



the OPEN DOOR

news from St. James's

From the Rector' Desk

Republished from earlier this summer – it's that important

Dear St. James's Family,

I write today with a deep and joyful conviction: there is immense value in bringing our children and teens to church—not just for their sake, but for the sake of the whole community.

In a world that is often hurried, anxious, and fractured, church offers something radically different. It offers space to breathe, to belong, to question, and to grow. It offers a vision of love that is not transactional, a sense of identity rooted not in appearance or achievement, but in being created and cherished by a loving and liberating God.

At St. James's, we don't ask our children and youth (or anyone for that matter) to conform to rigid molds. Instead, we invite them to bring their full selves—their questions, their creativity, their doubts, and their dreams—and to discover that faith is not about having all the answers, but about learning to live with compassion, curiosity, and courage.

Here, they learn that their voice matters. That justice and mercy walk hand in hand. That the stories of Scripture aren't dusty relics but living invitations to seek truth and do good in the world. They see a Jesus who stands with the outcast, who lifts up the lowly, and who teaches us to love boldly, even when it's hard.

But perhaps most importantly, they see adults—you—who show up. Who make sandwiches and sing hymns. Who volunteer, mentor, and pray. Who model what it means to live a life of integrity and hope. Every Sunday, simply by being here, we bear witness to a different way of being human. Our children are watching. And they are being shaped.

So I encourage you—whether you're a parent, a grandparent, a friend, or simply someone who cares—to make the choice to bring our young people into this sacred space. It doesn't have to be perfect. They don't have to sit still. What matters most is that they are welcomed, that they are seen, and that they know they are loved.

Let us continue to be a church where all generations grow together, learn from one another, and embody the kind of faith that changes lives—not just theirs, but ours too.

With hope for our future,




Sept/Oct 2025

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Highlights in Sept/Oct

- **Saturday, Sept 6** Journey Home Tag Sale, 9am to 1pm
- **Sunday, Sept 7** The Rt. Rev. Jeff Mello visits St. James's, one service at 9:30am with brunch to follow in the Parish Hall
- **Monday, Sept 8** 3Ms (Monday Music & More) resumes, 4-5:15pm
- **Sunday, Sept 14** Regular service schedule and coffee hour return
- **Sunday, Sept 14** Youth Group, 5-6:30pm
- **Saturday, Sept 27** Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival, Trinity College, 7:30pm
- **Saturday, Oct 4** Annual Fallfest, 4-8pm
- **Sunday, Oct 5** St. Francis Sunday & Blessing of the Animals, 9:30am
- **Saturday, Oct 11** VOCES8 concert, 7pm
- **Sunday, Oct 19** Coffee Hour Forum, 11am
- **Friday, Oct 24** PIPESCREAMS! At 7pm with Ghost Stories at 6pm
- **Friday & Saturday, Oct 24, 25** Diocesan Convention
- **Sunday, Oct 26** Youth Group, 5-6:30pm

From the Assistant Rector

DEAR St. James's Community,

As I reflect on this past year at St. James's, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the welcome, support, and encouragement I have received from all of you. I could not have imagined a better setting in which to begin my priesthood. While Nicole and I are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead, we can't help but feel a deep sense of sadness as we step away from the church that has so quickly become our home. This letter gives me the opportunity to name just a few of the many aspects of St. James's that I will deeply miss.

First and foremost, I give heartfelt thanks to God for the opportunity to work with Bob Hooper. Bob has patiently taught and guided me in learning the craft of the priesthood, offering wisdom within a context of professionalism, camaraderie, and true friendship. Our time together has been filled with meaningful conversations about the joys and challenges of ministry, the vocation of a priest, and the sacred balance of joy and sacrifice in this work.

