

August 23, 2023

## From Fr. John

Recently I saw NOAA's hurricane predictions for this season. Thankfully, it is forecast to be an "ordinary" year for storms in the Gulf. That means that we are likely to have 12-17 named storms (i.e. winds in excess of 39 mph). Of those, we can expect 5-9 to develop into hurricanes (winds in excess of 74 mph). I truly give thanks that they are not predicting yet another "active" year for gulf storms. But the possibility of 5 or more hurricanes makes one stop and think, given our experiences of a couple of years ago.

We are currently well into the hurricane season. And with our current drought, we might be tempted to pray for a "little hurricane" to bring some much-needed rain. But now is the time to make sure that we are prepared for whatever weather-related problems we might have this season. Now is the time to take out your hurricane preparedness list and blow the dust off of it. Then make sure that you have what you need to be prepared. But before anything significant enters the Gulf, with a trajectory toward Louisiana, we can *still* pray for rain.

O God, our heavenly Father, who by your Son Jesus Christ has promised to all those who seek your kingdom and its righteousness all things necessary to sustain their life: Send us, we ask, in this time of need, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth, to our comfort and to your honor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God's peace be with each of you,  
Fr. John+



## Wednesday Evening Service

Every Wednesday evening a Holy Eucharist with Healing Service is offered in the chapel at 5:15 p.m.

## Community Breakfast This Sunday

Come meet some of our neighbors this Sunday as we enjoy our delicious and free Community Breakfast from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.! If you wish to volunteer with meal prep and/or serving, plan to arrive at 7:30 a.m.



**Adult Class is upstairs this Sunday at 9:15 a.m.**



## Wednesday Nights Are Back!

Join us for an even bigger and better night of good food, fellowship and interesting classes starting Wednesday September 6. We will have a **Eucharist with a Healing**

**Service at 5:15 in the chapel, Dinner at 6:00 and, not one, but two offerings starting at 6:45!**

Father John will lead a return to The Chosen, starting with the first episode and going through all three seasons until the fourth season premieres early next year. This series has been such a delight to watch that many of us who attended last year requested to watch it again. If you haven't seen the full series, this is your chance to come see what all the fuss is about. Our second offering will be Yoga taught by our own licensed instructor, Roy Rosenthal.

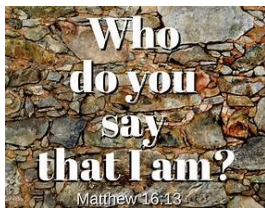
**Dinners will still be \$5.00 each and free for kids 13 and under.** There will be a sign up sheet in the Parish Hall to volunteer to help with the dinners by providing a side dish, a salad and dessert. Its easy and fun.

## Interested in Sharing God's love with children?!

Parents of children Kindergarten through Grade 5 have expressed an interest in a children's Sunday morning class for them. Fr. John has an easy program that they would enjoy. If you have a calling to assist in this ministry, please contact Fr. John ([frjohn@stjamesla.org](mailto:frjohn@stjamesla.org)) or Rita ([rita@stjamesla.org](mailto:rita@stjamesla.org)) this week.



## WORSHIP



### August 27th The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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.](#)

### August 27, 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:**

*Pat Carter, John Upton, Rita Clancey, Jackie LaCour, Linda Ittner, Gwen Jones, Sophia Frey Bradford, Becky Maxwell, Brady Brown, Heather Craig, Dr. Wesley Davis, Steve Caballero, Anna Stapleton, Ann Vanderslice, Charles Robinson, Bobbie Chatelain, Larry, Eleanor, Carli McGinty, Fr. John, Lacy Shaw, Sam Bejach, Lawrence, Liz McSween, Beth Courtney, Holly Craig, Kip Hogue, Jim Bristol, Ellen Moore, Mother Meredith Ward, Beth Hebert, Jimmy Hurt, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Robbie G., Jonathan Rhea, Minnie Mikell, Massi Jordan, Pepe Rizzo, Bonnie McLellan, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Kristie Fresh, Andrea, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Chase Barnfield, Johnnie Hart, Jane Y. Harris, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Mesta Bain, Dean M. Tyree, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Wayne Moorehead, Donna House, Dayna Hill, Jane Tyson, and Mehre Hajighassem.*

**For those in the military:**

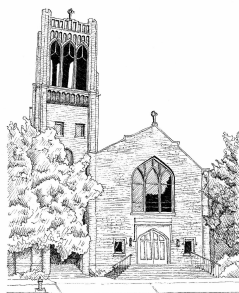
*Kyle Jordan, Samuel Hayes, Franklin Watson, Donal McCarthy, Michael Geiger, Erskine Cook, Jr., Patrick Downs, and Chris Babcock.*

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

*Jameson Milliner (23), Delores Brewer (24), Nancy Flournoy (25), Robert Edmonds (27), Sara Davidson (28), Susan Frey (28).*

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

*Jim Marshall (8), Virginia White (8), Stella Craig (10), Dcn. Michael Parham (12), Brad Drell (14), Eliza Theus (18), Eric Jones (19), Taylor Thompson (19), Julia Welch (19), Anna Theus (21), James Theus (21), Spencer Brown (23), Pietry Cabrera (23), Michael Sterne (25), Joan Brunson (28), Elaine Hicks (28), Meredith Owensby (28), Jim Leggett (30).*



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