

April 12, 2023

## From Fr. John

The week after Easter is usually a pretty quiet one around church offices. Holy Week takes a lot out of clergy, church staffs, and volunteers. This year has been a little slower for me than is usual. On Sunday, after the service was finished, I walked through the church and tripped on the chancel steps. I fell on my left knee. I went to the emergency hospital yesterday. Thankfully, I have no fractures, just a bit of trauma to my bursa. I have been elevating, icing, and staying off it for a couple of days. Lately it seems like when it rains it pours. The shingles are still hanging on and now this. But as the Sufi poets said, "This too shall pass." Thank you to everyone who keeps me and the church staff in your prayers.

Speaking of thanks, I would like to thank all those who made our services and other activities happen last week. The choir, Michael and Eileen, were amazing, even though they sang a lot. The liturgical team: Deacon Michael, Will, Roy, the acolytes, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers showed up so often that it seemed like they were sleeping on campus. But no matter how much was asked of them, they delivered with great grace. Likewise the altar guild and flower ministry. The church looked wonderful from red on Tuesday to empty on Thursday and festival white on Saturday, the changes were fast and furious. And a special than you to Tish for making the Easter Morning brunch happen.

We are lucky folks to be a part of such a dedicated community of faith.

Happy Easter to you all.  
Fr. John+



## Tonight

Dinner: 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall  
[Spinach stuffed pork loin with angel hair pasta,  
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  
Season 3 of *The Chosen*

## Adult Christian Formation This Sunday



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.



## Coffee Hour

Join us for coffee hour & fellowship this Sunday morning following the 10:30 AM service. This is a great opportunity to visit and catch up on what is happening within our church family. If you would like to help either with refreshments or as a server for this ministry, sign up in Parish Hall or call Susan



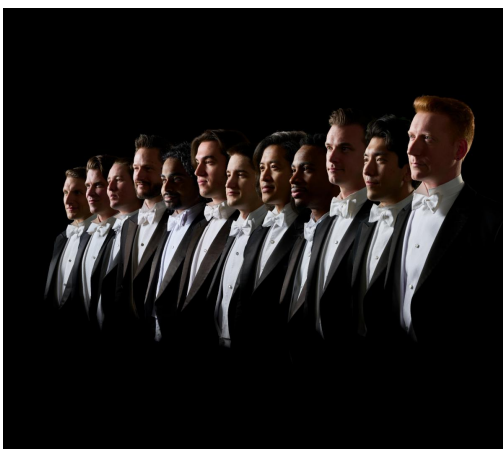
### *Lest We Forget*

## Honoring the Memory of Rapides Parish Lynching Victims

THIS Saturday, April 15, at 10:00 a.m.  
Holocaust Memorial at Fourth & Elliott Streets

The Cenla Memorial Lynching Project provides a tangible way for community members to confront the legacy of racial terror lynching and to memorialize the African American victims whose lives were taken. To remember and dignify the lives of these men, we speak their names and communicate openly about what has taken place. The necessary conversation to advance truth and reconciliation has begun and we urge you to join us.

"Remember them, and hope that this will help us become better people, and to not let this ever happen again in our neighborhood." ~ Michael Wynne, a founder of organization



## Chanticleer in Concert Tuesday, May 2, 2023 7:00pm

Closing the 2022-2023 season, the St. James Episcopal Church Concert Series presents the world renowned and Grammy award winning vocal ensemble, Chanticleer. The gentlemen of Chanticleer will sing a program entitled "Labyrinths" in which they describe "Labyrinths twist and turn."

Named for the "clear-singing" rooster in Geoffrey Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, the twelve voice ensemble makes its only Louisiana tour stop on Tuesday, May 2, 2023. The concert begins at 7:00pm in the St. James Episcopal Church located at 1620 Murray Street and Bolton Avenue. Made possible by a generous grant from The McCormick-Smith Fund, Inc., the concert is free admission and all are welcome. There will be a reception honoring the singers immediately following the presentation in the Church parish hall.

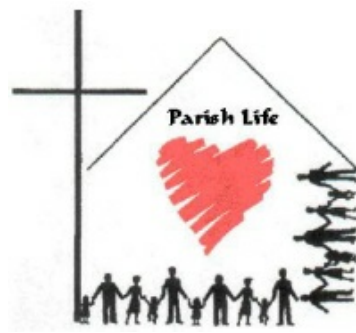
## More May Happenings!

May 7 - Food Truck Sunday!

- Immediately following 10:30 service.
- Location 16<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Dutch Treat.
- In case of rain will eat in Parish Hall.
- Ideal event to invite friends to!

May 14 - Mother's Day Luncheon!

- Catered lunch following 10:30 service.
- Men of St. James will serve lunch and wait tables.
- Parishioners need only bring themselves....not "covered dish."
- Parish Hall.



**UPDATE**



## Time to Update Church Directory

Time for a new Church Directory! So much has happened in the year with so many new faces that we decided to update the directory. So please send the church office updated information, if any, regarding address, phone number(s), and email(s). Also a current picture would be appreciated.

## Worship

### April 6th Second Sunday of Easter

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.](#)



### April 16, 2023 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 & reading.](#)

## Prayer

### Parish Prayer List

**Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:**

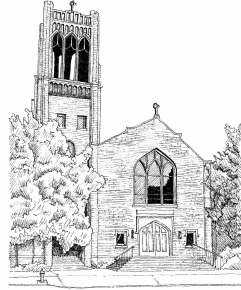
*Ella Goldich, Belle Chatelain, Eleanor, Stephanie and Baby Stark, Carli, Fr. John, Lacy Shaw, Sam Bejach, Gary and Becky Maxwell, Lawrence, Liz McSween, Beth Courtney, Holly Craig, Kip Hogue, Charles, Jim Bristol, Ellen Moore, Mother Meredith Ward, Pat Carter, Beth Hebert, Rita Clancey, Jimmy Hurt, Carol Rowe, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, Donnie Hayes, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Bill and Beverly Jarvis, Robbie G., Jonathan Rhea, Laura Murchison, Minnie Mikell, Massi Jordan, Richard Norem, Pepe Rizzo, Bonnie McLellan, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Bernard Parker, Kristie Fresh, Andrea, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Shannon Norman, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Chase Barnfield, Taylor Thompson, Johnnie Hart, Jane Y. Harris, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Mesta Bain, Dean M. Tyree, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Wayne Moorehead, Donna House, Dayna Hill, Jane Tyson, Gerard, and Mehre Hajighassem.*

**For those in the military:**

*Kyle Jordan, Josh Duff, Samuel Hayes, Franklin Watson, Kyle Jordan, Donal McCarthy, Michael Geiger, Erskine Cook, Jr., Patrick Downs, and Chris Babcock.*

**For those celebrating birthdays in April (day):**

*Tucker McLure (1), Johnny Downs (2), Babson Fresh (5), Foster Walker (5), Bubba Flournoy (7), Laura Johnson (9), Jeff Matthews (10), L. B. Matthews (12), Michael Jurgensen (16), Rita Klock (17), Clay Ray (21), Vivian Cabrera (22), Linda Hargrove (23), Stephen Dubois (25), Jennifer Higginbotham (25), Fred Alexius (29), Kathy Kingsley (30).*



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