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# The St. James' Epistle

September 2010

## Who Do People Say That I Am?

"Peregrina! Peregrina!" It was an afternoon in Spain and I had just finished my ice cream bar and left a rather grungy roadside café (the grunge noticeable only because most were lovely) and the woman who had been behind the counter was standing in the door shouting. It took me a moment to realize she was shouting at me. Not being much of a Spanish speaker (though increasingly adept at making my need for ice cream clear) I tuned out a lot of the Spanish being spoken around me. But shouting is harder to ignore. Still, I thought she was shouting at someone else because her words, words I did understand, meant "Pilgrim! Pilgrim!" Yes, I was on the Camino de Santiago, the medieval pilgrimage route that traverses Northern Spain until it reaches Santiago de Compostela and the Cathedral where the bones of St. James' are said to rest. Though walking alone at that particular point, I was there as part of the group of St. James' parishioners walking the last 100 or so kilometers of the Camino as our bicentennial pilgrimage. We were well past the halfway mark when this occurred, so I was well into the rhythm of long days of walking. She was shouting because she thought I had left my "passport," the document pilgrims get stamped every few kilometers to verify that they have walked the Camino, the document needed to get an official certificate in Santiago at the end of the journey. I was able to assure the woman that it wasn't mine, though it turned out it did belong to a member of our group. That however is another story.

A woman I didn't know, with whom I had exchanged no more than ten words, knew who I was. She saw someone walk-

ing on the Camino heading towards Santiago, a good distance from any real village, bearing a small daypack and a bottle of water and wearing a shell on a simple cord necklace. A pilgrim. Not exactly rocket science. Except to me. So why did it take me a few moments to understand that I was the person being addressed? Because I was aware of all the ways in which I did not feel like an authentic pilgrim. The Camino itself runs for nearly 800 kilometers, so 100 hardly seemed to count. We were not staying in the very simple albergues/refugios (hostels) that provide bare bones accommodations for pilgrims, but in nice (sometimes very nice) hotels. And our luggage was ferried on ahead of us, hence the small daypack. But it was not only the woman at the café who recognized me (and all of us from St. James') as pilgrims. At the end of the journey, multicolored, many stamped "passports" in hand, the Camino office thought we qualified and gave us our certificates (called Compostelas) with our names written in Latin (actually translating Brenda into Latin was more than they could manage, but they tried for several minutes). More telling, every other pilgrim on the route thought we were pilgrims, even when we told them how and how long we were travelling. The young man who had started not in Spain but back in France (add a few hundred more kilometers), the elderly couples making their way slowly and with well-used walking sticks, the pilgrims who were walking the way (all the way) for the second or third time. They knew the simple truth that had eluded me until that afternoon. If you are on the Camino, you are a pilgrim.

Parishioners often tell me that they're not much of a Christian. Sometimes they even say they're not sure why they're here, not sure what, if anything, they believe about God or what if any relationship they might have, or even want, with Jesus. While we don't shout, "Christian! Christian!" to get your attention, we

# Bicentennial Culmination

This fall is the culmination of the St. James' Church Bicentennial year

September 19

Guest Preacher: The Rt. Rev. James Tengatenga, Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Malawi, preaching at the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services and speaking at the 10:30 a.m. adult education forum on "Mission as Pilgrimage"

October 17

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Canon Victoria Sirota, Vicar of Congregation of St. Savior, The Cathedral of St. John the Divine; Consultant to Liturgy at the Cathedral, preaching at the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services and speaking at the 10:30 a.m. adult education forum on "Music as Theology"

October 17

Bicentennial Organ Dedication Concert with guest recitalist Ken Cowan. 3:00 p.m. Tickets available at [www.stjames.org/music](http://www.stjames.org/music)

November 8 -13

Bicentennial Week of Mission

Weekday mission activities will culminate in a Day of Mission on Saturday, November 13. Parishioners of all ages will come together at the beginning of the day and participate in a variety of projects around the city or at St. James' during the day.

