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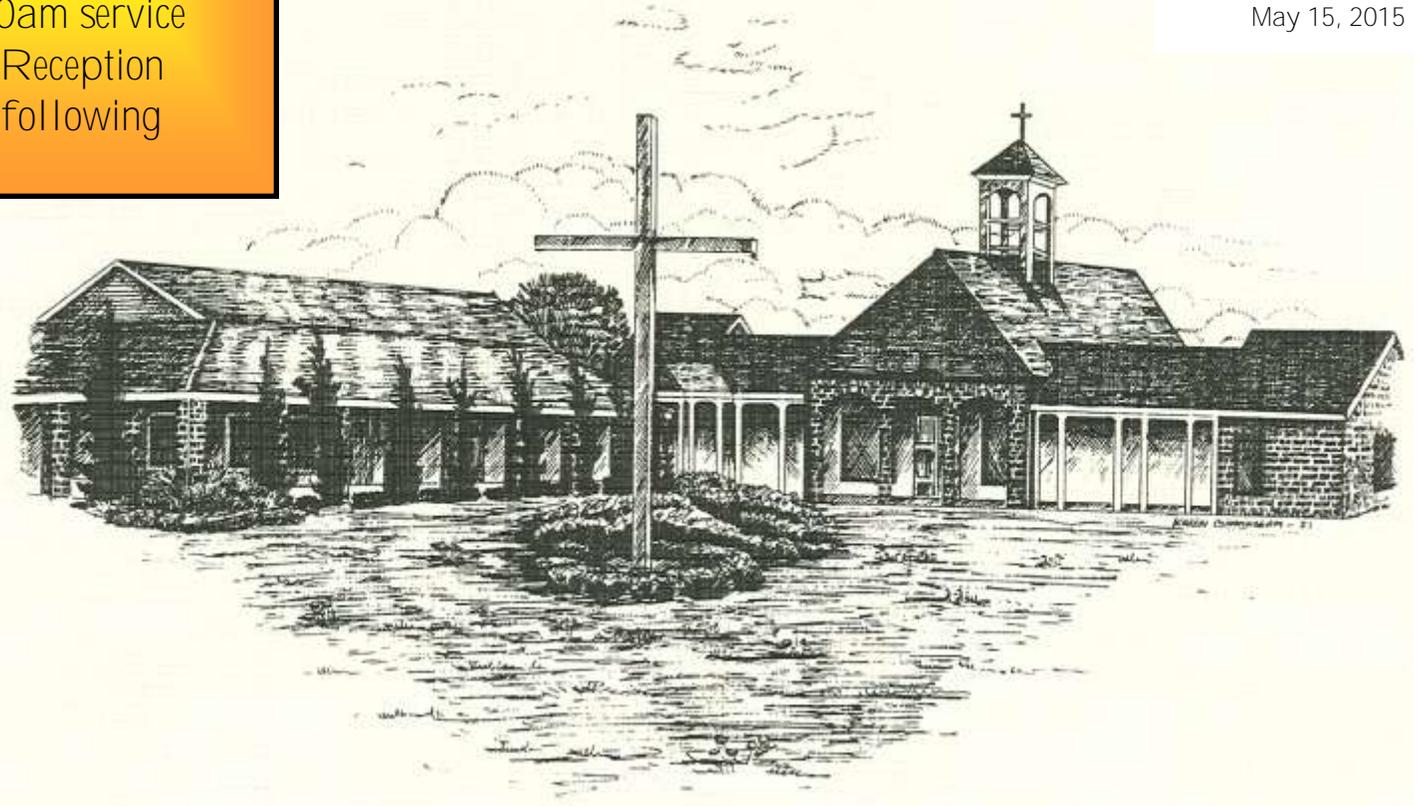
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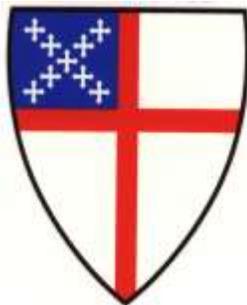
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A MESSAGE FROM MORGAN

Dear Family of St. James,

I want to start off today by asking you a simple question: who is your neighbor? I'm not talking about "neighbor" in a broad sense, as in what Jesus meant by the term. No, I literally want to know who your neighbors are? Do you know the people that live to the right and to the left of you? Do you know the people across the street? If you had an emergency one day and needed a safe space to leave your children while you addressed the situation, would you feel comfortable leaving them with a neighbor?

