



March/April 2025

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From the Rector’s Desk

Dear Siblings in Christ,

In times like these, when the political and social climate is filled with division, uncertainty, and fear, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. We see conflict in our communities, chaos in our nation, and suffering around the world. Many of us feel the weight of these challenges, wondering how we can make a difference in the face of so much darkness.

Yet, as people of faith, we are not called to despair—we are called to be a light in the darkness. In Matthew Jesus tells us, “*You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden*” (5:14). In every age, when the Church is at its best it has been a beacon of hope, a witness to the power of love, truth, and generosity. Today, this mission continues with us. Now more than ever, we must respond with faithfulness and generosity. Faithfulness in our commitment to Jesus’s teachings—loving our neighbor, seeking justice, and striving for peace. Generosity in how we serve, give, and support one another, especially those who are struggling. The world does not need more anger or fear; it needs more faith-filled disciples who reflect the mercy and love of Jesus.

Let us not be discouraged but strengthened in our calling. Let us be people of prayer, seeking wisdom and courage. Let us be people of action, showing kindness where there is division, offering hope where there is despair, and standing firm in our values when the world is shaken. St. James’s offers so many ways to respond in this time of local, national and global need. Find what works for you and get involved.

I invite you to deepen your commitment to our parish community. Let us gather in worship, in service, and in love. Together, we can shine as a light, guiding others to the peace that only God can bring.

May God bless you and strengthen you in these days and in the days to come.

Yours in Faith and Hope,



To Learn, Live, and Teach the Values
of the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Highlights in March/April

- **Sunday, March 2** Pipes Alive! with Michelle Horsley at St. John’s, 12:30pm
- **Shrove Tuesday, March 4** Pancake Supper, 5:30pm
- **Ash Wednesday, March 5** Services at 7am, 12 and 7pm
- **Sundays in Lent, March 9—30** Lenten Forums, 11am
- **Sunday, March 9** Compline in the church, 7pm
- **Sunday, March 16** Youth Group, 5pm
- **Saturday, April 5** Painting & Cleanup Day at St. James’s, 10am-2pm (includes lunch)
- **Sunday, April 6** Youth Group, 5pm
- **Palm Sunday, April 13** Easter Bag Mission Project, 11am
- **Holy Week, April 13—April 20** See page 7 for details
- **Easter Sunday, April 20** 10am Festal Eucharist followed by Egg Hunt and refreshments

From the Assistant Rector

DEAR St. James's Family,

As I look out on this new year, on the edge between the season of Epiphany and the beginning of Lent, I am humbled by how many challenges are before us as a church. The terrain of ministry is increasingly difficult. We live in a painful political moment that presses the needs of marginalized communities into our attention. Meaningful conversations with neighbors and family are increasingly difficult in an age of extreme polarization. Younger neighbors increasingly have fewer meaningful connections with the church, presenting us with perplexing questions about what church growth might or could look like in the coming generation. There are no easy solutions as to how we can live and grow as a loving Christian community in this setting. While I can sometimes be overwhelmed by what we should do in this confusing time, I am once again reminded and encouraged that our church is exactly what this world needs more than ever.

How can I be so confident that we are what the world needs now? It's not that the programmatic offerings of St. James's are superior (though I do think we do some really cool stuff!). I am confident that we are becoming a people shaped and formed into a community of grace because of the promises of God. When we gather and center our lives on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus as communicated to us in the scriptures and in the sacraments, we are transformed and then sent out into a world of need.

The gospel lesson we missed on Sunday, February 16 due to the storm was Jesus' Sermon on the Plain, as found in Luke 6. Jesus teaches his followers that the poor, the hungry, and those who weep are 'blessed.' Jesus inverts the expectations of this world and reshapes his followers into a new community that is no longer centered on power, domination, and control. Instead, this Christ-like community is given a new heart of love, in which embracing others is prioritized. We are called into this 'blessed' life of open-heartedness, kindness, and generosity.