November 14

Guest Preacher: The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. 10:30 a.m. Festive Eucharist concluding the Bicentennial Year

Festive all-parish celebration after the service



## James Tengatenga to Be First Fall Guest Preacher Sunday, September 19

In 2004 St. James' Church received a very special grant to further the parish's understanding of hands-on work in Africa, in Haiti and in prison ministry. Partners in Mission-Africa has developed into a relationship between St. James' Church and the Diocese of Southern Malawi thanks to this gift. Since the first exploratory trip in the fall of 2005, nearly ninety parishioners, staff and clergy have traveled to Malawi. Regular trips began in the summer of 2006 when groups worked with local Malawians on building projects in various communities. This summer, twelve St. James' youth spent time working with Malawian young people on a priest's house in Njovu. In addition, three Malawian priests have come to New York to participate as clergy at St. James' and to study at the General Theological Seminary.

We first met Bishop Tengatenga in 2005 while he was on sabbatical at the General Theological Seminary. Since then the relationship with the Diocese of Southern Malawi has grown and flourished. Bishop James and his wife Josie have been guests at St. James' a number of times. The parish welcomes him back for the bicentennial as a guest preacher on September 19. He will preach at both the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services and give the 10:30 a.m. adult education forum on "Mission as Pilgrimage."

Bishop James was born in Zimbabwe and completed his secondary education there. He began his theological training at Zomba Theological College in Malawi and continued at The Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas, where he received his M.Div. in 1985. He was ordained in Malawi that same year. He has a Ph.D. in Church and State Relations from the University of Malawi and two honorary D.D. degrees from the Episcopal Theological Seminary in

the Southwest and the General Theological Seminary. He was consecrated Bishop of Southern Malawi in 1998.

Bishop James has been involved in community and youth work in Birmingham England, and has been on the faculty of both the Zomba Theological Seminary and the University of Malawi. He has been very active in HIV ministry and involved in ecumenical work. In 2008 he served on the Design Group for the Lambeth Conference, where bishops of the worldwide Anglican Communion meet every ten years, and in 2009 he was elected chair of the Anglican Consultative Council, which facilitates the common work of the churches of the Anglican Communion.

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## Who Do People Say That I Am?

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could. Maybe we should. A wise Jesuit priest once said to me that the desire for a relationship with Christ is a sign that there is a relationship with Christ. He was not suggesting, nor am I, that the journey ends there. But we do ourselves and our faith a disservice if we dismiss or demean the steps we are taking by comparing ourselves to others who, we have decided, are somehow more spiritual, more Christian than we. By all means deepen your faith. Baptism is the official starting point (your passport as it were), but there's lots more. Read the Bible. Learn to pray. Sing the hymns. Serve others. Receive communion. One of the primary reasons for the existence of the Church is to help people, wherever they are on their journey with Jesus, to grow. So take advantage of that, knowing that each step makes a difference. The fourth day of walking the Camino felt different from the first, in part because my legs had adjusted to walking more than ten miles a day. The life of faith feels different as well when prayer and service have become regular disciplines rather than special events; there are spiritual muscles that develop as well. But wherever we are on that journey, claim your identity as a Christian.

—The Rev. Brenda G. Husson, Rector

# Fall Programming for Children

## This year's new and revised programs

Children's & Family Ministries strives to include and involve all of the children and families who come through St. James' doors. The 2010-2011 Children's & Family Ministries brochure, recently mailed and available at the church and at [www.stjames.org/families](http://www.stjames.org/families), describes the comprehensive programming available to families. Below is a brief description of some new (or not so new, but with a new twist) opportunities for children and families.

### Drama on Thursdays

A 4:00-4:45 p.m. class for children who have aged out of We Love to Sing! and who want to express their creative energies through drama. This class has run for two years, and its success has finally earned it a name and we are encouraging participation by more children; last season's performance of Pinkalicious received rave reviews. Drama on Thursdays meets simultaneously with We Love to Sing (ages 0-4 or 5) and the St. Cecilia Choir (grades 1 and 2), followed by Thursdays at St. James', the weekday education, activity and dinner program from 4:45-6:00 p.m. Together, these activities provide a wonderful afternoon of learning and fun with other St. James' families and friends. All that's left to do at the end of the day is to bathe the children and get them to bed.

