

July 13, 2022

## Update on Fr. John, Donna, and Taylor

The Bedingfield household continues to battle the COVID virus. Donna is considerably improved, with some residual "head cold" sorts of symptoms. We are thankful that so far, Taylor seems to have the mildest case. We hope that she will recover swiftly.

Unfortunately, I am in day 8 of this illness and I have not turned the corner as I would have liked. I still struggle with multiple symptoms.

I am deeply grateful for the ministry of Fr. Jim Theus, who traveled back to town to be with you last Sunday. And I also give thanks to Bishop Jake, who will be with you this coming Sunday. Having a bishop and fellow priests who care for and support me is a true blessing in my life.

Please continue to pray for us. Prayer is powerful.

Peace be with you,  
Fr. John+



## Not A Number

St. James has partnered with The Children's Advocacy Network through the month of July to offer a program twice a week to girls ages 12 - 18. Not a Number is an interactive, five module prevention curriculum designed to teach youth how to protect themselves from Human Trafficking and exploitation through the practices of

seeking out accurate and updated information, critical thinking, and skill development. This program uses a comprehensive approach which focuses on respect, empathy, individual strengths and the relationships between personal and societal pressures that create or increase vulnerabilities with youth. This curriculum is a great tool to promote self-awareness, confidence, competence, and instill independence with youth who struggle with specific vulnerabilities that are targeted for trafficking and types of exploitation. The most effective prevention starts by raising awareness of harmful stereotypes and attitudes that create vulnerabilities and keep youth from seeking help.

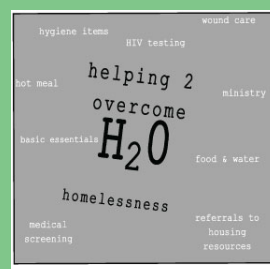
## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING POSTPONED

Given the prevalence of Covid infection in our community, we have decided to postpone the meeting that was announced in church last week and scheduled to take place this Sunday, July 17. If you are interested in any of the outreach activities that St. James is already offering or have ideas about other ways we can serve our community, please be on the lookout for a future announcement about the rescheduled date for our Community Engagement Committee Meeting.

## ITEMS NEEDED FOR JULY 28th H2O (Helping 2 Overcome Homelessness)

St. James continues to participate in in this ongoing street outreach sponsored by Volunteers of America. This month we are looking for items to help people cope with the extreme heat we are experiencing:

- Gatorade
- Medicated body powder (e.g., Gold Bond or a similar generic brand)
- Deodorant
- Socks, underwear
- Non-perishable snacks
- Any other items to mitigate summer heat



Bring your donations to church by Sunday, July 24, and place them in the blue bin in the narthex (church). Questions or want to help at the event? Contact Joy Owensby or Deacon Michael Parham. Thank you!



VBS  
July 27, 28, 29  
6:00 - 8:00 PM  
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church  
2627 Horseshoe Drive  
318-487-0875  
Registration Deadline July 22, 2022

## Worship

July 17th  
**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
In-person Worship at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
Childcare is available for the 10:30 AM service.

[Click here for the readings.](#)



July 17th  
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:**

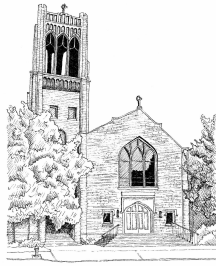
*Bedingfield Family, Alice Gill, Bonnie McLellan, Devon Miller, Eileen DeBoer, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Rita and Bill Clancey, Bernard Parker, Rachel and Ben, Kristie Fresh, Janet & Carl Ahren, Andrea, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Shannon Norman, Bill Jarvis, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Jack Bender, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Tim and Alexis Heflin, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Stacy, Chase Barnfield, Mattie Dean McNaughton, Johnnie Hart, Taylor Thompson, Jane Y. Harris, Kip Hogue, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Jimmy Hurt, Mesta Bain, Allie Bunyog, Dean M. Tyree, Ron Kingston, Annie, Jackie Jeanne, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Sarah, Jackie Moody, Wayne Moorehead, Pat Carter, Richard Norem, Kevin Hooter, Jane Tyson, Gerard, and Mehre Hajighassem.*

**For those in the military:**

*Josh Duff, 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 July (day):**

*Carol Fowler (3), Brooksy Semple (3), Dave Curry (4), Judy Curry (7), Josh Brown (10), Bill Henderson (10), Ulla Knoepp (12), Danny Eudy (14), Caroline Theus (14), Jamie Lemoine (18), Marcus Brown (22), William Maynard (23), Leslie Theus (27), Martha Walker (21).*



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