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We Look Forward to Seeing You Sunday!

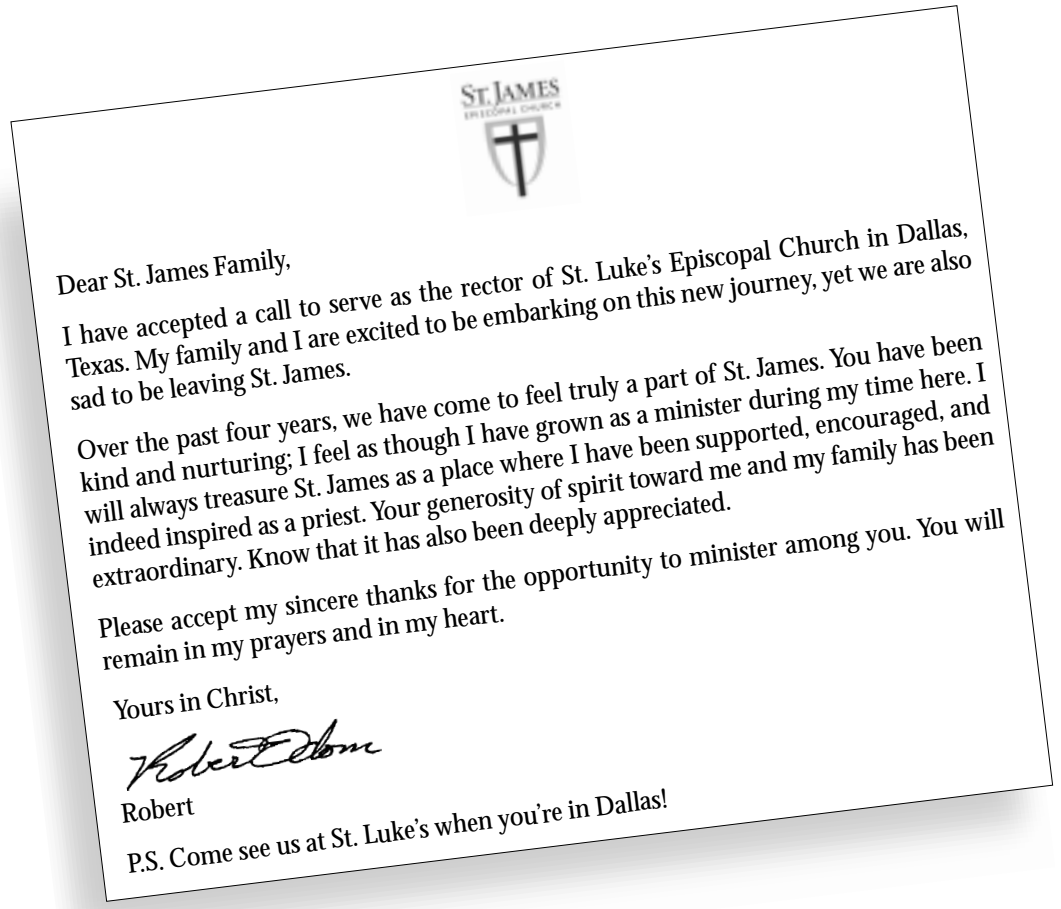
- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 - 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship with Praise Music*
 - 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 - 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour*
 - 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Senior Choir*
 - 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chapel
- *Nursery available

Sunday Lectionary: Year A,
Revised Common Lectionary
Daily Office: Year Two

The Lectionary — Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: *First Lesson:* Isaiah 55:10-13; *The Psalm* 65:9-14; *Second Lesson:* Romans 8:1-11; *The Gospel:* Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost:** *First Lesson:* Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19; *The Psalm* 86:11-17; *Second Lesson:* Romans 8:12-25; *The Gospel:* Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43.

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Dear St. James Family,

I have accepted a call to serve as the rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas. My family and I are excited to be embarking on this new journey, yet we are also sad to be leaving St. James.

Over the past four years, we have come to feel truly a part of St. James. You have been kind and nurturing; I feel as though I have grown as a minister during my time here. I will always treasure St. James as a place where I have been supported, encouraged, and indeed inspired as a priest. Your generosity of spirit toward me and my family has been extraordinary. Know that it has also been deeply appreciated.

Please accept my sincere thanks for the opportunity to minister among you. You will remain in my prayers and in my heart.

Yours in Christ,

Robert

P.S. Come see us at St. Luke's when you're in Dallas!

Feast of St. James the Great, Apostle

"Back in Jesus' day, you couldn't throw a stick without hitting someone named James," writes Fr. Richard Easterling. Our interest is in just one James. Last year *The Messenger* recalled the early years of James, the son of Zebedee and the brother of John. You will recall, these brothers left their father and



his nets in the boat one day and immediately followed Jesus.

And now, the rest of the story.

