



The MESSENGER

INVITES YOU TO EXPLORE OUR LIFE AND MINISTRIES AT ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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March 13, 2009

We Look Forward to Seeing You Sunday!

- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 - 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Chapel*
 - 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 - 10:00 a.m. Christian Education for all ages*
 - 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 - 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chapel
- *Nursery available

Sunday Lectionary: Year B
 Revised Common Lectionary
 Daily Office: Year ONE

The Lectionary — The Third Sunday in Lent: *First Lesson:* Exodus 20:1-17; *The Psalm* 19; *Second Lesson:* 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; *The Gospel:* John 2:13-22.

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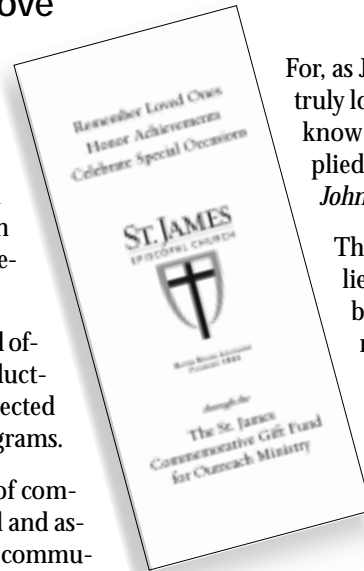
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To Offer a Special Gift of Love

From time to time there is a need and heartfelt desire to provide a living gift — in memory of a friend or loved one who has died, in remembrance or thanksgiving for a special occasion such as the birth of a child or anniversary, in honor of a friend's compassion or achievement, or other personal reason.

The St. James Commemorative Gift Fund offers a special opportunity for a tax deductible gift of any amount. All income is directed to the St. James Christian Outreach programs.

By God's grace, through the generosity of commemorative gifts we are able to offer aid and assistance to those less fortunate in our community, and beyond.



For, as Jesus asked Simon, "Do you truly love me?" He answered, "You know that I love you." Jesus replied, "Take care of my sheep." *John 21:16*

Those honored, and the families of those remembered will be notified of your gift as you request.

Forms for making a commemorative gift are found in the church narthex and in the Parish Hall. Please direct any questions to Sylvia Rabalais at the church office, 387-5141.

Gumbo 2009 is going strong!

Gumbo 2009 is off to a great start, but we still need your help! A donor (or donors) is needed to cover one more week of the musicians. The total is \$150.00 and can be split up between several donors. Please contact Emily L. Kay at 225-907-4492.

Snacks for the Gumbo Volunteers would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to help with

this, please contact Mary Boutwell at 225-346-5351 or mary.boutwell@yahoo.com.

Friday volunteers are welcome beginning at 9:00 a.m. If you have some time to spare, we'll find the place for you!

Invite your friends and co-workers to a wonderful St. James Gumbo lunch between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. next Friday!



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Email addresses available on the church web site:

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.

Christian Education 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. Pagers are also available for your comfort and convenience.

Sunday Morning Classes for Children

Christian Education choices for children three through fifth grade include the **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** meeting in three atria that are located on the second floor of the Parish Hall above the chapel and parlor; and, **Faith Builders** meet in the Day School's first grade and extended care classrooms, which are just through the parlor door leading to the cafeteria.

Sunday Morning for Adults

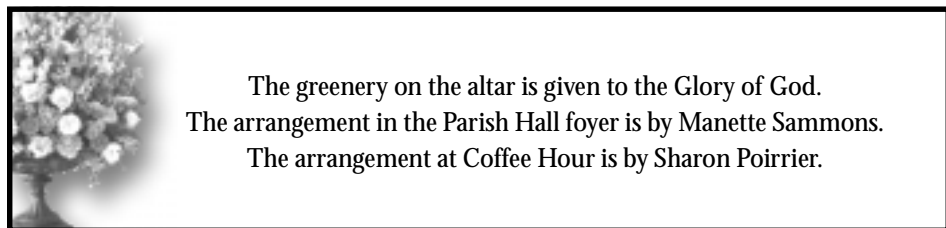
Lubna Culbert will host the March 15 session of **Anglicanism and Orthodox Traditions.**, with a discussion of Venice, its Art, Music, and Liturgy. Venice was the second

major point of contact between the Byzantine Empire and the West. The churches, religious art, architecture, liturgy, and music draws heavily on the Byzantine influence. The series will be held on the third floor of the Ministries Center in the Center for Spiritual Formation atrium, at 10:00 a.m.

EYC meets in the Youth Suite this Sunday, March 8 at 5:00 p.m.



