



# The MESSENGER

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

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February 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 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany: First Lesson: 2 Kings 5:1-14; The Psalm 30; Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; The Gospel: Mark 1:40-45.*

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## VESTRY WARDENS SELECTED

Claudia Black will serve as Senior Warden for 2009, John Campbell will serve as Junior Warden, and Manette Sammons as Clerk.

Claudia has served as a member of the Finance Committee for the past two years as well as a vestry member. In her first term as a vestry member she was active on a clergy search committee and renovation of the Chapel of the Twelve Apostle. She has been active for many years in the Eucharistic ministry at St. James Place.

John Campbell will complete his term as president of the St. James Day School in June. He is

also the vestry's representative on the St. James Day School board.

Kevin Curry was appointed parish treasurer. He is completing a term as treasurer of the Day School. He replaces D.J. Richard who has completed a maximum six-year term.

We give thanks to retiring Senior Warden Nancy Jo Poirrier and Junior Warden Gordon "Skeet" LeBlanc.

*Below, from left: Senior Warden Claudia Black; The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland, rector; Junior Warden John Campbell; and, Treasurer, Kevin Curry. (Not pictured is Manette Sammons, Clerk.)*



## Stephen Ministers ready to assist

Trained Stephen Ministry Leaders from St. James, St. Luke's, and Trinity Episcopal churches in Baton Rouge joined together to recruit, interview and train members of these congregations to become Stephen Ministers to provide Christian care giving to church members and the community.

Fifty hours of structured training was provided to the group of 13 dedicated parishioners who quickly formed relationships with one another outside of their own parish. Sites for the training

*See Stephen Ministers on page three*



*Recently commissioned Stephen Ministers from St. James, St. Luke's and Trinity churches recently gathered to begin their ministry.*

The Food Bank is always in need. If every family in our parish would bring just *one* can of food every week, our cup (or pantry) would surely runneth over. Just *ONE* item, *EVERY* week. *Volunteers needed first and third Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. for distribution assistance.*

## St. James Staff

The Rt. Rev. Charles E. Jenkins -  
Bishop of Louisiana  
The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland-  
XXIII Rector of St. James  
The Rev. John Sloan Miller -  
Associate Rector  
The Rev. Laurie M. Brock -  
Associate Rector  
The Rev. John Moloney-  
Prior, St. James Center for Spiritual Formation  
Deacon Pat Lyle -  
Spiritual Director in Residence  
Deacon Mark Hudson  
The Rev. Charles A. Wood -  
Chaplain, St. James Place  
The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Witcher -  
Bishop-in-Residence  
XIX Rector of St. James  
The Rt. Rev. James M. Coleman -  
Bishop-in-Residence  
XX Rector of St. James

David H. Culbert	Organist-Choirmaster
Alison Nikitopoulos	Children's Ministries
Helen Campbell	Director of Lay Ministry
Sylvia Rabalais	Admin. Secretary
Debbie Stiltner	Comptroller
Cheryl Speights Olinde	Bookkeeper
Tyler Ellison	Maintenance
Gail St. Pierre	Dietician
Linda Chauviere	Head of School

Email addresses available on the church web site:

[www.stjamesbr.org](http://www.stjamesbr.org)

## St. James Vestry

Claudia Black .....	Senior Warden
John S. Campbell III .....	Junior Warden
Manette Sammons .....	Clerk
Kevin Curry .....	Treasurer
Jane Christensen	Phil Martin
Pat Culbertson	Jay Noland
Daryl Ellis	Chrissie Clark Olsson
Lynnette B. Frazer	Emile Rolfs
Bob Frazier	Tom Wade
Charles Frey IV	Scott Westbrook
Emily Wray Lamont	Otey White
Sue Larisey	



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

Mother Laurie Brock begins a new class series, *Anglicanism and Orthodox Traditions*, on February 15 with discussion of the Eastern Orthodox, Creeds, Theology and Muslims. This series will continue until

March 22, each Sunday being a distinct presentation and presenter. 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. *Teaser*: On March 1, the topics will be Constantinople: Art, Music, Liturgy, Hagia Sophia

### Spanish Town Parade Parking Passes:

Your \$25.00 includes a parking pass to park in one of St. James parking lots for the day of the parade and two wristbands for bathroom access in Bishops Hall. All proceeds go to the EYC scholarship fund, which helps youth attend events and helps our youth in community service and ministry to Baton Rouge. If you've paid but not received your pass, please see Mother Laurie. *Remember* that streets close early. Arrive in time to use your pass!



