



# The MESSENGER

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November 20, 2009

## We Look Forward to Seeing You Sunday!

Sunday, November 22, 2009

- 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 — November 22 - Last Sunday after Pentecost (Christ the King):** *First Lesson:* 2 Samuel 23:1-7; *The Response:* Psalm 132:1-13; *Second Lesson:* Revelation 1:4b-8; *The Gospel:* John 18:33-37.

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## November is a Fifth Sunday Month

The St. James Center for Spiritual Formation **Fifth Sunday** series of evening programs continues on Sunday, November 29.



Fr. John Pitzer

The November program, "The Holy Longing: How to Achieve a Healthy and Effective Spirituality" will be presented by The Rev. John Pitzer, O.P., Director of the St. Martin de Porres Shrine & Institute in Memphis, Tennessee.

Fr. Pitzer, a native of Texas, has been a member of the Southern Province of Dominicans, based in New Orleans, since 1994. He has ministered in Louisiana and Texas, and is currently Associate Pastor of St. Peter Catholic Church and Director of St. Martin de Porres Shrine & Institute in Memphis, Tennessee. One of his greatest loves is preaching the word of God.

Fr. Pitzer will preach at the *combined service at 10:30* on the fifth Sunday, November 29.

### Lunch & Advent Wreaths

After the service, the parish family and church neighbors are invited to a jambalaya lunch, free of charge, in Bishops Hall.

Forms and materials to assist you in making an advent wreath for your household will be available; you may make your wreath before or after lunch.

This year we will be making wreaths out of oasis and boxwood so they will last longer, be easier to assemble, and should look very pretty.

Fr. Pitzer's evening presentation will explore four topics and is based on the book *The Holy Longing*, by Ronald Rolheiser:


- Spirituality: prayer and contemplation
- Service: the fruits of our contemplation and passion
- Embracing the incarnation of God
- Spiritual and prophetic leaders

The evening program is free and open to the public. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall Parlor. Child care will be available if requested by phone to the church office (387-5141) before Tuesday, November 24.

# Holy Longing

## How to Achieve a Healthy and Effective Spirituality


with  
The Rev. John Pitzer, O.P., Director of the St. Martin de Porres Shrine & Institute in Memphis, Tennessee  
Based on the book *The Holy Longing* by Ronald Rolheiser



Spirituality in prayer and contemplation  
Service as the fruits of our contemplation and passion  
Embracing the incarnation of God  
Spiritual and prophetic leaders

**Sunday, November 29**  
6:00 p.m.

St. James Episcopal Church  
Parish Hall Parlor  
Convention at Fourth Street  
**Free and Open to the Public**

 **Part of the Center's Fifth Sunday Program Series**  
*A Day of Worship, Meal and Study Done Together each Fifth Sunday of the Month*

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## St. James Vestry

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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.

### Children's Programs

The **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**, a Montessori-based approach to Christian formation meets on the second floor of the Parish Hall in a 3-6 year old group, and a group for grades 1-3. **Faith Builders**, a more familiar approach to Christian formation, meets with the younger children (pre-K- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) on the first floor of the Parish Hall in two different classrooms; older children (4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade) meet on the second floor of the Parish Hall.

### Adult Class

**Charles Coates** will present "Our Faith and Jesus with Children," the stories of the five stained glass windows in Bishops Hall and what they tell us about our faith at 10:00 a.m. on the third floor of the Ministries Center.

## Day School Baptisms on All Saints Day

At the Day School All Saints Eucharist on Monday, November 2, nine new members were baptized into the community of the Christian faith (six students, one sibling, one teacher, and one mother):



**Matthew Bickham** (1<sup>st</sup> grade son of Thomas & Michelle Bickham)  
**Hayden and Spencer Daniel** (3<sup>rd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> grade sons of Nelson & Nicole Daniel)  
**Allison Graves** (Pre-K Aide and Resource Teacher)  
**Haley and Oliver Mosenteen** (Pre-K daughter and 8-month-old son of West & Carolyn Mosenteen)  
**Kaden Norris** (1<sup>st</sup> grade son of Rebekka Norris)  
**Mitchell Sarnataro** (kindergarten son of Jason & Penelope Sarnataro)  
**Penelope Sarnataro** (mother of Mitchell and wife of Jason Sarnataro).

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.  
The arrangement in the Parish Hall foyer is by Dixon Smith  
The Coffee Hour arrangement is by Barbara Moffett.