I "know" the people to the right of us. We talk occasionally and we have children that are around the same age. Sometimes our kids talk through the fence in the back yard and every now and then they will run around to the front yard to play on the lawn. But there are always cars in their driveway. Their house is a revolving door and I'm never quite sure who is there or who belongs to who. There is an older woman and her adult son who live to the left of us. All I know is that they must hail from Philadelphia because they have a huge Eagles flag that they proudly display in front of their house when football season rolls around. There are lots of middle school and high school aged boys that play basketball and football in the street across from us, but I have barely spoken to any of them beyond a simple hello or a jaunt in their general direction to return a run away ball.

I don't know my neighbors. Not really. Do you?

Life used to be different. We were once upon a time all more connected to each other. We relied on those around us to help us grow and thrive and sometimes even to survive. But now society pushes us to be independent and individual and to make our own way. Now, none of those things I just mentioned are necessarily bad, but when we take these notions to the extreme, we become unhealthy, sometimes even isolated.

God never meant for us to do life alone. That's why from the very beginning he made Adam AND Eve. Throughout the Bible God knit together communities of people to help each other along the way. God means for us to be together – He sent the disciples out two by two. We all need companionship and people around us that we can trust. So why not start with those who share your space with you? Go meet your neighbors for no other reason than to show you care, that you are interested in being connected, that you are there to help should they need to call. I know this involves risk and putting yourself out there, but I believe the rewards of connectedness are much greater than any of our fears. If you already know your immediate neighbors, work on getting to know your block. Maybe your neighbors share the same concerns as you? Maybe there is a change you want to make to your community – do you share the same vision? You'll never know if you don't put yourself out there. And who knows, maybe the best friend you never had is living right across the street?

There is power in relationship. Don't be afraid to harness it and remember that basic human connectedness is and always will be Kingdom work.

Blessings,

Morgan +



Outreach News

Thank-you to all who supported local charitable organizations on May 5 during the Give for Good campaign. Due to the overwhelming generosity of many people in our community, local non-profit organizations received 7,714 gifts totaling \$1,738,504.18. A few of the programs that are regularly supported by St. James raised the following:

- Providence House—\$41,144 through 154 donations
- Renzi Education and Art Center—\$5,873 through 145 donations
- St. Luke's Mobile Medical Unit—\$6,047 through 84 donations
- Catholic Charities—\$26,100 through 115 donations

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CHOOSE
your cause

GIVE
your best

TRANSFORM
your community

St. James ECW is proud to sponsor
Cabaret Dinner Theatre

performance of

**MURDER IN
THE MAGNOLIAS**

June 19, 2015

Dinner 6:30 - Curtain 7:30

A Comedy/Murder Mystery

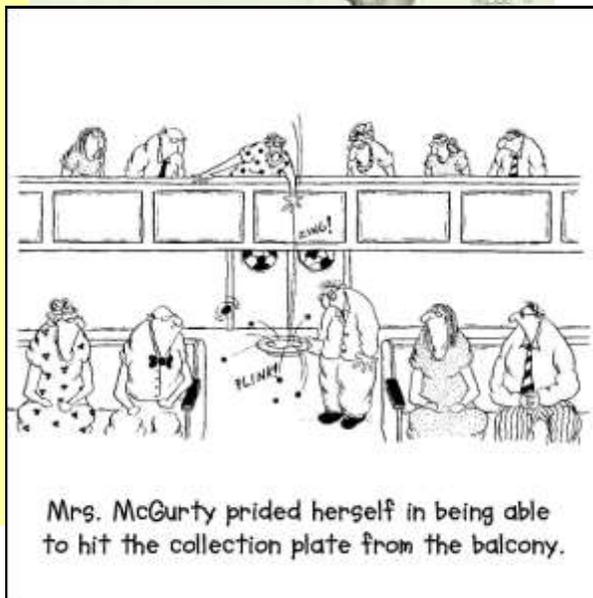
featuring many of our own St. James "Stars"

in an off-the-wall spoof of Southern plays

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE SO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS

NOW BY CALLING THE BOX OFFICE:

318-560-5662



THE GOOD STEWARDS

Many, many parishioners pitched in and chose something from the workday list to accomplish, then completed the task before the workday arrived. **Others found tasks that hadn't made it onto the list and performed them.** And still others showed up for the workday, tools and energy in hand, raring to go. And there were those who did a combination of the above. All together, it seems more than half the parish was involved in the Parish Work Day in one way or another.

