



# VOICE OF ST. JAMES'

## ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**OUR MISSION:** To foster a loving and accepting Christian environment in the Episcopal tradition, where all individuals are valued and empowered to use their time, talent and resources in spreading the Good News.

The Rev'd Jeffrey H. Walker+ Interim Rector

Myra A. McDaniel, Editor

### JUNE 2009

#### RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS

June weddings. June vacations. June as the real beginning of thinking of life as summer. There are so many things we associate with June. We start to feel the days and nights a little differently. Maybe a little more laid back, even by Austin standards. But, here's one day I'm going to bet not many people take note of. June 4th. It will be a Thursday. The Feast of the First Book of Common Prayer. To be fair, it is the kind of thing that goes by easily unnoticed. Taken for granted. Assumed but not fully understood. And that's too bad.

We call it common prayer because that is what we intend. It is more than rummaging through the aisles of a church museum to know about the prayers that were written long ago in a language that will tie our tongues. Names like Thomas Cranmer are more than lists on a page or part of a class on church history, as important as knowing our own history is. Thomas Cranmer put prayers into the words of the people and made worship something shared instead of something done by one for others. It was an amazing thing to consider. Radical even. His work of reforming worship was one of the reasons he was burned at the stake. That kind of amazing. That kind of radical. Should never be taken for granted. Prayer can be a costly and dangerous thing.

I once heard a televangelist say: "Preachers who read prayers out of books, make me sick." I kind of hope we have kept him unwell for a good long time. There is absolutely nothing that says a prayer carefully and thoughtfully composed, is somehow less authentic than something extemporaneous. In fact, there is a kind of beauty that keeps us connected to the words of previous centuries but with this single thread of praying.

It is more than familiarity and comfort that make our common prayer so vital to our life, even though familiarity and comfort are lovely parts of that life. My uncle was with the State Department and toured the world. He always took his Book of Common Prayer with him. He once told me that, even when he couldn't understand the language of the country, he could keep up with the service. Real common prayer.

It is sometimes hard for me to grasp that most Episcopalians now are primarily familiar with the Book of Common Prayer 1979. The first one came into use on the Feast of Pentecost 1549. It seems we have been arguing with each other about what is most authentic about it ever since. When I tell young people that we had terrible fights about it in the 1970's they just look blankly at me. Well, they do that a lot, so maybe that wasn't a good example. What some people of my age call the "New Prayer Book" has been our primary source of common worship for thirty years now. Prayer books change, thank God. They need to express the thoughts and feelings of newer generations of people, even though they also must retain what is best and continuous about our heritage. We toss out our history at our own peril. We refuse to change at our own peril too.

Well, Thursday, June 4th will be on us soon enough. You might just take a moment and pull out your prayer book, or come by church if you don't have your own personal copy, and offer a prayer of thanksgiving for this gift to our spirituality.

Here's one: *Almighty and everliving God, whose servant Thomas Cranmer, with others, restored the language of the people in the prayers of your Church: Make us always thankful for this heritage; and help us so to pray in the Spirit and with understanding, that we may worthily magnify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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## UBE

This year the Union of Black Episcopalians Conference has potential for change that I have not seen in a while. We will have reports from the National Church offices concerned with the Millennium Goals, with specific training of Parish workers (Vestries, Clergy, etc.)... We will be celebrating the late Justice Thurgood Marshall in this the year that he will be considered for Book of Common Prayer status at General convention. His addition will affect the prayer life of all Episcopalians (his widow and family will be there). We will also celebrate the late, great Bishop John Burgess and his family will be on hand. There will be an emphasis on YOUNG BLACK BOYS with the movie *Bring Your Best Game* produced and directed by Mario Van Peebles... and a myriad of Workshops to hold the interest of all!

The dates are June 21 through June 25 in Silver Spring, MD. I hope to see you there. Please come!

C. David Dean

## CELEBRATE!!

Milestones to be proud of:

Clifton McPherson is celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> class reunion from Huston-Tillotson University; Bill Rogers graduated from Huston-Tillotson University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Kinesiology; Br. David Luke Henton, BSG, graduated from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest with a Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry; Elizabeth "Liz" Fleming Powell, graduated from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest with a Master of Arts in Counseling; our Seminarian, Jeffrey J. Marthinhawk, graduated from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest with a Master of Divinity; Danielle Elise Norman, graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics with a Minor in Spanish.

