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We Look Forward to Seeing You Sunday!

April 25, 2010

4th Sunday of Easter

- 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 and Coffee Hour*
 - 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 - 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the church
- *nursery available

Sunday Lectionary Year C
Daily Office Year Two
Revised Common Lectionary

Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43
The Response: Psalm 23
Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17
The Gospel: John 10:22-30

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Support the St. James Food Bank

The Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank and parishioner Ron Zappe of Zapp's Potato Chips have partnered to bring rice to families in need. The Food Bank buys the rice in bulk, the rice is then packaged at a reduced rate under the label Heaven's Harvest. Thanks to Mr. Zappe, the Heaven's Harvest bags are provided free of charge to the food bank. The St. James Food Bank is a member agency of the GBR Food Bank.

Center for Spiritual Formation Production plays to full house

Adam & Eve Came to St. James

By Phillip Wright

The audience finds itself in the Garden of Eden along with Adam and Eve as Mark Twain's play captures their life's story. *The Diaries of Adam and Eve* was performed on Thursday evening, April 15, and twice on Sunday, April 16 in St. James Chapel of the Twelve Apostles.



The play was adapted by David Birney from Mark Twain's essays about Adam and Eve. It begins when She (later named Eve) names a young man "Adam."

The young couple struggles with who they are and their relationship. The

story unfolds as a spotlight focuses on each actor, revealing the unknowing maleness of Adam and the innocent, sweetness of Eve.

Their love grows, joyfully, one child and then another. Sadly, a child dies. The story reminds me of a show tune, "Getting to know you, getting to know all about you ... day by day."

Parishioner Nancy Litton (Eve) has appeared in over 100 plays in the Baton Rouge area. The

audience is absorbed by her portrayal of the Eve we all remember from the book of Genesis.



Scott Paetty (Adam) spent over ten years as a professional actor before returning to his native Louisiana to practice law. His memorable line is, "It's much better living here with Eve than being alone inside the Garden."

The play is a presentation of St. James Center for Spiritual Formation. It was skillfully directed by parishioner Paige Parsons Gagliano.



The St. James Associate Vestry invites you to the annual

CRAWFISH BOIL

6:00-9:00 p.m.— Friday, April 30
Bishops Hall



Hot dogs and jambalaya will be provided along with the crawfish, and we will have inflatable toys for the kids.

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St. James Vestry

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The Diocese of Louisiana is one church, faithful to our Lord Jesus, united in mission, reaching out through service and proclamation to all for whom Christ died. We live in joyous expectation of God's transforming power, compassion, and mercy in our lives.

Christian Formation & Fellowship News

NURSERY CARE FOR CHILDREN three months to four years of age is available between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. each Sunday in the Nursery on the first floor of the Parish Hall. Pagers are available.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: *Faith Builders* and *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* classes meet every Sunday until May 16, which will be our last class of the year. Children three-years-old through the third grade go to their classrooms on first and second floors of the Parish Hall. *Fourth and fifth graders* meet in the small parlor for a variety of activities.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH students meet at the 10:00 o'clock hour in the Youth Classroom for fellowship — with donuts!

Holy Week and Easter Activities for Children were met with Enthusiasm and Joy

By Alison Nikitopoulos

The children of St. James were treated to a wide variety of activities this Holy Week and Easter. In addition to our more traditional activities (Palm Cross Making on Palm Sunday and Flowering of the Cross on Easter Day), children participated in a hands-on Stations of the Cross, a brief liturgy to Exhume the Alleluias which had been buried since Ash Wednesday, and an Easter egg hunt on the church campus.

SUNDAY, APRIL 25 - EYC meets at 5:00 p.m.

Young Adults - Meet in the Youth Suite at 12:15 p.m. for lunch and *Grey's Theology*.

Contact *Alina Williams* (awilliams@stjamesbr.org) for more information!

ICONFIRM group meets at 3:00 p.m. this Sunday, April 25 in the Youth Suite.

ST JAMES Young Professionals

The **Young Professionals** group will meet **Saturday, April 24** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Media Room to prepare *We Care* bags.

Bible Study **Monday, April 26** at 7:00 p.m. at *La Madeleine at Perkins Rowe*.

Those who attended Stations of the Cross at noon on Good Friday were able to choose either the traditional "Way of the Cross" service (complete with a very moving solo sung by our new countertenor) or accompany the children on a hands-on stations activity that took place outside. Rather than the traditional 14 stations, children visited just 10 stations, each of which included a responsive reading and an activity.