We thank each and every person for every task that was accomplished, including patching pot-holes in the drive, donating bedding plants, preparing the gardens, planting flowers and vegetables, weeding shrubbery and flower beds, replacing light bulbs, trimming shrubbery, maintaining the martin houses, attacking the ant mounds, braving wasps and hornets, changing ballasts, scrubbing, sweeping, raking, mulching, dusting, **organizing, cleaning, clearing, stocking...**

Special thanks to our Junior Warden, Dave Caporossi, who put the initial list together and who pointed folk in the right direction. We appreciate the legwork he did in initiating the endeavor and the fact that he let people find their own niches and get to work as they had the time and ability.

These are some of the ways that St. James makes use of the time and talents of our parishioners as we strive to be good stewards toward each other and our community.

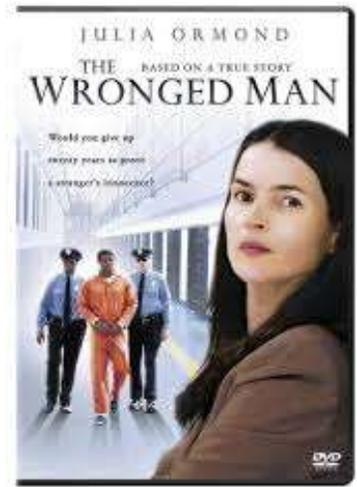


Morgan sends special thanks to those who phoned the office, sent e-mails, and posted their well-wishes on Facebook after her mishap on the way to work one April morning. It is wonderful to know so many people care. She and the driver who hit her car were both shaken, and a bit stirred, but neither suffered any serious injury and the insurance companies are dealing with the aftermath.

A LESSON IN PERSEVERENCE AND LOVE

Our first family night of the summer will be held in the Garrett-Hall building on May 22, the Friday before Pentecost. We will watch the movie, *The Wronged Man*, based on the work of St. James parishioner Janet Gregory. Dinner will be served at 6pm and the activity will end around 9pm.

Childcare will be provided, as the movie is not appropriate for younger viewers. Janet will be present to answer questions and facilitate a discussion of the events.



A BREAKFAST FOR CHAMPIONS

Proceeds from the May 3 breakfast were donated toward helping two local teams attend the global competition on Destination Imagination! Congratulations to Rory Fitzpatrick and Alex Gibson for being members of those two winning teams...and thanks to all who supported them! Debbie Fitzpatrick and Candi Gibson prepared a Mexican Fiesta Breakfast as a pre-Cinco de Mayo celebration, a meal that brought about a lot of smiles and happy taste buds.





Please join the Spirituality sub-committee of the Vestry for **Communal Prayer**

held at 5:30pm each Wednesday.

THE MISSION CONTINUES...with a PopUp Clinic in Minden



St. Luke's joined Susan G. Komen Northwest Louisiana, Partners in Wellness, and Martin Luther King Health Center for a PopUp Clinic in Minden April 14, 2015. Quoting from St. Luke's Facebook page, "14 women were seen in the St. Luke's medical van. 13 received clinical breast exams. Of these 13, 7 received screening mammograms in the Partners in Wellness van, which was on site. Martin Luther King Health Center scheduled 2 women for diagnostic mammograms. Breast Health education, provided by Susan G. Komen was handed out.



Thank you to Jimmy, Kathy, LaToya, Brenda A., Susan, Marylou, Licentra, Sharon, and Mary for helping with this clinic."

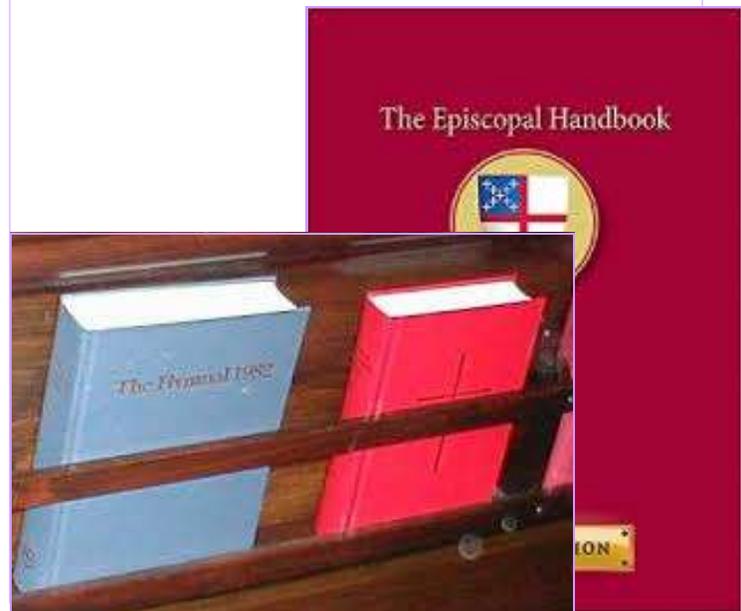
Special thanks to the Minden Walmart for not only making their parking lot available to us, but for encouraging their employees to take advantage of the PopUp Clinic.