After the ascension of our Lord, James remained in Jerusalem serving the community of disciples together with Peter and John. The growing popularity

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Church Office Hours Summer Schedule:	<i>The Messenger</i> Summer Schedule:
Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Next issue date: July 25, 2008
Friday: 8:00 a.m. - noon	Deadline for submissions: July 18, 2008

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www.stjamesbr.org

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The Diocese of Louisiana is one church, faithful to Jesus Christ, united in mission, reaching out to seekers.

We live in joyous witness to the power of grace and divine compassion in our lives.

Community Notes

Nursery Care for children three months to four years old is available 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on the first floor of the Parish Hall from a wonderful team of professional caregivers. Pagers are also available for your comfort and convenience.



"E" News

Save a tree — and postage! Subscribe to *The MESSENGER* in email PDF form, and *From the Parish*, a weekly update on parish life from our web page: www.stjamesbr.org. **And now the youth news, E-vents, is available, as well!** Look for the special buttons to guide you through the process.

Coffee Hour will be held in Bishops Hall on Sunday July 13 while floors in the parlor undergo renovation.

Those parishioners who have subscribed to the independent email list *From the Parish* and would like to begin receiving it again, may also send a resubscribe message to npstudio@bellsouth.net.

Welcome Volunteers Needed

Become a guy or girl "Friday" to offer a warm and inviting access to the Ministries Center for visitors to our parish offices and the diocesan offices.

The hours are 9 to 12 or 1 to 4 Monday through Thursday. For more information about the Greeters Guild, contact Carole Wright at 225-218-8696.

The flowers on the altar on July 13 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of his mother, *Leila Obier Schroeder*, by J. Michael Cutshaw.

The flowers in Bishops Hall on July 13 are by Janet Heroman.

The flowers on the altar on July 20 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of his grandmother, *Daisy Mays Obier*, by J. Michael Cutshaw; and, in memory of Carole's parents, *James Henry Cummings* and *Mildred Cummings Benjamin* by Carole and Phillip Wright.

The flowers in the parlor on July 20 are by Gay Middleton.

July's foyer flowers are by Dixon Smith.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

Prayers are asked for: Elizabeth Poole, Carlisle Richard, Lois W., Dusty Johnson, Fred Frey Jr., Reece, Sue Sims, Estelle Schilling, Anne Howe, Lorraine Fourier, the Hall family, Caleb Leindecker, Meaghan Strain

Our continuing prayers are offered for: O.B. Romero, Estelle Copes, Michael Matassarin, Marguerite Matassarin, Nicholas Yiannopoulos, Jimmy Benton, Terry Irby, Bessie Stockton, Bill, Thomas, John and Kathy Gummersell, Brooke Hardin, Sue Tweedy, Laura and Trent Griggs, Donoghue, Perry Gaither, Nancy, Mary Sunny McCoy, Sallie, Frances Stirling, Brian Hess, Katherine Gant, Cameron Mott, Linda Lee, Luci Cobb, Glen Stockton, Angie Denny, Kevin Stockton, Robert, Christopher

Sanford, Owen, Michael Platte, Gail Brooks, Dottie McCornack, Marina Pinell, Bill Irving, Mary Lou and Gordon Loudon, Virginia Setze, Kathryn Daggett, Kelsey Favrot, Mary Betts, Kenlie Jackson, Ila Cooper, David Bertrand, Isabel Loret, John & Fritz Dehlbert, Blair, Colleen Colquette, Carole, Jack HopKins, Anne and Wayne Williams, Prentiss McClendon, Berta Mayer, Foster, Virginia Kroenke Sweet, Jim Bogan, Laura Haywood, Sammie Jackson

For those in the Armed Forces: Rob Hutchins, PFC Hal Town, Captain John Lyford V, Captain Allison Laine Lyford, LCpl William Martin, PFC Benjamin Agnew, Capt. Charlie Hines, Cpl Adam Basile, Capt. Kyle Randall, PFC Don Ellen, Lt. Col Michael Benson

Our Family provides house or child-sitting during funerals, or prepares food in times of family need. Contact Mimi Riché at mimi.riche@cancerservices.org.

Birthdays July 11-24

- 11 Elizabeth Nealy, Taylor Borie, Wells Borie, James Ruble, Elizabeth Brien, Sadie Brien
- 12 Helen Campbell, Taylor Andrus, Sarah Day
- 13 Margaret Rice, Margaret Blades, Desmond Fleming
- 14 Letty Fry, Huntington Odom, Pat McBride, Sandra Stewart, Matias Harris
- 15 Robert Odom, Jennifer Lim, Amy Kurtz, David Spiller, Ashley Hernandez, Kaleigh Redhead, Jennifer Cooper
- 16 Greg Griffin, James Knipe, Kevin Spann, Dee Dee Walker
- 17 Mary Jane Kahao, Genny Thomas, Jamie Arbour, Stirling Harper, Mary Sadler
- 18 Michael Ferachi, Gordie Wilt, Katherine Pogue, Miranda Johnston, Reed Desalvo
- 19 Albert Price, Lilli Leake, Charlotte Gladney, Blakley Woolf
- 20 Donald Conklin, Trudy Ivy, Russel Wray, John Yerger, Hayes Harris
- 21 Lois LaValley, Kristen Fryday, Philip Diab, Michael Pickett
- 22 Ann Row, Michael Chittom
- 23 Sheila Feigley, Rene Worsley, Ted Borie, Cullen Anderson
- 24 Charlie Frey, Amanda Alexander, Ryann Richard