Likewise, Priscilla's voice and presence have been invaluable to both me and Nicole. Her years of commitment to life within the Church have offered us insight, encouragement, and countless moments of wisdom that we will carry with us. Our partnership with the youth of St. James's was a particular joy, culminating this summer in our unforgettable trip to Ecuador—a time of shared adventure and lifelong memories. I also loved collaborating with Michelle on our Choristers program, Storytime, and PipeScreams. One of the hardest parts of leaving St. James's will be saying goodbye to this remarkable ministry team—a rare blend of conscientious, gifted partners and genuine, joy-filled friends.

I am also deeply grateful for the opportunities this community provided as I stepped into the rhythms of priestly ministry. Our Monday Bible study became a treasured place for exploring Scripture together. From last fall's first gathering to our journey through Mark, Philippians, the birth narratives, 1 Samuel, and several weeks on the formation of the Bible, we have grown together in understanding and faith. The group's thoughtful, organic contributions often led us to powerful shared reflections. The Wednesday morning Eucharistic community holds a special place in my heart as well. This faithful group extended abundant grace as I learned to lead the liturgy. I came to treasure the discipline of following the lesser feasts and remembering the saints of the Church. Our breakfasts afterwards were a source of fellowship and learning, helping me better understand the history, heart, and character of St. James's.

Nicole, Andrew, and I are also deeply grateful for the way you welcomed our whole family. This year brought us meaningful friendships full of encouragement and laughter. We will never forget the support and joy surrounding Andrew's high school graduation. It warmed my heart to see him connecting with adults over coffee hour—received not just as a teenager, but as a peer and friend on the cusp of adulthood. As a father and a priest, I could not have asked for a more supportive community for my family.

Though moving on is part of any vocation, we hope you know how sincerely and wholeheartedly we carry our gratitude. St. James's has left a lasting mark on my ministry and my spiritual identity, and its influence will accompany me throughout my life in the Church.

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for your love, prayers, and support.

With love in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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. 3Ms resumes on
Monday, September 8!*

I HOPE that everyone has enjoyed their summer. As I write this newsletter in early August, I am not ready to say good-bye to the laid back summer days, but by the time you read this, we will all be well in the swing of what people in my family call, "Falltivities." Over the summer, I have been very pleased with the number of families that have made church a priority. Thank you to all of you who, when you are in town, bring the kids to church, even in the summer.

In Kids for Christ or (KFC) as we call it, we have been learning about a mix of things this summer. We did a short lesson on the Lord's Prayer, and many lessons on different women in the Bible. We talked about why it is important to learn about these stories and we made some estimates about how many people have heard these stories throughout the centuries. From Labor Day until Advent, we will be studying Jesus's parables. Children love these stories and there is wonderful curriculum available to study them.

Beginning on September 8, is Mondays, Music & More, (3Ms). This is a program on most Monday afternoons from 4 to 5:15. At 3Ms children age 3 through third grade learn Bible stories and learn to sing beautiful music with our very own, extremely talented, Michelle Horsley. Not only do children learn to sing beautiful music and share that music with us on Sunday mornings, but they also create friendships which make coming to church that much more fun. As I have said in the past, when kids have friends at church they want to come on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in your child participating in this program, please email me at education@stjameswh.org.

On September 7, we will have Bishop Mello visiting, and on September 14 we will have our first youth group of the season from 5 to 6:30 at the church. Youth Group is open to all who are in sixth grade through high school. We get together to play games, eat dinner, and work in a little prayer as well. Please join us!

Also coming this fall is our presentation after church from the young people that went on the mission trip this summer to Ecuador. We had an amazing trip, and I can't wait for them to share it with you all on Sunday September 21 after the 9:30 service.

In closing, please know that we have some amazing people of faith in this beautiful place—of all ages and sizes. As we all hunker down for the busyness that is back to school time, and the beginning of a new program year, let us not forget to thank God for the blessing of our lives here together at St. James's, and make the most of our incredible opportunities here!

