

May 11, 2022



Vacation Time

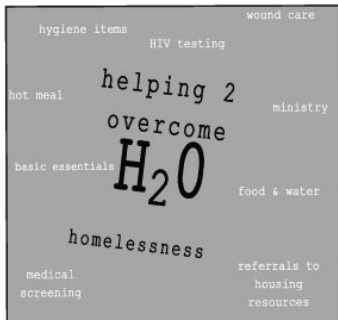
Fr. John, Donna and Taylor will be enjoying a family vacation for the next two weeks (May 15 - 28). We wish them a relaxing, pleasant trip!

While away, Fr. John has arranged for Fr. George Gennuso to celebrate both services on May 15 and Fr. Jim Theus to celebrate both on May 22. If there is a pastoral emergency, please contact the office (445-9845) or Rita Klock (613-2290).

Knitting/Crochet Group Saturday, May 14th 10:00 AM - Noon in the Youth Building



The Episcopalian Slip-knots take up their knitting needles and crochet hooks to create scarves, hats, and other warm fuzzies to donate to the Homeless Coalition around the corner, to disburse to our neighbors in need in the wintertime. Contact Sara Fuhrer at 985-237-9848 for more information.



Helping Those in Need

Want to help the Cenla homeless community? **We are in need of men's and women's underwear, Gatorade, and sunscreen** to be distributed from 9-11 a.m. on May 26 at the monthly H2O (Helping 2 Overcome Homelessness) in the parking lot of Emmanuel Baptist Church. Members from all three Episcopal churches in the Alexandria-Pineville area are joining together with other community organizations to participate in this monthly street outreach sponsored by Volunteers of America.

Bring your donations to church by Sunday, May 22, and place them in the blue bin in the parish hall. Questions or want to help at the event? Contact Joy Owensby or Deacon Michael Parham. Thank you on behalf of the Outreach Committee!

Interested in Vacation Bible School?

St. James would like to offer Vacation Bible School to the church and our community the latter part of the summer in the morning. If you are interested in assisting the week of either July 25 - 29 OR August 1 - 5, please contact Fr. John (frjohn@stjamesla.org) or the office (318.445.9845 or info@stjamesla.org).



COMING UP
May 13 - 15th
The Event of the Year
Don't Miss it

Congregation
Gemiluth Chassodim

Artist-in-Residence
STORYTELLING SERIES



CANTOR
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KENT

TELLING AND RETELLING OUR STORIES

Dr. Cantor Evan Kent is a wonderful storyteller,
a gifted musician, and an inspiring performer.

As Congregation Gemiluth Chassodim's 2022 Artist-In-Residence, we
will be entertained and enlightened with Jewish storytelling at its best.

Friday, May 13th 6pm

A Musical Evening Shabbat Service

Join Rabbi Cantor Raina Siroty **and her mentor**, Dr. Cantor Evan Kent for a Musical Shabbat Service ***followed by Dinner and Lecture****. A Musical Evening Service you will never forget. A real treat.

***Jews as Consummate Storytellers**

Our holidays, festivals, and celebrations are filled with stories. The Torah, Talmud, and Midrash are also filled with tales and narratives used to educate and inform. Even the stories our grandmothers shared are vital in the transmission of culture and tradition. Cantor Kent will share with us the power and vitality of storytelling and how we can assure these important stories remain part of our heritage.

Saturday, May 14th 10:30am

Torah Study and Bagel Lunch

As part of our Saturday morning Torah study, Cantor Kent will share insights from this week's parashah using the insight of the storyteller. How do the legends of our people—both ancient and modern-- inform and enlighten our perspective on this week's Torah portion?

Saturday, May 14th 6pm

Shards: Putting the Pieces Together

"Shards" is a full-length musical. In Evan Kent's one-man show "Shards: Putting the Pieces Together" he shares with the audience stories of his grandparents' immigration to the United States at the beginning of the 20th century interwoven with his own tales of his Aliyah (immigration to Israel) just a few years ago.

Through story and song (and a few puppets), Evan takes us on a poignant, often humorous journey that spans continents, decades, and the generations. Ultimately "Shards" is the story of finding home, finding homeland, and along the way learning a bit more about yourself.

Followed by Dessert reception

Sunday, May 15th 10am

A workshop for Children: Being Your Best Self: Inside and Out

Please RSVP to secretary@jewishtemple.org or call 318-445-3655.