### Online payment for Thursdays at St. James' Meals

Thursdays at St. James' is a great family activity. Over the years, parents and caregivers have sometimes found it difficult to remember to bring payments for dinner. This year, meals may be paid for each week or can be paid in advance online at [www.stjames.org/families](http://www.stjames.org/families); click on "register for family programs" towards the bottom of the page. Several options are available; choose the one that meets your needs.

### Family Fridays

Bingo, movies with popcorn, and Lego® competitions will be the programs for our Family Fridays hosted periodically throughout the year from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Pizza will be served. Watch your email and notices in the Sunday leaflet for Family Friday dates.

### For Parents

The Adult Education Forum welcomes parents at 10:30 a.m. each week. This year we are adding occasional Sunday morning parenting forums and discussions. Watch the E-news, the Sunday announcements and *The St. James' Epistle* for information and dates.

### Bible Study for Moms

This year, a Tuesday afternoon Bible study led by parishioner Dolly Geary will coincide with the Tuesday afternoon playgroup for 3-5 year olds and the Cherub Choir. The new Bible study begins on Tuesday, September 14. Feel free to come whenever you are able. For further information, contact Dolly Geary at: [medorageary@mac.com](mailto:medorageary@mac.com).

### Upcoming Acolyte Training Dates

Children in the 3rd grade or older who are interested in becoming acolytes at the 9:10 a.m. service this year, or who may just want to learn what acolytes do, should plan to come to one of the training sessions on Saturday, September 11 or Saturday, September 18 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. There are seventeen items for acolytes to carry in the processions and twelve jobs for acolytes to perform during the service. Here is a chance to learn about and try them all. For more information, contact Vicki Hall at 212.774-4232 or [vhall@stjames.org](mailto:vhall@stjames.org).



# The Rev. William P. Peyton

## New Associate Rector



The Rev. William P. (Will) Peyton

The Rev. William (Will) Peyton arrived August 1 to serve as St. James' Associate Rector. As in recent years, the priest in this position has primary responsibility for working with parishioners to develop, deepen and support our many pastoral ministries and our ministries to fully welcome, support and involve new members. In addition, Will's call includes working with parishioners to make St. James' known to those who may be seeking a spiritual home. Will comes to all of these aspects of ministry with great gifts and enthusiasm.

Director of Communications Christine Hoffman talked to Will recently about his new position:

*CH: How did you come to St. James'?*

WP: When I was a student at General [Theological Seminary], my wife Betsy and I decided to stay one extra year in New York, because it meant that the timing of moving would make more sense in terms of our kids' schooling. During the extra year, I didn't have the Sunday field-education commitment that most seminarians have, so that's when we started coming to St. James'. The whole family liked St. James', and we ended up worshiping here for two years before we moved back to Virginia. My daughter Nellie was confirmed here, and she and Betsy went to Malawi with St. James' in 2006, right after I finished seminary. As much as we loved New York, when we moved back to Virginia after graduation, I never imagined we'd move back again. We had gotten accustomed to thinking of my years in seminary as a once-in-a-lifetime adventure, but when I heard about an open position at St. James', my heart jumped and I followed the lead instantly.

*CH: Why is St. James' a good fit for you?*

WP: What impresses me most about St. James' is the depth of the culture of lay leadership. Wherever you go in the Church, people will tell you that they believe in lay leadership and lay ministry, but it's easier to believe in it than to take it up and live it. I'm excited about serving in a place where people are committed to the ministry of the Church as a ministry of the whole Body, the whole community, and the ordained leadership is committed to that vision too. It's also exciting to me to be involved in such a large parish, because there are unique opportunities for ministry that come along when you reach a critical mass of people and energy and commitment, and I've never been part of a parish this size before.