Your sister in Christ,



From the Organist & Director of Music

Dear Siblings in Christ,

As we kick off the program year, we are thrilled to announce a collection of musical events this season that offer something for everyone, from choral connoisseurs to curious children alike. With programs that celebrate a wide breadth of musicianship and musical community, we hope you can join us for these special events:

Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival Concert* – Saturday, September 27 at 7:30 PM

*off-site at Trinity College Chapel (300 Summit Street, Hartford)

The St. James's Adult Choir is honored to be a part of the 2025 ASOF, which culminates in a grand concert featuring the first-prize winner as well as a performance of major choral/organ repertoire (including Bernstein's Chichester Psalms and a North American premiere of Joanna Marsh's A Psalm for Chichester). The festival choir will include members from St. James's Episcopal, Cathedral Schola of St. Joseph, Chorus Angelicus & Gaudeamus, and the Trinity College Chapel Singers. Please be advised that the festival concert often sells out, so it's best to plan in advance! Info online at: <https://www.asofhartford.org/>

VOCES8 – Friday, October 11 at 7:00 PM

We are thrilled to welcome back the internationally acclaimed British vocal ensemble VOCES8 to our sanctuary. Known for their exquisite blend, emotional depth, and boundary-crossing repertoire, VOCES8 offers a musical experience that transcends genre and generation. This program will include works by Byrd, Shaw, Lauridsen, Paulus, Dove, Whitacre, and others. Whether you're a longtime fan or new to their artistry, this concert promises to be a breathtaking experience of choral music at its very finest. Seats are assigned and are going fast, so buy your ticket early!! Tickets \$40-\$55 (fees included) and available exclusively online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-jamess-presents-voces8-tickets-1478323528469>

PipeScreams – Thursday, October 24 at 6:00 / 7:00 PM

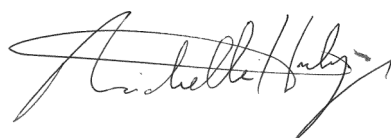
Now in its 34th year, this popular and wildly entertaining tradition of the Greater Hartford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists returns to St. James's! Attendees of all ages are invited to join us for a theatrical, family-friendly organ concert that is anything but traditional - with theatrical vignettes, special effects, and performances by costumed organists in a fully decorated sanctuary playing repertoire that ranges from creepy classics to campy fun. Come in costume, bring a friend, and prepare for a ghoulishly good time that brings hundreds of people together each year to celebrate the versatility of the King of Instruments. Free admission.

Theoretta & the Dissonants – Saturday, November 23 at 7:00 PM

Come see a brand new original musical comedy that has been lovingly written for the fabulous young musicians here at St. James's. Inspired in equal parts by Sesame Street, Schoolhouse Rock, and Gradus ad Parnassum (an 18th century counterpoint treatise), this hilarious, pun-laden quest begins in an ant colony governed by the Consonants, who enforce the proper rules for music-making until two hopeful recruits shake up the tonal foundation and learn that there's much more to music than what meets the antennae. Come meet Major Third, The 12-Tone Toad, Philip Glasshopper, Chica Corea, the Metrognome, and other absurdist characters as we learn about a wide range of musical languages as well as what it means to listen to each other and build true community. Free admission.

From the sacred to the playful and from classical to contemporary, this fall's lineup is a celebration of musical variety and the joyful ways it connects us to those both inside and outside our walls. Keep your eyes peeled for mailable brochures which outline the full 2025-2026 season as well as posters / social media postings. And then, of course, the Christmas season (and its fabulous musical offerings) will be here before we know it! ❀

God's Peace,



Important Dates

Upcoming in the Fall ...

September 27

Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival
(Trinity College, Hartford)
7:30pm

Saturday, October 11

VOCES8 returns to
St. James's Church, 7pm

Friday, October 24

Pipescreams! At 7pm with
Ghost Stories at 6pm
St. James's Church

Jubilate Deo!

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



St. James's Episcopal Church
presents

V O C E S 8



7:00pm Saturday, Oct 11

1018 Farmington Ave West Hartford, CT

tickets available online

\$40-55

The Rt. Rev.

