



WEEKLY

Week of March 16, 2025

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith, you're always **WELCOME** at St. James'!

*Curly willows on the altar are given to the Glory of God
by Dave and Lois Laxton*



St. James' offers 4 unique worship opportunities each week. Mother Pilar wants parishioners of all ages to not be afraid of the altar or worship. The more people involved in worship makes it so much more rich for the participants and those in the pews. God is all around us and it's important to put faith in action. If you are interested in becoming a **Lay Eucharistic Minister** or if you need to renew your certification join Mother Pilar on Sunday, **March 16th after our 10:45 service and**

Wednesday, March 19th at 6pm. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjameskan.org.

On Sunday, March 23-Mother Pilar will be training all the Saints-in-Training children in Sunday School Class so they will be able to rotate in the mix as well. St. James' is a large family and children are vital to the health and vitality of our parish. There are so many small jobs that are easy and appropriate for all ages. Be sure to bring your children to class on Sunday, March 23.

Stewardship is the gift of Time, Talent and Treasure. Volunteering to make services special is a wonderful way to give of your time and talent. Thank you for prayerfully considering joining the worship participant team!



Weekly Schedule

Sunday March 16

Preacher: Rev. Pilar Padrón Parnell

7:30 a.m. Rite I Worship

9:00 a.m. Rite II Worship w/Organ & Choir

10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship w/Praise Band

Monday

9:30 a.m. Yoga

Tuesday

7:45 a.m. Centering Prayer Zoom

9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting

10:30 a.m. Dive Deeper Bible Study Zoom

Wednesday

12 p.m. Healing Eucharist

6 p.m. Midweek Music Online Only*

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Yoga

6 p.m. Adult Lenten Study-Parish Hall

Friday-Rector Sabbath/Office Closed

7:45 a.m. Centering Prayer Zoom

1:15 p.m. Sandwich Making for Homeless in Kitchen

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*Worship Live-Streamed
Facebook.com/StJamesSkaneateles

Program Change
No Sunday School
March 30

LAST CALL to Join
New Table Top
(Foyer Groups)-See
Nancy Graham



Did You Know by Emma Cowley

Did You Know? Dr. Seuss, the beloved children's author, has faced scrutiny for

racist imagery in some of his early works, including offensive depictions of Asian and Black characters in books like *If I Ran the Zoo* and *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*. Before his fame, he also created political cartoons with racist stereotypes, particularly against Japanese people during World War II. While some of his later works promoted themes of equality, the problematic aspects of his legacy led Dr. Seuss Enterprises to stop publishing six of his books in 2021. His story highlights the broader issue of racism in children's literature and the importance of critically examining classic works. While Dr. Seuss's books are beloved classics, it's important to examine how they portray marginalized groups. Some of his early works include harmful racial stereotypes that can shape children's perceptions in negative ways. By critically evaluating these depictions, we can have meaningful conversations about representation in literature and ensure that the books we share with children reflect values of inclusivity and respect. Acknowledging these issues doesn't erase Seuss's contributions but allows us to engage with his work in a more thoughtful and responsible way.

It's Easy to Support the Skaneateles Ecumenical Food Pantry!

Consider donating an item or two to the Skaneateles Ecumenical Food Pantry. Items requested this spring: mayonnaise, ketchup, cereal, liquid laundry detergent (small size), shampoo, conditioner, and diapers (sizes 6 and 7). Leave items in the container outside the sacristy. Questions?

Contact John Buterbaugh (buterbaugh2010@gmail.com) or Corinne Buterbaugh (corinnebuterbaugh@gmail.com).

Cake and Conversation on April 5 at 9 a.m.

Want to get to know some of your fellow parishioners over homemade coffee cake, gluten-free muffins, coffee and tea?

You're invited to **Altar Guild's semi-annual brass-polishing gathering on Saturday, April 5 at 9 a.m. in the parish hall.**

Men, women, tweens and teens are welcome.

We'll chat, polish the brass for Easter and be on our way in less than 90 minutes. It's a great opportunity for fellowship and a no-obligation way to learn more about Altar Guild. No need to RSVP—just join us!



Fun Volunteer Job! Merriman Circle Easter Egg Hunt is Good Friday, April 18th, 10:30 a.m. Volunteers wanted to hide eggs at 9:30 a.m. Anyone welcome to help. If you are willing to fill eggs, Easter eggs will be in the copy room, take what you can fill and return before April 13th

Join the Choir for Holy Week & Easter! Each year, St. James' creates many services to enrich the holy season. Justin Oei has numerous opportunities to add extra choir members to round out the St. James' Choir. If you have ever wanted to sing in church or share your talent, this is a great way to do so for a short time. All interested singers should contact Justin Oei, organist/choirmaster either at Sunday worship or by email at justin@stjamesaskan.org.

