

February, 2014



*The Canticle*

*From the Dean . . .*

In the fall of 2012 the Vestry and other lay leaders conducted a series of interviews with members of the Parish. We called this process VisonQuest, and what we learned in these conversations has been helpful in how carry out our work and ministry. In the coming year, the Senior Warden will be spearheading a strategic planning process for the Vestry designed to more fully leverage the gifts and skills of the current Cathedral community.



Two of the main themes emerging from VisonQuest suggest that you, the membership are very positive about our liturgy/music and hospitality and puzzled that we don't have more folks in the pews.

In an effort to address this disconnect we have been focusing on ways that we can engage the City outside of our walls in ways that may eventually bring them in to our noble sanctuary. The St. Francis Day animal blessing is a good example of this.

On Ash Wednesday, besides our normal 3 liturgies, we plan to offer Ashes throughout the day on the Cathedral porch. In addition we will have Clergy and lay persons at the St Charles Ave entrance to Audubon Park as well as the Saint Charles side of Lafayette Square administering ashes to anyone who wants them at designated and publicized times. Thousands of people flock to our city to celebrate the end of Epiphanytide so it seems logical to make it as easy as possible for them to commemorate the beginning of Lent!

In next month's Canticle, I will tell you about the plans that are emerging to offer monthly services of Holy Eucharist in homes of Cathedral members around the City and wider community. I pray that your Carnival season is a safe and blessed one.

*Vestry Nominations 2014*

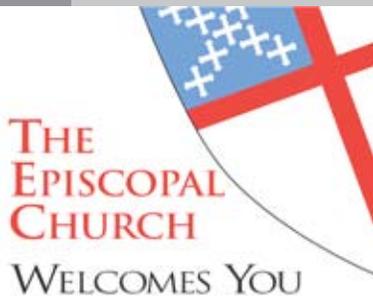
A Nominating Committee has been appointed by the Dean to select a slate of candidates for the election of Vestry members to be held at the annual meeting of Christ Church Cathedral parish on Sunday, March 16, 2014. New Vestry members will be elected to fill positions vacated by those whose terms of service will be expiring. Members of the Nominating Committee are Les Bradfield, chair; Rene Dupaquier, Earl Moreau and David O'Leary. There are four openings this year and four nominees. Please read their biographies below.

In compliance with the Cathedral Charter, the congregation is reminded of the following provisions:

ARTICLE V. SECTION III, (b):

"Notice of the appointment of the members of the committee and a copy of this Section III of Article V of the Charter shall be mailed to qualified voters no later than forty-five days before the Annual Meeting. Candidates may be suggested to the nominating committee: additionally, not later than ten days before the Annual Meeting, ten qualified voters of the Corporation may submit a petition to the nominating committee to place in nomination the name of a person eligible for election to the Vestry. Not less than twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting the committee shall cause to be mailed to all qualified voters the names and brief biographies of all nominees for membership on the Vestry, whether nominated by committee or by petition. In the event that further nominations are made, either by petition or committee, less than twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting, the committee shall make every reasonable effort to provide the names and biographies of the additional nominees to

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**LECTIONARY TEXTS**  
(Sunday Readings)

**FEBRUARY 2**

Malachi 3:1-4  
Psalm 84  
Hebrews 2:14-18  
Luke 2:22-40

**FEBRUARY 9**

Isaiah 58:1-9a  
Psalm 112:1-10  
I Corinthians 2:1-12  
Matthew 5:13-20

**FEBRUARY 16**

Deuteronomy 30:15-20  
Psalm 119:1-8  
1 Corinthians 3:1-9  
Matthew 5:21-37

**FEBRUARY 23**

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18  
Psalm 119:33-40  
1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23  
Matthew 5:38-48



Submissions for Cathedral publications are always welcome.

*Items for the March, 2014 issue of The Canticle are due February 17.*

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Send photos to [photos@cccnola.org](mailto:photos@cccnola.org)

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**Weekly Liturgies**

*Sundays*

7:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Spoken)  
1928 Prayer Book  
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (Sung)  
Rite II  
6:00 PM Real Presence (Sung)

*Weekdays*

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist

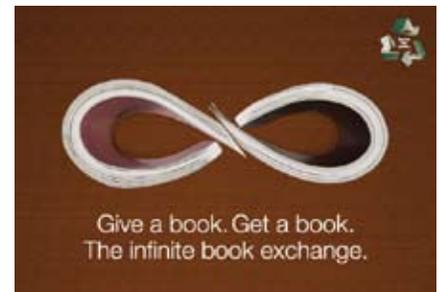
*Saturdays*

9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist  
Rite I



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# From Advent House



## Hope

It seems to me that New Orleans has way less of what we Midwesterners call “The Winter Doldrums;” gray and cold days when you want to stay in bed all day, and still January isn’t like October or April! Often we realize that we are just a bit down, or “off.” The Christmas season has passed and it isn’t really full Mardi Gras yet. It is in this time that we need the reminders of hope that Spring brings. Hope is a powerful

spiritual practice that can bring us through the hard times and remind us that “This Too Shall Pass.”

