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Dear friends in Christ, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year’s culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of April 18 and Easter Day, April 21.

Each Easter—as on each Sunday—the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has for ever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will occur on March 6. The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on May 30. Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on June 9. And this year the First Sunday of Advent will be on December 1.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the passover of Christ in the feasts of the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed on November 1.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever. Amen.

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**Today at St. James’**

**The Big Questions!** 10:30 a.m., Coburn Hall
Got questions? This winter’s forums are for you! We will explore together some of the biggest questions Christians ask and are asked, to see what wisdom the Bible and our Anglican spiritual tradition have to offer about living as people of faith in today’s world. The Rev. Ryan Fleenor kicks us off with *Trinity, part 1: What do we mean by “God”? And why call God “Father”?*

**Epiphany Luncheon** 12:30 p.m., Coburn Hall
Parishioners and friends aged 50-100+ are invited to a festive, seasonal luncheon after this morning’s 11:15 a.m. service, including traditional King Cakes!

**Afternoon Bible Study** 4:30 p.m., Sunderland Hall
Our Sunday afternoon Bible Study this winter will follow the “Big Questions” topics from the Sunday morning Forums, offering additional time for conversation and reflection, as well as a chance to dive more deeply into relevant Scripture passages. Join us whenever you are able!

**Chalking the Doors: An Epiphany tradition**
At Epiphany, we invite parishioners to try a time-honored tradition of blessing one’s home at Epiphany with a chalk inscription over the door. Intrigued? Pick up a flier and a piece of blessed chalk at Coffee Hour.

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**Every Sunday**

**Fellowship**
- After the 9:10 a.m. service, coffee outside Coburn Hall
- After the 11:15 a.m. service, coffee in Sunderland Hall

**Nursery Care available downstairs**
Nursery care is available from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., during the 9:10 and 11:15 a.m. services, and the adult formation offerings.

**Formation for all ages!**
At St. James’, we believe that if you come here, you will grow. To learn more, visit the First-time Families podium in the Narthex.
- Toddler (ages 2-3) and Primary (ages 4-6) 9:05 - 11:00 a.m.
- Church School, Youth Group (grades 1-12) 10:15 - 11:00 a.m.
- The Forum 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
- Afternoon Bible Study 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

**Healing Prayer**
Is there something you would like prayer for—a joy or a concern, for yourself or someone else? Join our Healing Prayer ministers in the Chapel following worship at 9:10, 11:15 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

**New?** **START HERE TO BEGIN YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST**
- Pick up a “Start Here” brochure and return the welcome card.
- “Meet me at the bell” (after 9:10, 11:15 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.)
Meet next to the bell at the back corner of the church for an informal conversation with a priest about what led you here and where you might be called to go in your spiritual life.
The First Sunday after Epiphany: Baptism of Our Lord
Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Homily by the Rev. Brenda Husson.

9:10 a.m. Holy Baptism & Family Eucharist
Sermon by the Rev. Ryan Fleenor. The Canterbury, Junior, and Youth Choirs offer music by Benjamin Britten and Gerald Near.

11:15 a.m. Festal Eucharist
Sermon by the Rev. Brenda Husson. The Canterbury Choir offers music by Herbert Sumsion, John Gardner, and Peter Hallock.

6:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion

The Big Questions 10:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
The Rev. Eva Suarez continues our “Big Questions” series with Trinity, part 2: Who is Jesus? And did he really have to die? Join us at the 10:30 a.m. Forum and 4:30 p.m. Bible study as we explore together some of the biggest questions Christians ask and are asked.

St. James’ 101 Newcomer Brunch 10:30 a.m., Sunderland Hall
Are you new to St. James'? Learn more from the Rector, clergy, lay staff, and active parishioners about our life of faith. Contact the Rev. Zack Thompson to learn more or to RSVP.

Overnight Shelter Open House 1:00 p.m., MAPC
Are you being called to take on a new ministry this new year? Join us at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church (Madison Ave. and 73rd Street) to learn more about St. James’ homeless shelter. Contact Emilie Han for more information.

