

### November 2, 2022

## From Fr. John

Monday evening, we had a great Halloween Trick-or-Treat event on the front steps of the church. Doc Brown, Minnie Mouse, and a very popular squid were all there to greet the armies of trick-or-treaters who seemed to have a wonderful time. Thank you to all who participated. It was good to be out in the community in this way.

This was indeed a "full, rich, week" at St. James. We had a funeral today for a member who was raised in this congregation before moving away. Frank Carroll Riley was laid to rest from the church that his family attended during his formative years. And his family was very grateful for the beauty of the church as well as the beauty of Episcopal liturgy.

Don't forget to turn your clocks *back* this Saturday night. And just because you get an extra hour of sleep doesn't mean that you get to take *another* hour and miss church! I'm just kidding, but only partially. This weekend we celebrate All Saints' Sunday. All Saints' is an important holy day, one that we should observe with our parish family. On this day we remember the saints who have gone on before us, having finished their time on earth. We give thanks for their lives and what they have meant to ours. Please try to be with us if you can – and having to get up early is not an excuse on this particular Sunday. ③

But even before we celebrate the Holy Day of All Saints' we will celebrate three ordinations on Saturday. Katie Craven Campbell, whose roots run pretty deep at St. James will be ordained to the transitional diaconate along with Dr. John Henson (a former American Baptist pastor) from Shreveport, and Benjamin Thoms, from Monroe. Please join us for this beautiful and festive occasion. The service starts at 11:00am. If you have never seen an Episcopal ordination service, check this one out, either with us in the church or <a href="here">here</a> on our live stream.

For those who are unfamiliar with the term, a *transitional* deacon is one who is required to serve for at least six months as a deacon, before being ordained to the priesthood. So all three of these folks will be priests in 2023, unlike our own beloved Deacon Michael Parham, who has been ordained to the permanent (or perpetual) diaconate. He does not feel called to the priesthood, but rather to the ministry of leading the Church out into the world to serve. So he will be Deacon Michael for the rest of his life. And I thank God that he's here.

There are plenty of opportunities to be a part of the life of St. James. Please join us every time you can. And bring a friend.

Peace, Fr. John+



## **Faith & Fellowship Tonight**

Dinner: 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall [Chicken & wild rice casserole, salad, dessert] [\$5 for adults; FREE ages 18 & under] JEYC/EYC: 6:30 p.m. in Youth Building Adult Class: 6:30 p.m. in Parlor Viewing & Discussion of *The Chosen.* 

"For a cost cheaper than anything you can find in town, you and your family can get a delicious meal (including dessert)."

## Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

God Willing, Bishop Owensby will ordain three people to the Transitional Diaconate this Saturday, November 5, at St. James in Alexandria at 11:00 a.m. Pray for our ordinands, Katy Campbell, John Henson, and Ben Thoms, as they begin





# **FALL BACK Saturday Night**

Daylight Savings Time ends this Saturday, November 5. So set your clocks back one hour and enjoy the extra hour of sleep!

# SundayAdult Christian Formation

Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the Parlor as we continue our study of the Gospel of Matthew, using a video that is the word-for-word Gospel, but with actors bringing the action to life. There is discussion of what we see and hear each week. No preparation needed.



## First Sunday Ministry Fund

During October, St. James was able to assist 19 families with \$4159.91 towards utilities, rent, and gas. This was all due to your generosity The need remains great since the multiple utilities bills have been sent out. So many are on fixed incomes.

Please remember that the first Sunday "loose plate" collection (cash) is designated for the Ministry Fund, and we welcome donations by check as well - please make checks payable to St. James with Ministry Fund written in the check's Memo section. Thank you!

# Worship



November 6th All Saints Sunday

In-person Worship at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Childcare is available for the 10:30 AM service.

Click on this link to join the 10:30 AM service.

Click here for the service bulletin.

November 6th 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:

Mother Meredith Ward, Betty Gaiennie, Jack Dewitt, Sr., Beth Hebert, Rita & Bill Clancey, Jimmy Hurt, Carol Rowe, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, Donnie Hayes, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Bill and Beverly Jarvis, Grace Gennuso, Ralph Gill, Robbie G., Jonathan Rhea, Peggy Humbles, Laura Murchison, Darriel & Charles, Minnie Mikell, Massi Jordan, Richard Norem, Pepe Rizzo, Bonnie McLellan, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Bernard Parker, Rachel and Ben, Kristie Fresh, Andrea, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Shannon Norman, Bill Jarvis, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Stacy and

Richard, Chase Barnfield, Taylor Thompson, Mattie Dean McNaughton, Johnnie Hart, Jane Y. Harris, Kip Hogue, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Mesta Bain, Dean M. Tyree, Jackie Jeanne, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Wayne Moorehead, Pat Carter, 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 November (day):

Frank Ingrish (3), Jack McLemore (3), Molly McLemore (3), Dee Drell (4), Ronnie Johnson (4), Massi Jordan (4), Ray Bloch (7), Michelle McCall (7), Harry Randow (8), Gary Delahoussaye (10), Avery Holton (10), Liz Ratcliff (10), Ogden Middleton (13), Chuck Fowler (14), Marti Hair (14), Kelly Texada (14), Susie Drell (15), Bonnie McLellan (15), Denis Whitfill (15), Mark Weinzettle (16), Steve Eudy (20), Susan Menache (20), Amy Searcy (21), Julia Callis (22), Bobbie Hess (22), Margaret Deshotel (23), Karen Hazel (24), Brian Adams (25), Paige Quillin (25).



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