Calling All 2025 Graduates! Each year St. James' wants to celebrate all who are graduating from High School, College, Trade School, or certificate program. Please send Laura Posecznick the name of your 2025 graduate, degree/certificate, and where they are graduating from. You can email this info to laura@stjamesaskan.org or call the Parish Office at 315.685.7600.



Jumble Sale Coming Back this August! WE NEED YOU!

Dear St. James' Family,

As we look to the year and years ahead, our vestry is working diligently to meet the needs of our parish budget and lower our yearly deficit. We are looking for ways to raise money. This year, we are going to resurrect a fundraiser of years past—The Jumble Sale! This is where you come in, we need volunteers and products to sell! The event will be held in our parish hall, on August 2nd. We are taking items that are in good condition, with the exception of old computers, clothes, and books. If you are interested in being part of the organizational committee or volunteering on the day of, or have questions, please contact Beckie Hidy, beckiehid@gmail.com. Thank you! Yours in Christ, Mother Pilar



Come Celebrate Our St. James' Family at the Celebration of New Ministry on Wednesday, March 26 at 7pm. The Bishop will be here to officiate and we will be in white for the Feast of the Annunciation. This is the formal welcome of the Parnell's

toto St. James', so let's show Mother Pilar and her family how much we love and appreciate her. There will be a small reception directly following with desserts and some celebratory beverages. Please so mark your calendars -this is such a wonderful service formally launching the future of St. James'.

The Episcopal Diocese of Central New York is launching a hydroponic ministry to grow food year-round in support of our neighbors. Whether you're new to hydroponics or have been growing for years, you're invited to be part of this important ministry. **On Tuesday, March 25th at 7:00pm, we will have an information session on Zoom.** Registration is required, visit <https://cnyepiscopal.org/news-events/messenger/> for the link. Together, we can take the next step in supporting our neighbors—and have some fun along the way! Come join in this movement!

ALL INVITED! The RJRC is developing a relationship with the Mosque of Jesus, Son of Mary in Syracuse. They are in their holy month of Ramadan. **St. James' has been invited to be their guests at an Interfaith Iftar at the mosque on Tuesday, March 18th at 6:45 pm.** An Iftar is the fast-breaking meal celebrated with family and friends after sundown each day of Ramadan. We have been very graciously and joyously invited to join them for this special celebratory meal. **Please call the office and leave your name and phone number if you would like to join us.** There will be carpools from St. James'.

Attention All: All Building Use Requests Must be done through Nicole Bova, parish administrator. And moving forward, **all room requests require a signed room agreement form** that outlines expectations. Room Agreement Forms will be located on the wall outside of the Parish Office. Questions, contact Nicole at 315-685-7600.



Coffee Hour is a Huge Hit! We need more snacks ASAP! Please bring in donuts, cookies, fruit, breakfast breads & especially GLUTEN FREE items! There is a link on the StJamesSkan.org home page rotating banner to sign up or bring to the church and label. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office or Laura Posecznick at laura@stjameskan.org. Let's keep this wonderful fellowship opportunity going!

School Supplies WANTED for Refugees Coming to Syracuse. Drop off in blue bin outside the parish hall. Lined paper, notebooks, pencils, pens, folders and binders.



Register Your Child to Participate in the Egg Hunt.

Kids each find 10 eggs and turn them in for a bag of treats. Due to the enormous success of last year's egg hunt, we are requesting families help fund the goodie bags. There is an amazon wish list prepared for some of the items needed. Any donation is appreciated.

Questions contact the Parish Office at 315-685-7600.

Saturday, April 19 at 11 a.m.

Side Lawn Next to Church

Register Link on Homepage of StJamesSkan.org

The Faith of Leviticus Adult Lenten Study-Thursdays in Lent at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall led by Rev. Scott Parnell

Jesus as a first century Jew was steeped in Torah: the instructive literature of the first five books of the Hebrew Bible. At the center of Torah is the book of Leviticus -- a priestly manual of ritual law and moral commandments -- given to inform the cultural imagination of the Jewish people. Join us, this Lent, as we explore the life-giving themes of Torah drawn out in Leviticus. By reading it in its whole context, we will reclaim its wisdom from fundamentalism and find its relevance in our faith, today."

St. James' Prayers for Week of March 16, 2025

In our parishes, we pray for the people of Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Elmira and their priest, the Rev. Robert Adkins, and the people of Grace Episcopal Church in Elmira. **In the Episcopal Church, we pray for the people** of the Diocese of Dominican Republic and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Moisés Quezada Mota. **In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people** of the Anglican Church of the Province of Central Africa and their archbishop, the Most Rev. Albert Chama.