Every time we gather around the broken body and poured out blood of Jesus Christ at his table, we are once again transformed into this blessed community of love. We can then be sent out in his name to love and serve a broken world. It is completely fair to ask yourself why we do what we do on Sunday mornings. Wouldn't it just be more efficient to put all of our efforts into the community? But, we must gather together so that we can be patterned into the way of grace. I truly believe that we are in the process of becoming what the world needs. If we are to face the difficult challenges of the 2025 landscape, we must allow for the deep and inward transformation that is building us into the 'blessed' community that Jesus envisions.

Sincerely,



Lenten
FORUMS
SALT & LIGHT
BECOMING THE NEW
CHRISTIAN COUNTERCULTURE
SUNDAYS, MARCH 9
THROUGH MARCH 30
WITH THE REV. BOB HOOPER
& THE REV. ROB LOFBERG AFTER
THE 9:30 SERVICE

St. James's Center for Family Ministries



*Nurturing your children's
spiritual life from birth
through high school*

KFC (Kids for Christ)

Sundays at 9:30am

*KFC (Kids for Christ) meets in
the parish hall on Sundays.*

*If you have questions, please
email Priscilla at:*

education@stjameswh.org.

Mondays Music & More

*A fun program for children
ages 3 to third grade every
Monday from 4 to 5:15pm
during the program year.*

*Music with Michelle Horsley
and art with Priscilla
Hooper.*

Youth Group on Sundays

March 16 and April 6

*Invite your friends to join
you from 5 to 6:30pm for
dinner and activity.*



IN January and February in KFC (Kid's for Christ or Sunday School) we studied the same lessons as the Gospel in the Lectionary. The children really enjoyed learning about the season of Epiphany, and on each Sunday we had great discussions about what the epiphany was in each story. By making a list on the white board in our classroom, the kids were able to remember the stories from week to week and retell them. It never ceases to amaze me how good the kids are at remembering and retelling. So amazing to see their Biblical knowledge grow from week to week. Now, we are on to Lent.

At KFC this Lent, we will explore Gospel passages that remind us that God is still with us through a curriculum from Illustrated Ministries. This is a curriculum I have purchased in the past, and I love the lessons and the coloring pages! In this curriculum we will explore the good news of the gospel—that Jesus experienced the fullness of humanity—comfort and pain, celebration and heartache, and joy and suffering, and when he had the choice to escape ridicule or rejection, Jesus stuck with the outsiders, the oppressed, and the hurting. We will talk about how the life of Jesus demonstrates that God knows what it is to be human and to be with us in all our experiences, especially in our suffering. Starting with the First Sunday in Lent and going through Easter, each weekly session will have a scripture passage, reflection and coloring pages which we will use during KFC. I think it will be great.

Coming on March 2, Diocesan Youth Group On the Move! This is a youth group sponsored by Camp Washington and hosted by Christ and Holy Trinity in Westport. We will have our own St. James's Youth Group on Sundays, March 16 and April 6 from 5 to 6:30. As I have said before, please encourage your middle and high schoolers to come and to bring friends if they like. When kids are friends with other kids at church it makes it much easier to get them out of bed on Sunday mornings! The earlier these relationships are established, the easier it is, which leads to more kids eager for confirmation and mission trips in the future.

Something to look forward to again this year is the Easter Egg Hunt after the service on Easter morning, April 20. This is a highlight of the church year and a wonderful time to celebrate as a congregation!

So, that is it. There is a lot coming up in the next two months. Make the most of it all, you and your family will be glad you did.

Your sister in Christ,

From the Organist & Director of Music

Please join us for these upcoming special services and music events!

MARCH:

Sunday, March 2, 12:30-1:00* Michelle Horsley Organ Recital

*Offsite at St. John's Episcopal Church (West Hartford)

This short, admission-free recital for St. John's Pipes Alive series, at which Michelle will be presenting works by Bach, Buxtehude, Persichetti, and Price.