Email lbrock@stjamesbr.org or give Mother Laurie a note with your name, school and grade to register for **Cardboard City at St. James**, March 20-21. Remember, for this evening: no iPods, cell phones, or computers. **Adults:** chaperones, group leaders, cooks and general help needed! Please contact Mother Laurie if you can assist with this important event.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

For the dear departed: Steve Cummings, brother of Carole Wright; John Glover

Prayers are asked for: Louibelle Grantham, Kim Hatton, Dixie Brock, Jeanne & David James, Warren Green, Hunt Odom, Marion Hart LeBlanc, Russ Wray, Connie Spann, Emery Smith, Iris Gueringer, Carlton Gilkes, Margaret, Charles Robertson, Hunter, Jonathan South, Russell Fish, John Bergeron, Jack Dagget, Leigh Anne

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

Kevin Stockton, Marina Pinell, Gordon Loudon, Kathryn Daggett, Kelsey Favrot, Mary Betts, Kenlie Jackson, John & Fritz Dehlbert, Blair, Carole, Anne and Wayne Williams, Prentiss McClendon, Berta Mayer, Jim Bogan, Laura Haywood, Sammie Jackson, Ava Jet Blencke, Pennye, Caleb Hutchins, Margaret Blades, Fred Frey Jr., Rubye Harris, Carolyn Glusman, Tom Raggio, Camille Raggio, Rachel Williams, Estelle Schilling, Vic Roy, Anne Howe, Betty Romero, Lillian Shipes, Prior John, Carolyn Bishop

For those in the Armed Forces: Rob Hutchins, PFC Hal Town, Captain John Lyford V, Captain Allison Laine Lyford, Cpl William Martin, Capt. Kyle Randall, PFC Don Ellen, Lt. Col Michael Benson, Pvt Stephen Arnold USMC, Captain K. Joshua Calmes, Captain Charlie Hines

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

Birthdays March 13-19

- 13 Carolyn Bishop, Linda Lapeyrouse, Meleia Ott, Anthony Speier, Melissa Pickett, Gregory Field
- 14 Debbie Hudson, Andrew Stewart
- 15 Jim Touns, Marta Richards, Carol Price, Elizabeth Griffin, Caroline Hansen, Jacob Kaple
- 16 Laura Clark, Michael Larisey, Lucy Pellegrin
- 17 Susie Skaggs, Louis Kobetz, Melinda Hudson, Leah Kahler, William Harrell, Cameron Rice
- 18 Jim Bailey, Nessie Richards, Grinnan Martin, Griffin Miller, Brayden LeBlanc

ECW Chapter Meeting

St. Monica/St. Agnes ECW Chapter meets at 10:00 on Tuesday, March 17, hosted by Mary Lou Shetterly.

Organ Recital and Class

Two opportunities to hear wonderful organists

Next Sunday, March 22, Pamela Decker, Professor of Organ/Music Theory at the University of Arizona in Tucson will present an organ recital at St. James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge.

The recital is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon and is jointly sponsored by the Louisiana State University School of Music and St. James Episcopal church.



Pamela Decker, Professor of Organ/Music Theory at the University of Arizona in Tucson and Organist at Grace St. Paul's Episcopal Church (also in Tucson).

Dr. Decker will be giving a master class the next day, Monday, March 23, where organ students from the studio of Herndon Spillman, Mattax Professor of Organ at Louisiana State University, will perform for her.

This class will be held at the First United Methodist Church at 4:00 p.m. Both events are free and open to the public.

Congratulations!

Anna Louise Mathison was born on February 25 (Ash Wednesday) in Dallas, Texas, weighing 7 lbs., 7 oz. to Claudia & Kurt Mathison. Her proud grandmother is Mary Sentell.



Margaret and Pat Culbertson are the proud grandparents of **Riley McClure Culbertson** born on Granddad Pat's birthday, March 4, in Texarkana, Texas to Maggie and Geoff Culbertson, at 6 lbs., 15 oz., and 21¼ in.

ATTENTION RETIREES!

St. James Place retirement community is instituting an upper age limit for people moving into Independent Living. As of January 2010, only persons 82 years old and younger will be eligible. However, up until that date, people of any age (who meet the health requirements) will still be eligible.

This age limit does *not* apply to people interested in moving into Assisted Living or Nursing Care. Call 215-4510 for more information.

Volunteers needed for upcoming children's events

Please contact Alison Nikitopoulos at anikitopoulos@stjamesbr.org if you would like to help with any of the following events:

Sunday, March 29: Help with acolyte training and children's activities at the Fifth Sunday Feast; **Sunday, April 12 (Easter): 9:00 a.m. service:** Help with our traditional Flowering of the Cross on Easter Sunday; **Ongoing:** 2009 Vacation Church School planning and coordination.

Church Periodical Club holding quilt drawing

This blue and white queen-size quilt, handmade by women in South Dakota and Wisconsin, will be given away by the CPC July 15 during General Convention.

Tickets for the drawing are \$1 each and available at St. James from Alice Bartlett.

The CPC ministry is to supply books, magazines, tapes, videos and computer programs free to those who cannot otherwise obtain them.