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

*For the dear departed:* Stanford Rayne Jr., brother of Katherine Rayne

*Prayers are asked for:* Debbie Terrell, Michael Kennedy, Jean Fielden, Hayes Taylor, Terry Irby, Ruth MacMurdo, Jennifer Hollenbeck, Jim Fritze, Betty Hertzog, Christopher Leavins, Glenn, Karen, Jesse, Patsy King, Kate Leupin, Cindy Leake Wilson, Jack Hightower, Steve, Carlyle, Elizabeth Beauchamp, Raylynn Gibbs, Sylvia, Zach Romero, Jim Bowers, the family of Tommy Kirkpatrick

*Our continuing prayers are offered for:* O.B. Romero, Estelle Copes, Michael Matassarini, Marguerite Matassarini, Nicholas Yiannopoulos, Bill, Thomas, John and Kathy Gummersell, Sue Tweedy, Donoghue, Nancy, Mary Sunny McCoy, Sallie, Katherine Gant, Cameron Mott, Linda, Angie Denny,

Gordon Loudon, Carole, Anne and Wayne Williams, Prentiss McClendon, Ava Jet Blencke, Pennye, Caleb Hutchins, Margaret Blades, Fred Frey Jr., Rubye Harris, Tom Raggio, Estelle Schilling, Vic Roy, Anne Howe, Betty Romero, Lillian Shipes, Donie Schmidt, Mary Ann Ford, Ken Shuler, Russell Fish, Marion Hart LeBlanc, Clyde Harrelson, Donald Killilea, Kip Gremillion, Mary C. Elliott, Kerry Triche, Kevin Stockton, Patrick O'Reilly, Danie Singleton, Sarah Romero

*For those in the Armed Forces:* Rob Hutchins, PFC Hal Town, Captain John Lyford V, Captain Allison Laine Lyford, Cpl William Martin, PFC Don Ellen, Lt. Col Michael Benson, Pvt Stephen Arnold USMC, Captain Charlie Hines, Sgt Clayton Edmonds, Sgt Toni Edmonds

## Birthdays November 20-26

- 20 Smiley Anders, Connie Schneider, Clyde Harrelson, Bob Bowsher, Bobby Spann, Ted Heroman, Lynn Schlossberger, Micaela Holland, Tré Michelli, Elizabeth Prutz, Taylor Clark, Whitney Nachman
- 21 Dotty Major, Frank Alvarez, David Marschall, Will Groves, Mackenzie West, Grant Curry, Mallory Saunier, Elizabeth Arey
- 22 Patricia Smith, Pat Tucker, Andy Thomas, Michelle Kurts
- 23 Cathy Healey, Mike Pickett, Donald Olsson, Rachel Knipe
- 24 Bea Stirling
- 25 DD Smith, Paula Rieger, Scottie Thomas, Caroline Rieger
- 26 Alison Blondeau

## YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

St. James' Young Professionals (20s and 30s) are invited to a **Wine and Cheese Meet and Greet**, in the Parlor after the five o'clock service on **December 13**, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Please come and bring a friend, too! We will discuss a weekly Bible study, a monthly fellowship event, and a monthly service project.

## Please Notify Us ...

Hospitals do not notify churches when parishioners are patients, or when a member enters a nursing or rehab facility. **Please notify Mother Mary Ann Garrett** by phone at 387-5141, email to [mgarrett@stjamesbr.org](mailto:mgarrett@stjamesbr.org) or the church office for pastoral care visits.

**Babies are very special!** Upon the birth of a child or grandchild, please notify the church office. Please send the baby's name, name of both parents, date of birth, and gender to [srabalais@stjamesbr.org](mailto:srabalais@stjamesbr.org).

The Associate Vestry is currently accepting nominations for membership for the upcoming term beginning in 2010. If you would like to be nominated or know someone willing to be nominated, please contact the AV Nominating Committee chair, Doug Garland at 954-9416 or by email at [Garprop2@aol.com](mailto:Garprop2@aol.com).

St James Seniors Sponsor

## Hello Holly!

*Lunch with Holly Clegg on Wednesday, December 2 in St. James Parlor*

*Gather at 11:30 - Lunch at noon followed by Ms. Clegg's Presentation*

*Open to all members of the church and their friends*

*Reserve with check for \$15 to SJC; attention of Helen Campbell*

Move over Martha Stewart: Louisiana's own "Queen of the Kitchen" makes her first appearance at St. James! Turned off by both diets and tasteless foods, Holly understands the challenge of the busy person, and her mission is to give cooks the ability to put a delicious, healthier meal on the table in a time-friendly manner. Her message is simple: food that is good for you can be delicious and easy to prepare.



Holly Clegg

Holly has made her fast, flavorful and healthy meals on *Fox & Friends*, *NBC Weekend Today Show*, *The 700 Club*, and *D-Life* (CNBC) as well as other shows nationwide. Holly writes for national

magazines, Internet sites, and has done media spokesperson work for Louisiana Sweet Potatoes, diet Coke, Pace Salsa/Campbell's Soup, Mizkan, and a national Teflon/DuPont nonstick ad print campaign in magazines including *People*, *Self*, *Ladies Home Journal*, *USA Today*, plus more and appeared on the Jumbotron in New York City.

