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We Look Forward to Seeing You Sunday!

May 23, 2010 The Day of Pentecost

- 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. Pentecost Celebration 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 Day of Pentecost

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21
The Response: Psalm 104:25-35, 37b
Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17
The Gospel: John 14:8-17

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Support the St. James Food Bank

Anyone can experience hunger. It is a silent epidemic that affects more than 49 million Americans, including the working poor. Married-couple families with children under 18 were almost five times as likely as families without children to be among the working poor in 2007. Thirty-four percent of all client households served by Feeding America have had to choose between paying for food and paying for medicine or medical care.

Sunday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. — A Pentecost Party for All Ages

Come to the Parish Hall parlor for a special celebration of the seven gifts of the spirit. Then, head to Bishops Hall for a birthday party for the church. There will be kite-making and potting of red plants. Everyone is invited to go home with a red seedling that should grow and bloom during the entire season of Pentecost.

What is Pentecost?

Pentecost is one of the three most important Feast days in the church year (the other two being Christmas and Easter).

Pentecost was a Jewish celebration occurring 50 days after Passover; since Jesus was crucified the day after Passover, the disciples (who had been busy grieving and wondering what to do next) gathered 50 days later for the Pentecost feast, and it was there that the Holy Spirit came upon them, giving them the strength and determination needed to get on with founding the church.

This event is recorded in the second chapter of Acts. First, the disciples heard a “mighty wind”,

then “tongues of fire rested upon them”, and they were “filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues”. This is why some churches have a tradition of reading the Gospel in different languages on Pentecost.

The color for the day of Pentecost is red, as a reminder of the tongues of fire. Pentecost is also considered the birthday of the church.

What does Pentecost have to do with the seven gifts of the spirit?

The Holy Spirit gave the apostles the “gift of tongues” on Pentecost, but that same spirit is also associated with seven gifts as described in Isaiah 11:2. Those gifts are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord. This last gift requires some study of the translation of the word “fear” (which includes an element of awe and wonder). Pentecost is a great day to think about which spiritual gifts we ourselves might possess.

The Messenger Publication Schedule Changes

Next week’s edition of *The Messenger* will be our final weekly edition, at least until the end of summer. Our new publication schedule will be bi-weekly. Readers, contributors and committee chairs should note the following deadline and issue dates.

- June 4 deadline for the June 11 issue
- June 18 deadline for the June 25 issue;
- July 2 deadline for the July 9 issue
- July 16 deadline for the July 23 issue
- July 30 deadline for the August 6 issue
- August 13 deadline for the August 20 issue
- August 27 deadline for the September 3 issue

Items for publication are always welcome. Please submit to Sylvia Rabalais via letter, fax (225-387-1433) or email to her at srabalais@stjamesbr.org by 9:00 a.m. on the Friday before the desired publication date. (E.g., an item for the June 25 issue is due before 9:00 a.m. on June 18).

Annual Church Picnic on Fifth Sunday — May 30

We will have a combined service at 10:30 on May’s Fifth Sunday with Nell Bolton, Executive Director, Episcopal Community Services of the Diocese of Louisiana as guest preacher.

Following that services, we’ll enjoy the St. James Annual Picnic with our homeless neighbors as guests. Fried chicken will be prepared by Mary Davis Palms and her staff.

Parishioners are asked to bring the side dishes: Those with the last initials: A-G brings salads; H-N brings vegetable dishes; O-S brings bread; T-Y brings desserts and Z brings potato chips. Keep in mind our homeless neighbors will be our guests as you determine how much to bring. If you would like to help — behind the scenes, setup, clean up, or to help serve our guests, please contact Nancy Jo Poirrier at npstudio@bellsouth.net.



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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: It's time to recognize our young singers as well as our Sunday Christian Formation leaders. Calling all Children's Choir members, Mastersingers, and anyone who taught a class for children or adults this academic year: Please plan to attend the nine o'clock service on Sunday, May 23, Pentecost. You will receive recognition, a blessing, and a special gift. Thank you for enhancing our worship and understanding here at St. James.

SAVE THE DATE! St. James' Vacation Church School will take place July 26 to 30, mornings from 9 to 12. Registration forms are downloadable from our website [here](http://www.stjameschurchbr.org/vacation_church_school.html), on-line registration is available at www.stjameschurchbr.org/vacation_church_school.html, and forms are available around the church campus.

ST. JAMES Youth

SUNDAY, MAY 23

10:00 a.m. - We'll be joining the Pentecost Celebration in Bishops Hall

3:00 p.m. - **iConfirm** class continues

FRIDAY, MAY 28

EYC All-nighter! Meet at the church at 7:30 p.m., having eaten. Pick up at the church at 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

SUNDAY, MAY 30

Noon - A meeting for those going on the Heifer trip in the Youth Room. There is space on both the Heifer trip and the mission trip; contact *Alina* for more info!

Seniors 2010: Congratulations!

On Sunday, May 30, we will recognize all high school seniors graduating this year at the combined 10:30 a.m. service.

ST. JAMES 20s and 30s

MONDAY, MAY 24

Bible Study at La Madeleine at Perkins Rowe at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please contact *Alina Williams*.



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

The arrangement at Coffee Hour is by Susan Rolfs.

