2016 Graduates in the St. James Family

Some of our graduates have shared their senior photos and bios with us, as we celebrate with them. Our seniors were recognized in church at the nine o'clock service on Sunday, April 17, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall parlor. We share our best wishes for your continued happiness and success!

Matthew Garrett is the son of Rachel and Paul Garrett, and graduating from Episcopal School where he has played baseball for four years, three as a letterman and Senior Year Team Captain; and, four years on the football team. He was named to the Academic All-State Football Team as a senior. He is a National Merit finalist; a member of the National Honor Society, and National Spanish Honor Society; the Head of School List, and AP Scholar Award winner. Matthew participated in EYC at St. James. He will attend either UGA or TCU in the fall; he has not yet decided on a major.

Adair McCanless, the daughter of Anne and Chris McCanless, is graduating from Episcopal School where she has been on the honor roll, won science, math, art, and religious awards, served on the Student Council for four years, as class vice-president, and leader junior and senior years. She lettered in soccer, ran track, and was a cheerleader. She earned Most Creative in the State Science Fair. Adair plans to attend the University of Mississippi where she will major in pre-med.

Please join your parish family as we gather for

**Holy Eucharist**

at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 15, 2016

and afterward at a parish picnic in Bishops Hall
to celebrate and honor

**The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland**

and his 13 years as rector on his last Sunday at St. James.

*His favorite fried chicken will be provided.*

*Please bring a side dish, enough for your group, as well as to share:*

A-H - Desserts     I-Q - Salads     R-Z - Vegetable Dishes

*Our nursery will be open.*
St. James Staff

The Rt. Rev. Morris K. Thompson, Jr.  
Bishop of Louisiana
The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland  
Rector of St. James
The Rev. Ralph F. Howe, Jr.  
Sr. Associate Rector and Day School Chaplain
The Rev. Mary Ann Garrett  
Associate Rector and Director of Pastoral Care for St. James Place
The Rev. John Pitzer  
Prior, The St. James Center for Spiritual Formation
Deacon Pat Lyle  
Spiritual Director in Residence
The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Witcher  
Bishop-in-Residence
XIX Rector of St. James
The Rt. Rev. James M. Coleman  
Bishop-in-Residence
XX Rector of St. James

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Director of Lay Ministries
Jo Craddock  
Director of Communications
Mary Davis-Palms  
Parish Dietician
Rodger Green  
Facilities Director
Sara Bray  
Cherub Choir Director & Asst Choirmaster
Jason Hubbard  
Choirmaster
Eric Johnson  
Treble Choir Director & Asst Choirmaster
Marvin McLennon  
Youth & Young Adults Ministries
Cheryl Speights Olinde  
Bookkeeper
John Ozier  
Parish Secretary
Sylvia Rabalais  
Administrative Secretary
Lauren T. Ray  
Head of School
Herndon Spillman  
Organist
Debbie Stiltnner  
Comptroller

St. James Vestry

Gerry Sulzer** ................................. Senior Warden
Andy McCall** ............................... Junior Warden
Jane Christensen* .............................. Clerk
Josh Pesses** ................................. Treasurer
Jane Christensen*  
Buzzy Heroman***
Rip Collins*  
Bill Hines***
Margaret Culbertson**  
Sue Larisey***
Charlie Frey***  
Caroline Ross**
Chris Frink*  
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Barbin C. Graham***  
Manette Sammons
Catherine S. Harrell***  
Chip Stirling**
Tricia Henderson *  
Tom Wade*

EYC & EKC Information

EYC at 5:00 p.m., in the Ministries Center, on Sundays, May 1 and 15, and EKC (Episcopal Kids in Community), for youngsters in grades three through five, at 5:00 p.m. on May 8, when the semester concludes. Email Marvin McLennon to get on his email list for any summer events, and check each Friday’s e-Messenger, or stjamesbr.org/youth.

Mission Trip Info Meeting

Along with youth from St. Alban’s, we will go to Palm Beach, Florida and work at the Hearts of Palm Mission of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, from June 19-24. The cost is $300 per person (meals included). A limited number of openings remain for this great opportunity for fellowship, service, and fun, too! Contact Marvin for info.