So much of our faith is grounded in hope and yet it is easy for us humans to forget it, to get stuck in a difficult place. Because our hope is grounded in faith, it is different from wishful thinking, which is passive while hope is active.

Hope enhances our lives now, even in the middle of the tough times, because it changes our attitude right now. Think of things for which you hope right now. What are they?

When you are in the middle of a wonderful time, write it down – not the whole story, just key words – so that you can pull out your writing on a difficult day.

Here are a couple of other things you might file away for those times:

Almighty God,  
give us such a vision of your purpose  
and such an assurance of your love and power,  
that we may ever hold fast the hope  
which is in Jesus Christ our Lord  
who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and for ever. Amen

from the website, *Worship that works – Spirituality that connects*

And we can also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produced endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. (Romans 5:4,5)

Once you choose hope, anything is possible. (Christopher Reeves)

Don’t forget to join us on Mondays at 1, if you can, for Advent House Book Club – we are reading “The Book Thief” and would love you to join us, and/or for Morning Prayer on Thursdays at 9:30 AM (and stay as long as you can for some quiet time in our sacred space).

Blessings and hope,  
Mother Bridget+

*Vestry – continued from page 1*

all qualified voters prior to the annual meeting. At the Annual Meeting no nominations shall be permitted from the floor. The names of all candidates nominated by the committee or by petition, if the nominees are different, shall be placed on a written ballot and distributed at the Annual Meeting to the qualified voters.”

“(c) Nominees for membership on the Vestry shall be elected by the qualified voters of the Corporation at each Annual Meeting. All elections of Vestrymen shall be conducted by written ballot and shall be under the supervision of their supervisors of election, who shall be qualified voters of the Corporation, other than members of the Vestry, and who shall be appointed by the Dean at the Annual Meeting. Those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to fill the vacancies. For all nominees receiving such equal number of votes to be elected, the balloting shall continue between such nominees until the tie be broken and the necessary plurality be obtained.”

## ARTICLE IV

I. “The membership of this Corporation shall consist of those persons whose names are now, or may hereafter be entered, on the Parish Register of the Corporation as a result of baptism, transfer, reception, or confirmation.”

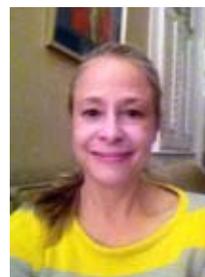
II. “The voters of this Corporation at annual and other meetings of the Corporation shall possess those qualifications as may from time to time be set forth in the Canons of the Diocese of Louisiana.” [See below]

III. “The Parish Register of the Corporation shall be final and conclusive in all respects as to membership in the Corporation; and the books of the Treasurer of the corporation shall be conclusive as to the contributions of members, requisite to suffrage.”

## CANON 19, SECTION 2:

“Those entitled to vote at an annual parish meeting shall be communicants in good standing of the Parish who are at least eighteen (18) years of age, and who have been contributors of record toward the support of the parish during the six (6) months next preceding the meeting.”

## CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES



### Kendall Genre

I was born in New Orleans and lived here until I went away to college in the northeast; I stayed in New York after college for medical school and residency and finally returned here in 2006. I had been raised in the Catholic Church where I was baptized, but during my years away had felt drawn to the Episcopal faith and had attended

Episcopal church in New York. During the same period my mother had met Steven at Christ Church while looking for a church change herself. Steven married my sister and her husband in 2003, which is when I first met him. When I returned



Visitors to the Cathedral are often surprised by our Coffee Hour. I've heard many a person say they were going to go home and tell their church about our hospitality. You can help us keep up our reputation for great hospitality by volunteering to host Coffee Hour one Sunday. Drinks are provided by the church and volunteers provide their choice of food. Host with a friend or two. If you have no time to shop and prepare food, donations are always gladly accepted. For additional information/volunteer, contact Kathy Boyd, 891-1360 or kboydaj@yahoo.com. Recent hosts:

Sarah and Liam Whalen, Barbara and Dan LeGardeur,  
Alan and Linda Brackett, Linda and Les Bradfield,  
John Burke and Theresa DeJarnette

*Many thanks to all!*

The Sign Up sheet is posted in Stuart Hall with open dates. Please sign up today.