The Parish Hall foyer arrangement is by Mildred Taylor.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

Prayers are asked for: Yvonne Bradley, Stacey Richard. R.J. Lee, Will Harding, Alexander Webb, Emily Robinson, Lew Ward, Frances Fish, Errol Savoie, Alessandra, Lilla, John, Mikol, Karis Almy, Kirt Bennett family

Our continuing prayers are offered for: O.B. Romero, Michael Matassarin, Marguerite Matassarin, 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,

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Birthdays May 21-27

- 21 Robert Bowsher, Leah Guerry, Joan Covert, Allen Black, Trey Roberts, Lindsey Kobetz, Tabitha Wood
- 22 Mark Andrus, Suzette Howe, Ann Shaneyfelt, Jonathan Rice
- 23 John Thomas, Leigh Smith, Ann Skaggs, Lena Skaggs
- 24 Mary Jarnagin, Robyn Richards, 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, Camille Jenkins



Bad Girls Book Club

We'll meet on Thursday, May 27 — site to be determined (anyone want to volunteer? Call or contact Mother Laurie!)

We'll be reading your choice of the Harry Potter books. If you haven't read any of the series, read the first book, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. If you've read the series, pick any of the series to read or re-read. We'll gather from 6 to 8 p.m.



Cub Scout Liggett Receives Award



Robert Liggett, the son of Robin and Mark Liggett, received his "God and Me" award on May 9 at St. James from the Very Rev. J. Mark Holland.

St. James Day School Holds "State Fair"

The thirty-one Day School fourth grade students concluded a year-long learning project with table displays for their May 7 "State Fair" in Bishops Hall. Students from other grades visited the Fair throughout the day. Host students explained what was displayed on their posters, specimens, tourist literature, and a Power Point presentation.

Last September, each student selected a favorite state, often because a family member lived there. Teacher Erin Smith explained the project integrated study sections in language arts, social studies, math, history, and science. Assigned sections included state history, state bird and other native wild life, natural resources and major agricultural crops, as well as



Above: Proud grandparents Lynnette and Tommy Frazer with Jackson Sides; right: Fourth grade teacher Erin Smith and "Miss Alabama," Clayton Daniel



endangered species found in the state. A math question included a comparison of the cost to drive or fly to that state. All this information was displayed in a permanent binder.

Each state offered a treat, like a cookie shaped like the state of Missouri, or signified a state industry like a Hershey Kiss from Pennsylvania, or Smucker's jam from Ohio.

Study was not enough. Each student selected a needy school in their state through DonersChoose.org. The fourth graders raised almost \$1,500 to help 1,758 students in the 31 states through a Walk-A-Thon and doing home chores.

Teacher Zimena Davis smiled broadly as she said, "Each student developed a strong attachment to their own state. It exceeded every goal Erin and I had imagined."

Vestry Highlights

The vestry, following recommendation of the Finance Committee, has authorized securing a \$2.5 million line of credit from JP Morgan/Chase for purchase of condo units in Court IV. At current interest levels it is prudent to leave our investments in place and use borrowed funds. Approval has been given for purchase of two Court IV units from John Fetzler at appraised value. This will give St. James nine of the 16 units.

The Parish Hall restroom renovation is expected to be completed by mid June,

and a Summer Music series is planned for four Wednesday evenings in July. This was a very successful program at Fr. Mark's parish in Lake Charles.

Fr. Mark will attend "CREDO" in San Francisco in June. This program involves an examination of vocation and life, sponsored by the Church Pension Fund. It is widely acclaimed, and other St. James clergy have attended this program.

A youth mission trip to southeastern Kentucky is planned for July.



Banners at the Consecration of the XIth Bishop of Louisiana

Vaki Nikitopoulos (left) prepares to enter with the church banner; William White carried the Day School Banner.





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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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Monday, May 24, 2010

- 11:00 a.m. Yoga Class
- 7:00 p.m. 20s & 30s Bible Study - offsite

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

Wednesday, May 26, 2010

- 7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group
- Noon Holy Eucharist & Healing Service - Church

Thursday, May 27, 2010

- 6:00 p.m. EFM with Fr. Holland
- 6:00 p.m. Bad Girls Book Club - offsite

Lay Assignments - Sunday, May 23

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| | 7:30 a.m. | Mary Jarnagin, Joyce Rucker, John Bilisoly |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Brent & Kent Caldwell |
| Ushers | 9:00 a.m. | Laurence W. Brooks Jr., Rip Collins, Ben Reiser, Mike Fontenot |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Randall Peterson, Scott Westbrook, Scott Garver, Todd Jackson, Bill Lee |
| Acolytes | 9:00 a.m. | Wren Bell, Ramsey Bell, Robby Outland |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Madeline Dansky, Mary Caroline Dansky, Mary Brandon Harrell |
| Eucharistic Ministers | 7:30 a.m. | Tony Carter |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Claudia Black, Liz Treppendahl |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Ed Henderson |
| | 11:00 a.m. | John Ozier |
| | 5:00 p.m. | John Ozier |
| Lectors | 7:30 a.m. | Jane Christensen |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Kent Caldwell, Claudia Black (P), Susie Furr |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Melanie Clark, Paige Gagliano |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Ruth Martinusen, Nancy Penn |
| Intercessors | 7:30 a.m. | Tony Carter |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Hays Town III |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Denise Allen |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Betsy Toups |
| Welcome Committee | 9:00 a.m. | Rieta Reiser |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Carole & Phillip Wright |
| Altar Guild | 7:30 a.m. | Dodie Edmonds, Mildred Taylor |
| | 8:45 a.m. | Joan Moore |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Larry Mitchum, Nora Say |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Martha Grant Adams, Bahin Leonard, Susan Ozier, Mary Boutwell |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Betty Phillips |

* Indicates nursery will be open