Sunday, March 9, 7:00-7:45pm Choral Compline

Featuring St. James's Adult Choir singing selections by Thomas Tallis, Paul Smith, John Sheppard, Bobby McFerrin, and Porkell Sigurbjörnsson. Join us for this intimate, contemplative service modeled after ancient monastic practices, in which sung prayer is offered by candlelight to mark the end of the day.

APRIL:

Holy Week / Easter: (more information on page 7)

April 13 - Palm Sunday

April 17 - Maundy Thursday

April 18 - Good Friday

April 20 - Easter Sunday

MAY:

Saturday, May 2, 5:30pm Annual Choir Dinner

Join us for a playful evening of music and food, cabaret-style, with various choir members and parishioners sharing performances of popular songs paired with a home-cooked meal (including optional beer/wine). This event is a fundraiser in celebration of the music ministry of St. James's and the beloved extended community it serves. Tickets are \$40.

JUNE:

Sunday, June 1, 5:00pm* Collaborative Chorister Evensong

*Offsite at Trinity College Chapel (Hartford)

Our choristers are joining young singers from St. John's (West Hartford), Chorus Angelicus (Torrington), St. Paul's (Norwalk), Christ Church (Newington), Choir School of Hartford (Hartford), and Trinity-on-the-Green (New Haven) to present an Evensong service of treble music, accompanied by Christopher Houlihan.

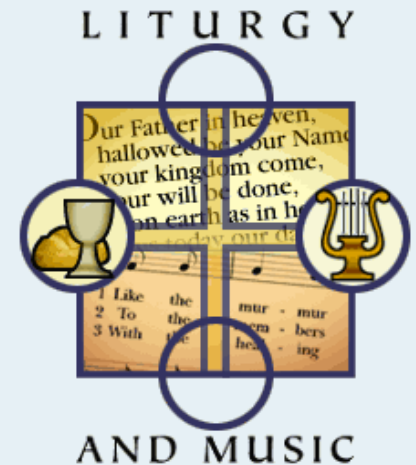
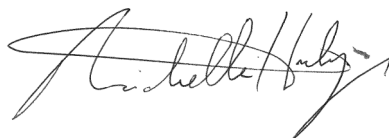
Sunday, June 8, 10:00am Pentecost Jazz Mass

Pentecost is festive at St. James's! Join us for a service that includes jazz and spiritual music, followed by brunch!

Monday, June 9, 5:30pm End-of-Year Pizza Party with St. James's Choristers

To cap off the year, our choristers will have a special end-of-year pizza party, held at the church. We celebrate their musical growth and leadership!

Soli Deo Gloria,



Important Dates

Sunday, March 2

Pipes Alive! featuring organist Michelle Horsley
12:30-1:00 pm

Sunday, March 9

Compline at 7pm in a candlelit church.

Holy Week

April 13 through April 20
(see inside for details)

Jubilate Deo!

O be joyful in the
Lord all ye lands;
serve the Lord with
gladness and come
before his presence
with a song. *Psalms 100:1*

St. James's Adult Choir presents

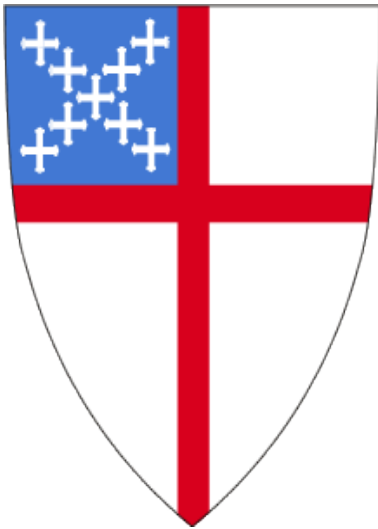
Compline

a short, contemplative service
of candlelight and sung prayers
at the end of the day

Sunday
March 9th
7:00pm



works by Tallis, McFerrin, Smith, Sheppard
Michelle Horsley, Director of Music



The Vestry Nominating Committee and St. James's welcomes the following new and existing members of our Vestry and Officers for 2025:

Greg Jacobs	Senior Warden	Term Ending 2026
Tyler Smith	Junior Warden	Chuck Kinney
Barbara Rua	Clerk	Ruth Mitman
Michael Sherrill	Treasurer	Bill Thompson
Term Ending 2027		Term Ending 2028
Doug Compton		Susan Gutierrez
Joey Meyer		David Kramer
Liz Normand		Jonathan Lewis
Marilyn Tomlinson		Susan Ritz

Stewardship Thank You 2025!

