



WEEKLY

Week of March 23, 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*

Celebration of
New Ministry



Come Celebrate Our St. James' Family at the Celebration of New Ministry THIS 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 to 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 set aside an hour-this is such a wonderful service formally launching the future of St. James'.

For I know the plans I have for you,
declares the LORD, plans for welfare and
not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

Program Change
No Sunday School
March 30

Calling Families
Making Palm
Crosses Sunday,
April 6 at 10 a.m. in
the Parish Hall
with Rev. Toppie Bates &
Diane Steckel in the Parish
Hall.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday March 23

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Chuck Stewart

7:30 a.m. Rite I Worship

9:00 a.m. Rite II Worship w/Organ &
Choir / **Rev. Toppie Bates Celebrating**

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*

7pm Celebration of New Ministry

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](https://www.facebook.com/StJamesSkaneateles)

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, beckiehidy@gmail.com. Thank you! Yours in Christ, Mother Pilar

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).



Did You Know? By Emma Cowley

As a person who loves ranch dressing and puts it on everything, I had no idea who created it. Steve Henson invented ranch dressing in the 1950s while working as a plumbing contractor in remote Alaska. As the camp's cook, he needed a way to make meals more enjoyable for his crew, so he created a creamy dressing using buttermilk, herbs, and spices. The dressing was a hit, and after moving to California, he and his wife opened Hidden Valley Ranch, where they served it to guests. Its popularity led to mass production, making ranch dressing one of the most beloved condiments in the U.S. today.

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! Need Easter Eggs Filled for Egg Hunt at Merriman. Need lots of help because there are many eggs. **Please fill eggs located in the copy room, take what you can fill and return before April 13th.** Any questions, please contact Nancy Graham at 315-317-0138.

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@stjameskan.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@stjameskan.org or call the Parish Office at 315.685.7600.

CreationCARE Fast Facts



Phytoplankton is another "lung" on our earth like the Rain Forest. Amazing to think how often God uses the smallest thing like microscopic plankton to make large impacts: a mustard seed growing into a large plant, the tiny plankton who are responsible for producing half the world's oxygen! What extraordinary capability! If we all did whatever we are capable of—Every, Single, Person did one kind thing per day, how wonderful our world would be.

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."

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.



America is at a crossroads where politicians, news media, and social media fan the flames of toxic partisanship that have led Americans to question whether they can trust their fellow citizens.

In our divisive time, this film stands as a beacon of hope and a call to action.

"UNDIVIDE US is an uplifting film that makes you realize how easy the seemingly impossible is: How to get to know and even LIKE the people we think are totally, utterly WRONG!"

Liz Joyner, Founder and CEO, The Village Square

AUBURN PUBLIC THEATER

8 Exchange Street, Auburn

Thursday, April 10

Film 6 pm / Discussion 7:15 pm

Moderated by

Sue Dwyer, former Cayuga County Clerk, and
Chris Legg, Town of Skaneateles Supervisor

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Including pizza and beverages

Presented by St. James' Episcopal Church, Skaneateles



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

2025 Easter Flowers Donation Form -Return to Parish Office by April 15

Donor's Name: _____

Donor's Phone: _____ Total Donated: _____

Cash _____ Check _____

In Thanksgiving For: (Print Name(s) Clearly)

In Memory Of: (Print Name(s) Clearly)

There are Easter Flower Envelopes if you prefer in the pew pockets.

St. James' Prayers for Week of March 23, 2025

In our parishes, we pray for the people of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Endicott and their priest, the Rev. John Martinichio, and the people of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Evans Mills. **In the Episcopal Church, we pray for the people** of the Diocese of East Carolina and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Robert Skirving. **In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people** of the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America and their primate, the Most Rev. Juan David Alvarado.

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: Lois Laxton, Sandy Fillingham, 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, 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, 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 McCurdy, Ella (friend of Ingrid), Noelle (daughter of Ingrid).

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: Catherine Bitter (daughter of Joyce Thomas), Bob Doolittle, Holly Delavan,

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 30

Joshua 5:9-12

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Psalm 32