—Kathy Deal

INQUIRER'S CLASSES CONTINUE THROUGH MAY 24

Inquirer's Classes began for a 4-week run on May 3 and will meet every Sunday afternoon, from 12:30pm until 2pm, through May 24. Anyone who wishes to join the class for the bits of information still to be covered is welcome to do so. There is no graduation certificate at the end, just an accumulation of knowledge that you may not have had before, or maybe a greater understanding of how the Episcopal Church or the liturgy works, or a review of previous information brought forward in the queue...

Whatever the reasons, everyone is welcome to attend. Please let Morgan know in advance by contacting her directly or by calling the parish office.



THE BISHOP IS COMING! THE BISHOP IS COMING!

It is time to roll out the purple carpet and welcome Bishop Jake for his annual visitation on June 21. We will have a combined service at 10am, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. Please bring your special finger foods for the reception to help make Jake and Joy feel at home while they are here with us for the day.

Bishop Jake will meet with the Vestry for a few minutes before the service, take a quick review of the parish books to make certain they are in order, and the rest of his time will be spent in

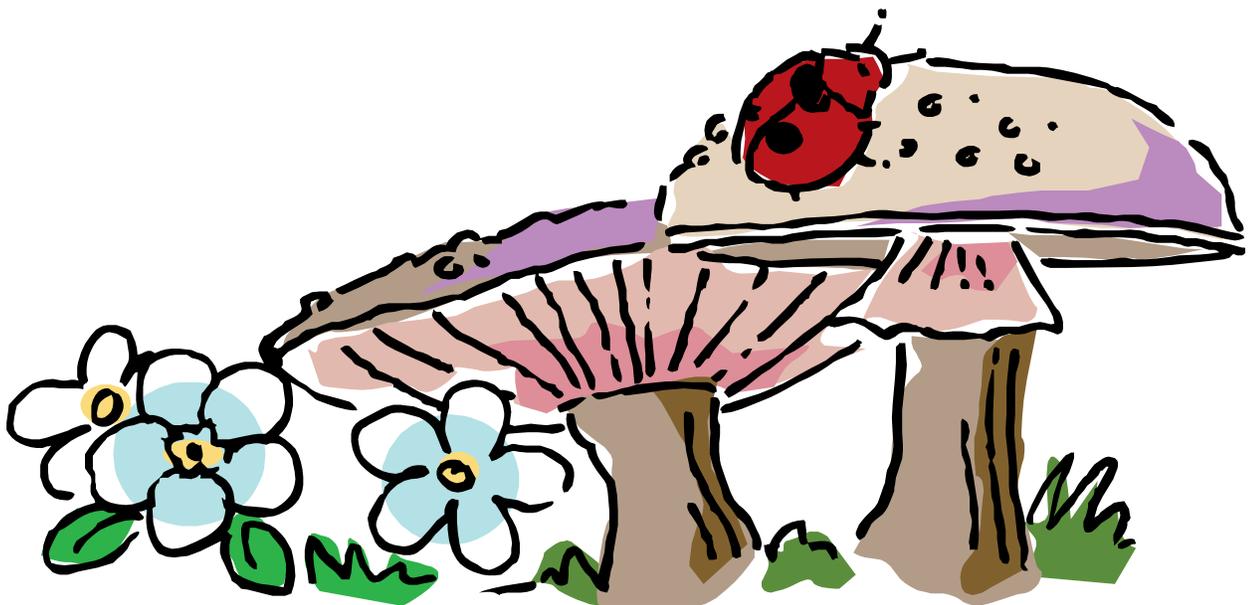
RED FOR PENTECOST

We have become accustomed to wearing **RED** and preparing a **RED** reception in the Parish Hall each Pentecost, and this year is no exception. We will share the Eucharist at 10am, after which we plan to meet in the Parish Hall to enjoy a pot-luck filled with red foods—bring your favorites to share.