Join Mother Laurie for a Lenten QUIET DAY at the Conference Center

Thursday, March 19

The Diocesan Altar Guild is sponsoring this opportunity for all to step away from everyday activities during the Lenten season and quietly reflect on the meditations directed by the Rev. Laurie M. Brock.

The day will begin with a light continental breakfast and visiting at 9:30 a.m. followed by Holy Eucharist and first meditation at 10:00 a.m., when silence begins.

Silence will be preserved through lunch, and two afternoon meditations. Dismissal is at 2:30 p.m.

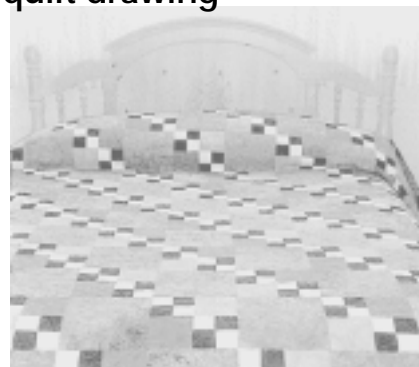
Your \$19 registration cost covers breakfast and lunch. Registration ends **March 13**. Pick up a form at church, or visit www.solepisc.org right away to register for this event.

A New FORWARD Day by Day

Your copy of Forward Day by Day for Feb – Apr is now available on the rear window sills of the church and in the foyer. The daily meditations contain many thoughtful observations, such as the following excerpt from Help My Unbelief:

“... We try to believe. We try not to have any doubts. We try to be like the psalmist who asks, ‘What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!’ It’s not easy. Some days it is very hard to see goodness in the world around us.”

“The best we can do is to be honest with God. I believe; help my unbelief.”





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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

Friday, March 13, 2009
 9:00 a.m. Volunteers begin arriving for **GUMBO 2009 #2**
 Saturday, March 14, 2009
 8:00 a.m. Garden Guild Work Day - *rescheduled*
 Sunday, March 15, 2009 - Third Sunday in Lent
 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Chapel*
 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 10:00 a.m. Christian Education for all ages*
 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in Chapel
 5:00 p.m. EYC
 5:00 p.m. Mastersingers Rehearsal
 5:30 p.m. Vestry
 Monday, March 16, 2009
 8:15 a.m. Day School Chapel
 3:00 p.m. Volleyball - 4th and 5th grades
 Tuesday, March 17, 2009
 Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
 Noon Day School Finance/Executive Committees
 5:30 p.m. Associate Vestry
 Wednesday, March 18, 2009
 7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group
 8:00 a.m. Food Bank Distribution
 1:00 p.m. Discernment Group
 3:15 p.m. Daisy Troop Meeting
 6:00 p.m. iConfirm Group
 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
 Thursday, March 19, 2009
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Healing Service (Chapel)
 Noon EFM
 6:00 p.m. EFM

* Indicates Child Care Provided

Lay Ministry - Sunday, March 15, 2009

7:30 a.m. Philip T. Martin, Ken Kahao Jr., John Bilisoly
 8:45 a.m. John Cadwallader
Ushers 9:00 a.m. Bob Israel, Chad Phillips, Pat Culbertson, Daryl Ellis, Kyle Landrem
 11:00 a.m. Randall Peterson, Scott Westbrook, Scott Garver, Todd Jackson, Bill Lee
Acolytes 9:00 a.m. Carson Saurage, Sarah Catherine Saurage, Matthew Saurage
 11:00 a.m. Christina Arey, Ramsey Bell, Wren Bell
Eucharistic Ministers 7:30 a.m. John Ozier
 8:45 a.m. Claudia Black, Liz Treppendahl
 9:00 a.m. Ed Henderson
 11:00 a.m. Scott Garver
 5:00 p.m. Lynnette Frazer
Verger 9:00 a.m. David Warrington
 11:00 a.m. Katherine Martin
Lectors 7:30 a.m. Cathy McHugh
 8:45 a.m. Liz Treppendahl, Claudia Black (P), B Phillips
 9:00 a.m. Judy Foil, Tricia Henderson
 11:00 a.m. Virginia Noland, Ann Holmes
Intercessor 7:30 a.m. John Ozier
 8:45 a.m. Honey East
 9:00 a.m. Ed Henderson
 11:00 a.m. Chuck Munro
Welcome Committee 8:45 a.m. John Cadwallader
 9:00 a.m. Margaret & Pat Culbertson, Manette Sammons, Rieta Reiser, Susie & Buzzy Heroman
 11:00 a.m. Memrie & Mike McDonald
Altar Guild 7:30 a.m. Cathy McHugh, Liz Carter
 8:45 a.m. BB Stirling
 9:00 a.m. Sue Larisey, Janet Rowan
 11:00 a.m. Ashley Frey, Frances Garland, Ruth Martinusen, Carole Moloney
 5:00 p.m. Betty Phillips