### ***Gentle Reminders***

The street just in front of the cathedral steps is a Drop Off Zone for passenger unloading on Sunday mornings. Please do not park there.

Our choir and organist work very hard to prepare the music offered during worship. Please respect their ministry and do not visit with your neighbor during their offerings. Many thanks.

### ***Altar Flower Donations***



The 2014 Flower sign-up sheet is now available at the entrance to Stuart Hall. If you would like to honor or memorialize your loved ones, please fill in your desired date, or call Sue Blankingship - 885-0773, or E-mail wyattump1@aol.com.



*If your name isn't listed, we don't have your date of birth in our records. Please send an email to [acs@ccnola.org](mailto:acs@ccnola.org) or call the cathedral office and we'll be sure to wish you a Happy Birthday next year!*

Jack Anderson	Aubrey Ghere	Paul Perschall
Gay Becker	Liz Goforth David	John Rowland
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John Burke, Jr.	Don Hudson	Cathy Schieffelin
Barrett Conrad	Leo Justice	Bailey Shofstahl
Bianka Dadukian	Bill Knapp	Robert Shofstahl
Owl Dwyer	Bill Lagan	Carey Slocum
Enid Fahrenheit	Ava Leonard	George Sougeron III
Polly Finley	Jack Lo	Andrew Whitaker
Tripp Frasch III	Emma Morson	Bill Ziegenfuss
Gedge Gayle, Jr.	Catherine Ohman	Matthew Ziegler

*O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*



### ***Bodytime Bootcamp***

Classes Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 PM,  
Saturdays at 10:00 AM.  
Please contact Elijah Hobley [elijahhobley@yahoo.com](mailto:elijahhobley@yahoo.com) or 504.905.2237 with questions.

*Bodytime Bootcamp classes meet in  
Stuart Hall  
using the Sixth Street entrance.*

home with my first child who was then 18 months, we started attending Christ Church. Since then my second child has been born and baptized at Christ Church, and we all consider it our church home. I have been involved with the Christian formation committee and have been a reader for Real Presence services. The Christ Church community has been a steady, positive and warm part of our lives, and I would be grateful to be able to give back to that community through serving on the vestry.

I am a psychiatrist in private practice as is my husband, Drew Morson. I have a B.A. from Dartmouth College and an M.D. from Cornell University Medical College. My daughter Finn is 8 and her sister Emma is 3. Both of my girls attend Trinity Episcopal School. I am involved with their school and with several professional organizations. I enjoy cooking, reading, and theater in my spare time. We also enjoy spending time on the north shore where my parents spend much of their time; the girls are learning to ride and to grow our own vegetables.



### **Jesse George**

I am 30 years old and was married to Amanda George in May of 2011. We are the parents of four-month-old Robin. I was baptized in 1983 at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Lake Charles, Louisiana and confirmed in 1995, also at St. Michael and All Angels.

I tend toward being a high church person, so the Cathedral was the first church I visited when I moved to New Orleans in August 2005. I enjoyed the liturgy so much that I never went anywhere else.

I am an active lay reader and have served on the Real Presence committee.

Having grown up in the Church, and as the son of a priest, I am fully aware of the time, effort, and commitment that go into the continuing functioning of a parish, especially one as large as Christ Church Cathedral. I feel that serving on the Vestry is a way of giving back to the cathedral for all of the spiritual fulfillment that I receive through its many ministries. I love Christ Church Cathedral as my spiritual home. I am humbled to be considered for service on the Vestry, and would be honored to serve.



### **Lawrence Marrione (Larry)**

Born and raised in a Catholic family in New Orleans and brought up in this environment, I, as a child, was baptized in St. Alphonsus Church in 1936 and was confirmed there in 1948. My parents sent me to a Catholic grade school and high school. During college years I lost interest in the Catholic Church. For the next fifty years, there was no participation in any organized religion.

My coming to Christ Church was unplanned and, in hindsight,

providential. In December, 2011, friends from Dallas visited and invited me to go with them to Christ Church. I agreed to attend Sunday service with them. When I walked into Christ Church for the first time, I was impressed with the Church's beauty and the friendliness of the parishioners. But it was the music that thrilled and captivated me! I soon met with the Dean and we discussed my concerns. He invited me to return and receive Communion, assuring me that Baptism entitled me to receive Communion. On 9-30-12, I was reconfirmed at Christ Church.