After lunch Holly will sign her cookbooks. They make great gifts or additions to your personal cookbook library. Prices for **Trim and Terrific**, **Entertaining** \$25 inc. tax; **Freezer Friendly and Gulf Coast Favorites**, **Cancer** \$20 and **Diabetic** \$15.

We expect great attendance for this event and encourage **early reservations**. Please mail or get your check to Helen Campbell, St. James Church, P.O. Box 126, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, **no later than November 25**.

Consider bringing a friend and introducing them to the just one of the many "Terrific" activities at St. James Episcopal.

For more information: Contact Helen Campbell at 225-387-5141, or Eva or Don Bell at 225-753-1391.

# eyc

• **Sunday, November 29, 5:00 p.m.:** EYC will be meeting with Fr. John Pitzer in the Youth Classroom.

• **Sunday, December 6, 3:00-5:00 p.m.:** EYC will meet at the Mall of Louisiana (outside of Menchie's Frozen Yogurt on the Boulevard) to shop for their Angel Tree child.

• **Sunday, December 13, after 11:00 a.m. service:** EYC will be participating in the Christmas Dinner for our homeless neighbors.

• **Sunday, December 20 at 9:00 a.m.:** EYC will meet for church then deliver toys and other gifts to the Angel Tree children.

• **Sunday, December 20 at 5:00 p.m.:** EYC will attend Lessons and Carols as a group.



## SHARE YOUR BOUNTY

The coming holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas offer a special time to support St. James Food Bank, serving so many in this time of economic hardship.

"We need canned sweet potatoes, green beans, pumpkin and cranberry sauce; packaged stuffing and corn bread mix," requests Allen Paterson, Food Chair, "to make each holiday meal complete."

On the first Wednesday in November, one-hundred turkey gift certificates were handed out with a bag of non-perishable groceries. This will be repeated three times before Christmas to other deserving families. The \$12.00 certificates are provided by a grant from the St. James Outreach Committee.

Food distribution is on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Volunteers are needed beginning at 7:30 a.m.; just show up, or to help prepare bags, arrive on the Tuesday before at 1:30 p.m.

Check your grocery's weekly specials for an economical item ... or two, the need is great.



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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 November 20-26

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5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in Chapel

Monday, November 23, 2009

Tuesday, November 24, 2009

Wednesday, November 25, 2009

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group

Noon Holy Eucharist & Healing Service

Noon O'Brien House Meeting

Thursday, November 26, 2009 - Thanksgiving Day (*Office Closed*)

## Lay Ministry - Sunday, November 22, 2009

7:30 a.m. Phil Martin, John Bilisoly

8:45 a.m. Brent & Kent Caldwell

**Ushers** 9:00 a.m. Laurance W. Brooks Jr., Rip Collins, Ben Reiser, Mike Fontenot

11:00 a.m. Charles Kahao, Mike McDonald, Vernon Middleton, Tommy Bell

**Acolytes** 9:00 a.m. Vaki Nikitopoulos, Anthony Nikitopoulos, Mallory Holland

11:00 a.m. Anna Claire Westbrook, Maggie Westbrook, Camille Frink

**Eucharistic Ministers** 7:30 a.m. Mickey Christensen

8:45 a.m. Ed Henderson, Brent Caldwell

9:00 a.m. John Ozier, Claudia Black

11:00 a.m. Rodger Green, Elizabeth Cawns

5:00 p.m. TBD

**Lectors** 7:30 a.m. Karen Kennedy

8:45 a.m. Hays Town III, Ed Henderson (P), Tricia Henderson

9:00 a.m. Allen Black, Lucy Bowers

11:00 a.m. Sarah Sheely, Eleanor Shirley

**Intercessor** 7:30 a.m. Mickey Christensen

8:45 a.m. Kent Caldwell

9:00 a.m. Christine Smith

11:00 a.m. Chet Carter

**Welcome Committee** 9:00 a.m. Bahin Leonard, Rieta Reiser

11:00 a.m. Carole & Phillip Wright, Linda & Bill Lee

7:30 a.m. Cathy McHugh, Liz Carter

8:45 a.m. Honey & Randy East, Joan Moore

9:00 a.m. Sue Larisey, Lucy Bowers, Janet Rowan

**Altar Guild** 11:00 a.m. Ashley Frey, Ruth Martinusen, Carole Moloney

5:00 p.m. Betty Phillips

\* Indicates Child Care Provided for Children Three Months to Four Years of Age