The following parishioners have pledged for 2025

Eleanor Brazell, Franklin & Angie Dempsey, Bob & Priscilla Hooper, Mark Moyle, Robert Sedivy, Mari Merwin, Diane Mack & Robin Gilmartin, Bill & Judith Thompson, Louise Strillacci, Dean & Kathy Bolt, Robert Hoyle & Heidi Sweeney, Eddie Jacovino & Elizabeth Porter, Rachael Desmond, Ron Coons, Judy Lawes, Thomas Rouse & Susan Powers, John & Ruth Mitman, Jocelyn Ehn, Paul & Diane Duva, Doug Compton, Jerrod & Maureen Bowman, Ben & Martha Parish, Bob & Renée McCue, David & Jeanne DiGiacomo, Marion Beausoleil, Gil Lowerre, Joan Kayser, Michael McMahan & Ann Wood, Dean & Ann Uphoff, Molly James, Kathryn & Halsted James, John & Brenda Barrows, Bob Bausmith & Jill Peter-Gee, Leon Fraser & Marilyn Tomlinson, Fran Cobb, Bob & Carolee Ziegenhagen, Bruce & Donna Tompkins, Doug & Ann Cooke, Andrew & Pam Ponichtera, Bob & Claire Burnett, Sandra DeCelles, Mark & Cheri Evans, Rob Duncan & Chuck Kinney, Adam Fisher & Abby Williamson, Kimberly Goodrich, Michael & Linda Fournier, Kenneth & Susan Gutierrez, William Hoar, Chris Keesling, Stephen & Diane Hunter, Bette Kelly, Carolyn McGaughey, Harry Meyer, Judy Nellen, Sue Nelson, Ted & Ronnie Newton, Brad & Liz Normand, Borden Painter, Joan Phelps, David & Christine Pearson, Stephen & Lois Schneeberger, Michael & Hilary Sherrill, Jean Smith, Tom & Sue Sweeney, Priscilla Thomas, John & Cheryl Wadsworth, Carol Hunt, Brendan Gooley & Valerie Ferdon, Bill & Nora Harris, Carol McDermott, Linda Vastano, Tyler & Courtney Smith, Mark & Cindy Welch, Joey Meyer & Eleanor Michael, Chuck Russo, Daniel & Ellen Dollar, Andrew Reynolds & Karin Zadzilko, Charles & Lia Collin, Ron Ward, John & Elizabeth Waterman, Matthew Pinckney & Liisa Kuhn, Greg & Judy Hock, Jerome & Mary Baier, Susan Lattanzio, Rob Lofberg & Nicole Nigh, Joan Ray, Sam Auyeung, Sarah Bedell, Connie Duva, Nicholas Busse & Barbara Rua, Rafael & Elizabeth Gallegos, Greg & Jen Jacobs, David & Virginia Kramer, Hillary Lewis, Joseph & Jennifer Long, Peter & Chris Peterson, Bob & Betsy Smith, Alex Smith & Christine Pina, Audrey Lamy, Patrick & Sheri Sparks, Richard M. Wenner, Christopher & Christina Wilson, Barbara Schiller, Ken & Eileen Jackson, Jonathan Lewis & Kate Jackson, Jim Conway & Peggy McManus, Kevin & Kim Kindelberger, Scott & Alysse Serencha, Susan Ritz, Loretta Waldman, Bob Fawber, David Dynowski, Mark & Michelle Stafford, David & Jennifer Lemanski, Harry Meyer, Tim Chambers & Molly Bennett, John & Frances Bergquist, Will & Trish Tomlinson, Rob King, Jon Harden & Lynne Lumsden, John & Vera Racine, Nick & Lauren Forcello, Mary Ann Haar, Rob Healy & Jessica Henning, Tony & Kerri Raissian, David Marshall, Deirdre Penland, Chuck & Meredith Willson, Martha Hartle, Patrick Coll & Bonny Slim, Peter & Melissa Bowman, David Skurja & Margo Vasquez, John & Machelie Rosenlieb, Bill & Judith Stahl, Paul & Pamela McDill.



ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Holy Wednesday, April 16

7:00am Holy Eucharist
followed by breakfast in the
Parish Room

Maundy Thursday, April 17

7:00pm Holy Eucharist followed by the
Stripping of the Altars

Good Friday, April 18

12:00pm Good Friday Liturgy
1:00pm New Testament Reading - Chapel
7:00pm Good Friday Liturgy w/Choir

Holy Saturday, April 19

9:00am Easter Prep in the church
7:30pm Easter Vigil at Christ Church
Cathedral, Hartford

Easter Sunday, April 20

10:00am Festal Eucharist followed
by Easter Egg Hunt for kids and
refreshments for all

WALK THE PATH OF JESUS

During Holy Week and Easter we remember and reenact the events that lead up to the death and resurrection of Jesus and celebrate the central tenant of our faith. Holy Week culminates on Easter Sunday, which celebrates Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

We hope you will join us for Holy Week services at St. James's. Experience the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus through liturgy, music, and prayer.

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West Hartford Center
info@stjameswh.org
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Mission & Outreach

Easter “Baskets”

Toiletry collection for Easter Mission

EACH Lent we prepare Easter “baskets” for approximately 200 of our neighbors living in Hartford area shelters and transitional housing. The bulk go to women and families, although there are also men in the group. Please help these most at risk members of our community. The items listed are the most needed. These do not need to be “family size” items; 14-20 ounce containers are great and allow us to fit more items into the bags. The dollar stores are a good source for these sizes. Please consider buying fragrance-free or non-allergenic items. Children living in shelters often have asthma which is triggered by highly fragranced products.



Items needed: shampoo & conditioner; 2-in1 or 3-in-1 shampoo/condition/body wash; moisturizer or hand cream; body wash; deodorant for men, women or uni-sex; bar soap (Dove and Ivory have fragrance-free options); toothpaste; disposable razors for men, women or uni-sex; shaving cream, dental floss, combs, lip balm, and mini Kleenex packs. Drop your donations off in the Cloister, or make a monetary donation and we will shop for you. Simply put “Easter Baskets” in the memo line.

Bring your donations to the church beginning in March. Join us as we gather to fill the bags on **Palm Sunday, April 13** after the 9:30am service in the parish hall. Thank you for your generosity!

Chef Ministry

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. mach1goon@gmail.com, 978-505-1333.

St. James’s “Embrace” Ministry

THE Embrace Ministry invites people into God’s love through acts big and small. Weekly phone calls, cards/ letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit from our ministry, please contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Thomlinson (860-372-1193) for further information.

Hartford Catholic Worker Food Pantry

ST. JAMES’S is currently asking for bi-weekly donations for the following items for the Hartford Catholic Worker: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, and canned hearty stews.** Donations can be left at the cloister door Monday through Friday 9:00a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door! Monetary donations are also accepted to help purchase these items. Just note "HCW Food Pantry" in memo line.

Around the Parish

Lenten Coffee Hour Forums

Salt and Light: Becoming the New Christian Counterculture

Using the Beatitudes as a Lenten guide, we will reflect on who we are and who are becoming as a Christian community shaped by grace. Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount invites us into the ‘blessed’ life that is a surprising reversal of the powers and values of this world. The community of ‘Salt and Light’ subverts the order of this world offering a new way of love. Lent is an opportunity to reflect on how we are becoming, with God’s help, this ‘blessed’ counter-cultural community that the world needs at this moment.