St. James Day

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of the teachings of Jesus caused many to perceive Christianity as a threat and an easy target for scorn.

In the year 44, King Herod Agrippa sought to curry favor with the Jewish leadership. Shortly before the festival of the Passover he had James arrested and executed by the sword.

Easterling writes, "James has always had a particularly close connection with the country of Spain and the city of Compostela. Legend teaches that it was on July 25 that his bones were transported to the cathedral there, though the exact year is unknown."

He continues, "Pilgrimages to this church have been popular through the ages. As a remembrance for those making the journey they would often fish for the shell of a Galatian scallop, native to those parts. For this reason, the scallop shell serves as the apostolic symbol of St. James the Great and is an internationally recognized badge of pilgrimage."

EYC Mission to New Orleans

Come one, come all to build a house, New Orleans Style. All EYCers aged 16 (or completed ninth grade) through college, young adults, and even not-so-young adults who want to help, are invited to work on a Jericho Road house in New Orleans, Monday, July 14 through Friday, July 18. The cost is \$100.00 per person, plus spending money. Scholarships are available.

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If you can't go, but would like to help, volunteers to help with meals are also welcome. Contact Mother Laurie for more information: lbrock@stjamesbr.org.

Food Bank Volunteers

Wednesday, July 16 next Distribution Day

The St. James Food Bank distributes bags of groceries to those in need on the first and third Wednesday mornings of each month, beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Youth Suite on the first floor of the Ministries Center.

Volunteers are *always* welcome, and needed. Only about an hour of time is needed. Contact Allen Paterson at 819-6041 for more information.

Congratulations ...

To Chrissie, Don and big brother Bryan Olsson, who welcomed **William Clark Olsson** into their family on June 30. William was born on June 24, 2008. Joining them in this special announcement are his grandparents Laura and Ned Clark.



Confirmation Service at St. James Place June 19

In addition to Bishop Jenkins, the ladies are (left to right) Miss Carol Stirling, Miss Mailande Walker, and Mrs. Vida Broussard. These ladies range in age from 75-94. What a great testimony to how beautifully God continues to work in our lives and how the Holy Spirit never retires!

The service of confirmation at St. James Place had over sixty people in attendance, reported the Reverend Deacon Linda L. Armstrong, chaplain to St. James Place.



Photo by St. James Place resident Dr. Ed Dunnigan

As you will recognize in our own Chapel of the Twelve Apostles, a shell in the center of a sword is the traditional symbol for St. James the Great, Apostle, for whom our parish is named.

The Feast of St. James will be observed on Sunday, July 27, 2008. The mid-morning services will be combined at 10:30 a.m., followed by a parish lunch and celebration.

St. James will furnish the fried chicken and

dessert and the parish will furnish vegetables, bread and salads. The dessert will be vanilla ice cream with a variety of toppings: chocolate sauce, butterscotch, chocolate sprinkles, M&M's, etc. In other words, make your own sundaes! Folks whose names begin with A-M, please bring vegetable dishes, and N-Z, bring salads or bread. (Bring your dishes by Bishops Hall before the service.) Mark your calendars now for the great celebration!



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We proclaim Christ crucified and risen, and invite you to join with us in ministry together in his name.

Ministries and Worship July 11-24, 2008 *(Lay Assignments available at www.stjamesbr.org)*

Friday, July 11, 2008

Saturday, July 12, 2008

7:30 a.m. Garden Guild Work Day

Sunday, July 13, 2008 - 9 Pentecost

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service* (Chapel)
9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in **Bishops Hall**
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II* (Chapel)

Monday, July 14, 2008

5:30 p.m. CSF Program Meeting

Tuesday, July 15, 2008

Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group
8:00 a.m. Food Bank Distribution

Thursday, July 17, 2008

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing Service

Friday, July 18, 2008

5:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, July 19, 2008

6:30 a.m. Wedding

Sunday, July 20, 2008 - 10 Pentecost

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service* (Chapel)
9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II* (Chapel)

Monday, July 21, 2008

Tuesday, July 22, 2008

Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Wednesday, July 23, 2008

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group

Thursday, July 24, 2008

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing Service

** Indicates Child Care Provided*