See Kids on page three



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

The arrangement at Coffee Hour is by Barbara Moffett.

The Parish Hall foyer arrangement is by Dixon Smith.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

For the dear departed: Adam Barksdale, Perry Gaither

Prayers are asked for: Yvonne Bradley, Charlie Row, John Austin Burger, Stiles Kennedy, Queenie Hebert, Charles Neal, Josephine Guericco, Larkin Dorris, Leigh Clemons, Elizabeth Nealy, Cindy and Johnny Barksdale & family, Stacey Richard

Our continuing prayers are offered for: O.B. Romero, Michael Matassarini, Marguerite Matassarini, Nicholas Yiannopoulos, Bill, Thomas, John and Kathy Gummersell, Sue Tweedy, Donoghue, Nancy, Cameron Mott, Angie Denny, Gordon Loudon, Carole, Anne and Wayne Williams, Prentiss McClendon, Ava Jet Blanke, Caleb Hutchins, Fred Frey Jr., Vic Roy, Betty Romero, Lillian Shipes, Anne Howe, Donie Schmidt, Mary Ann Ford, Ken

Shuler, Clyde Harrelson, Kip Gremillion, Donald Killelea, Mary C. Elliott, Kerry Triche, Kevin Stockton, Patrick O'Reilly, Marion Hart LeBlanc, Russell Fish, Danie Singleton, Sarah Romero, Kathy Hoyt, Dreda Collins, Jim Bowers, Cheyenne Sylvia, Anna James Bourgeois, Matthew Paul Buller, Debbie Terrell, Michael Kennedy, Glenn Stockton, Karen Lee, Tanya Pierce, Annie, Boyd Westbrook, John Williams, Estelle Schilling

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, LtCol Michael Benson, Pvt Stephen Arnold USMC, Captain Charlie Hines, Sgt Clayton Edmonds, Sgt Toni Edmonds, Lt Jon Bethel, Trey Wolf ABFAN

Birthdays April 23-29

- 23 Kathryn McDonald, Fannie Compton, Celeste Dué, Benjamin White, Rucker Leake
24 Babs Farries, Shelby Harris, Rickey Ainsworth, Amanda Hallam, Oliver Grigsby, Madeleine Shawhan
25 Susie Irby, Heather Martin, Nicole Brien, Jeffrey Sickler, Jessica Oropesa, Mary Beth Kurtz
26 Lee Stirling, Isabelle Coates
27 Emily Wray Robinson, Will Owens, Liz Butler, Lauren Ray, Caroline Creech
28 Marjorie Sharp, Hunter Hines, Winston Scollard
29 Bob Rust, Benny Spann, William Rieger, Thomas Perry, Emma Fryday

AARP Driving Course

ST JAMES SENIORS SPONSORS an *AARP defensive driving course* from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27 taught by Mary Francis, parishioner and AARP instructor. Registration is \$12 for AARP members; \$14 for others. Contact *Helen Campbell* to reserve your spot, right away. Your check should be made payable to AARP. Check with your insurance company; yours may offer discounts or incentives for successful completion of this program. It will help you become a more alert driver!

*Welcome
to our church family*

Lydia Womack, from another local parish.

Carolyn and Butler Bourgeois and their children Anna Katherine, Samuel, James and Libby, also from another parish.



The Bishop and "Big Jimmy"

Vestry Meeting Highlights

Stewardship 2010 pledges total \$1.16 million with about \$200 thousand needed to meet the 2010 budget. Vestry members will be contacting all parishioners that pledged last year but have not yet made a pledge for this year. Contributions thru March are 73% of budget.

The purchase of five condo units in Court IV (corner of Florida and Fifth) from Miles Pollard has been approved. St. James will pay for three units, the Day School one, and one will be donated by Miles Pollard. Two units have previously been purchased.

Efforts are underway to purchase all units, giving the church title to the entire block and room for expansion.

Attendance at the five o'clock service, moved to the Church during renovation of the Parish Hall sacristy and restrooms, has grown to more than fifty each week and may justify a permanent move to accommodate growing attendance. Studies confirm that once occupancy reaches 80%, the message being sent is "we have no room for you" and growth is stymied, or attendance falls.

Kids' Easter Activities

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Children enjoyed themselves, got the message, and asked some very powerful questions. Many thanks go to Theresa Kleinhans for her help on Good Friday.