CENLA InterFaith

A vibrant energy is growing in our community! A body of people is building an organization that crosses the lines of race, denomination, geography, and economics to address and solve the issues affecting our community in Central Louisiana. A city-wide assembly of congregations and citizen organizations are coming together on Tuesday, May 24th, at 6:30 p.m. at Emmanuel Baptist Church. If you are interested in learning more about this group of resourceful people or in joining us for the meeting on May 24th, you may speak with Fr. John, Josh Brown or Rita Klock, or go to <https://www.cenlainterfaith.org>.

Positions Available

Camp Hardtner invites healthcare workers to be a part of our summer team! Living in the forest, our days are full of worship, games, and occasionally bumps, scrapes and bug bites. A typical healthcare staff day involves administering prescription and OTC medicine, communicating camper needs to fellow staff, and maintaining health logs- but every day is different. We have one full Summer opening and several single session positions available. Follow [this link](#) for a more detailed job description.



Good Friday Meditations Available



Several parishioners expressed a wish to have a copy of the meditations on the last 7 words of Jesus while on the cross prayed on Good Friday. Copies are now available in the church, chapel, and parish hall. If you want one sent to you through email, just let the office know (info@stjamesla.org).

Diocesan Ultreya & Cursillo Welcome Back

Make plans now for a day of fun, fellowship, music, contests, prizes, and reconnecting with fellow Cursillistas! On Saturday, October 29, the Secretariat of Western Louisiana is hosting all this and more at the Wesley Center in Woodworth from 10 am to 3-ish pm. Registration fee of \$30 covers continental breakfast, lunch, snacks, and all activities. More information at a later date.



Worship



May 15th
The Fifth Sunday of Easter
In-person Worship at 10:30 AM
Childcare is available.

[Click here for the readings.](#)

May 15th
Evening Prayer
Online @ 5:00 PM

[Click on this link to join Evening Prayer.](#)

Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077
Passcode: 1620

[Click here for the order of service & readings.](#)



Prayer

Parish Prayer List

Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:

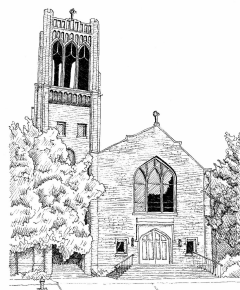
Gail Wilking, Michael Sterne, Walter McLellan, Polly Quillin Ussery, Andrea, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Shannon Norman, Bill Jarvis, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Jack Bender, Anna Stapleton, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Jim Leggett, Charlotte Sterling, Tim and Alexis Heflin, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Ty Cedars, Stacy, Kristie Fresh, Sawyer, Mattie Dean McNaughton, Bernard Parker, James Sinclair, Johnnie Hart, Emily, Taylor Thompson, Todd Fuller, Jane Y. Harris, Chase Barnfield, Kip Hogue, Kyle, John, James Jay Watts, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Jimmy Hurt, Charlotte Thrift, Mesta Bain, Margaret Broussard, Allie Bunyog, Dean M. Tyree, Ron Kingston, Cecile Brunson, Felicia, Rita Clancey, Barry Mercer, Annie, Jackie Jeanne, Jaclyn Cutrone, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Bruce Gremillion, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Betty Anne Close, Bill Leibke, Sarah, Jackie Moody, Wayne and Barbara Moorehead, Pat Carter, Richard Norem, Kevin Hooter, Warren Paul, Cindy Smith, Jane Tyson, Gerard, and Mehre Hajighassem.

For those in the military:

Samuel Hayes, Steven Brevelle, Franklin Watson, Kyle Jordan, Gill Tatman-Tyree, Donal McCarthy, Michael Geiger, Erskine Cook, Jr., Patrick Downs, and Chris Babcock.

For those celebrating birthdays in May (day):

Minnie Mikell (4), Billy Hicks (6), Fr. Jim Theus (7), Lynton Hester (9), Anna Maynard (10), Caroline Theus (12), Gin Taylor McLure (13), Dake Texada (13), Betsy Trammel (13), Toddy Hart (14), Sharon Kramer (15), Will Shepherd (19), Leslie Mikell (21), Will Harp (22), Bill Clancey (23), Drew Texada (24), Brannon Andrus (25), Daniel Chapman (25), Butch Knoepp (27), Robyn Brewer (28), Karen Cabrera (29), Catherine Drell (31).



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