



# The MESSENGER

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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  
 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Chapel  
 \*Nursery available

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

**Sunday, May 25 — The Second Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 3)** — *First Reading:* Isaiah 49:8-16a; *The Psalm* 131; *Second Reading:* 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; *The Gospel:* Matthew 6:24-34.

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## EYC Mission to New Orleans: Jericho Road House-Building

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.

Interested? Contact Mother Laurie at the Parish Office by phone at 387-5141 or by email at [lbrock@stjamesbr.org](mailto:lbrock@stjamesbr.org). Applications for the trip are available from Mother Laurie, and should be turned in no later than July 3, 2008.

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



A completed Jericho Road house in New Orleans. Come be a part of this amazing Katrina recovery ministry.

## The Role of the Deacon

This is part 5 of a series by Deacons Mark Hudson and Pat Lyle offering brief educational articles on "The Role of the Deacon," historically, ministerially, and liturgically.



### The Deacon in the Liturgy

*As Leader of the Prayers of the People:* Unless the custom of the church is different, as at St. James where laity lead the Prayers of the People, it is the duty of the deacon to do so. On special occasions, the deacon can provide special forms of the Prayers of the People.

### SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR THE MESSENGER

Beginning with the May 30, 2008 issue, The Messenger will go on a bi-weekly schedule until the August 22 issue, when we return to the weekly publication schedule.

Parishioners and committee members will want to keep the publications dates in mind as you plan notifications and announcements during the summer.

Deadline for submissions is 9 a.m. the Friday before the desired Friday publication date. Send your submission to the church office via mail, fax or email to [srabalais@stjamesbr.org](mailto:srabalais@stjamesbr.org).

Remember, a PDF version of the current and past issues of The Messenger is always available at [www.stjamesbr.org](http://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.*



**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 available for your comfort and convenience.



## Events at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center

### *Cursillo: July 24-27, 2008*

The atmosphere of Cursillo differs from the individual solitude of a retreat. During the three days, the teachings of Christ are discussed with others on their faith journey. The talks and discussions are interspersed with prayer, songs, recreation, laughter and moments of reflection and quiet. The Eucharist is celebrated daily.

### *Co-Ed Recovery Weekend: August 1-3, 2008*

This event is for women and men who are, or wish to be, in recovery of any kind. The weekend begins with supper on Friday at 6:30 p.m. and ends after Eucharist on Sunday morning around noon. The facilitator is the Rev. Gavin Griffith.

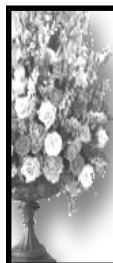
### *Diocesan Women's Retreat: September 19-21, 2008*

This event will begin with supper at 6:30 on Friday evening. The silent portion of the weekend commences immediately after supper, and ends with Holy Eucharist and lunch on Sunday.

### *Diocesan Men's Retreat: September 26-28, 2008*

This event will begin with supper at 6:30 on Friday evening. The silent portion of the weekend commences immediately after supper, and ends with Holy Eucharist and lunch on Sunday.

To learn more or just to register for these events, go to [www.thesolomoncenter.org](http://www.thesolomoncenter.org).



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for *Jane Christensen, Teri LeBlanc, and Susan White* for their ministry with the Day School liturgies and service projects by Joy Werth; and, in thanksgiving for the baptism of *Rex Alton Wascome* by his family.

The foyer arrangement is by Mildred Taylor.

The parlor arrangement is by Gay Middleton.

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

*For the dear departed:* Grace Finley, mother of Jane Shank

*Prayers are asked for:* Caleb Hutchins, Danie Singleton, Colleen Colquette, Carole, Mary Fisher, Jack HopKins, Anne Williams, Mildred Sumner, Prentiss McClendon, Berta Mayer, Foster, Elizabeth Poole, Carlisle Richard, Boots Green, Mary G., Pat Lyle, Brandon Baque, Winfield LeBlanc, Lois W., Wally Gladney, Thyre McMains

*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, Ave Jet Blencke, Michael Platte, Gail Brooks, Dottie McCornack, Marina Pinell, Bill Irving, Mark, Mary Lou and Gordon Loudon, Virginia Setze, Kathryn Daggett, Kelsey Favrot, Elaine Cutrer, Mary Betts, Kenlie Jackson, Ila Cooper, David Bertrand, Isabel Loret

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

*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](mailto:mimi.riche@cancerservices.org).

## May 23-29 Birthdays

- 23 Raymie Edmonds, John Thomas, Leigh Smith, Ann Skaggs, Lena Skaggs
- 24 Mary Jarnagin, Mary Odom, Grace Ann Woolf, Anna Price, Bryan Olsson, Blake Griffin
- 25 Dianne Black, Stephan Hillman
- 26 Cissy Alford, Kathleen Stone, Bertie Poole, Georganna Johnson
- 27 Chip Middleton, Lloyd Brown, Camille Jenkins
- 28 Jerry Lynn Mills, Max Preis
- 29 Monica Murphy, Jed Bradley, Ben Lari-sey, Caroline Bardwell

## VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS FOR MAY

Rob Outland presented an overview of the Day School's Excellence–Faith–Community program. Excellence is a technique of groups working together and problem solving. Faith is the building of spiritual and character growth. Community is interacting with the outside community.

Mother Laurie received accolades for the *Confirm not Conform* program and the service on April 20. The youth mission trip to Heifer Ranch in Arkansas is June 1-6.

The vestry approved replacing the grassy area of the Day School playground with an artificial surface, Field Turf. This is a quick draining surface used at private schools in New Orleans and elsewhere. The surface has an eight-year guarantee.

