



Messenger

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St. James Mission Statement

We are called by God to become a growing community of hope centered in Jesus Christ for the benefit of the wider communities in which we live. We seek to bring the power of that hope to those around us by Spiritual Renewal, Service to Youth and Children, Outreach, Stewardship Education, and Congregational Growth.



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Worship Services:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Rite I
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Rite II

New Lenten Midweek Worship Schedule

ASH WEDNESDAY March 1 12 noon and 7:00 pm
 Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes

Wednesday in Lent: March 8 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
 March 15 7:00 pm Eucharist
 March 22 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
 March 29 7:00 pm Eucharist
 April 5 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Thursdays in Lent: March 9, 16, 23, 30 April 6 9:00 AM Eucharist

Lenten Adult Forums: The Passion

Join us at 9 am on Sunday mornings in Lent for an exploration of the Passion story through music. We will focus on listening to a new cantata titled "The Passion" by Marcus Hummon and reflecting on the text and music. We will also be listening to other composers' treatments of the same portions of the biblical events of the last week of Christ's life.

Newcomers Tea

Are you a newcomer to St. James? Do you just feel like a newcomer, even though you have been attending for awhile? Would you like an opportunity to learn more about the parish and meet some folks both new and not-so-new? If so, you are cordially invited to an informal gathering on Sunday, March 19 at 4 pm. Babysitting will be provided, as will tea, coffee and light refreshments. RSVP to church office 215-757-3766.



Yoga

beginning March 8, 7:30 -8:30 pm.
NOTE TIME CHANGE
Continuing to April 5.

Bertucci's Oxford Valley

Thursday, April 27. From opening until closing.

Jazz n' Joe

Sunday, May 21st from 7:30 pm to 9:30.

Hope you can join us!

Daylight Savings Time

begins Sunday,
March 12TH.

Turn your
clocks ahead
one hour



SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH
BEFORE GOING TO BED.



The Newsletter of St James
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Article Submission Deadline Dates:

Newsletter, see weekly bulletin

For weekly bulletin announcements, articles are due by the morning of the Tuesday before.

Beth Williams, Parish Administrator
Parish Office Hours:

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday thru Thursday



Thanks to all who help make the soup kitchen experience a success... whether you make soup or serve that day, everyone contributes to bringing God's love into the lives of those served at St. Mark's every Saturday. Our next visit is March 18th with Hearty Beef & Veggie Soup. We will not be going in April.

Look for the poster in the narthex and sign where you can help. We car pool and meet in the St. James parking lot – leaving at 6A.M and returning by 10A.M. Reminder - you're welcome to go any Saturday – willing hands are always welcome.

For more information contact Chris Parker 215-741-1279

HEARTY BEEF AND VEGETABLE SOUP

3 tablespoons vegetable oil

1 1/2 pound beef stew meat, cut into 1/2-inch cubes

1 1/2 cup finely chopped onion

3 garlic gloves, minced

2 14 1/2-ounce can whole tomatoes, drained (juices reserved), chopped

6 boiling potatoes (about 1 1/4 pounds) cut into 1-inch cubes

1 1/2 cup chopped celery

1 1/2 cup sliced carrots

1 1/2 cups pearl barley

1 cup shredded green cabbage

3 bay leaves

1 1/2 teaspoons dried basil

8 cups canned beef broth

3 10-ounce packages frozen mixed vegetables

Chopped fresh parsley

Heat oil in heavy large Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add beef and cook until brown, stirring occasionally, about 8 minutes. Add onion and garlic and sauté until onion is tender, about 5 minutes. Stir in tomatoes with juices and all remaining ingredients except frozen vegetables and parsley. Cover and simmer until meat is tender, about 1 hour 10 minutes. (Can be prepared 3 days ahead. Cover and refrigerate. Rewarm over medium heat before continuing.) Stir in frozen vegetables. Cover and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Sprinkle soup with parsley and serve.

Serves 12.

ERA Fresh Veggies

Thank for your continued generosity in support of our fresh veggies ministry. We are delivering 300 pounds of fresh vegetables to the ERA Food Pantry every other week due to the hard work of Dave Marrington and Dan Ahern. The folks at the ERA Food Pantry are very appreciative. One of our parishioners, who volunteers at the Food Pantry, told us that the consumers are surprised and delighted to be able to get fresh vegetables when they come in to pick up some much needed groceries. So please continue to be generous with your pledges. And give more if you can. The new address is: ERA Food Pantry, 1700 Woodbourne Rd, Levittown, PA (formerly Dwight Eisenhower School). Contact Mary Banecker if you have any question about this ministry. 215-757-7558



Easter Flower Memorials Being Received

Envelopes for Easter Flower Memorials to beautify our church for Easter Worship are included in this Messenger. Your request must be received by Sunday, April 2nd for names to be in the Easter Leaflet. Place your envelope in the offering basket or mail to the church.