Bible Memorization Project
Challenge yourself to commit Scripture to memory, one bit per week!

FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 6
“Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.”
—Isaiah 60:1
Vestry Nominating Committee

In Episcopal churches, the Vestry is the elected governing body of the parish, and includes the Rector, two Wardens, and 12 members who represent a broad spectrum of the community. Would you like to nominate a fellow parishioner to stand for election to the Vestry in May? Contact the Rev. Brenda Husson and Nina Huffman, chair of the Nominating Committee, to place a name into consideration.

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays, 8:35 a.m.

Our weekly Bible study resumes this winter with an 6-week study of Ben Myers’ “The Apostles’ Creed: A Guide to the Ancient Catechism,” led by the Rev. Brenda Husson. No need to have read before the first session. All are welcome!

Family Friday: Animals Alive!

Friday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Jerry Zelenka will introduce kids to all kinds of animals from the ordinary to the exotic including birds, lizards, tarantulas, alligators and snakes. We’ll make sandwiches for NY Common Pantry, have pizza for supper, and enjoy Mr. Zelenka and his animals. Friends are always welcome. Contact Vicki Hall with questions.

“Rings & Things” Retreat

Saturday, 8:45 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Are you newly engaged or considering a wedding at St. James? Join the clergy and other couples for a Saturday workshop to begin preparing. Required for couples getting married at St. James’, but open to all. Contact the Rev. Zack Thompson to learn more.

20s/30s Movie Night

Fri. Jan. 25, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

The St. Jamesians will host a screening of “The Way,” starring Martin Sheen, a film about a father who travels the Camino de Santiago to learn more about his estranged son. Refreshments provided; film begins at 7:00 p.m. Contact Jeremy Diakonov-Curtis to learn more.

The Catechumenate

Thursdays, Jan. 31 - Apr. 11, 6:30 p.m.

Do you have questions about what Christians believe? Wonder about what it means to live as a Christian in 21st century New York? The Catechumenate is for you. We gather each week for a meal, a talk on a central question of Christian faith, small-group discussion, and prayer. Visit stjames.org/catechumenate to learn more.

Winter Parish Supper

Wed. Feb. 6, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

“In the bleak mid-winter,” join fellow parishioners for a festive evening of good food, drink, and lively conversation. Older children and teenagers are welcome to attend. Nursery care available.

Thank you! Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who gave so generously in 2018 to support our mission and ministries. Your generosity makes possible the important work we share in this parish community.

Epiphany 2019: Offering our best gifts

If you have not yet made a 2019 financial commitment, please consider doing so today. Visit stjames.org/give to set up a recurring weekly or monthly gift. By offering our best gifts to God, we invest ourselves in building God’s kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

Prayer List

Thanks be to God

• for our ongoing work with St. Vincent’s Center for Children with Disabilities in the Diocese of Haiti.
• for the generosity of parishioners who have made pledges for 2019; and for all who share in the financial support of the parish.