Nursery Information

Infants and toddlers are welcome at all services, but, as parents desire, may also be lovingly cared for by trained staff in our nursery/wiggle room on the first floor of the Parish Hall between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Sunday mornings, and for other events as announced.

You may prefer to keep your young child with you during the service, and children are welcome at all our services. Some hints that may help you and your young child be more comfortable while we worship together are available on our website, or by clicking here.

Floral Dedications and Arrangements

Arrangements on the altar are given to the glory of God. On Sunday, April 24, the flowers on the altar were given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the good works of the Episcopal Church Women of our diocese and their gathering at St. James; and in honor of those confirmed on Sunday, April 24.

Arrangements in the parlor on May 1 are by Caroline Ross; May 8 by Manette Sammons; May 15 by Martha Yancey; May 22 by Amanda Alexander; and, on May 29 by Joanne Anderson.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers …

For the dear departed: Emily Roberts Robinson, Fred Tuton, Linda Blackburn, Blake Barney, Emma, Fred Frey Jr.

For recent concerns of: Houston, Perry, Robert Palms, Robbie Edmonds, Christine Smith, Connie, Harlan, Dan E., Jay, Larry, Emma Grace, Jodi Brecher Pipes, Ann Row, Ruth, Rosamond Nicolosi, Ann Cornay, Tim Nichols, Rex Everage, Mary Catherine Ogilvie, Ellen

Continuing prayers are offered for: Betty Romero, Kevin Stockton, Glenn Stockton, Bobby Rayne Jr., Jim Coleman, Bob Boyd, Richard Garber, Barbara Shilg, Larry Durant, Judy Calhoun, Debra Bagley, Janet Ast, Casey Duey, Peyton Feigley, Mary Jarnagin, Tara Sperandio-Ellis, Bessie Stockton, Jim Toups, Kenlee Jackson, Jeff Cobb, Billy Heroman, Bobby McCall, Butch Noland, Jack Ralston, Catherine, Janie LeBlanc, Babette Vlahos, Charlie Matherne, Joanne Anderson, Sally Buchanan, Liam Barber, Sarah Romero, Tommy Roberson, Aimee Clare Whitehurst,


For those in law enforcement: Sgt. Carol Landry, Deputy Chad Tate, Chief Detective John East, Officer Eddie Kay, Louise Myers, Sgt. Jeremy Hummert, Detective Brock Bunch, Taylor McDonald

The Diocese of Louisiana is one church, faithful to our Lord Jesus, united in mission, reaching out through service and proclamation to all for whom Christ died. We live in joyous expectation of God’s transforming power, compassion, and mercy in our lives.
Parish Family News

Births
Caroline and Robert Shirley who are the proud parents of
Merritt Wesley Shirley, born April 2, 2016, weighing 7 lbs.,
4 oz., and measuring 19-3/4 inches long. Her delighted new
grandparents are Pam and Windy Gladney.

Baptisms
Catherine Lisa Munn, infant daughter of Holly and Jason
Munn, was baptized on April 3, 2016.
Addie Jaye Ponceti, infant daughter of Annie and Jay Ponceti,
was baptized on April 24, 2016.

Marriages
Catherine Anne Breaux and Jonathan Ashley Moore were
united in marriage on April 2, 2016.

Deaths/Burials
Emily Roberts Robinson died on March 29, 2016. Her Requiem
Eucharist was held at St. James on Thursday, March 31, 2016.
Fred C. Frey, Jr. died on April 15, 2016. His Requiem Eucharist
was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016.

2016 Graduates, cont’d.

Emma Jane Pellegrin, the daughter of Jamie and Bryan Pellegrin, plans to attend
LSU with a major in kinesiology/physical therapy after graduation from Episcopal
School. While at Episcopal, Emma Jane earned placement on the academic
honor roll numerous times, was a JV and varsity cheerleader (Cheerleader Worlds
2014 bronze medalist), volunteered at Thrive Academy Charter School tutoring
middle school students, and with Special Olympics. She is a St. James Day School
graduate, and served as an acolyte for five years. At Episcopal, she served as a
Eucharistic Minister.