Please congratulate them when you see them.

Ora Houston, Congregational Involvement

## SEARCH COMMITTEE NEWS

We are currently in the process of considering a handful of new candidates for the Rector position. We have received a few new names to consider and we have plans to conduct additional interviews. We would like to offer our thanks to those of you who have recently provided names for our consideration. Please don't hesitate to submit more names as you think of them.

The Committee also has plans to meet with members of the 1 p.m. service to hear input from members who regularly attend church at that time. If any other group or specific ministry would like to visit with the Committee, please let me know as soon as possible so we can schedule a time to meet.

I know many people are praying for the Committee and I just want to take this opportunity to say, once again, thank you, thank, thank you for all your thoughts and prayers as we continue in the search process.

Respectfully, Lora J. Livingston,  
Search Committee Chair

## ST. JAMES' PLAYGROUND MEET UP

For folks at St. James' whose kids enjoy playgrounds, come enjoy some time outside with fellow St. Jamesians. Saturday, June 27, Little Stacy Park. Future dates and locations, to be determined.

Questions, thoughts, suggestions? [lizziecainclark@gmail.com](mailto:lizziecainclark@gmail.com).

## BUENOS DIAS # 19:

**RELIABLE WORKERS AT YOUR SERVICE** Last month we printed this announcement, and the people of St. James' and others have hired the workers on 14 jobs. Nine men and women have earned money to hold up the roof and stock the dinner table. Muchas gracias St. James'.

TELEPHONE Enrique Carbonell, 386-7814 (Spanish), Oscar Ponce 351-7501 (Spanish and English), Jack & Susan Robertson 453-4115 (Spanish and English).

We will work all the jobs for your Spring Cleaning-- garden and yard trim and landscaping, spring liveoak leaf clearance, clean buildings inside and out, move furniture. \$50 per day for 6-7 hours plus lunch.

The self-help group named Sores Anos(Dreamers Anonymous) knows these workers. They seek work, not a handout. Several regularly attend the Spanish-language church service each Sunday at 1 p.m. at St. James' Episcopal Church. When you have work to offer, please call to make arrangements. You'll never again need to visit the day-work sites to hire unknown people.

Jack Robertson

### SNAPSHOT

A 50-year member of the community, Ora Houston is a “fixture” at St. James’, singing in the choir, serving as a Eucharistic minister, a lector. . .yet many people do not know about her formal role at the church. You could refer to it as her job, because she is a paid member of the staff, but it is really her ministry and her passion.

As Director of congregational Involvement, it is Ora’s role to help people to use their gifts as part of the community—the community “inside and outside” of St. James’. This, says Ora, is simply living out the baptismal covenant. People have to be told, she believes, “God has a plan for you. Sometimes we see our obligation as simply going to church on Sundays, but as Christians we’re called to do more than that.”

In the 80's, when members of St. James’ and then rector Fr. Miller met to discuss their declining population and what the black members of the church could do to reach out to others, they examined their strengths: a dynamic liturgy, great music, a place of healing and hospitality. It was then that they embarked on a mission of “Radical Hospitality”, intentionally reaching out to others to invite them to St. James’, greeting each new visitor at the peace and in the parish hall, giving out “visitor bags” of information about the church plus a packet of homemade cookies. St. James’ grew and grew, became a parish, and moved from its small, now cramped facilities to the beautiful church we have today. And Radical Hospitality is still at the core of St. James’ ministry. The visitor’s table in the vestibule is peopled every Sunday morning with someone greeting newcomers with a warm welcome, giving out “visitors’ bags” with information about St. James’, a reply card requesting more information, and the traditional packet of cookies.

Many of those visitors have found a home at St. James’, and Ora sees her job as “helping people get engaged in the life of the congregation in a healthy way—a way that is not rushed or pressured.” Some newcomers, she suspects, may come searching for something, perhaps feeling wounded and needing just to be still in this peaceful and healing place. “People need time to figure out, ‘did God send me here for something I need, or call me here because I have a gift that the church needs?’” “It could be both,” she adds.