For those expecting a child: Emily & David Hart (daughter of Laura & Terry Posecznick), Anna Goodell (daughter of Bart & Becky Goodell).

Those who are sick and in need of prayer: Michelle Miller (friend of Han Johnson), Patrice Spalding (sister in law to Molly and Bill), Lauren Javis (daughter to a dear friend), Michele Miller (friend of Dan Johnson), David Austin (brother of Rick), Carolyn (sister of Barb Ozminkowski), Mary McKenna (friend of Mary McGrath), Kim Dubois (friend of Jean Beeles), Sharon Gannon.

Those listed on our long term prayer list: Donna Richards, Chris Richards, Michael Brown, Tracy Feocco, Linda Hawley, Pat Brown, Jason Weston (son of Susan Gibes), Mary Ann Turner (friend of Molly Spalding), Kathy Ploufe, Pam Stewart, Ann Wolfe, Suellen Sager, Danae Hidy (daughter of Beckie & Brian Hidy), Emily Thomas, Chuck Davis (brother of Brian Davis), Iris Ramos (mother of Alberto Fry), John Spear, Jim & Patrick Malvaso (Marie Hughes' brothers), Nicole Hyde, Margrif family (niece of Susan Spencer), Matt & Lori Andrews (friends of Joan Johnson), Martha, Cynthia, Lou, and Theresa Rose (Joan Johnson's in-laws), Joan Johnson, Ken Roffo (Katelyn Roffo's father), Andy & Dorothy Pierce, Sue Palen, Henry (friend of Carolyn Legg), Ginny Pfau, twin children Morgan and Robert (children of Gubla & Sofie Jantzen), Helen (sister of Brian Davis), Laila (great niece of Brian Davis), Bud Evans (brother of Don Evans), Peter & Sharon Andrus (friends of Terry Askey-Cole), Erik Withey, Joyce Thomas, Ed Cole, Steve Giocondo (father of Sara Jones), Vera Foehl, Sandy Fillingham, Rick Burton, Sean Arliss (grandson of Sharon & David Arliss), Susan Scholl, Suzy Jones, Sherry Yellot, Terry Askey Cole & Larry Cole, Sue Newlin (mother of Molly Spalding), Kaiden (grandson of Jean Beeles), Ben, David & Gretchen (grandchild of Joan Johnson, her son & wife), Kelly Ryan, Jacob Matlby (son of Kelly Ryan & Mike Spaces), Robbie Clark (brother of Kristina Abbott), Adam Newlin (brother of Molly Spalding), Tara Covert Lanning, Darwin Parker, Jude Ker, Linda Lavery, Judy Santillo & Ann Malvaso (sister's of Marie Hughes), Helen Burlingame (sister of Brian Davis), Marilyn Garofalo (mother of Chris Davis), Dot Pitman, Alexander Sturdivant (friend of Nancy & Rick Austin), Marie Bundy, Griffin Palen, Don Evans, Linda & Nick Rossi, Tacy Chantler (sister-in-law of Carrie Chantler), Euclide Mugisho & family, Roxanne Soprano, Cathy Valentine, Bob Doolittle, Linda Morse, Danae Hidy, Alberto Fry, Belva Morton (mother of Kathy Ingianni), David Bates, Helen Dayal, Scholl family, Patrick & Jonathan Arliss, Jim Corl, Kirsten Juhl (daughter of Jim & Nancy Corl), Gwen Birchenough, Pat Gannon, Jennifer Carson (niece of Linda Lavery), Tricia McMurdy (friend of Nancy Austin), Ingrid McMurdy, Ella (friend of Ingrid), Noelle (daughter of Ingrid), Christine Posecznick (sister-in-law of Laura).

Prayers for all the individuals who suffer in these chaotic times, those without employment, worried about money, families in crisis, people living in areas with natural disasters, and those who feel there is no hope. May the powerful healing touch of love be with all who suffer. And may they truly feel that all will be well with faith in Christ.

All who have died: Bob Doolittle, Holly Delavan, Clare Fraumeni (mother of Marie Nickerson), Irene Nickerson (mother of Steve Nickerson)

If you would like to be added...

Prayer Lists above, please contact Nancy Graham at nancy@stjameskan.org.

Birthday List Announcement, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjameskan.org

Email Prayer Chain, please contact Corinne Buterbaugh at corinnebuterbaugh@gmail.com

E-Blast database to receive updates and news, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjameskan.org

Questions: Contact the Parish Office at 315.685.7600.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9am-3pm

Readings Sunday March 23

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 13:31-35

Psalms 27