March 9

“Discovering the ‘blessed life’”

With the Rev. Bob Hooper

March 16

“Seeking the ‘blessed life’”

With the Rev. Rob Lofberg

March 23

“Living the ‘blessed life’”

With the Rev. Bob Hooper

March 30

“Establishing the ‘blessed community’”

With the Rev. Rob Lofberg

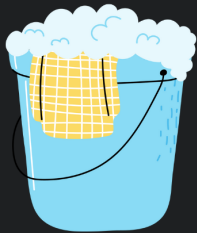
Forums are held on Sundays in the Parish Hall at 11am with coffee and refreshments provided.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH ...

INDOOR PAINTING & CLEANUP DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 5
10AM - 2PM
INCLUDES LUNCH

HELP WITH PAINTING & CLEANUP
AROUND THE CHURCH. MORE
INFORMATION & SIGNUP COMING SOON!



New Testament Reading

Good Friday, April 18

JOIN in as a reader or listener to the Gospels of Luke and John and the post Resurrection life of the church as told by Luke in the Acts of the Apostles. The reading begins at 1pm in the Kennedy Chapel on **Good Friday, April 18**. Reading is done in 20-minute segments. A signup sheet will be posted outside the parish office during Lent. If you have questions, contact Ron Ward: 860-463-8057 or email: rtwtmr@comcast.net.

Easter Flower Memorials

ENVELOPES for Easter flower memorials can be found in the narthex and front of the church, the cloister, and outside the chapel entrance beginning Sunday, March 9. Please use these envelopes to make your donations and requests in honor or in memory of loved ones, and place them in the collection plate or deliver them to the parish office. Names will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

Deadline: Sunday, April 13

Wednesday Morning Eucharist

HOLY Eucharist is celebrated every Wednesday morning in the chapel at 7:00. We hope to see you there!

Resolve to Host Coffee Hour in 2025

Sundays at 11am

JOIN us for coffee hour on Sundays to welcome our new coffee hour hosts, Liz Normand and Mary Goeldner. Better yet, show them some love right now by signing up for one or more coffee hour shifts, www.stjwh.org/coffee, either as a host or to contribute baked goods and other goodies. It's not as hard as you might think and comes with instructions and lots of support. Many thanks to all who have signed up for past and future shifts in support of our weekly fellowship. If you have questions, please contact Mary Goeldner at marykirkg@gmail.com.

Men's Discussion Group

Second and Fourth Saturdays

A group of men from Saint James's Church and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for an hour beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Parish Room for discussion of religious subjects. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members about a book selected by the group. The next meetings will be held **Saturdays, March 8 and 22; April 12 and 26**. Light refreshments are served. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at danielmdollar@gmail.com.

Easter Preparations

MARY ANN HAAR could use your help with preparing the sanctuary for Easter on **Holy Saturday, April 19 at 9am**. Duties include arranging flowers and other altar preparations. Any amount of time you can give is greatly appreciated.

Parish Office Closings

Good Friday and Easter Monday, Tuesday

THE parish office will be closed on **Good Friday, April 18** and on **Easter Monday, April 21**.

Daylight Saving Time

DAYLIGHT Saving Time begins on **March 9!**
Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour
Saturday evening, March 8.



Registry and Readings

Weddings

Susan Powers & Thomas Rouse

Saturday, February 8, 2025

Baptisms

Mia Elizabeth Skurja—January 12

Daughter of David Skurja & Margo Vasquez

Gino Joseph Teodoro—January 12

Son of Carmine & Amanda Teodoro

Parish Birthdays

MARCH

George Keating, 1
Walter Bowman, 9
Alexander Bullard, 13
McAllister Raissian, 15
Luca Giuffrida, 19
Sanai Fraser, 24
John DeLibero, 26
Nicolette Howland, 26
Darcy Leichsenring, 27
Calvin Meyer, 30



APRIL

Halsted James, 1
Greta Leichsenring, 5
Maisie Accetta, 6
Cole Ware, 6
Jackson Isselee, 7
Liam Jacovino, 12
David Daniels, 13
Savannah Corrigan, 15
Bruce Szymanski, 18
Charlotte Meehan, 19
Gino Teodoro, 23
Eve Brzozowski, 26
Ryder Morton, 26
Max Ware, 26

Parish Prayer List

Those in our parish family

Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris,
Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo.