The unique character of St. James’—its diversity—comes with its own challenge and responsibility. “There is, believes Ora, “a tenuous balance between social justice and racial reconciliation. As a congregation we have to be intentional in our coming together as a multicultural community.” Several years ago members of the congregation met with Dr. Eric Law, author of *The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb, A Spirituality for Leadership in a Multicultural Community* in an all-day workshop. What they learned has continued to inform the way members of different races and ethnic groups relate to one another. It is a book Ora recommends to all new members of St. James’.

Ora Houston lives what she preaches. Retired from the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, she is involved in numerous local and regional organizations related to families and children. Recently the Texas Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers honored her with its 2009 Public Citizen of the Year Award recognizing her 31 years of a distinguished career in public service in the mental health and mental retardation fields in the State of Texas.

Ora is also involved in the larger Episcopal Church. She is active in the Union of Black Episcopalians and has served in the past on numerous diocesan and national church committees, including the National Commission of Black Ministries, the National Commission of Lay Ministries, the Diocesan Liturgical Commission, and the Diocesan Standing Committee. She was a diocesan deputy to General Convention in 2006 and will again serve as a deputy at the 2009 General Convention this July.

These are not necessarily things she wants to be known for, however. Her most important work is as St. James’ Director of Congregational Involvement. “I love my job!” she says, “I love helping people to use their gifts as part of the community—helping members to own their church. People have to be told that God has a plan for them.”

This is Ora’s message to new members, then: “I want people who are new in the congregation to call or email me and let’s talk about how you fit into this church.” Here’s how you can reach her: 512:474-7571 or [beinvolved@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:beinvolved@stjamesaustin.org).

Or ask for her at the Welcome Table!

Karen Bordelon Hartwell

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEWS

### Vacation Bible School

St. James' will hold a traditional week long Vacation Bible School June 8 –June 12 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. We'll open at 7:30 a.m. to accommodate working parents. I need to know how many children from St. James' are planning to attend. Please email if you wish to register. [milaj4@yahoo.com](mailto:milaj4@yahoo.com) This is the theme:



**Mila Jackson, Director of Christian Formation**

### SUNDAY MORNING ADULT PROGRAM

There will be no adult forums in June or July. We are taking a break and will resume forums in August when some of the choir members can participate. Please keep an eye open for our new season which will start in August. Thank you for your support, Susan Gezana

### MONDAY NIGHT ADULT PROGRAMS

The Intercessory Prayer Group meets each Monday night at 6 p.m. at the Church and is open to all who wish to pray for others with a group of people. Please feel free to come and join us at the Church.

The Seekers is a forum for St. James' members that have the desire to expand their hearts and minds and to share their ideas and reflections about faith with each other. We have guest speakers of DVD's on a variety of spiritual topics followed by group discussions. We meet on the third Monday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Seminary of the Southwest. For more information on The Seekers, contact Sharon Elmore at 928-0475 or [sharonelmore@austin.rr.com](mailto:sharonelmore@austin.rr.com).

### TUESDAY NIGHT ADULT PROGRAM

The next meeting of Phenomenal Women, St. James' monthly gathering of women of the church and their friends, will be held on Tuesday, June 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the central east Austin home of Roxanne Bogucka. We will have a light potluck supper followed by a discussion period. Reminder announcements about the meeting will appear in the weekly St. James' e-newsletter and the Sunday announcements as we get closer to the date!

In our busy and growing church, Phenomenal Woman is a nurturing place to more deeply connect with and support each other as we travel on our spiritual paths. No matter the topic chosen by the host each month, the evening always seems to bring spiritual inspiration and deeper friendships and connections.

We meet the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Our meetings range from intimate groups of 8-10 to sometimes larger gatherings of 15-20 women, just depending on the month. It is not necessary to attend every time, or to have done any pre-reading, so please join us as you are able. Our official Mission states that we are a "ministry developed to bring together women in a safe space, to provide dialogue and support as we strengthen our spiritual relationships with self and others on a mission to living our lives as fully expressed children of God."

For more information about the group or to be added to the Phenomenal Woman email list, please contact Colleen Waller at [phenomenal@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:phenomenal@stjamesaustin.org) or 401-3985. Specific directions to host's homes are sent out prior to the meeting to the Phenomenal Women email list and others who would like to come, as requested.

All women of St. James' and their friends are invited to join Phenomenal Woman meetings that are held on the second Tuesday of every month. We gather at a rotating list of members' homes and begin with a light potluck supper followed by a program led each month by the host.

