

March 20, 2023

From Fr. John



Fr. John is enjoying the week at home with family visiting from out of town. He is available for emergencies, and, of course, he will celebrate the Eucharist this evening and on Sunday.

A Well Deserved Honor

Becky Warren, a long-time member of St. James, is principal of Nachman Elementary. The Louisiana Department of Education has announced that she is a State Principal of the Year Semifinalist! As we all know, great teachers and school leaders are critical to student success! Becky certainly exhibits all the qualities of a great leader! Congratulations!



All semifinalists will be honored at the annual Cecil Picard Education Excellence Awards gala in July at the World War II Museum in New Orleans.

Faith & Fellowship Tonight

5:15 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing Service - Chapel
6:00 p.m. - Dinner - Roasted veggie shrimp pasta, side and dessert
6:45 p.m. - Class - Making of Altar Hosts—no prior experience needed - simply learn-as-you-go process



STATIONS of the CROSS

Friday at 12:15 p.m. in the Church

Join us as we actively walk the path Jesus took on the way to the cross, stopping at each station to say prayer and reflect on that station.

This Saturday - Make Palm Crosses

No previous experience needed!
Training offered on the spot!
Saturday - March 23 -10:00 a.m. - Parish Hall
Fellowship, coffee, snacks!



Adult Sunday Class

Come and join us in the parlor at 9:15 this Sunday as **Dee Drell** concludes a class on exploring **Aspects of Prayer: An Inward Look**. Bring a cup of coffee, or your favorite beverage, and sit in. There is no preparation needed to join in the discussion.

MAUNDY THURSDAY VIGIL

Jesus said, "could you not stay awake with me one hour?" Matthew 26:40 (NRSV)

The Maundy Thursday (Thursday in Holy Week) liturgy is a very powerful one. But perhaps the most moving part of the service comes at the end, when the altar area of the church is stripped of everything that makes it look grand, and perhaps all that makes it look "occupied." The end of the Maundy Thursday service reminds us of that place and time in which Jesus was arrested and taken away, leaving the Disciples alone. The period of time between The Last Supper and sunrise on Good Friday is commemorated by a Gethsemane Watch, or Maundy Thursday Vigil.

There is a signup sheet in the Narthex, Chapel, and Parish Hall for those who would like to stay in the Chapel for one overnight hour on March 28/29. There will be a Sheriff's deputy on premises all night for security. There will be reading and prayer resources available for those who participate.



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Easter Flowers



It is the custom of St. James at Easter to invite our parish family to make a contribution to the glory of God and in memory of, in honor of, or in thanksgiving for a loved one. This is not only an appropriate way to honor those we love, but these gifts allow for the festive decoration of the church. If this is your wish, please send your donation along with the names of those you wish to remember to the church office no later than Tuesday, March 26. Offering envelopes are also in the church pew racks. (You may email the names to the office for clarity in spelling, as well: rita@stjamesla.org.)

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY

Blessing of the Palms followed by the Holy Eucharist
8:00 a.m. - Front of Chapel
10:30 a.m. Patio off Parish Hall - Procession into Church
The Right Reverend Jacob Owensby, Presiding

TUESDAY in HOLY WEEK

10:30 a.m. Diocesan Chrism Mass with Renewal of Ordination Vows – Church

WEDNESDAY in HOLY WEEK

5:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing Service – Chapel

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Washing of the Feet - Church
7:30 p.m. - 7:30 a.m. Vigil - Chapel

GOOD FRIDAY:

12:15 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday - Church
1:15 p.m. Meditation on Last Seven Words of Christ - Church
2:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Church

HOLY SATURDAY

THE GREAT VIGIL of EASTER

10:00 a.m. Proper Liturgy for Holy Saturday - Chancel
7:00 p.m. Kindling of the new fire, lighting of the Paschal Candle, followed by the first Festival Eucharist of Easter - Convocational Event

EASTER DAY

THE GREAT FESTIVAL of the RESURRECTION

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Flowering of the Cross - Church

Good Friday Offering

For 102 years, donations to the Good Friday Offering have directly supported ministries of the Anglican Communion Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

In a letter, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry talked about speaking to the Rev. Canon Faiz Basheer Jerjes and his colleague, Sinan Hanna, of St. George's Anglican Episcopal Church in Baghdad—the only Anglican church in Iraq. After a moving conversation, Fr. Faiz asked one thing of our church: "Please don't forget us."



You can read the full letter, donate, and learn more by [clicking here](#).



Introduction to Judaism



Saturday, April 6

1-4 pm

Jewish Temple

2021 Turner St.

Rabbi Judy Ginsburgh will offer a brief overview of Jewish customs, history, holidays, beliefs, life cycle events and more. The class will include a tour of the Temple sanctuary and museum and a sampling of Jewish foods. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end.

The class is free and open to the public, but reservations are required by emailing: secretary@jewishtemple.org
Please enter the gate on the Turner St. side

Supported by a grant from the National Center to Encourage Judaism



St. James Church Picnic

April 28, 2024

Camp Hardtner

Service to begin at 11:00 a.m.

Potluck picnic to follow.

More details to come!

WORSHIP

March 24th

Sunday of the Passion

Palm 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.](#)



March 24, 2023
Evening Prayer
Online @ 5:00 PM

[Click here for](#)
[Order of Service AND](#)
[to join Evening Prayer via Zoom.](#)

Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077
Passcode: 1620

Prayer

Parish Prayer List

Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:

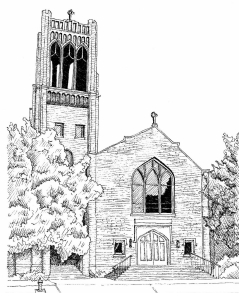
The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Ben Nugent-Peterson, Cristin Hardin Foreman, Phillip Craig, John & Judy McLure, Adair Faust, Tommy Watts, Tim Strohschein, Nona Yeager, Michael S., Rebbie Jones, Fr. John, Sara Marshall, Charles Robinson, Jr., Lynne Distefano, Ogden Middleton, John Upton, Rita Clancey, Linda Ittner, Sophia Frey Bradford, Debbie Barnes, Becky Maxwell, Brady Brown, Dr. Wesley Davis, Steve Caballero, Anna Stapleton, Ann Vanderslice, Eleanor, Sam Bejach, Beth Courtney, Holly Craig, Jim Bristol, Ellen Moore, Mother Meredith Ward, Beth Hebert, Jimmy Hurt, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Massi Jordan, Pepe Rizzo, Michael Sterne, Cackie, Kristie Fresh, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Wilma Filipi, Fran Barbato, Gail, Murel Trimble, Charlotte Sterling, Andrew, Susan Webster, Chase Barnfield, Jane Y. Harris, Kyle, Beth Virden, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Mark Goldich, Kevin Hooter, 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 March (day):

Melinda Mikell (1), Janet Ahrens (5), Elizabeth Drell (6), Alexander Adams (7), Donnie Hayes (7), Randall Despino (8), Edmond O'Quin (8), Shepard Searcy (9), Randy Welch (13), Julie Despino (14), Bobby Levy (15), Barbara Moorehead (16), Lottie Milliner (20), Alex Norton (22), Tom McBride (25), Don Kramer (27), Bryce Dixon (28).



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