Ministries at Christ Church that I have been involved in are: serving on the Stewardship Committee; being the greeter before the Sunday 10:00 AM service since October, 2012; completing Disciples of Christ in Community (DOCC); volunteering at the rummage sale the past two years. I have begun The Bible Challenge.

Serving on the Vestry would be a great honor. I welcome contributing to and supporting the mission of Christ Church any way I can. I see Christ Church as having great value and I want to support and promote this community of active Christians.



### **Rick Mithun**

I am a life long Episcopalian, born in Norwalk Connecticut. My wife, Renee, and I have been members of Christ Church Cathedral since 2001 and were married in the Cathedral in 2002 by Jonathan Jensen.

I previously sat on the finance committee. Currently, I serve on the board for Jericho Road Episcopal Housing Initiative and the property committee. Renee serves on the Laetare Gala committee. Through the years, I, Renee, and my children Whitney, Rick and Nick, as well as my stepdaughter, Sarah, have served as: acolytes, readers, Oblation Bearers, ushers, and assisted with grounds maintenance of the Cathedral.

I am the owner of Master Builders and Contractors and Midwest Properties. In this capacity, I have developed 162 affordable housing properties located throughout the New Orleans metropolitan area.

I obtained a Juris Doctorate in 1995 from Loyola University School of Law in New Orleans. I am a graduate of Regis University located in Denver, CO where I received a Bachelor of Science in Business and a Bachelors of Science in Economics in 1984.

I believe I have strong financial and business skills and experience to contribute Cathedral community. Serving on the Vestry would be an honor.

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# Carnival with Crescent at the Cathedral

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God's Peace,  
*The Jericho Road Staff*



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*Hermes Parade Party Fundraiser  
Stuart Hall  
Friday, February 28  
Sixth Street entrance to Stuart Hall  
Doors Open at 5:30 PM*

*All are invited to the annual Hermes Parade Party Fundraiser the Friday before Mardi Gras! Doors to Stuart Hall (6th Street entrance) will open at 5:30 pm for pre-parade festivities. The menu is spaghetti & sauce, salad, bread and King Cake. Beverages will also be sold. \$10 cover per person (food & bathrooms) \$1 for soft drinks/bottled water, \$3 for beer/wine and donation for coffee. It will be a fabulous evening. Please bring friends.*

*This year, all proceeds will benefit our friends, Anna's Arts for Kids, a local group located at St. Anna's Episcopal Church on Esplanade. Anna's Arts inspires change in neighborhood children, through art and education, leaving them with a spirit of community service and environmental awareness. There are three beautiful uptown parades that night:*

*Knights of Hermes  
6:00 PM*

*Le Krewe d'Etat  
6:30 PM*

*Krewe of Morpheus  
7:00 PM*

*So come out, have a great meal, hear some fabulous music, catch some beads and raise money for a worthy cause. Stuart Hall will remain open until 9 pm for food, fellowship and clean bathrooms. Hope to see you there! Be sure and tell your friends!*

*We need your help to make the fund-raiser a success. Please sign up to bring a batch of your favorite spaghetti sauce, a loaf of bread, a bag of salad mix, a King Cake, some soft drinks or wine. Sign up sheets are posted on the main bulletin board leading to Stuart Hall. Volunteers are also needed to fill a variety of jobs; decorating crew, kitchen helpers, ticket takers, drink servers, food runners and clean up crew. A complete list is posted in Stuart Hall. And if you would like to underwrite the cost of the event, donations will be gladly accepted. Just note Hermes parade on your check. Thanks for your support!*

*A limited number of parking spaces are available that evening for volunteers working the event – first come, first reserved. Please see Julie Mabus or email her at [juliehines@me.com](mailto:juliehines@me.com) to obtain the parking pass required to get in at the gate.*

# The Canticle

## February 2014

**Sunday, February 2**  
Rock 'n Roll Marathon  
St. Charles Avenue closed.

Please allow a few extra minutes to get to church!

**February 26 - March 4**  
Carnival with Crescent at the Cathedral  
Chef Jeff Baron of Crescent Pie & Sausage Company  
will be selling New Orleans' best jambalaya, sausages, hot  
dogs, soft drinks & beer

**February 28**  
Hermes Parade Party Fund-raiser  
Sixth Street Doors open at 5:30 PM  
Fund-raiser for Anna's Arts

**March 2 ~ Parade Sunday**  
7:30 AM Holy Eucharist 1928 - Chapel  
9:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Cathedral  
No Sunday School, Coffee Hour  
No Real Presence service.

**March 3 ~ Lundi Gras**  
Cathedral office closes after the 12:15 PM service.

**March 4 ~ Mardi Gras**  
Cathedral office closed. No 12:15 PM service.

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