Please join us for an informative evening and fellowship and bring a dish to share as you are able. For more information and specific directions for this month's meeting and to RSVP, please email Colleen Waller at [cwaller@austin.rr.com](mailto:cwaller@austin.rr.com) or call 401-39085.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT PROGRAM

The Voltrons—the 20's and 30's group at St. James: enthusiastic, educated, motivated and excited about *you* joining us for weekly discussion! Our discussion topics cover a range of perspectives, including theological, political, socio-cultural, economical and practical. We meet every Wednesday night from 8-10 p.m. at a member's home. Our meeting location varies by month. Additional information can be viewed on our website: [www.voltrons.pbwiki.com](http://www.voltrons.pbwiki.com). For more information please contact Ryan Parks (791-6998) or [voltrons@stjamesaustin.org](mailto:voltrons@stjamesaustin.org).

## HOUSEKEEPING CORNER

Please get all announcements to the Office by 5 p.m. on Wednesday so they can be included in the bulleting. Electronic announcements are sent to Hugh Craig for distribution on Thursdays by 5 .m. at [hcraig1436@aol.com](mailto:hcraig1436@aol.com). Verbal announcements must be given at all four Sunday services. If the request is for the clergy to make the announcement, provide a copy prior to Sunday morning.

## JOURNEY TO ADULTHOOD

Do you remember—recently?—five years ago?—as a young adult? When you went into a new group, where you were faced with a situation where you were unsure of what to do, how to act? What was your first job like? ...your first PTA meeting? A new neighborhood, where people seemed a little different? Were you given a task that you didn't quite know how to start, how to proceed?

That's what being a teenager is like. They are growing into a world adult and they aren't adults—yet. Our staff designs exercises that address—one at a time—some of the skills that are expected of adults. That's why this program is called "Journey to Adulthood".

Our 2008-2009 year has come to a close with a swimming party, graciously hosted by Traci and Seth Wallace on May 17. During this past season the teens spent a few months getting to know their peers from other churches—All Saints' and St. George's. They went skating, went bowling and had a lock-in. Later, back at St. James', they planned food for a family of four for a day and went ghost-shopping to see how the money went, to see what real life costs. Most recently they put together a playhouse on the playground for the younger children. Have you seen it?

We are looking forward to a summer of more laid-back fun, and to getting ready to welcome a new group of incoming just-turned elevens (Sixth Graders) and any others in their age group (6<sup>th</sup> through high school) when school starts in the Fall. If you know any young people in that age-group who are not involved and want to be, tell them about this program.

We generally meet right after 10:15 a.m. worship (11:45?) and are finished by 1:30 p.m. On weeks when we do something special that takes longer, we try to let parents know when we expect to be finished. During the summer months we will be doing some special activities, which we will announce through the bulletin and by post cards, so that everybody who is interested can be invited.

HAVE A HAPPY, FUN, RELAXED, SUMMER!

Jo Krouse, Coordinator

## “UBUNTU”

“I am what I am because of who we all are”

Archbishop Desmond Tutu explained Ubuntu as follows (2008):

*One of the sayings in our country is Ubuntu - the essence of being human. Ubuntu speaks particularly about the fact that you can't exist as a human being in isolation. It speaks about our interconnectedness. You can't be human all by yourself, and when you have this quality - Ubuntu - you are known for your generosity.*

*We think of ourselves far too frequently as just individuals, separated from one another, whereas you are connected and what you do affects the whole world. When you do well, it spreads out; it is for the whole of humanity.*

“Ubuntu” is the theme of the 76<sup>th</sup> General Convention, July 5<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. The Episcopal Church will meet in Anaheim, CA. Time has been built into the schedule to engage in a ‘public narrative’, a tool that will allow Deputies an opportunity for conversation, building relationships and trust.

This will be the second time I have had the privilege of representing the community of St. James and the people of the Diocese of Texas, as a Deputy to the General Convention.

The Episcopal Church has been meeting in convention since 1785. The first convention met with only clergy and lay deputies because there were no Bishops. (The House of Deputies is sometimes referred to as the senior house.) The House of Bishops was established in 1789. In 1792 the term “House of Clerical and Lay Deputies” was adopted to distinguish this group from the House of Bishops. The current name “House of Deputies” was formally introduced in 1886.