Just before the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, Mother Mary Ann led a very brief liturgy for exhuming the alleluias that

had been decorated and buried on Ash Wednesday. We uncovered the box and each person was given an Alleluia. Those who had decorated them before Lent were surprised to see that the caterpillars on the back had indeed turned into butterflies. We sang more "Alleluias" as we headed to church for the Easter Vigil service.

P.O. Box 3000
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April 7, 2010

The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland
St. James Episcopal Church
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Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0126

Dear Fr. Holland and Friends in Christ of St. James Church,

God's Blessings have been many to me and to our Diocese over the past twelve years. The continued and continuing leadership of St. James Church is a blessing to many in our communities and in the Diocese of Louisiana. Your generosity is not just something that St. James displays in a prideful or arrogant way. Generosity is part of who you are; it is of your DNA.

So it is that I write to thank you for the wonderful retirement gift of a Bush Hog for my tractor. Talk about a gift that will keep on giving for years to come! Louise and I like to name our toys so this Bush Hog will be known as "Big Jimmy" (in honor of your patron, St. James Major) to remind us of your kindness and love. So, if you stop by Kwamalusi (the St. Francisville house - it is Zulu for place of the Shepherd) and Louise says that old Bishop is out cutting with Big Jimmy, you will know where I am.

Thank you for your kindness and support, and especially for this retirement Bush Hog. I wonder how many retiring Episcopal bishops get a Bush Hog for a retirement present? I am delighted!

Yours in Christ Jesus,

The Rt. Rev. Charles E. Jenkins
Tenth Bishop of Louisiana (happily retired)

P.S. Photos are forthcoming

On Sunday morning, amidst children singing and joyful sounds, brass and adult choir, Buzzy Heroman once again expertly decorated the cross with all of the children's flowers. Also, several hundred dollars in coins were collected for Episcopal Relief and Development's effort in Haiti. After the service, children were divided into two groups by age to hunt for Easter eggs. Many thanks to Alina Williams and her team of youth for making this possible for the younger children!



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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 April 23-29

Friday, April 23, 2010

- 8:15 a.m. Day School Eucharist
- 6:00 p.m. Day School Spring Social

Saturday, April 24, 2010

Sunday, April 25, 2010 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 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. Christian Education and Coffee Hour*
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
- 12:00 p.m. Young Adults' *Grey's Theology*
- 3:00 p.m. iConfirm
- 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Monday, April 26, 2010

- 11:00 a.m. Yoga Class
- 5:30 p.m. Day School Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Young Professionals' Bible Study (offsite)

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

- 8:30 a.m. St. James Seniors AARP Driving Class

Wednesday, April 28, 2010

- 7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group
- 11:30 a.m. *We Care* Bags Preparation
- Noon Holy Eucharist & Healing Service - Church
- 3:30 p.m. Mastersingers Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 29, 2010

- Noon EFM w/Fr. Miller
- 6:00 p.m. EFM w/Fr. Holland

* Indicates nursery will be open

Lay Assignments - Sunday, April 25

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| | 7:30 a.m. | John Bilisoly, Stiles Kennedy |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Brent & Kent Caldwell |
| Ushers | 9:00 a.m. | Pat Harrop, Stan Prutz, David Lowe, Chris Williams |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Charles Kahao, Mike McDonald, Vernon Middleton, Tommy Bell |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Samuel Shapiro, Jacob Shapiro, Joseph Shapiro |
| Acolytes | 11:00 a.m. | Carson Saurage, Matthew Saurage, Sarah Catherine Saurage |
| | 7:30 a.m. | John Ozier |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Claudia Black, Liz Treppendahl |
| Eucharistic Ministers | 9:00 a.m. | Alina Williams |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Scott Garver |
| | 5:00 p.m. | David Warrington |
| | 7:30 a.m. | Sharon Hoffeld |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Ed Henderson, Tricia Henderson (P), Liz Treppendahl. |
| Lectors | 9:00 a.m. | Jim Ruble, Judy Foil |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Warren Green, Bill Campbell |
| | 7:30 a.m. | John Ozier |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Pat Colquette |
| Intercessors | 9:00 a.m. | Ann Ruble |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Martha Yancey |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Rieta Reiser |
| Welcome Committee | 11:00 a.m. | Carole & Phillip Wright |
| | 7:30 a.m. | Dodie Edmonds, Mildred Taylor |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Liz Treppendahl, Charlotte Paterson |
| Altar Guild | 9:00 a.m. | Agnes Harrop, Thelma Herthum |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Catherine Harrell, Jennie Price |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Betty Phillips |