Laura Jean Piccoli, the daughter of Gabriele and Margaret Weston Piccoli, will graduate
from Saint Joseph’s Academy where she attended the eleventh and twelfth
grades. She attended the ninth and tenth grades at Liceo Classico Ugo Foscolo in
Pavia, Italy. She is an advanced placement student at St. Joseph’s Academy and a
member of the following clubs: Art Club, Beta Club, and the Graphic and Designer
Drama Club. She has studied piano for the last eight years at the Vittadini Muscale
Conservatory in Pavia, Italy and LSU Performing Arts Academy. Laura Jean has
received an academic and a Chancellor’s scholarship to attend LSU in the fall where
she will have a double major in Art and Computer Science. She has also been
accepted into the Ogden Honors College. However, she will begin her college career
this summer at the Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti in Milan, Italy. Laura Jean was
baptized at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian, Mississippi, where her
great-great-grandmother was baptized. She was in the children’s choir at St. John’s
Episcopal Church in Ithaca, New York, and has been a member of the EYC at St.
James Episcopal Church, since returning to Baton Rouge.

Matthew Saurage, son of Catherine and Matt Saurage, will graduate from
Episcopal School. Matthew was a St. James Day School student and graduate, and has
been involved as an acolyte and in EYC at St. James. At Episcopal, he has been a
member of the National Honor Society, French Honors Society, and earned the French III Award of Excellence. He served on the Honor Council for four
years, including as president his senior year. Matthew attended Boys State his junior and senior years. He will attend Birmingham-Southern College where he
will study business and economics.

Sarah Saurage is the daughter of Catherine and Matt Saurage. She is graduating from
Episcopal School where she played volleyball, lettering two years; and, tennis during her senior year. Sarah served as a tutor for Thrive Academy
Charter School, and as vice president of the EHC “PinterEHSt” club. Sarah graduated from St. James Episcopal Day School, and served as an acolyte and was
involved with EYC at St. James. Sarah plans to attend Auburn University in the fall where she will major in kinesiology/physical therapy.

The St. James Treble Choir thanks you for your enthusiastic
and generous support of the Hymnathon on April 17. The choir
presented 20 pieces requested by parishioners — quite a feat for
these young choristers! If you missed the Hymnathon, you can
listen to segments on our web site: www.stjamesbr.org/music.
If you would like to help out with expenses toward sending the
choir to the Royal School of Church Music course in Houston,
June 6-12, 2016, please note on your check to St. James Episcopal
Church it is for “Treble Choir,” or put “Treble Choir” in the info
box on your online donation. Thank you!
**For your consideration …**

**JOAN OF ARC**

Bunny Hines hosts the *May 4 gathering at noon,* and Denise Allen presents the lesson on the parable of “The Good Samaritan” from Luke 10:30-37. This is the final meeting of the 2015-2016 study year with its focus on *The Parables of Jesus.*

Contact Nina Broyles at ninabroyles@cox.net for more information about the Joan of Arc Study Group!

MoT is not your ordinary Bible study. It is a gathering of young adults (20s-30s) to discuss interesting theological and spiritual topics such as the Gnostic Gospels, The Apocrypha, theology in contemporary or “pop” literature, and more. Discussions kick off at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third *Mondays* at *The Radio Bar* (located along Government St. in the Westmoreland Shopping Center, 3079 Government Street).

Calling all millennials

Are you a millennial between the ages of 25-35, or do you know one who’s looking to get involved at St. James? Your fellow Millennials are here and you aren’t alone! Alyce Howe and Marvin McLennon are spearheading St. James’ efforts to identify and meet the needs of the parish’s millennials.

We want to know who you are so we can keep you in the loop and those people who would like to be involved in our efforts. If you’re interested and want to be included, please email Alyce or Marvin!

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**Sunday, May 29**

**Hearty Breakfast at St. James**

*Serving from 8 until 9 a.m.*

*A sit-down, nutritious breakfast for our parishioners as well as our neighbors living on the streets or in area shelters.*

**Hands-on volunteers are welcome!**

Visit [www.stjamesbr.org](http://www.stjamesbr.org) to volunteer.

