

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 — Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (8/10): *First Lesson:* 1 Kings 19:9-18 *The Psalm* 85:8-13; *Second Lesson:* Romans 10:5-15; *The Gospel:* Matthew 14:22-23. **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (8/17):** *First Lesson:* Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; *The Psalm* 67; *Second Lesson:* 11:1-2a, 29-32; *The Gospel:* Matthew 15:21-28.

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Pardon our Summer Dust

Much work has been in progress at St. James during the summer months. Seven special projects included a third Pre-K classroom is being outfitted in a portion of the nursery area. Completion is planned before school starts on August 11. The ability to respond to parents of young children is very beneficial to our Day School this year and in the years ahead.



New Youth Room furnishings: design by Dixon Smith.

The stained carpeting in the parlor of the Parish Hall has been removed and replaced with a beautiful easy-care ceramic tile.

Passing the church at night? Check out the low voltage lighting for the Memorial Garden's Celtic Cross. Lights also illuminate the night display of the American flag of the Ministries Center.

The columbarium construction began in July with completion scheduled before Labor Day. The sale of niches is underway.

Work is in progress to carpet and furnish the Youth Suite in the Ministries Center on the first

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LAY MINISTRY FAIR on AUGUST 24

Following a combined 10:30 a.m. service, the annual Lay Ministry Fair will be held in Bishops Hall on Sunday, August 24. A light lunch will be served. This is the time each year we have the opportunity to select a ministry or ministries and to offer our time to the church and to the community. The theme for this year's fair is "fruits of the spirit." Have you thought about and prayerfully considered how you will serve St. James this year? The operation of St. James literally depends on each of you as a volunteer. As our Senior Warden, Nancy Jo Poirrier has stated, "In order to function at maximum service to our parishioners, and just as important, to the world beyond our doors, St. James needs you."

At the ministry tables in Bishops Hall you will discover many volunteer opportunities in Outreach, Pastoral Care, Evangelism and Fellowship, Parish Worship, Christian Education, Youth Ministry and the Center for Spiritual Formation. Prayerfully consider

the choices you have or perhaps create a new ministry! The health of St. James as a Christian community depends upon how each of us reaches beyond ourselves to serve our fellow parishioners and the community at large.

There is always a need for more help within our existing ministries so take time to visit with our dedicated volunteers. Each of us, through our baptismal vows, has committed to proclaiming the Good News of God in Christ and to seek and serve Christ in all persons. Sample the "fruits of St. James spirit" and commit to service to your church community. Your spirit will be enriched and St. James will be blessed by your service.

Church Office Hours Summer Schedule:
 Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Friday: 8:00 a.m. - noon

The Messenger Summer Schedule:
 Next issue date: August 22, 2008
 Deadline for submissions: August 15, 2008

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Email addresses available on the church web site:

www.stjamesbr.org

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.*

Congratulations ...

Alice and Jason O'Neal announce the birth of their third child, **William Trask O'Neal** born on July 17, 2008. William was welcomed home by his sister and brother, Juliet and Michael O'Neal and his grandparents, Martha and Ray Trask.



Nominations for Vestry

The Vestry Nominating Committee requests suggestions of parishioners to be considered as nominees to the 2009 Vestry. The nomination forms are available in the foyer of the Ministries Center, the Parish Hall foyer, the Parlor and the Narthex of the Church for your convenience. Nominations are due by Sunday, September 14

Welcome

to our church family

Ryan Schneider from Grace Episcopal in Monroe, Louisiana; and, **Nye and Joseph Dozier** from St. Paul's in Bakersfield, California.

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.



The flowers on the altar on August 10 are given to the glory of God by Chet and Janie Coles in memory of her brother, *John Marshall Languirand*.
The flowers at coffee hour on August 10 are by Susan Rolfs.

The flowers on the altar on August 17 are given to the glory of God.
.The flowers in the parlor on August 17 are by Manette Sammons.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

For the dear departed: Jimmy Benton; Mildred Sumner, mother of Ann Holmes; Mary Parnell O'Brien, mother of Allyson Cunningham; Eugenia Hartman

Prayers are asked for: Elizabeth Poole, Carlisle Richard, Lois W., Dusty Johnson, Fred Frey Jr., Sue Sims, Estelle Schilling, Anne Howe, Lorraine Fourrier, the Hall family, Caleb Leindecker, Meaghan Strain, Louise Chittom, Mary Fisher, Patsy King, Allison O'Neal, Mary Ann, Jack and San West, Raymie Edmonds, Brandon, Tara, Sancy, Frank

Our continuing prayers are offered for: O.B. Romero, Estelle Copes, Michael Matassarin, Marguerite Matassarin, Nicholas Yiannopoulos, 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, Ava Jet Blencke, Penny