**JEFF
MELLO**

Visits St. James's

7th

September

9:30am

**A reception will follow in
the Parish Hall**

**No 8:00
service**

**St. James's Episcopal Church
1018 Farmington Avenue
West Hartford Center
860.521.9620
www.stjameswh.org**

Mission

Annual School Supply Drive

THANK you to all who helped with this year's annual drive for children and families! This year's drive was another great success as we were able to distribute, once again, lots of supplies and backpacks for our neighbors in need (final numbers will be published in a future bulletin). The backpacks and supplies will be delivered to the families served by Grace Church Food Pantry, The Bridge Family Center, Hartford Catholic Worker, and social workers at West Hartford's Morley School. Because of your generosity, many children will begin the school year better prepared and with a smile.

Food Pantry Needs—note additions

AS we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried beans, cereal, shelf stable milk (like Parmalat) and sugar. Donations can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-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 "Food Pantry" in memo.

Christmas Bags

Collection of men's socks and toiletries

HELP MAKE a difference this Christmas season for the men at area shelters. St. James's Outreach has been collecting warm socks and toiletries for these men in the Hartford area since 1989. During the months of October and November we will collect men's socks and toiletries for this mission project. Join us on **The First Sunday of Advent, November 30** after the 9:30 service to help fill the bags with toiletries and other goodies. This mission project is greatly appreciated as your Christmas bags are often the only holiday gift these men will receive.

Here is a list of what we need:

Men's heavy boot socks (no dress socks), travel-size shaving cream (3 oz), travel-size shampoo (3 oz), travel-size deodorant, small combs, chapstick, travel-size toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors, and bars of soap. Items can be found at good prices at Target, The Dollar Store, or online at Amazon. Your purchases can be either delivered (if you purchase online) or brought to the church. We could also use some candy canes to add an additional holiday touch to the socks.

Remember, it's never too early to begin thinking about Christmas—it will be here before we know it! Please begin ordering or bringing your donations to the church in October. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Around the Parish

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.

Wednesday Morning Eucharist

Every Week at 7:00am in the Chapel

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

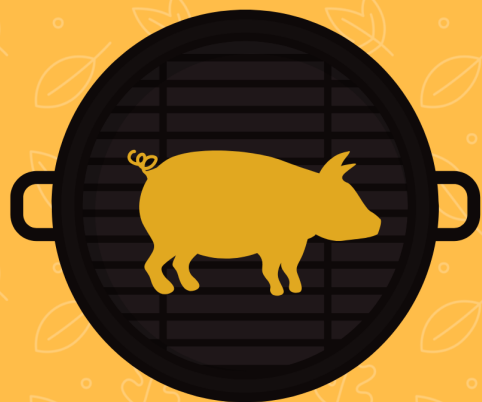
Chalice Bearers Needed

Volunteer to Host!

Serving as a chalice bearer, who provides the Cup of Salvation to parishioners during Communion, is a meaningful and different way to participate in and experience our Sunday morning Eucharist. And we need a few more people to fill out our ranks, so our rotation can be about once every six to seven weeks. If being a chalice bearer is something you think you might like to experience yourself, or you have questions about what it entails, please contact Tom Rouse at thomasarouse@yahoo.com or (860) 351-5560 to learn more about the opportunity.

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.



FALLFEST

Saturday, October 4

5-8PM

Pig Roast, Live Music,
Local Craft beverages,
Food & Games for all Ages

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1018 FARMINGTON AVE,
WEST HARTFORD CT

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AMERICAN GUILD OF
ORGANISTS
GREATER **HARTFORD**
CHAPTER
presents the 34th annual

free admission!

PIPESCREAMS

a wild, family-friendly Halloween
organ concert



Friday, October 24th

6pm ghost stories • 7pm concert

St. James's Episcopal Church

1018 Farmington Ave, West Hartford

Tag Sale to Support Journey Home—Don't Miss It!