*CH: How do your areas of responsibility here fit in with you overall sense of your ministry/calling?*

WP: When I think about the parts of my work the last few years that I've enjoyed the most, the common thread has to do with teaching and encouraging and enabling people to be the Church, and that being the Church is not exactly the same thing as going to Church. I thought a lot about this as a summer-camp director, because in a strange way, the voluntary nature of church participation can obscure the Christian principle of radical inclusion. At camp, you might not believe in God, you might wish your parents hadn't made you come, you might refuse to participate in prayer and worship—and yet, you're a part of the community because you're not going home until camp's over. I think about my camp experience when I think about church growth because it reminds me that the Church is made up of whoever God calls in—we don't get to vet the applications—and that God calls people in as much for the transformation and blessing of the community as for the transformation and blessing of the newcomer. He doesn't call people to us so that they can be remade in our image.

In practical terms, St. James' is in a great position to welcome people and to grow, because a big, diverse community like this one offers so many different ways for newcomers to imagine their participation, and so many different ways to develop and offer their gifts.

*CH: How has the return to New York City been for you and your family?*

WP: It's been great. Moving to a place that you're familiar with is totally different from moving someplace unknown. When we moved to New York when I started seminary in 2002, we had never lived here and Betsy was eight months pregnant; compared to that experience, this has been a piece of cake. Also, the whole family is happy to be here. Betsy's plan is to put off job searching until the kids are settled into their school routines. She's a psychiatric nurse, so there's a wider variety of opportunities here for her than there were in Charlottesville, where the University of Virginia hospital was really the only game in town. Our daughter

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# Starting Up in September

## Fall Programs at St. James' Church

### Homecoming Sunday

September 12

Our annual parish picnic will take place on 71st Street immediately after the 10:30 a.m. service of Holy Eucharist. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, food, and fellowship! There will be lots of activities for the children of the parish, including an extraordinary balloon artist, spin art, cookie decorating, and more. The local fire station will also pay a visit with one of their fire trucks. A fried chicken picnic lunch will be available for \$5. Children under five eat free.

To make Homecoming special, all we need is good weather and many volunteers. If you can help for an hour or for the day, contact Grace Beacham at 212.774-4231 or gbeacham@stjames.org.

### Save a Day for Music

Planning activities for your child's schedule this fall? Put in a music day and have your youngster join the choir! St. James' offers a first-rate musical education and allows children a unique opportunity for artistic and creative expression through singing. Children learn sight-singing, make new friends, go on trips, and help lead worship on a regular basis.

The Boys' & Girls' Choir (grades 3-12) meets Tuesday or Wednesday afternoons (choose one). The St. Cecilia Choir on Thursday afternoons is for grades 1 and 2. Cherub Choir includes children ages 4-6 and meets Tuesday afternoons. St. James' also offers fee-based Suzuki violin classes, which are a great supplement to choir. For more information, contact Christopher Jennings at cjennings@stjames.org or 212.774-4204.

### Confirmation at St. James'

The eighth grade church school class at St. James' is a confirmation class, ending with Confirmation Sunday on June 5. For more information, attend the orientation Homecoming Sunday, September 12 at 9:00 a.m. or contact Kate Salisbury at ksalisbury@stjames.org. Friends are welcome.

### St. Jamesians Kick-Off at the Met

Friday, September 17, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Parishioners in their 20s and 30s are invited to a tour of works of art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art selected by the Rev. Craig Townsend and English teacher and Vestry member Brad Whitehurst. The cost is \$20 per person. This is a creative way to prepare for the St. Jamesians' October Bible Study, and great way to meet the group if you are new. For more information, contact Kate Salisbury at ksalisbury@stjames.org.

### Youth & Young Adults Host Dinner Programs in September

Fridays, 5:30-9:00 p.m.

Come cook, wait tables and wash dishes at a seated, three-course dinner for ninety homeless guests. Youth in grades 8-12 are invited to serve on the second Friday of every month, September-June, beginning September 10. Parishioners in their 20s and 30s serve several times each year, beginning on Friday, September 24. Friends are welcome and, if you have never served before, we will teach you all you need to know!