Join the Choir

Choir Rehearsals for Holy Week/ Easter begin after Church and Pancakes on Sunday, February 26th.

Chili Cook-Off



On Sunday, January 29th, our 6th Chili Cook-off was held. Chilies of all sorts graced our tables. To name a few, we had: Coca Cola chili, made by Mark Burnell; Pork Verde, made by Rob Burnell; and Jambalaya Chili, made by Marcia Bower. Our 2017 champion was Donna DeCaul, who prepared a vegan chili with 3 kinds of mushrooms, 3 kinds of peppers, and more. A new award was also presented. The "Tongues of Fire" award was given to the person who entered the spiciest chili. Our winner was Eva Kozari, with her jalapeño chili! Hot stuff! Congratulations to both Eva and Donna! Thanks to all who had some part in this event-- your attendance was most appreciated! We raised \$400! See you next year!

Education for Ministry

EfM has been an active program at St. James, Langhorne for over 20 years. It's for those who are looking to grow their faith and have wanted more than a bible study class. Through study, prayer, and reflection, EfM groups move toward a new understanding of God in their lives. We meet every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 11:30 am from September to May.

The Education for Ministry (EfM) Program is a four-year study and group reflection process for the formation of Christian ministry through the development of knowledge, attitude, skill and identity as Christians. We ask that you commit to one year at a time. Published texts and essays provide the primary knowledge content in the study of Christian tradition.

The first year studies the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament). The second year offers a study of the New Testament. Year three provides study of Christian (church) history. Theology, ethics, and interfaith encounter constitute study in the fourth year.

The group is co-mentored by Mary Banecker and Beryl Moore. A new group forms every September. A group that laughs together, sings, cries, prays and thinks together. Someone will be available to talk to you about EfM after services on March 25 and 26. And you are invited to join us for an Open House on Thursday, March 30 at 9:00 am. If you have questions, contact Mary Banecker (215)-757-7558 or Beryl Moore at (215)736-3608.

MARCH 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 FEBRUARY 8:00 am Eucharist 10:15 am Eucharist Church School Pancake Breakfast Choir rehearsal			1 ASH WEDNESDAY 12 noon - Eucharist 7:00 p.m. - Eucharist	2	3	4 5:00 pm Eucharist
5 8:00 am Eucharist 10:15 am Eucharist Church School Choir rehearsal	6	7 7:30 pm Book Club	8 7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm - YOGA	9 9 a.m. - Eucharist 9:30 a.m. EFM	10 (Flea Market set-up)	11 FLEA MARKET 5:00 pm Eucharist
12 Daylight Savings 8:00 am Eucharist 9:00 am Adult Forum 10:15 am Eucharist Church School & Choir (Preschool Bingo 3 pm)	13 7:30 pm Finance & Property Mtg	14	15 7:00 pm - Eucharist 7:30 pm - YOGA 7:30 pm Vestry	16 9 a.m. - Eucharist 9:30 a.m. EFM	17	18 6 a.m. SOUP KITCHEN 5:00 pm Eucharist
19 8:00 am Eucharist 9:00 am Adult Forum 10:15 am Eucharist Church School & Choir 4 pm Newcomers Tea	20	21	22 7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm - YOGA	23 9 a.m. - Eucharist 9:30 a.m. EFM	24	25 5:00 pm Eucharist
26 8:00 am Eucharist 9:00 am Adult Forum 10:15 am Eucharist Church School 3-5 pm Youth Game Day	27	28	29 7:00 pm - Eucharist 7:30 pm - YOGA	30 9 a.m. - Eucharist 9:30 a.m. EFM Open House	31	1 APRIL 5:00 pm Eucharist
					Notes:	

APRIL 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 YOUTH SUNDAY 8:00 am Eucharist 9:00 am Adult Forum 10:15 am Eucharist Church School	3	4 7:30 pm Book Club	5 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm - YOGA	6 9 a.m. - Eucharist 9:30 a.m. EFM	7	8 9 a.m. Altar Guild 5:00 pm Eucharist
9 Palm Sunday 8:00 am Eucharist 10:15 am Eucharist 11:30 Choir rehearsal	10	11	12	13 Maundy Thursday 7:30 pm Liturgy of Lord's Supper - Stripping & Washing of the Altar	14 Good Friday 11:45 am -Community Way of the Cross 7:30 pm The Liturgy of the Passion	15 Holy Saturday 7:30 pm THE GREAT VIGIL
16 Easter 8:00 am Eucharist 10:15 am Eucharist	17 (OFFICE CLOSED) 7:30 pm Property & Finance Mtg	18	19 7:30 pm Vestry	20 9 a.m. - EFM 12:30 pm Deanery Clergy meet here	21	22 5:00 pm Eucharist
23 8:00 am Eucharist 9:00 am Adult Forum 10:15 am Eucharist Church School	24	25	25	27 9 a.m. - EFM BERTUCCI's FUND RAISER	28	29 (1-4 Hall rented) 5:00 pm Eucharist
30 8:00 am Eucharist 9:00 am Adult Forum 10:15 am Eucharist Church School						
					Notes: ANNUAL MEETING - MAY 7 www.vertex42.com	



LENTEN COIN FOLDERS AND MITE BOXES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.