JOIN us on **Saturday, September 6** (rain date will be September 13) from 9 to 1 on the front lawn of the church for a tag sale in support of one of our nonprofit partners, Journey Home, as they are set to open their new social enterprise thrift store very soon!

There will be household items, books, toys, small furniture (please send pictures of larger items as we will consider some larger pieces), and more—something for everyone.

We not only need you to join us, but we would love your donations too! We are looking for great quality items so start checking your basement and attic for those treasures. Oh, and volunteers are most welcome! To donate or sign up to help, contact Diane Mack at dianemack@comcast.net.

Come shop, support, and enjoy a day of fun!

Men's Discussion Group

Second and Fourth Saturdays

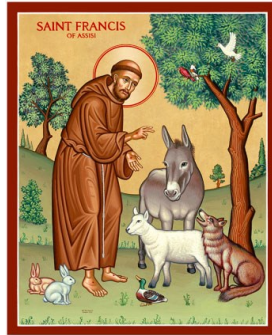
A group of men from Saint James's Church and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for an hour beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Parish Room for discussion of religious subjects. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members about a book selected by the group. Light refreshments are served. **The next meetings will be held on Saturdays, September 13 and 27; October 11 and 25.**

Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at danielmdollar@gmail.com.

Blessing of the Animals

St. Francis Sunday, October 5

BRING your beloved pets with you to the 9:30 service on **Sunday, October 5!** The clergy will bless the animals during the service, which will be held outdoors under a tent on the Walden Street side of the church. Coffee and other refreshments will be served after the service. All animals are welcome! Childcare will be available in the nursery. The 8:00 service will be held in the chapel without animals.



Coffee Hour is Back!

Sundays beginning September 14

SEPTEMBER 14 marks the return of our Coffee Hour fellowship. Volunteers are needed that Sunday, and throughout the school year, to prepare the coffee, bake and/or buy snacks, set up before, and clean up afterward. A second person makes hosting twice as much fun, so invite a spouse, partner, or friend to join you and make it a team effort. Hosts will receive instructions ahead of their assigned shift. If you can't host, please consider contributing a homemade or store-bought baked good, fruit, or other food item. Please indicate what you are bringing in the "My Comment" section of the sign-up so the host(s) can plan accordingly. Thanks in advance to everyone for your faithful support of our Sunday fellowship. Any questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirk@gmail.com. Sign up at www.stjwh.org/coffee.



The Good News Garden

THE Good News Garden team has been affected by surgeries and travel plans and really needs more volunteers for both 9 am Wednesday harvest/weeding and Sunday checking water systems/light harvesting before or after church.

Please contact Cheryl Wadsworth at (860) 810-4357 if you can help. Please also consider donating some of your own produce from your home gardens. Just bring it to the church Wednesday mornings before 10am. Thank you!



Coffee Hour Forums

Sundays at 11am

September 21

"Reflections from Ecuador"

Join the Rev. Bob Hooper and the Rev. Rob Lofberg to learn about their recent youth group mission trip to Ecuador and the people they served.

October 19

"Faith in Action?"

Come find out what's in store for the 2026 Stewardship Campaign!

Forums are held in the Parish Hall (unless otherwise stated) with coffee and refreshments provided.

4th Friday Family Night

September 26 and October 24 at 5:30pm

Family night will meet on **Fridays, September 26 and October 24** at 5:30pm at Fernridge Park in West Hartford for pizza and playtime for the kids. In the event of rain or cold, we will gather in the Parish Hall at St. James's. We'll send an Evite for RSVPs as we get closer to the date. If you're new to 4th Fridays and want to be added to the list, please email Liz Normand (e.julia.ernst@gmail.com). All are welcome, and please bring a friend!