Those in our extended parish family

Jeff, Christina, David, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa, Audra, Ann,
Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan, Barbara,
Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo, Denise,
Javier, Janet, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise,
Jocelyn, Forrest, Laticia, Suzanne, Karen.

Those Serving in the Military

Andrew Clark

Sunday Lectionary

Last Sunday after the Epiphany, March 2

Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
Luke 9:28-36, [37-43a]; Psalm 99

First Sunday of Lent, March 9

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Romans 10:8b-13
Luke 4:1-13; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Second Sunday of Lent, March 16

Genesis 15:1-12,17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 13:31-35; Psalm 27

Third Sunday of Lent, March 23

Exodus 3:1-15; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 30

Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32; Psalm 32

Fifth Sunday of Lent, April 6

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:4b-14
John 12:1-8; Psalm 126

Palm Sunday, April 13

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49; Psalm 31:9-16

Easter Sunday, April 20

Acts 10:34-43; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26
John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Second Sunday of Easter, April 27

Acts 5:27-32; Revelation 1:4-8;
John 20:19-31; Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150

Women Of St. James's



March/April

Shrove Tuesday, March 4

The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III
Rector, St. James's Episcopal Church
Parish Update & Shrove Tuesday Feast

Tuesday, March 18

Silent Auction with Eleanor Brazell
Lenten Soup Luncheon

Tuesday, April 1

William Tong, Connecticut Attorney General
"Information Regarding Frauds and Scams"
Lenten Soup Luncheon

Tuesday, April 15

The Rev. Canon John L.C. Mitman
"The Tax Code: Past or Present, For Good or Ill,
For Richer or Poorer"
Lenten Soup Luncheon

March/April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM Lenten Coffee Hour Forum—PH	31 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	1 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Women of St. James's—DR	2 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	3 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	4 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	1/5 10:00 AM—2:00 PM Painting & Cleanup Day 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
2/6 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—PH 12:30 PM Pipes Alive! Featuring organist Michelle Horsley—St. John's Church, WH 5:00 PM Youth Group	3/7 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	4/8 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Women of St. James's—DR	5/9 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	6/10 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	7/11 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	8/12 8:00 AM Men's Disc Group-PR 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
9/13 PALM SUNDAY 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:35 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream—Church 9:30 AM Sung Passion & Eucharist—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Lenten Coffee Hour —PH 11:00 AM Easter Bag Project—PH 7:00 PM Compline—Church	10/14 Holy Monday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes 4:00 PM Monday Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	11/15 Holy Tuesday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Women of St. James's—DR 7:00 PM Vestry—PR	12/16 Holy Wednesday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	13/17 Maundy Thursday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group -DR 10:00 AM FOODSHARE 7:00 PM Holy Eucharist	14/18 Good Friday 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 & 7:00 PM GF Liturgy—Church	15/19 Holy Saturday 7:00 PM AA Group—DR 7:30 PM Easter Vigil—Christ Church Cathedral
16/20 Easter Sunday (no 8:00 service) 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:35 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II & Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 10:00 AM Festal Eucharist—Church (9:30 KFC) 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches (11:30) 11:00 AM Lenten Coffee Hour Forum —PH 11:30 AM Egg Hunt/Refreshments 5:00 PM Youth Group	17/21 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	18/22 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM Women of St. James's—DR 7:00 PM Vestry—PR	19/23 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	20/24 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR 10:00 AM FOODSHARE	21/25 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	22/26 8:00 AM Men's Disc Group-PR
23/27 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ Livestream—Church 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM Lenten Coffee Hour Forum—PH 11:00 AM Coffee Hour—PH	24/28 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 4:00 PM Monday Music & More 5:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal	25/29 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	26/30 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal	27 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	28 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	29 7:00 PM AA Group—DR

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