About Lent Madness

Lent Madness is a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the Church's Calendar of Saints. The format is straightforward: 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time and people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo.

The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Pick up the Lent Madness booklet on the table in the Narthex and join the fun learning about the saints of the church by logging on to www.lentmadness.org each weekday in Lent. Vote for the saint you wish to receive *The Golden Halo* at the end of Lent. The Lent Madness bracket is on the back on this insert and in the back of the booklet.

Chili WINNERS!



Our Cook-off winners with Barbara.

Left to right: Eva Kozari, Tongues of Fire winner, and Donna DeCaul, overall Chili champ.

Congratulations to both!

Better Tomorrow Vegan Chili – Winning Chili at cook-off

- 3 Tbsp. vegetable oil
- 8 oz. fresh white button mushrooms, sliced
- 8 oz. fresh cremini mushrooms, sliced
- 1 large yellow onion, diced
- 1 large green bell pepper, seeds and ribs removed, diced

- 2 jalapeño peppers, seeds and ribs removed, finely minced
- 3 garlic cloves, finely minced
- 2 cups pecans (about 10 oz.), toasted & chopped
- 1 Tbsp. chili powder
- 1 Tbsp. ground cumin
- 1 Tbsp. dried oregano
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 1 tsp brown sugar
- 2 (15-oz.) cans kidney beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 (28-oz.) can diced tomatoes, with juice
- 2 cups vegetable stock
- 1 (15-oz.) can tomato sauce
- 1 oz. dried shiitake mushrooms, pulverized (to powder)
in a blender or spice mill
- 1 Tbsp. kosher salt

In a large heavy-bottomed pot over medium-high heat, heat the oil and add the fresh mushrooms. Cook, stirring only once, until browned, about 6 minutes. Add the rest of the ingredients to the pot. Scrape the bottom of the pot and stir to incorporate. Simmer until the vegetables and nuts are soft, about 30 minutes. Let cool. Refrigerate overnight.

Ideas for garnish: Shredded cheese, diced red onion, diced green pepper, diced avocado, tortilla chips, sour cream, or popcorn.

Stephen
 Alban
 Henry Budd
 Cecilia
 Augustine of Hippo
 Augustine of Canterbury
 Scholastica
 Macrina the Younger
 Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Sarah
 Franz Jägerstätter
 Joan of Arc
 Odo of Cluny
 Theodore the Studite
 Isaac the Syrian
 Mechtild of Magdeburg

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Round of
 32

Saintly
 10

Elate
 8

Faithful
 4

The
 Golden
 Halo

John Wycliffe
 Moses the Black
 Raymond Nonnatus
 John of Nepomuk
 Amelia Bloomer
 Philipp Melanchthon
 Fanny Crosby
 G. F. Handel
 Joseph Schereschewsky
 Nikolaus von Zinzendorf
 Martin Luther
 David Oakerhater
 Anselm of Canterbury
 Florence Nightingale
 Henry Beard Delany
 Aelred of Rieveaulx



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Spring Flea Market (Indoor)

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Saturday, March 11, 2017
7:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

**Indoors No Weather
 Postponements**

**Make plans to come and visit
 our vendors**

Church "White Elephant" table
Baked Goods
Refreshments

*Call the Church Office for the reservation form and more
 details*



The Altar Guild at St. James is a "behind the scenes" group responsible for the preparation of the church for all services, including weekend Eucharist, weddings, baptism & funerals.

Set-Up involves about 30 minutes a week on a Friday or Saturday (whichever is convenient)

Clean-up following all services usually takes less than 15 minutes.

Seasonal Preparations involve two Saturday mornings a year polishing brass, arranging flowers and generally shining up the sanctuary for Christmas and Holy Week.

We will gather in the sacristy on Saturday, April 8th @ 9AM to prep for Holy Week and Easter. Please join us!

I'm pleased to announce that we've had several new members recently and we'd gladly welcome more. It is my hope to see the guild flourish not only as a group of parishioners who see to the details for Eucharist and worship, but as a group of Christian friends ministering in God's house.

Interested in learning more? Please call Chris Parker. (215-741-1279)