Charles Carter Construction Co. has been selected to construct the columbarium with a completion expected within ninety days.

EFM graduation will be on June 8, the same Sunday Bishop Jenkins will confirm eight adults. There have been 20 baptisms as of Mother's Day, averaging one per week in '08.

The Fall Hospitality Party is set for Friday, November 14, 2008. This is an open weekend for LSU football.

Revenues for the year continue to lag behind last year. Expenses are below budget. Vestry members are contacting those who pledged last year but have not done so this year.



Summer is almost here and school will be closed, meaning we need more help preparing *We Care* bags! This is a wonderful ministry to those in need on our streets.

The bags and food are in the basement of the Ministries Building, and you are invited to spend a little while anytime at the church filling bags.

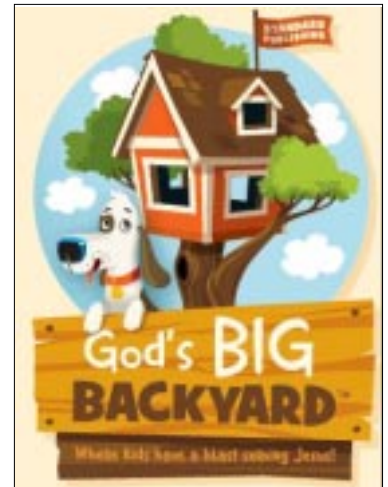
If you'd prefer to help with supplies for the bags, send your check labeled "We Care" or pick up any of the usual items: Vienna Sausage, Ozarka 8 oz. water; diced canned fruit in single-serving size; snack size pudding; and, Nutrigrain breakfast bars, and drop them off in the same place.

## Summer fun at VCS!

Vacation Church School is June 23-27. The theme this year is God's Big Backyard — Where kids have a blast serving Jesus!

Each day the children will have a ball focusing on service to Jesus, family, friends, neighbors and community.

Children going in to Pre-k through fifth grade are welcome. Adult and youth volunteers are still needed. Please contact Yvette Owens at 216-7123 or [yvettedowens@yahoo.com](mailto:yvettedowens@yahoo.com), or Sarah Sheely at [sbsheely@bellsouth.net](mailto:sbsheely@bellsouth.net) if you are interested or have any questions.



## Vacation Church School Registration

St. James Episcopal Church  
Vacation Church School

*Please fill out one form per family*

Child's name	Male/ Female	Age	Last grade completed	Allergies or concerns	T-shirt size Child(XS-L) Adult(S-L)

St. James Episcopal Church  
Photo Release Form

Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ Cells \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact and Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Dr.'s Name and Phone \_\_\_\_\_

In case of an emergency, I give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
to be taken for medical treatment to a hospital or doctor.

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\*I want to help  
Days:  Monday  Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday  
How? \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby grant permission to St. James Episcopal Church to use my child's photograph on its World Wide Website, in The Messenger, or in other printed publications without further consideration for the purpose of advertising and promotions, and I acknowledge St. James Episcopal Church's right to crop or treat the photograph at its discretion. I also acknowledge that St. James Episcopal Church may not choose to use my child's photo at this time, but may do so at its own discretion at a later date.

Child or children \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_



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

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## Ministries and Worship

Friday, May 23, 2008

Saturday, May 24, 2008

Sunday, May 25, 2008 - 2 Pentecost

- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
- 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service\*
- 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, May 26, 2008 - Memorial Day (*Office Closed*)

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer
- Noon Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, May 28, 2008

- 7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group
- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

Thursday, May 29, 2008

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Healing Service
- 6:00 p.m. EFM

\* Indicates Child Care Provided

## Lay Ministry - Sunday, May 25, 2008

- 7:30 a.m. John Bilisoly, Stiles Kennedy
- 8:45 a.m. Mimi Riché
- Ushers** 9:00 a.m. Bob Israel, Chad Phillips, Pat Culbertson, Daryl Ellis
- 11:00 a.m. Randall Peterson, Scott Westbrook, Scott Garver, Todd Jackson

- Acolytes** 7:30 a.m. John Ozier
- 9:00 a.m. Bailey Wax, Marshall Stewart, John Wesley Stewart
- 11:00 a.m. Robert Whitley, Caroline Whitley, Mallory Holland

- Lay Eucharistic Ministers** 7:30 a.m. John Ozier
- 8:45 a.m. Hays Town III, Claudia Black
- 9:00 a.m. Ed Henderson
- 11:00 a.m. Lonell Wright
- 5:00 p.m. TBA

- Verger** 9:00 a.m. David Warrington
- 11:00 a.m. Joy Werth

- Lectors** 7:30 a.m. Karen Kennedy
- 8:45 a.m. Claudia Black, John Pine (P), Susie Furr
- 9:00 a.m. Judy Foil, Betty Romero
- 11:00 a.m. Megan Champagne, Chet Coles

- Intercessor** 7:30 a.m. John Ozier
- 8:45 a.m. Pat Colquette
- 9:00 a.m. Manette Sammons

- Welcome Committee** 9:00 a.m. Betty & O.B. Romero, Bahin Leonard, Tracie Way
- 11:00 a.m. Carole & Phillip Wright, Linda & Bill Lee

- Altar Guild** 7:30 a.m. Dodie Edmonds, Mildred Taylor
- 8:45 a.m. Honey & Randy East
- 9:00 a.m. Maretta Creveling, Rieta Reiser
- 11:00 a.m. Sally Fenet, Elizabeth Libbers, Ashley Frey
- 5:00 p.m. Sheila Feigley, Jeannie Frey Rhodes