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 August 8-21

- 8 Alice Nelson, Larry Durant, Mary Kay Brown, Louis Gagliano, Charles Oliver, Tom Easterly, Suzette Odom, Trey Lambert
- 9 Chad Phillips, Bunny Hines, Drew Nordgren, Alexis Garland
- 10 Lynn Gildersleeve, Chris Sadler, Caroline Ross, Chad Jones, Bronwyn Perry, Sean Clotiaux
- 11 Blount Grant, Helen Johnson
- 12 Claudia Black, Roland McCraine, Jayne Middleton, Lauren Foil, Haley Nassif, Matthew Prutz, Isabella Jung, Katherine Gautreaux, Ethan Ott
- 13 Wally Gladney, Lisa Baker, Emily Wood, Julie Egan, Matthew Ivy
- 14 Bill Norfolk, Nora Say, Mildred Taylor, Kent Caldwell, Chet Coles, Robert Bailey, Taylor LeBlanc
- 15 Patricia Womack, Carol Jumper, Connie Spann, Barbara Ann Broyles, Emmitta Lyford, Conrad Sulzer, Mary Ann Frey
- 16 Glenna Lusk, Harold Paul, Tim Kelley
- 17 Kyle Landrem, Todd McBride, Charlie Hines, Darikka Scollard, Katie Furr
- 18 Celeste Spann, James Kurts, Chris Frink
- 19 Berta Mayer, John Bateman, Nancy Jo Poirrier, Karen Speier, Ralph Hubbard, Lisa Rascoe, Bryson Agnew, Mark Prutz
- 20 Mary Lou Shetterly, Judy Foil, Michael Fontenot, Elizabeth Moore, Margo Thomas, Emory Ellis, Everett Whittington
- 21 Brent Caldwell, John Scott, Claude Reynaud, Gayle Parker, Julia Poirrier, Magdalena DiSanto, Jonathan Huff

The Bad Girls Book Club

Question: What do *Club Dead*, about vampires, werewolves, and Louisiana; *The Master of All Desires*, the story two women and a magical head in a box in 16th century France, *The Tin Roof Blowdown*, the latest Dave Robicheaux novel, and *When You Are Engulfed in Flames*, Dave Sedaris' collection of essays about life's weird and awkward moments have in common?

Answer: They are all proof that books about God and how we live our faith can be entertaining, funny, outrageous, and thought-provoking.

Interested? Email Mother Laurie at lbrock@stjamesbr.org or sign up at the Ministry Fair at the Young Adult Table.

St. James Episcopal Blood Drive
Sunday, August 17, 2008
8:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Donors should: eat first, bring picture ID, be between 17 & 81 and bring reading glasses if needed.

Way Down in New Orleans...

During the week of July 14-18 an intergenerational group from St. James offered their time and talents to Jericho Road, an Episcopal Housing Initiative of the Diocese of Louisiana. Jericho Road and its partner agencies are building affordable and quality housing in Central City, a New Orleans neighborhood behind Christ Church Cathedral. These homes are sold to individual and families who might otherwise be unable to become homeowners.

On Monday, Holly Heine, Director of Operations and Communications, showed the group through Central City, pointing out Jericho Road homes as well as sites owned by Jericho Road for future builds. We toured one of the homes that will soon be available for sale. For the rest of the week, adults and youth worked in the Central City neighborhood, mowing and clearing lots for future

construction, helping residents maintain their yards, and meeting neighbors. The last part of the week, St. James painted the home of a Central City family.

The group included Fr. John Miller and Mtr. Laurie Brock and youth McKenzie Miller, Emily Hayden, Laura Kelley, Sean Wrigley, Vaki Nikitopoulos, Arizona Parish, Keller Quinn, and Colin Fontenot. Adult volunteers included Ed Henderson, Jill Bambury, Tom Brock (Mtr. Laurie's dad), John Cadwallader, Claudia and Allen Black, Lou and Gordon Ellis, and Kent Caldwell.

Vaki Nikitopoulos reflected on the week, saying, "No one chooses to live in poor areas, and I'm glad we can help make safe and nice places for families in New Orleans." All involved expressed a desire to continue support of Jericho Road through the time, talent, and treasure of St. James' parishioners.

Visit www.jerichohousing.org for more.



McKenzie Miller and Colin Fontnot clean a New Orleans lot.



House painting in New Orleans' Central City

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floor. Much of the expense is underwritten by ECW profits from gumbo sales. It will be used for EYC meetings and as a comfortable site for other small group meetings.

The back doorway of Werlein Hall leading to the playground has been completely replaced with a new door frame, doors, and associated hardware; and, the Day School dirt playground has been replaced with a



The St. James Columbarium framing. By press time, the flagstone, copper flashing and niches should be installed.

beautiful green synthetic all-weather surface. Walk the campus and enjoy the beauty of this summer's projects.



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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 August 8-21, 2008 *(Lay Assignments available at www.stjamesbr.org)*

Friday, August 8, 2008

8:00 a.m. Day School Orientation

Saturday, August 9, 2008

Sunday, August 10, 2008 - *13 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, August 11, 2008 - *First Day of School*

8:00 a.m. Day School Boo-Hoo Breakfast

Noon Finance Committee

5:30 p.m. Vestry

Tuesday, August 12, 2008

8:00 a.m. Day School Boo-Hoo Breakfast

Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

5:30 p.m. Vestry Nominating Committee

Wednesday, August 13, 2008

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group

9:00 a.m. Linda Nelson Spiritual Direction

Noon Diocesan Youth Council

Thursday, August 14, 2008

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

4:30 p.m. Diocesan Episcopal Comm. Services

Friday, August 15, 2008 - *The Assumption*

Saturday, August 16, 2008

Sunday, August 17, 2008 - *14 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, August 18, 2008

8:15 a.m. Day School Chapel

Tuesday, August 19, 2008

Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Noon Day School Executive/Finance Committees

5:30 p.m. Associate Vestry

Wednesday, August 20, 2008

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group

8:00 a.m. Atrium Crafts

8:00 a.m. Food Bank Distribution

Noon O'Brien House

2:00 p.m. Day School Room Mothers

Thursday, August 21, 2008

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

5:00 p.m. Day School Back-to-School Night

* Indicates Child Care Provided