If the weather allows, we will set up tables outdoors for those who wish to dine al fresco. Prizes will be given to the parishioners wearing the most red—or is it the most creative red outfit? Or is it the reddest red? You'll just have to come and find out! Please join us for Pentecost festivities on May 24 at 10am!!

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	
	1 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Angus MacIntire Happy Anniversary Roger & Molly Wilkinson	2 Morgan's Vacation June 2- 9 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Norah Ollendike	3 10 a HA Stu
7 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Parish Breakfast 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II	8	9 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Aylssa Garner	10 10 HA E
14 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Coffee 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II	15 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Emilie Gibson Happy Anniversary Barry & Mary Taylor	16 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Paul Jackson	17 10
 21 Father's Day Bishop's Visit 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II & Reception	22 ← HAPPY BIRTHDAY Gina Phillips ←Happy Anniversary Dusty & Chaile Allen	23 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Nathan Gibson Derek Phillips Happy Anniversary Derek & Erica Phillips	24 10 Ha John
28 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Coffee 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II	29 HAPPY BIRTHDAY Rachel Porter	30 Morgan's Vacation June 29- July 2 Happy Anniversary David & Charlott Calhoun HAPPY BIRTHDAY Janet Moore Evann Gibson	





			<i>The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>The 3rd Sunday after Pentecost</i>
			<i>JUNE 7</i>	<i>JUNE 14</i>
LECTIONARY			<i>Genesis 3: 8- 15 Psalm 138 2 Corinthians 4: 13- 5:1 Mark 3: 20- 35</i>	<i>Ezekiel 17: 22- 24 Psalm 92: 1 -4, 11- 14 2 Corinthians 5: 6- 10,11- 13, 14- 17 Mark 4: 26- 34</i>
VESTRY PERSON			BRIAN WHATLEY	JANA KENDRICK
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	<i>8:30</i>		Lynnette van Heerden	Janie Parker
	<i>11:00</i>		Dan Bennett	Bert Babington
LAY READER	<i>11:00</i>		Brian Whatley	Ken Murphy
LECTORS	<i>8:30</i>		Pat Parker	Betty Langhorst
	<i>11:00</i>		Debbie Fitzpatyrick	Janet Moore
ACOLYTES	<i>8:30</i>		Kelly Parker	Hannah Parker
	<i>11:00</i>		Rory Fitzpatrick	Mason Garner
ALTAR GUILD			Lonnie Howard Kathy Watkins Faye Wynn	Lonnie Howard Kathy Watkins Faye Wynn
USHERS	<i>8:30</i>		Pat Parker	Pat Parker
	<i>11:00</i>		Mike Kendrick Sara Lewis	Mike Kendrick Denise Shelton
MASTER OF CEREMONIES VERGER			Mike Endicott	Mike Endicott

HELP FILL IN THE GAPS FOR MEMORIAL DAY

The LDI program will be providing meals on Memorial Day, as the Meals on Wheels Program will not be in service that day. We plan to assemble 18 packages after the 10am service on Pentecost. Delivery folk will get to choose whether to deliver on Sunday or on Monday. In order to accomplish this task, we need volunteers for the following:

- 2 people to provide baked beans to serve 9
- 2 people to provide potato salad to serve 9
- 2 people to provide strawberries to serve 9
- Pound cake for 18 (Lorain Thrash will provide)
- Dinner rolls for 18 (Jnanne Zepeda will provide)
- 3 bags of leg quarters—delivered to St. James before May 19 so Pat Parker can BBQ them
- Several people to deliver meals

Everything except the chicken can be brought to the Parish Hall on the Day of Pentecost!

Contact the parish office to volunteer:
stjames_sport@comcast.net
686-1261

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please add the following new information to your directory:

Dan Bennett's e-mail is dkbennett99@gmail.com

50th Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations Paul and Janet

Photo taken by Lisa Moore May 1, 2015

Attention Knitters and Crocheters: Please help us to restock our supply of prayer shawls. This is a caring and thoughtful way to demonstrate our love and it is very appreciated by the recipients.



