	Cost
2	D#	\$15,000
3	F	\$15,000
4	F#	\$12,000
5	G#	\$12,000

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