Each diocese elects four (4) clergy, four (4) lay deputies and alternates. “Deputies are extraordinary representatives who, ideally...should reflect the will of the whole church...” During General Convention a deputy is to listen to other deputies, bishops and guests; to share their own thoughts and ideas; and to attend and vote at all legislative

sessions. Our vote is informed by prayer, factual information and being open to guidance of the Holy Spirit. There will be 847 Deputies and approximately 250 Bishops in Anaheim, plus 8,000 visitors, guests, volunteers and exhibitors in the convention center. I think that some parts can be viewed on your computer.

General Convention meets every three years in a legislative gathering to approve a three year budget, identify opportunities for mission and ministry, approve new liturgies, determine policy, and amend the Constitution and Canons (the legal framework of the Church). The body also elects the leadership of the Church; Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, members of The Executive Council (who implement the 'will' of General Convention during the three years between General Conventions), members of The General Board of Examining Chaplains, and the Trustees of General Theological Seminary.

Reports from Joint Standing Committees, Committees of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, the Standing Commissions, the Executive Council, Agencies and Boards and Other Reports are found in the 'Blue Book'. Resolutions to be acted upon are also found in the 'Blue Book'. The Program, Budget and Finance Committee will develop the budget while we meet.

In 2006 I was assigned to the Legislative Committee on Evangelism. During the three years between conventions, I was a member of the Standing Commission on Domestic Mission and Evangelism. At the up coming convention I will serve as Vice-Chair of the Legislative Committee on Evangelism.

My first General Convention was in Anaheim in 1985 when Bishop Edmond Browning was elected Presiding Bishop. (I was a visitor at that convention and the 2003 convention.) On January 26, 1986, Bishop Browning was installed as the 24th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. During his sermon, the Presiding Bishop began to address the deepening rift within the Church over issues such as the ordination of women and homosexuality by saying, "(do not ask me) to honor one set of views and disregard the other. I may agree with one, but I will respect both...the unity of this church will be maintained not because we agree on everything but because -- hopefully -- we will leave judgment to God." Twenty four years later, at this convention the equality of all of God's children in the orders of lay, clergy and bishop will consume a lot of time and emotional energy.

What can you do to support me? Pray for my health, strength and well being for the ten (10) legislative days, safe travel to and from California, to listen with an open heart and mind, to speak the truth as it is revealed to me, to be the voice of members of the body of Christ who are not at the 'table' and to remain open and available to the Holy Spirit. Music is my spritual foundation so I am also requesting that 'Great Is Thy Faithfulness' be sung or played every Sunday from the 28<sup>th</sup> of June – 19<sup>th</sup> of July and hum it during the weeks when you can.

Shalom, Ora Houston

**St. James' Vestry Members:**

Mary Lou Adams  
Patricia Braithwaite  
Simone Talma Flowers - Senior Warden  
Charlie Gunn - Junior Warden  
Elenor Hardin  
Bill Ikard  
Jim Johnson  
Alex Ogunmuyiwa  
Seth Wallace

**ST. JAMES' VOLUNTEER DAY AT MLF IS JUNE 20th**

Mobile Loaves and Fishes (MLF) occurs every third Saturday as a monthly St. James' outreach and ministry to our homeless brothers and sisters in Austin. We need helping hands and hearts Saturday, June 20 beginning at 9:30 a.m. when we will make sandwiches and load our mobile canteen with food, fruit, snacks and other refreshments. Those who are able can also help to deliver and serve the food and other refreshments from the canteen to needy men, women and families in downtown Austin. For more information or to let them know they can count on you to help, please contact Erik and Kathy Kwiecinski, St. James' lead ministers of this community service, at [kathykski2005@yahoo.com](mailto:kathykski2005@yahoo.com) or by phone to 512-431-1530.

Mobile Loaves and Fishes is located at 903 South Capital of Texas Highway (Loop 360) on the grounds of St. John Neuman Church. The MLF building is on the east side of Capital of Texas Highway between Lost Creek Blvd. and

Las Cimas Blvd(look for the historic marker sign). Las Cimas Blvd is the next intersection south of Bee Caves. If you are able to donate toiletries or clothing, especially cotton knit shirts and T-shirts, white tube socks, and gym shoes, these are always very needed and appreciated.