ADULT EDUCATION NEWS

Beginning June 14, 2015, and continuing through the summer, adults will have a choice of classes to attend each Sunday between the services. Small Group Sunday School will be offered in two formats:

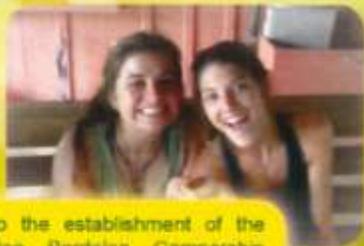
- *Serendipity*—led by Brian Whatley and Sissy Brown will be a topical discussion based on social issues.
- *Traditional*—led by Ken Murphy will explore a comparative study of the Gospels. The Comparative Look at the Gospels will be a look "through the lens.... the eyes" of four men at the greatest "model" of all time: the three synoptic Gospels... the "paparazzi" of Jesus' life, Matthew, Mark and Luke... and the biographer of His soul, John.

Choose the topic or format that interests you the most and join us for thoughtful and lively discussion each Sunday morning throughout the summer.



CAMP HARDTNER

You Can Help Make Camp Hardtner Part of a Young Person's Summer!



Thanks to the establishment of the Father Joe Bordon Campership Fund, any child who would like to attend Camp Hardtner in the summer is able to do so. The Board Staff would like to invite you to join us in our mission by contributing to this fund.



Over the years, the camp program has endeavored to guide our youth toward being disciples and servants of Christ. Relationships that began at camp have often resulted in lifetime friendships. Let's keep it going!

I would Love to help send a child to Camp Hardtner.

\$25

\$50

\$100

\$150

\$200

\$300

\$475

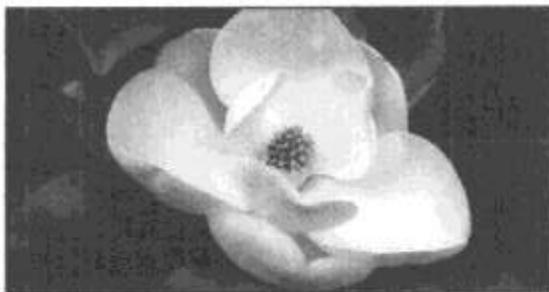
Full Tuition

You may contribute online through the Camp Hardtner website under "Donate" or By Check. Make out to Dioceses of W. LA. Indicate for JBCFund and mail to:

Diocese of W. Louisiana
Attn: Kathy Richey
P.O. Box 2031
Alexandria, LA 71302



Camp Able is a separate fund.



"Murder In The Magnolias" written by Tim Kelly

You wanted another Murder Mystery.....You Got It!and a funny one to boot!

Plan now for your party group to reserve seating for this June 11-12-13 Dinner Theatre Mystery.

What happens when you parody characters and plots from almost every Southern play imaginable, and sprinkle them with the flavor of "Gone With The Wind"? You get the hilarious "Murder in the Magnolias". Colonel Rance Chickenwing has kicked the bucket, leaving the secret of his buried treasure for a houseful of demented relatives to discover. There's Bubba Kamrowski, who juggles bowling balls in a luncheonette; the delicate Blanche De Blank, whose fiancé drowned in the quarry behind the Veronica Lake Casino; Thornbird, the flaky poet, whose personality is split so many ways, he's fractured; the cartoonish Lawyer Possum whose only

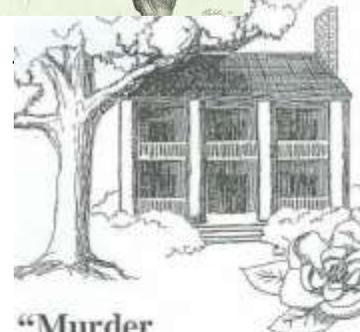
paying client is an alligator. There's the movie queen, Princess Lotta Kargo, who claims she's the Colonel's wife. And Amanda Chickenwing, who attempts to sell subscriptions to the Tudball Tattler. So, there's another death and the mystery at Belle Acres must be solved by Sheriff Billy Jerk. Toss in a prehistoric garden complete with murderous honeysuckle vines, yapping hound dogs, a Voodoo Woman, a menacing hurricane, a suspicious state engineer and a series of devastatingly hilarious "monologues," and you've got a pretty good idea of the fun in this off-the-wall spoof. Texas Theatre Week writes..."A funny and clever spoof." The Play takes place in the present day in the main sitting room of Belle Acres, a once gracious mansion in the Ole South. Plan now to attend one of these show dates June 11-12-13. Reservations 560-5662.



Looking to Have Some Fun?

Attend the play at St. James Episcopal Church Friday, June 19 at 6pm. Half of your \$30 ticket will go into the general fund to help the ministry of the parish.