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of her grandmother, *Leila Aby French*, and her aunt, *Gussie F. Kilpatrick*, by Emalie LaNasa.

The arrangement in the Parish Hall foyer is by Betty Berry.

The arrangement at Coffee Hour is by Martha Yancey.

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

*For the dear departed:* Jeannette Dugas, great-grandmother of Holden Kroenke and mother-in-law of Frederick Kroenke; Vida Elizabeth Vignes Broussard

*Prayers are asked for:* Anne Howe, Louibelle Grantham, Henry Werth, Betty Romero, Dan Hudson, Steve Cummings, Chip Middleton, Lillian Shipes, Rita Mockler, Prior John, Carolyn Bishop, Elizabeth Geheber, Kim Hatton, Kevin Lyle, Stephen Perniciaro, Dixie Brock, Jared Shank; Jeanne & David James, Warren Green, Dorothy Brupbacher, Hunt Odom, Bella, Lawrence Terry, Benson Row, Marion Hart LeBlanc, Lenton Sartain, Karen Lee, R.J. Lee, Russ Wray

*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, Dottie McCornack, Marina Pinell, Gordon Loudon, Kathryn Daggett, Kelsey Favrot, Mary Betts, Kenlie Jackson, John & Fritz Dehlbert, Blair, Colleen Colquette, Carole, Anne and Wayne Williams, Prentiss McClendon, Berta Mayer, Jim Bogan, Laura Haywood, Sammie Jackson, Ava Jet Blencke, Penny, Caleb Hutchins, Margaret Blades, Fred Frey Jr., Rubye Harris, Carolyn Glusman, Tom Raggio, Camille Raggio, Rachel Williams, Estelle Schilling

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

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

## Birthdays February 13-19

- 13 Bill Stirling, Don Ayres, Lauren Wright, Donna Landrem, Charles Fenet, Braden Moss
- 14 Alice Bartlett, Mary Frances HopKins, Hickey Poirrier, Teresa Scott, Marjorie Williams
- 15 Ron Zappe, Rose Mary Evans, Elisabeth McKowen, Ashlee Davis
- 16 Daryl Ellis, Tara Jenne, Elizabeth Carroll, Hillary Poirrier, Jack Penniman
- 17 Ben Reiser, Agnes Harrop, Patrick Broderrick, Emma Reeves, Brent Spillier, Phillip Ray, Robert Bernosky
- 18 Helen Way, Nat Maestri, Cynthia Hallam, Kelly Hansen, Alex Craft, Katie Campbell
- 19 Billy Way, Caroline Casey, August Ohmstede

## Stephen Ministers

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were rotated among the three churches to enhance a mutual feeling of ownership.

On November 16, 2008, commissioning was held at each church, followed by a group celebration.

The Stephen Ministers are now receiving referrals and participating in bi-monthly supervision with trained leaders, and in-service programs related to community resources and care issues.

This model has allowed our churches to work and share in this care giving service together.

The Rev. Deacon Mark Hudson of St. James Episcopal Church is the contact person for Stephen Ministry. Questions about the program, referrals or requests for assistance should be directed to Mark. He can be reached at 225-270-3421.

## Bad Girls Book Club

You're invited to join in the next meeting at the home of Barbara Outland, 11824 Villa Creek Avenue on Thursday, February 19, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m.



We'll be reading a mysterious romance in Victorian Egypt – *Crocodile on the Sandbank* by Elizabeth Peters.

## Overnight host homes needed for visiting choir

The Lycoming College choir, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, will perform at St. James Episcopal Church on Monday, March 2 at 7:00 p.m. The choir has been widely acclaimed as one of the finest college musical groups in the East.

The choir has performed at the National Cathedral, New York City's St. John the Divine and the ensemble has sung with the Gregg Smith Singers, the Chieftains and Barry Manilow. This spring, the choir is releasing its eighth CD, "O Gracious Light." The choir's repertoire consists of both religious and secular music, ranging from contemporary to traditional.

Twenty homes are needed to house the 40 students. There are 20 girls and 20 boys in this touring choir. If anyone can house more than one pair of students this would also be helpful. Please contact Helen Campbell at 225-387-5141 if you can host a pair or more of these college students for one night.

Dinner will be provided by St. James Church. Host families will need to pick up the students after the concert, furnish breakfast and deliver the students back to St. James by 9 a.m. Tuesday morning. Your hospitality will be most gratefully appreciated.