All parishioners are encouraged to attend and have a hearty breakfast alongside our neighbors living on the streets or area homeless shelters. We will call for greeting and server volunteers about two weeks before the event, and know there are many enthusiastic to participate. If you already know you want to assist, contact Nancy Poirrier at npstudio@bellsouth.net

We cannot always change the lives or cure the disabilities of the homeless, or heal them so they can get and keep a job. But, we can offer agapé — the love which Jesus taught us. Our Hearty Breakfast offers a brief experience of happiness, care, and concern for our fellow man. Come, experience our guests’ appreciation when you attend! The setting is safe and secure for the homeless and all of us present with two security personnel who assure us all of a tranquil, positive setting.
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Vestry Notes

By Jane Christensen, Clerk

Josh Pesses gave the treasurer’s report at the April 11 meeting of the vestry. He noted that current year pledges are down about 14% from 2015, and unpledged contributions are down also.

The Good News 2020 Steering Committee will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 13 with goal team leaders to discuss progress. A Newcomer’s Luncheon is scheduled on April 17 at the home of Manette Sammons. The next update from the Steering Committee will be on Stewardship. CPEX will hold a final charrette on May 10, and a final design report is scheduled for August 24.

Josh Pesses reported that Day School enrollment for 2016-17 is 293, at present, with waiting lists for PreK-3 and PreK-4. Trey Roberts has requested that all church leaders (vestry members) consider making a donation to the school. The names of four new School Board members will be presented to the Vestry for approval at the May meeting. Sale of historic building tax credits is being pursued to put toward the renovations in Atkinson Hall scheduled for this summer.

Senior Warden Gerry Sulzer handed out a prospective agenda for the vestry retreat scheduled April 15 and 16. The Rev. Canon John Kellogg from the Diocesan Office will facilitate on Friday. CPEX will make a presentation, the 2016 budget will be discussed and the strategic plan will be reviewed. Given the state of our income, a deficit budget will probably have to be approved. Working to get parishioners back into giving and understanding the church’s need for support will be discussed.

Gerry asked that the Vestry approve up to $8500.00 to finance the Crawfish Boil. $2500 toward the cost will be contributed by the Day School. Parishioners and guests will be asked to enter and check in through the Parish Hall parlor, rather than opening the Fourth Street doors on a Live-at-Five Friday evening.

A résumé for a possible interim rector was reviewed, and a visit to St. James scheduled later in the month.

Bishop Thompson is scheduled to visit on Sunday, April 24, and he will officiate at the 5:00 p.m. service for the youth confirmands completing the iConfirm curriculum, as well as six adults desiring to be confirmed in The Episcopal Church.

Fr. Holland has several weddings and baptisms scheduled between now and his departure. He has started the process of cleaning out his office.

His final service will be on Sunday, May 15 at an all-combined 10:30 service. (There will be no 7:30, AYA, or 5:00 service, that day.) The Rev. Dan Krutz will preach and the Rev. Canon Shannon Manning will celebrate the end of a pastoral relationship. The service will be followed by lunch in Bishops Hall with fried chicken prepared by the cafeteria staff, and side dishes brought by parishioners.

June 16 deadline for the best Church Directory ever!

The church office and ECW are joining forces to create an updated, paper-printed, pictorial “selfie” directory!

We have selfie sticks in the Parish Hall, so you can snap a selfie at church while wearing your Sunday best! If you don’t have a smart phone to take a selfie, we are happy to take a picture for you.

If you already have a favorite family “selfie”, please send that along with your current contact information no later than Wednesday, June 16. Please identify those in the photo, left to right.

All pictures should be emailed to: selfies@stjamesbr.org

Please confirm or update your contact information in your email!

The directories will be distributed at the Ministries Fair on Sunday, August 21.
We proclaim Christ crucified and risen, and invite all to join with us in ministry together in his name.

By the grace of God, 
the Right Reverend Morris K. Thompson, Jr. 
Bishop of Louisiana 
will receive the Holy Orders of 
the Reverend John M. Pitzer 

into the Episcopal Church 
on Saturday, the twenty-first of May 
in the year of our Lord 
two thousand sixteen 
at eleven o’clock in the morning.

St. James Episcopal Church 
No. Fourth at Convention Streets 
Baton Rouge 

Your prayers and presence are requested.

Clergy: Red Stoles 
Reception to follow