



Vestry News January 2019

The Vestry met on January 15, 2019 after having had a successful Annual Meeting: Part I on Sunday, January 13 in which new Vestry members were elected. Welcome to Terry Ferguson, Diana Trout, Sharon Turnbull, Neil Stevenson, and Ginny Coykendall (filling a one-year vacancy). Thank you to those Vestry members who completed their term: Steve Eassa, Bob Dunkin, and Peter Collela.

The newly configured Vestry elected officers thanked Steve Eassa for his work as senior warden over the past year and Bill Turnbull as treasurer over the past 3 years. Charlie Schlumberger was elected senior warden; Rick Burns was elected junior warden; and Steve Eassa was elected treasurer.

Ron McElhone, CFO, gave an overview on how to review the monthly financial reports that are presented at meetings. He spent time introducing the new Vestry members to the reports, including how to read them and the process by which they are generated and approved. Detailed financial reports are reviewed each month by the finance committees of the church and school.

The Men's Cornerstone Breakfast is coming up on Saturday, February 9 and benefits the Cornerstone Scholarship Fund. Please read the details below.

Vestry also spent some time discussing the diocesan-held property and church in Pahokee and the ministry of St. George's in Riviera Beach.

Ginny Coykendall is heading up the parish concert which is being held on March 7, 2019, and features Cantus, a men's vocal ensemble. As this concert is a Vestry-initiated fundraiser, the Vestry worked on some of the strategies and logistics for making it a fun and successful event.

Father Groff thanked the Vestry for its continued work to ensure the health and growth of St. Mark's. He reported that he has heard from Father Cook and that he and Karen were doing well. Father Cook returns Sunday, March 3 just in time for Family Fun Day. Father Groff also reported that the staff continues to do an incredible job and thanks the parish for their support during Father Cook's sabbatical.

Charlie Schlumberger, as newly elected senior warden, thanked the Vestry as well. He commended the good work of everyone as St. Mark's continues to thrive.

Financials

There were no financials approved at the meeting. For questions about your pledges or gifts to St. Mark's, please call our bookkeeper, Allison Dean, in the church office at 561-622-0956, ext. 233, or email adean@stmarkspb.org.

St. Mark's at a Glance

Did you know

The Cornerstone Scholarship Men's Breakfast is coming up Saturday, February 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.? The breakfast benefits the Cornerstone Scholarship, which helps deserving students from underserved neighborhoods attend St. Mark's School. By removing the financial constraints associated with attending an independent day school, this program offers students a chance for life-long success. This year's football-themed event features former NFL player Deltha O'Neal! Tickets are on sale at www.stmarkspb.org/cornerstone. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for the first child attending with an adult, and \$10 for each additional child. We will see you there!

Family Fun Day is Sunday, March 3 and celebrates Mardi Gras just before Lent? Join us for this FREE family-friendly event for all ages that features a festive parade, delicious lunch, New Orleans-style music, and tons of games for children. We need volunteers to help with set-up, running the event, and clean-up. Please contact Jeanne Murphy at 561-459-6819 or jeannea.murphy@gmail.com to learn more.

The annual parish concert featuring the premiere men's vocal ensemble, CANTUS, is Thursday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m.? This incredible group tours throughout the country and will be here for one night only. Tickets are on sale at www.stmarkspb.org/cantus. [Watch a preview](#) of the Cantus "Alone Together" concert. We are looking for individuals and businesses to help underwrite the cost of bringing this talented group to our community. The concert is open to the public, so please share this [concert flyer](#) with your friends. For information, please contact Ginny Coykendall at ginnycoykendall@yahoo.com.

We had over 1,300 people attend Christmas services this year? Thank you to all the staff, musicians, and volunteers who helped to make this Christmas special.