Your prayers are requested

• for St. James’ this Epiphany season, that being illuminated by Word and Sacrament, we may shine with the radiance of Christ’s glory, that his light may be known to the ends of the earth.
• for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble: Donald, Henry, David, Terry & Mary Jane, Mal, Elona, Cynthia, Pam, Caroline & Michael, Walterene, James Edward, Joan, Lois, Brian, Sara, Michael, Janet, Eula Mae, Carol, Kathy, Jane, Lilly, Laura, Ann & Ben, Bob, Chris, Amanda, Blanche, Victor, Valli, Charles, Seth, Jeanette, Alice, Iris, Sophie, Ashley, Marielle, Maria & her parents, Frank, Lisa, Carmen, Milton, Alice Mary, Andy & Sabra, Isabel, Rick, Peter & Dianne, Ben, Bill, John, Prane, the Cervantes family, Mike, Tom, Douglas, Vicky, Ramon, Pelham, Anthony, Nancy, Zoe, Nadine, Isabelle & Viviane, Tracey, Kevin, Greg, Betsy, Jeannette, Mary Frances, Dorothy, Grace, Mary, JoAnne, Dorothy, Elnora, Harriett, Alex, Marc, Travers, Susan, Madge & Bill, Christopher, Margot, James, Peggy, Katharine, Jerry, Casey, John & Catherine, Theresa, Ruth, Filip, Sandy, Dick, John, George, Peter, Samuel, Jose, Laura, Pam, Barb, Craig, Peter & Jana, Megan, Grace, Wayne, Matthew, Isabel, Babis, Kiley, Margaret, Paul, Barbara, MaryAnn, Bill, Carl Jandernoa family, Dale, Wendy, Carol Sue, Robert, Jonathan, Ben, Bryce, Elena, James, Elena, Kelly, Mackenzie, Jason, Carter, Angelo, Kathryn, Hilary, Jake, Donniece, Teresa, Ben & Juergen, Liam, Ann, Aaron, Molitor, Emily, Madaline, Deborah, Andrew, Charlie, Felicia & Alex, Roger & Jovie, John, Monique, Susie, Cilla, Rich, Sharon, Janet, Julie, Behida, Sarah, Ray, John, Diane, Frank, Karen & Craig, Gary, Sarah, Aaron & family, Anita, Dwan, Helen, Caris & Blake, Charlotte, Josh, Peter, Nellie & Ray, Bill, Anne, Lisa, Jason, Jeffrey, Alexandra, Ed & family, Kenneth, Tony, Vicky, George, Ryan, Steve, Peggy, Bill, May Dean, Dorothy, Peg, Nereida, Andrea, Monica, Chris, C.T., Chase, Jean, Kimberly, Errol, James & Mike, Rui, Alice, Jeff, Claude, Matthew, Jada, Lauren, Sarah, James, Steven, John, Amy, Kay & Ken, Paul, Blake & Pamela, Seth, Orville, Gabrielle, Pamela, Lucía, Paula, Lucy, Lauren, Jiji, The Varga Family, Carol, Elena, Allison, Lois, Jane & Peter, Emily, Ann, Judy, Lucia, and Patrick.
• for Iglesia de San Juan Bautista, Bronx, according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer.
• for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, according to the Anglican cycle of prayer.
• for our work as stewards of God’s creation, that we may use the earth’s resources rightly in the service of others, and be mindful of our connection to all living things.
• for the United States of America, for wisdom and grace for our leaders in the exercise of their duties, that the rights and dignity of all may be protected, and our nation be a blessing to other nations of the earth.
• for justice and peace in this city and nation; for those who serve the common good in law enforcement and the courts; and for the victims of racism, injustice, and intolerance.
• for all who are persecuted for their faith, including Christians in the Middle East; for all refugees and all who welcome and serve those in need.
• for members and friends of the parish serving in the Armed Forces, in the Diplomatic Corps, and with the U.N.; Tracy, Christian, Mads, Michael, Mark.

We commend to God’s never-failing care

• victims of war and violence throughout the world, including all victims of terrorism; all migrants and refugees who have died fleeing danger; and all those killed in the military service of our nation.
• all whom we love but see no more.

To have your prayer requests printed in this space, or to provide an update, please e-mail the clergy at pastoralcare@stjames.org, or visit stjames.org/prayer.
The Clergy & Lay Staff

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Worship

SUNDAYS
8:00 a.m. · Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
9:10 a.m. · Family Eucharist
11:15 a.m. · Choral Eucharist
6:00 p.m. · Candlelight Communion

WEEKDAYS
M, T, Th, F 8:00 a.m. · Morning Prayer
Wed. 8:00 a.m. · Holy Eucharist
Mon. - Fri. 5:30 p.m. · Evening Prayer

CENTERING PRAYER
Tue. 6:00 p.m.
Wed. 12:00 p.m.
Fri. 12:00 p.m.

LECTIO DIVINA
Mon. 6:00 p.m.

Open for prayer and meditation
Sunday, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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Mon. - Fri., 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.
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