Call 560-5662 for reservations or with any questions.

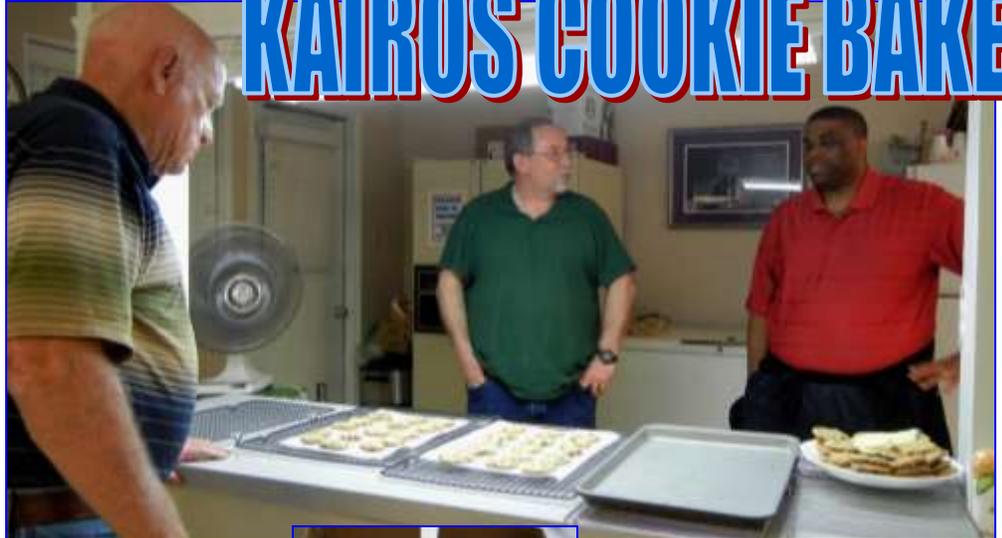


"Murder In The Magnolias"

by Tim Kelly



KAIROS COOKIE BAKE



With over 140 dozen cookies, St. James easily met the request for 100 dozen for the KAIROS weekend the end of March. Those cookies deemed too small were left in the freezer for use at later events.

Photos courtesy
Kathy Deal

MURDER IN THE MAGNOLIAS

CAST OF CHARACTERS
(In Order of Appearance)

- COLONEL RANCE CHICKENWING, *once a U.S. Senator, now aged and difficult*
- AMANDA CHICKENWING, *his younger sister, daffy, devoted to her strange botanical garden*
- JEZABEL, *the "housekeeper", slovenly, lazy, inept, outspoken*
- VOODOO WOMAN, *the local witch*
- PETE BOGG, *a state engineer who must "dig-up" the old Plantation*
- THORNBIRD CHICKENWING III, *a Southern writer whose personality is split so many ways he's fractured*

- Dan Bennett/Ken Murphy
- B J Prichard
- Ian Jones
- Tina Caporossi
- David Scott
- Bradly McCollum

- BUBBA KAMROWSKI, *juggles bowling balls in a luncheonette. An expert on Napoleonic Law*
- LORRAINE CARRLUTHERS, *social secretary to Princess Kargo, an intelligent young woman*
- LAWYER POSSUM, *has an alligator for a client*
- PRINCESS LOTTA KARGO, *flamboyant, theatrical and, maybe, off her rocker*
- SHERIFF BILLY JERK, *biggest man in Tudball County*
- BLANCHE DU BLANK, *a southern belle, slightly cracked*

- Stephen Scarlato
- Ashley Clark
- Robin Smith/Dan Bennett
- Anne Garner
- Rick Stovall
- Kimberly Woods



LONNIE HOWARD & PAUL MOORE – CO-DIRECTORS
JERRY HOWARD – SOUND AND LIGHTS



Thank You



Dear St. James

*Thank you for
the Easter Basket.
Very thoughtful of
you.*

*Thanks also to
the people delivering
Meals on Wheels -
they are always very
friendly & kind.*

Thank You

Quita Barton



WARM AND SPECIAL THANKS TO YOU
FOR ALL THE CONSIDERATE
THINGS YOU DO.

