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St. Mark the Evangelist

An early tradition recorded by the Bishop of Hieropolis in Asia Minor at the beginning of the second century, names Mark as the author of the Gospel bearing his name. This tradition, which holds that Mark drew his information from the teaching of Peter, is generally accepted. The Church of Alexandria in Egypt claimed Mark as its first bishop and most illustrious martyr. The great church of St. Mark in Venice commemorates the disciple who progressed from turning back while on a missionary journey with Paul and Barnabas to proclaiming in his gospel Jesus of Nazareth as Son of God, and bearing witness to his faith in his later life as a friend and companion to the apostles Peter and Paul.

Almighty God, by the hand of Mark the evangelist you have given to your Church the Gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God: We thank you for this witness, and pray that we may be firmly grounded in its truth; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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Calendar of Events

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SAVE THE DATES

Apr 26, 2009 LAS VEGAS HUNGER ACTION WORKSHOP, 1:30 - 3:30 PM, sponsored by Bread for the World, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4601 W. Lake Mead Blvd., Las Vegas [For information](#)

May 2, KOMEN RACE FOR THE CURE, Team sponsored by Grace in the Desert, Las Vegas. Team Name: Grace for the Cure. "Breast cancer knows no boundaries be it age, gender, socio-economic status, or geographic location. Please register, or support a participant. To Register, or for Information, or call Sarah Newton at 702-228-2075.

May 2, 2009 NORTHERN NEVADA HUNGER ACTION WORKSHOP, 10:30 am -12:30 PM, sponsored by Bread for the World, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (Fellowship Hall), 501 California Ave., Reno [For information](#)

May 2, DAUGHTERS OF THE KING ASSEMBLY, All Saints Episcopal Church, Las Vegas. The business meeting and elections will include a Taize presentation and instruction by Rev. Mary Bredlau, luncheon and Eucharist. Details to follow.

MAY 7, NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER OBSERVANCE, 6:00PM, Boulder City Library Amphitheater, presented by Boulder City pastors, youth groups, and bands.

May 4-8, ADULT WORK WEEK, CAMP GALILEE. No Charge; Meals are Provided. [For Information, or to Register](#)

May 15, 15, WELCOMING ABUNDANCE, The Province VIII Conference on Stewardship, Evangelism and Congregational Development, San Diego, CA. Town & Country Resort and Convention Center [For Information, or to Register](#)

May 30 & 31, SEEING THE FACE OF GOD IN EACH OTHER: TRAINING IN ANTI-RACISM; Presented by the Episcopal Diocese of Utah, Episcopal Church Center of Utah, Salt Lake City, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM each day (14 hours - this program must be completed in its entirety). Reservations must be made by March 20. [For Information, or to Register](#)

Jun 13, SPIRITUAL THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST AND ITS PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS: A Roving Workshop by Bishop Dan, Trinity Church, Reno. No Charge. [For Additional Information](#)

JUN 21-25, THE UNION OF BLACK EPISCOPALIANS (UBE), 41st Annual Meeting and Conference, Hilton Hotel, Silver Spring, Washington, D.C. [Online registration](#)

Jun 18-22, 2009 ASIAMERICAN MINISTRIES CONSULTATION, DaySpring Episcopal Conference Center, Florida. [For More Information](#)

Jul 14, A TOUR OF STAINED GLASS WINDOWS, HOSTED BY KATHLEEN HALLAMORE, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM, Trinity Episcopal Church, Church on the River, Reno. For information about this event and others that will be sponsored by the church during July's Artown events, call Meg Tarble (775) 827-2516

Oct 3, SPIRITUAL THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST AND ITS PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS: A Roving Workshop by Bishop Dan, St. Paul's Church, Elko. No Charge. [For Additional Information](#)

Oct 23 - 25, DIOCESAN CONVENTION: I Love To Tell The Story; Keynote Speaker: Fr. Jake aka Fr. Terry Martin. **Lake Tahoe Area.** Contact Barbara for details.

Bishop Katharine's Visit to Haiti



Bishop Katharine with Bishop Jean Zache Duracin

"The \$20 million that the U.S. will give Haiti to help that country meet its upcoming debt obligations is a gesture of compassion and human generosity toward a neighbor in desperate need," Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori told President Barack Obama April 16.

The Episcopal Church of Haiti, the most populous diocese of the Episcopal Church, serves between 100,000 and 150,000 people in 168 congregations. There are 37 active clergy, most of whom serve a multitude of congregations in urban and rural areas. In addition to the churches, the diocese's ministry includes: 254 schools; many medical clinics; a renowned philharmonic orchestra and children's choir based at the cathedral; agricultural, reforestation, and other development projects; peace and reconciliation work, including its Desmond Tutu Center for Reconciliation and Peace, and non-violence training provided by the Episcopal Peace Fellowship. The Haitian Diocese is part of Province II.

News Briefs



Bishop Dan's Blog - Bishop Dan invites you to comment on his blog postings at <http://bishopdansblog.blogspot.com>

RAIN asks Nevada Legislature to Preserve the State's Social Safety Net. To learn more about these powerful presentations [Contact](#).

The Bishop Wes Frensdorff School of Christian Formation: A new Education Venture of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. The school's mission is *To bring together all Nevada Episcopalians for Christian formation, empowering each other to live deeply into our Baptismal Covenant in our relationships, service in daily life, and witness to the world.* To learn more [Contact](#).

High Rent Party - \$2 Tickets, First Tuesday's starting in March, 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Grace in the Desert, Las Vegas. Top Vegas Entertainers; Network Jobs; Win \$\$\$ for Rent; Barter Services!!!!

A Bus Trip to Lake Tahoe for the convention in October will be sponsored by St. Matthew's, Las Vegas. For information, or to make a reservation, contact Thelma Northrup at (702)-889-3929; or email stmatts@embarqmail.com

The Beauty of God's Holiness: A Liturgical Art Exhibit at General Convention, Presented by the National Altar Guild. [For Further Information](#)

Trinity Episcopal Church, Reno invites you to join them in a seventeen week practicum in prayer and discernment, Feb 4-May 20, 2009. The group will meet each Wednesday from 6-7:30 PM. The suggested fee is \$60.00. Please mail your registration information to: Trinity Episcopal Church, PO Box 2246, Reno, NV 89505

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