# Music and Faith

## A three-part Adult Education Forum series this fall



Adult Education Forum presenters Patricia Bays, Victoria Sirota, and Davis Wortman

The Adult Education Committee will present a three-part series on music and faith on Sunday mornings this fall. Patricia Bays, an educator in the Anglican Church of Canada, will start the series on October 3 with a talk entitled "Songs of Faith." Dr. Bays, a graduate of Trinity College (University of Toronto) in Arts and Theology and the mother of vestry member Jonathan Bays, has taught in seminars and has a particular interest in theological education for lay people. She has written books exploring Anglican theology, leads workshops on Anglican history and thought, and is a trainer in the Education for Ministry program. Her talk will explore the connections between hymns and theology. The center of the series sees the return of the Rev. Victoria Sirota, Vicar of the Congregation of St. Savior at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and a renowned organist, as the bicentennial preacher on October 17, the day of the dedication of the St. James' Bicentennial Organ. The Rev. Sirota will present a forum on "Music as Theology" and preach at the 9:10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. Finally, Director of Music and Organist Davis Wortman will speak on "Music as Prayer" on November 21. Dr. Wortman will be accompanied by members of the Compostela Choir to help him synthesize what we will have learned from the first two speakers and will link that to the ways music in worship is an act of prayer. Join us for these and all of the forums this fall!

## Mystical Songs Concerts and Special Music Events 2010-11

**Sunday, October 3, 10:30 a.m.**

Adult Education Forum: "Songs of Faith," Patricia Bays (*see above*)

**Monday, October 4, 6:30 p.m.**

An Introduction to the St. James' Bicentennial Organ, reception and organ demonstration by Davis Wortman and Christopher Jennings. Free.

**Sunday, October 17, 10:30 a.m.**

Adult Education Forum: "Music as Theology," The Rev. Canon Victoria Sirota (*see p. 2*)

**Sunday, October 17, 3:00 p.m.**

Dedicatory Organ Recital by international concert organist Ken Cowan. Mu-

sic of Mozart, Karg-Elert, Mendelssohn, Dupré, Willan, Schumann and Wagner. Tickets \$60 preferred seating, \$30 general admission. Advance tickets available at [www.stjames.org/music](http://www.stjames.org/music).

**Monday, November 1, 7:00 p.m.**

*All Saints' Day*

Mystical Songs: Music of Vaughan Williams. The composer's *Five Mystical Songs*, *Mass in G minor*, *Lord, and Thou Hast Been Our Refuge* performed by the St. James' Canterbury and Compostela Choirs, Davis Wortman, conductor, Christopher Jennings, organ. Free.

**Saturday, November 20, 8:00 p.m.**

French Choral Music From the Renaissance to the 20th Century. The Dessoif Choirs, in its inaugural concert with new Music Director Christopher Shepard, performs the Duruflé *Requiem*, Faure's "Cantique de Jean Racine," and works of Josquin, Poulenc, Passereau, Sermisy, and Debussy. Tickets from [www.dessoif.org](http://www.dessoif.org) or 212.831-8224.

**Sunday, November 21, 10:30 a.m.**

Adult Education Forum: "Music as Prayer," Davis Wortman (*see at left*).

**Thursday, December 16, 6:00 p.m.**

Lessons and Carols for Christmas, sung by the Choir of St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire; Colin Lynch, director. Free.

**And in the spring...**

**Sunday, February 5, 3:00 p.m.**

Music for Violin and Organ, Ariana Rosen and Christopher Jennings

**Saturday, February 12, 3:00 p.m.**

Organ Recital by Thomas Murray, Yale University Organist.

**Sunday, February 27, 10:30 a.m.**

Christian Education Forum: "French Doubles" Concert Preview

**Sunday, March 6, 4:00 p.m.**

French Doubles—Music from Paris for Double Choir and Organ

**Saturday, March 19, 8:00 p.m.**

Baroque Banquet—Chefs-d'oeuvre du jour presented by Early Music New York

**Sunday, May 1, 4:00 p.m.**

Choral Evensong sung by the St. James' Boys' & Girls' Choir and the St. Cecilia Choir

**Saturday, May 7, 8:00 p.m.**

Classical Kaleidoscope—Form and Fashion in an Enlightened Era presented by Early Music New York

**Saturday, May 14, 3:00 p.m.**

Duo-Organists Brian Harlow & Christopher Jennings

# St. James' Unlimited Future ... and You

This fall is chock full of exciting bicentennial events, from the dedication of the Schoenstein & Co. Bicentennial Organ and a grand recital to mark that day to a visit from Bishop James Tengatenga, our partner in mission in Malawi, as well as a week of mission with service opportunities for parishioners of all ages. Then on November 14 we will have the culminating celebration at a special 10:30 a.m. service of Holy Eucharist with our Presiding Bishop, Katharine Jefferts Schori, as preacher and celebrant. But after that celebratory day, the true gift of the bicentennial will be seen in the ways this year has inspired us to move into the unlimited future that God intends for us.