## Congratulations to ...

...Jennifer and George Popov on the birth of their son, *Anderson Asher Popov*, on December 8, 2008, who came into the world at a petite 9 pounds, 4 ounces.



## St. James Senior Luncheon

The 2009 season of activities and adventures for St. James Senior Adults will begin with a Lundi Gras Luncheon, Monday February 23, 2009 in the Church Parlor beginning at 11:15 a.m.

Your reservation is your check for \$12 made out to St. James Church to the attention of Helen Campbell. Yes, there is room for guests and you are invited to bring your friends. Parking is not a problem as the Day School is closed for Mardi Gras vacation. *Checks must be received by February 20, 2009.*

## ECW Chapter Meeting

The St. Monica/St. Agnes Chapter will be meeting on Tuesday, February 17 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Ann Row..

## Can you help prepare dinner for the Confirmation Class?

St. James parishioners are asked to help our youth confirmands as they prepare for confirmation. Are you willing to prepare dinner one Wednesday evening for the Confirmation Class in February, March, or April? If so, please contact Mother Laurie at [lbrock@stjamesbr.org](mailto:lbrock@stjamesbr.org) or at the parish office at 387-5141.



## Mark Your Calendars

St. James will be serving yummy Gumbo on Fridays from February 27 through April 3!

Please look for volunteer sign-up sheets in the parlor on Sundays between the 9 & 11 a.m. services. Or, you can call Emily L. Kay at 225-907-4492 to volunteer.

We are also in need of parishioners to sponsor the musical entertainment provided for

those choosing to dine with us on Fridays. Please call Emily at 225-907-4492 if you can contribute to cover the cost of the musicians (\$150.00/wk). The weeks can be shared by multiple parishioners — every bit helps!

Plan to volunteer as you can, and bring your friends to Gumbo 2009!



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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, February 13, 2009

8:15 a.m. Day School Eucharist  
10:00 a.m. Day School Fab Friday  
Noon We Care Bags Project

Saturday, February 14, 2009

2:00 p.m. Krewe of Mystic downtown parade  
6:30 p.m. Krewe of Orion downtown parade

Sunday, February 15, 2009 - 6 Epiphany

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. EYC  
5:00 p.m. Sr. EYCers at CC's  
5:00 p.m. Mastersingers Rehearsal  
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in Chapel

Monday, February 16, 2009

8:15 a.m. Day School Chapel  
11:30 a.m. Yoga Class

Tuesday, February 17, 2009

Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group  
8:00 a.m. Food Bank Distribution  
Noon Discernment Group  
3:15 p.m. Fourth Grade Basketball in Bishops Hall  
3:30 p.m. MeTime with Fr. John Miller  
5:30 p.m. iConfirm  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 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, February 15, 2009

7:30 a.m. Mary Jarnagin, John Bilisoly  
8:45 a.m. John Cadwallader  
**Ushers** 9:00 a.m. Gary Poirrier, B Phillips, Ford Thomas, Chuck Oliver  
11:00 a.m. Charles Kahao, Mike McDonald, Vernon Middleton, Jesse Coates

**Acolytes** 9:00 a.m. Jacob Shapiro, Joseph Shapiro, Samuel Shapiro  
11:00 a.m. Allie Peever, Luke Peever, Anna Peever

**Eucharistic Ministers** 7:30 a.m. Mickey Christensen  
8:45 a.m. Brent Caldwell, Mimi Riché  
9:00 a.m. Lazette Phillips  
11:00 a.m. Jane Woods  
5:00 p.m. Lynnette Frazer

**Verger** 9:00 a.m. David Warrington  
11:00 a.m. Joan McCaskill

**Lectors** 7:30 a.m. Mary Thomas  
8:45 a.m. Kent Cladwell, Claudia Black (P), Brent Caldwell  
9:00 a.m. Bob Bowsher, Linda Bowsher  
11:00 a.m. Elizabeth Cawns, Chris Frink

**Intercessor** 7:30 a.m. Mickey Christensen  
8:45 a.m. Honey East  
9:00 a.m. Lucy Bowers  
11:00 a.m. Sarah Sheely

**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. Honey & Randy East  
9:00 a.m. Zoe Harrell, Nancy Jo Poirrier  
11:00 a.m. Susan Rolfs, Ann Holmes, Jane Henslee  
5:00 p.m. Sheila Feigley