*Thanks for the Easter basket
with all its "goodies" and to
Lonna and Jerry for delivering
it -
Carmelle Emerson*



THANK YOU

NOW IS THE TIME

In all my days I have never heard of anyone regretting telling their family and friends that they loved them too often. **I have never heard anyone lament that they wished they'd only spent less time with their children and spouse instead of at their job. Never have I heard the complaint that too much time was spent in laughter, loving, paying attention to the children as they grew, cultivating a partnership, or honoring a commitment. I haven't heard anyone** regret that they spent too much time in prayer, too much time in meditation, too much time seeking forgiveness or forgiving others, or too much time providing comfort to those in need.

None of the actions listed above require great talent or education. They do require a bit of thoughtfulness or resolve, maybe compassion or insight. They may require us to look within ourselves and truly prioritize what is most important in our lives—the physical substance of stuff or the spiritual substance of relationships.

When I was very young my dad worked multiple jobs in an effort to care for his family. He farmed and piloted aircraft, taught flight school, trained police dogs, worked as a deputy sheriff, kept bees, rode bucking broncs in the rodeo, trained horses, and worked on his bachelors degree—calling himself a jack-of-all-trades. Despite his frequent absences from the house, I was very proud to be his daughter and I knew without a doubt that he loved me very much. When I was in college there were more children living at home, but he had become wiser. He was coaching little league, acting as scout master, and staying home a lot more. We talked about it and he told me that when I was little he thought he had to be out earning money to take care of everyone and that as a result he missed out on **a lot of our lives and he deeply regretted that. He couldn't get back any of the years he had missed with his older kids.** He intended to not make that same mistake with the younger ones.

We don't all get the opportunity to try a second time, to rectify our errors or to improve upon our decision-making skills. I'm glad Daddy had that opportunity, and I hope he made the most of it. But even for those who don't get that obvious of a second chance, it is never too late to make the conscious decision to take time to cultivate love and friendship in our lives. It is never too late to tell someone, "I love you," or to show that you care.

Take time now to set your priorities in life. What truly is most important and how will you achieve it? And as you do so, always remember, there are others ready to help you along the way, ready to share the joy of achievements and the grief of loss, to celebrate and to mourn, and to plod or skip or run headlong into life at your side...because the Episcopal Church welcomes You and your church family will always be here for you.

—Jnanne Zepeda

ANNOUNCEMENTS SUBMISSION DEADLINE

If you would like an announcement placed in the Sunday bulletin, please submit it by 10:00 am on the previous Wednesday. The office is open Monday-Thursday from 8:30 am until 2:00 pm. Announcements that are in printed form may be mailed, sent through e-mail to stjames_sport@comcast.net, or dropped at the parish office.

Newsletter deadline: June 1st

SPREAD THE WORD

Would you like to brag on your family's achievements, share family milestones with friends, or invite the parish to an upcoming event? You can do so easily by submitting articles to the parish office for publication in the Spirit. There is always room for news of a baptism, wedding, or school achievement. Photographs and stories can be sent via e-mail to stjames_sport@comcast.net or dropped off at the parish office. And if you are shy about doing the writing, just telephone the information to 686-1261 and the writing will take care of itself.

Our Mission Statement: A COMMUNITY CALLED BY GOD TO WORSHIP, LOVE, AND SERVE.

Our Schedule of Services:

Sunday—Holy Eucharist, 8:30am

followed by Coffee Hour and donuts in the Parish Hall

Sunday School, 9:45am

Holy Eucharist, 11:00am

Wednesday—Holy Eucharist with Unction, 10am

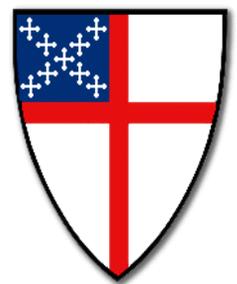


OFF TO A GREAT START

The St. James Community Garden is looking healthy and beautiful, despite the slow start in getting it planted due to the heavy rains. So far those steady rains have been a blessing, keeping our vegetables perky and helping them to grow strong. The hands that have participated in preparing the beds, planting seeds and starter plants, donating plants, and setting up tomato cages have had a lot to do with the early success our garden is displaying. Thanks to those working on behalf of the Community Garden Project, we may be in for another bumper-crop year in 2015.



Photos courtesy Kathy Deal.



Vision Statement of St. James Episcopal Church: We see St. James as a spirit-led congregation that is a beacon of God's love shining in the community, welcoming all by reaching out through worship, service, mission, and programming to bring peace and healing to all of God's children. We strive to serve our members by nourishing our faith, giving support in times of need and becoming a congregation from which community-based outreach programs have their genesis.