There are many opportunities before us. The third century of our life clearly calls us to deepen the ministries that have been the hallmark of our life, ministries focused on deepening the faith of every member of this congregation and supporting one another and ministries that help us share the love of Christ with our neighbors in the city and the world. Yet it is also true that for the ministries we cherish to continue and flourish, our financial resources must be more robust. So it is that as we have looked to the future, the Vestry has concluded that a capital campaign primarily focused on raising funds for the endowment may be what we're called to undertake. Such a campaign would require the involvement and the enthusiastic support of the whole parish. In order to lay before the parish the possibility of a campaign, what it would help us accomplish and what our financial needs are for our future, we have scheduled twelve small-group meetings for your thoughts, ideas, response and questions. We hope that every adult parishioner, and all interested youth, will be able to attend one of these sessions. Every household will be receiving a personal invitation but please take a look at the dates and times offered and mark your calendars now. The only way this can be our unlimited future is if it is the future into which we all believe God calls us.

## Small Group Meeting Times

### Mornings

Wednesday, September 22, 10:00 a.m.  
Thursday, September 23, 7:30 a.m.  
Thursday, September 23, 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday, September 26, 10:15 a.m.  
Tuesday, September 28, 7:30 a.m.

### Afternoons

Thursday, September 23, 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday, September 26, 12:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 28, 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday, October 3, 12:30 p.m.

### Evenings

Sunday, September 26, 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 28, 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday, September 30, 6:30 p.m.

## Will Peyton

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Nellie is probably the biggest New Yorker of us all, having gone to middle school in the City. She's been away at boarding school ever since we left New York, and she's starting college at Princeton this fall. With apologies to all the ancestors in Virginia, I have to say that breaks and holidays have a new appeal for her now that we're in New York. My son Crawford is starting high school. He would have gone to a new school even if we hadn't moved, and he's happy to be back in New York. It's also nice that he and his friends are old enough now to take a train or a bus for a weekend visit. Jamie, our youngest, is starting third grade, and has always been proud of having been born in New York. He likes the fact that the walk from our building to the nearest basketball court is shorter than it was in Charlottesville.

In some distant future, we'll probably go back to Virginia where Betsy and I both have deep roots, but for now we're thrilled to be where we are. When I left for seminary, a friend told me, "Be careful, New York can make a New Yorker out of anybody." At the time, I didn't really buy it, but I've come to think he was probably right.

*CH: How can we help ease your transition?*

WP: Keep telling me your name, tell me about your experience of St. James', and tell me what part of its life and ministry you're passionate about. I've only been here a few days [at the time of the interview] and I've already heard about ministries and groups and programs that I didn't know existed. It's overwhelming, but it's also inspiring and wonderful.

## Parish Register

May-July 2010

### Baptisms

Eleanor Hartley Clarke, daughter of Susan West and John Clarke, Jr.  
Fredric Hunt Snyder, son of Charlotte Richardson and Douglas Snyder  
Alex Joon Yang  
son of Bona Kim and Jay Yang  
Audrey Michelle Aston, daughter of Allison Luyton and Jay Aston  
Charlotte Kean Bonner, daughter of Elizabeth Broderick and James Bonner, Jr.  
Chase Wilson Bowen, son of Barclay Kuntz and Scott Bowen  
Dillon Merck Lake, son of Elizabeth Merck and Douglas Lake, Jr.  
Eleanor Beaumont Rose, daughter of Nicki Hill and Charles Rose III  
Margaret Gawthrop Klarberg, daughter of Emily Gawthrop and Richard Klarberg  
Alison McIntosh Twiss, daughter of Mary Sheldon and John Twiss, Jr.  
John Taro Gorman Popp, son of Evelyn Morris and John Popp  
Kennedy Gene Boughal, son of Samantha Haywood and Steve Boughal  
Timothy James Fitzsimmons, Jr., son of Caitlin Wight and Timothy Fitzsimmons  
Odin Skei Boughal, son of Samantha Haywood and Steve Boughal  
Margaret Addison King, daughter of Kelly Pillman and Terrence King  
Thomas Jackson Kise, son of Ann Marie Benitez and Thomas L. Kise, Jr.