Registry and Readings

Baptism

Oliver James Hagedorn—August 17 2025
Son of Thomas and Caitlin Hagedorn

Parish Birthdays

Children and Youth

SEPTEMBER

Graham Horowitz, 2
Colette Barber, 2
Luke Lemanski, 2
Vera Milliun, 2
Jack Adams, 4
Riley Morriss, 8
Natalie Moore, 12
Natalie Forcello, 28
Hadley Jacobs, 28
Raveyn Garrow-Cooke, 29
Katherine Pfadenhauer, 30
Emory Regan, 30
Louisa Smith, 30



OCTOBER

Charlotte Racine, 2
Roman Tagliarini, 3
Katherine Morriss, 7
Theodore Serpi, 11
Wyatt Chenault, 12
Ivan Garrow-Cooke, 13
Katherine James, 16
Henry Stevens, 16
Camden Jacobs, 17
Amelia Hart, 21
Grayson Isselee, 22
Ava Reynolds, 22
Jacob Campbell, 23
Cole Stevens, 23
Tate Fagan, 24
Penelope Collin, 25
Rory Raissian, 25

Parish Prayer List

Those in our parish family

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

Those in our extended parish family

Jeff, 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 J.

Those Serving in the Military

Andrew Clark

Sunday Lectionary

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 7

Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17
Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 14

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 21

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9
1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 28

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 5

Lamentations 1:1-6, Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137;
2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 12

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-11
2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 19

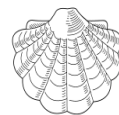
Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, October 26

Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

Women Of St. James's

October 2025



MARK your calendars—we begin a new program year on **Tuesday, October 7** with a salad buffet luncheon in the dining room at 12pm. ***The WOSJ booklet will be mailed out in September. Copies will also be available in the parish office.*** Below is the schedule for October. Please share the information with your friends and neighbors!

Tuesday, October 7

Linda Gilley

Fidelco guide dog volunteer and puppy raiser, and
“Gabe”

Salad buffet lunch provided by the Executive Board

Tuesday, October 21

Cindy Welch

“Cruising the Mediterranean: Italy and more”
Bring a bag lunch

September/October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day—POC 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	2 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	3/1 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel	4/2 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	5/3 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	6/4 9:00 AM Journey Home Tag Sale—Front lawn 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
7/5 St. Francis Sunday—Blessing of the Animals 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:30 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II w/ the Rt. Rev. Jeff Mello & Livestream—Church (no 8am) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II & Blessing of the Animals 9:30 KFC (Kids for Christ) - PH 11:00 AM 200 Identical Sandwiches 11:00 AM Bishop's Reception/Brunch—PH 11:00 AM Coffee Hour	8/6 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes	9/7 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	10/8 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel	11/9 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	12/10 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	13/11 7:00 PM AA Group—DR Rain date for Journey Home Tag Sale
14/12 The Rev. Rob Lofberg's Final Day 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:30 AM Prepare for Loaves and Fishes 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 5:00 PM Youth Group	15/13 Columbus Day—Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR 11:30 AM Serve for Loaves and Fishes	16/14 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	17/15 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—McAuley	18/16 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group -DR 10:00 AM FOODSHARE	19/17 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	20/18 7:00 PM AA Group—DR
21/19 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Chapel 8:35 AM Prepare for South Park Inn 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 Forum—PH	22/20 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	23/21 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 12:00 PM WOSJ Luncheon—DR	24/22 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel	25/23 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	26/24 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 5:30 PM 4th Friday Family Night—Fernridge Park 7:00 PM PIPESCREAMS! w/Ghost Stories at 6pm Diocesan Convention	27/25 7:00 PM AA Group—DR Diocesan Convention
28/26 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 Coffee Hour—PH 5:00 PM Youth Group	29/27 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group - DR	30/28 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	29 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 7:00 AM Holy Eucharist—Chapel	30 7:00 AM AA Group - DR 10:00 AM AA Group—DR	31 All Hallows Eve 7:00 AM AA Group - DR	

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