Madeline Rae Gill

### ODDS & ENDS

**Finance Committee Meeting**, Thursday, June 18, 6 p.m.

**Vestry Meeting**, Sunday, June 21, 12:15 p.m.

**St. James' at the Trinity Center**, Sunday, June 28, 2 p.m.

**St. James' School Board**, Wednesday, June 24 5:30 p.m.

### E-GIVING

*Credit cards\debit cards and automatic draft now available on St. James' website!!!*

We have added the capability to our website for the use of credit and debit cards and setting up automatic drafts from your bank accounts to the church accounts. When you go to our website, [www.stjamesaustin.org](http://www.stjamesaustin.org), you will see the "Egiving" link under the Members tab that is on the home page. If you have not "signed in", you will be required to create a user name and password. After you have "signed in" you will be taken to the eGiving Main Menu, which lists many options.. From this list you can select, "Go to my organization's E-giving Transaction page." There you will be shown the various funds you can donate to. There is one blank space to add in whatever fund you would like it to go to, such as Jazz at St. James', Trinity Center, Capital Campaign. This information, but not your card number, etc. is provided to us on a weekly basis and then we distribute it to the appropriate place and record it in your contributions summary.

You are given the option to do a one-time donation or set up a recurring one. For those interested in setting a set amount and forgetting about it, this option is a good one. Another way to do this is through your online banking, most online banking services can do the same thing; many people at St. James' do this already.

While we are very happy to provide this convenience to you we also strongly discourage using credit cards for amounts you cannot pay off in that month. Credit is a dangerous game in our society right now, please be careful with it! If you have technical questions contact our webmaster, Margaret Listberger. Please let her know any problems you have.

### Anglican Cycle of Prayer

**Week of June 7**--In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks for the church in Okigwe South (Province of Owerri, Nigeria). We give thanks for all in our community and this week we give thanks for Fernando Salazar; Jane Salked, Gregory, Luke, Sylvia; Diane Sandlin; Kathleen Scheinberg, Joe, Aaron; Klaus and Jerylin Schmidt.

**Week of June 14**--In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks for the church in Ondo (Province of Ondo, Nigeria). We give thanks for all in our community and this week we give thanks for Paul Scott and Scott Simons; George and Lael Seagert; Peggy Sexton; Margaret Shaw; Greg Sheff and Sarah Buttrey, Gabe, Cecelia; Charles and Eunetta Sheffield.

**Week of June 21**--In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the church in Oturkpo (Province of Jos, Nigeria). We give thanks for all in our community and this week we give thanks for Nick Shumway; David and Claire Simmonds, Patrick, Hannah; Erika Sipiora; Martha Smiley; Joyce Smith; Ted and Annie Snider, Ainsley, Thomas.

**Week of June 28**--In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the church in Patna (North India). We give thanks for all in our community and this week we give thanks for Noralyn Spears; Janice Spence and John Noah; Ernesta Steele, Terralynn, Drew; Tom and Suzy Stege; Terry Sullivan and Elizabeth Doremus Manning; Tom and Linda Sullivan, Iris, Jon, Ellie.

And please remember in your prayers this month, St. James' School, Round Rock Medical Center, Huston-Tillotson University, the Seminary of the Southwest. Pray for all in our armed forces, for those who mourn, for the unemployed and for our enemies.

### PRAYER

*"An Outline of the Faith, commonly called the Catechism" found on pages 856-857 in the Book of Common Prayer describes seven forms of prayer. Listed below are those persons who have requested (or someone has requested on their behalf) intercessory prayer.*

Please pray for: Monica Ingram's Grandmother; Dorothy collins; Tammy D; Stephanie Bolden; Pat Wilson; Raymond Wilson; Cynthia Clarke; Enid and Violet; Janice Boyd; James Barron; Christie Knowles; Kelly Aguirre; Alice Colt; Susam Parker; Natasha Smithey; Bill Ikard; Margaret Listberger; Lucas Liston.

Wanda Hinton, James Sellers, Chioima Okoro, Joe Snyder, Kevin Talma, Cathy Whatley.  
*Pray without ceasing for the Vestry and for the health, strength and spiritual growth of the St. James' family.*  
*Prayer time is 9 a.m. Pray wherever you may be.*

**TO GOD BE THE GLORY**

*Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all those who have none to care for them or pray for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*