### Weddings

Peter Ian Veillon and  
Debra Ann Monsolino  
Jacquelyn Hayes and Phillip Hofmann

### Burials

Charles Andrew Ryskamp  
John Weatherbee Tarbell, Jr.  
Joan von Koschembahr  
Michael Hugh Jordan



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# September Calendar

**Sunday Worship Schedule  
through September 12**

8:00, 10:30 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.

**beginning September 19**

8:00, 9:10, 11:15 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.

**Weekday Worship Schedule**

Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m.

- 10 FRI Playgroup Welcome Coffee,  
10:30 a.m.  
Youth host Dinner Program,  
5:30-10:00 p.m.
- 11 SAT Acolyte and Youth Usher  
Training, 10:00 a.m.
- 12 SUN Homecoming Sunday  
Youth bake sale, 12:00 noon
- 13 MON Playgroups begin, 10:30 a.m.
- 14 TUE Choir rehearsals begin  
Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study  
begins, 3:45 p.m.
- 15 WED Bible Study begins, 8:45 a.m.
- 16 THU Mom's Bible Study begins, 9:15  
We Love to Sing begins  
Drama on Thursdays begins  
Thursdays at St. James' begins
- 17 FRI St. Jamesians' Kick-Off at the  
Metropolitan Museum (p. 5)
- 18 SAT Acolyte Training, 10:00 a.m.
- 19 SUN Education Sunday;  
Church School begins  
Confirmation Class begins
- 24 FRI St. Jamesians' Sunday Brunch
- 26 SUN St. Jamesians host Dinner  
Program, 5:30-9:00 p.m.
- 30 THU Youth Group begins  
Parents Party, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**...and save these dates for**

- 8 OCT Youth host Dinner Program
- 15-16 OCT Confirmation Retreat
- 17 OCT Bicentennial guest  
Preacher: Victoria Sirota  
Organ Dedication Concert
- 22 OCT The Second Time Around  
Thrift Sale
- 28 OCT Children's Halloween Party
- 8-13 NOV Week of Mission
- 14 NOV Bicentennial Celebration

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## Bicentennial Raffle

Have you been enjoying bicentennial events and displays this year? Are you looking forward to the upcoming bicentennial events in the fall? Are you wondering how we have paid for all of the additional opportunities brought by this special year? Bicentennial expenses are not included in the St. James' budget, but have been supported by special gifts. Now is a great time to support the remaining events by participating in a special raffle.

Buy chances on nine beautiful, unique art pieces created and donated by St. James' parishioners, staff and friends to help support the bicentennial celebration. You can win beautifully stitched petit point pillows, a gorgeous bracelet, a unique fabric wall hanging, oil paintings, a mixed media representation of the reredos or a framed photograph by generous and talented artists including Barbara Burger, Tom Faulkner, Nettie Fowlkes, George Fowlkes, Rosa Gentile, Sheila Camera Kotur, Ingegerd Mundheim and Meredith Rugg.

Look for the display in Donegan Hall after Labor Day. You will be able to select the item(s) you want to win at the Parish House reception desk or at [www.stjames.org](http://www.stjames.org). Your raffle ticket purchase will directly support this fall's wonderful bicentennial events.

Raffle tickets will be available through November 14. The drawing and notification of winners will take place on November 15.



Art objects like Tom Faulkner's photograph of "Jonah," above, will be available in the fall bicentennial raffle. One raffle ticket for an item of your choice is \$25; five raffle tickets for five items of your choice will be sold for \$100; \$150 purchases one raffle ticket for each of the nine items.