



WEEKLY

Week of November 2, 2025

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

*The Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving of the
Graham Family by Nancy Graham.*

Dear St. James',
With the federal government entering a shut down, we are preparing for increased demand for food at our local food banks due to the elimination of SNAP benefits and other federal programming. To help support our beloved brothers and sisters for whom food scarcity is a real concern, the vestry has decided to take up a special plate offering for the next four Sundays to support the Skaneateles Food Pantry and the Food Bank of Central New York. You can place your offering in an envelope and write "Rector's Discretionary" on it or write it in the memo line on a check, placing it in the offering plate. This is one way we can live into being the church. Seventy years ago, before the federal government made changes to fund social programming and benefits, it was the church that made sure people were housed, clothed, and fed. This is an opportunity for us to live into our calls at baptism and we are grateful for your generosity.
Yours in Christ, The Vestry of St. James'

All Saints' is a feast day in the Episcopal Church that is celebrated on November 1st and can be moved to the Sunday following it. It is part of a triduum of feast days which includes, All Hallows' Eve, All Saints' Day, and All Souls' Day. On this day we remember and celebrate those who have died, praying especially for those who have died since the last celebration of All Saints'. It is also a day set apart in the church for baptism. It is on this day that we celebrate our place in God's eternal kingdom and give thanks for the saints' of the church and those in our lives, as we look forward to the day we will take our own places in God's Kingdom.

Sunday Loose Plate
Offering Will Be
Donated to
Skaneateles Food
Pantry

CreationCARE Meeting
November 2
9:30 a.m.
Conference Room

Weekly Schedule

Sunday November 2

Preacher: Rev. Pilar Padrón Parnell

7:00 a.m. Rite I

8:30 a.m. Rite II with Organ & Choir *
Mini-Saints Sunday School (lower level)

9:30 a.m. CreationCARE Meeting

10:00 a.m. Adult Formation Class-
Lakeside Room & Saints-in-Training

10:45 a.m. Rite II Contemporary Worship
with Praise Band *

**12pm Thank You Reception for Michael
Larkin-Parish Hall**

Monday

9:30 a.m. Yoga

Tuesday

7:45 a.m. Centering Prayer Zoom

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

Wednesday

12:00 p.m. Healing Worship

6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Yoga

Friday-Office Closed

7:45 a.m. Centering Prayer Zoom

1:15 p.m. Sandwich Making for Homeless

**7:00 p.m. Compline*-John Gillmeister
ONLINE ONLY**

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*Worship Live-Streamed
Facebook.com/StJamesSkaneateles

Parish Office Hours 9 a.m.-3 p.m.



Thank You Michael Larkin!

Your talent is boundless. Your dedication and creative online solutions during the pandemic allowed St. James' to keep connected with its family. Along with a beautiful voice and ability to play every instrument, you weekly arranged & created new songs enabling our ever changing band to sound its best. Probably the best quality about you is your willingness to jump in and make things work. From bailing out the "Great Palm Sunday flood" to creating a Christmas pageant masterpiece video, you always stepped up. While we will see you in the pew (we better!), your efforts will continue to be experienced every week at St. James'. Thank you good and faithful servant. You are a beloved child of God and we love you.

InterFaith Works Center for Healthy Aging Dept. is looking for Gift Baskets to hand out to elderly in nursing homes who do not have family.

Create a basket or decorative gift bag with 10 of the items below. Please drop them off in the basket outside the Parish Hall by December 1.

Ideas for Basket Contents

- Non-perishable foods (coffee, tea, chocolate, candy, crackers/biscuits, honey/jam, etc.)
- Socks
- Hats
- Gift Cards
- Kleenex
- Wash cloths
- Ear Plugs
- Night lights
- Entertainment items (cards, board games, puzzles- 300-500 pcs.)
- Hygiene Products
- Calendars, Journals & Pens
- Crossword puzzles (large print)
- Light blankets (for one's use when in common areas)
- Bags that hang off walkers or wheelchairs
- An eye mask (for napping in a room with a roommate)

Questions: Contact Carol Murphy at murphycarol336@gmail.com



Sister Marie Patricia
Sharing Her Call



Coffee with a Cop



Youth Group Pizza Party

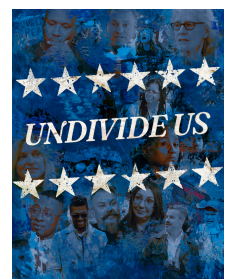


Saints Class with Sarah

An Invitation to Dialogue across Difference

The Racial Justice and Reconciliation on Commission of St. James' Episcopal Church, Skaneateles, is **SEEKING PARTICIPANTS for facilitated dialogues to hone civil discourse skills.** The goal of the dialogues is not to change opinions or to debate. Rather, participants will walk away with sharpened communication skills and increased confidence in sharing their perspective. Dialogues will take place on January 17, 24, and 31, 2026 8:30 am to 1 pm at St. James' in Skaneateles and will bring together People with diverse perspectives. Please join us in this important work to bridge the differences that separate us. We are asking for people to sign up. APPLY HERE <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PCY6G9W>

Deadline to apply is November 21, 2025. For more information, email judyholmes76@gmail.com.



ADULT FORMATION BEGINS! EPISCOPAL CHURCH: MEMBERSHIP, SACRAMENTS & HOLY DYING

Join the 6-week series on the Episcopal Church.

This program will be for newcomers and long time parishioners alike. Mother Pilar is leading a talk about theology, sacraments, membership, death/dying, resurrection and more! Sunday mornings have been reconfigured to allow space for learning and fellowship for both adults & children-please give it a try!

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS AT ST. JAMES'



SARAH JONES, DIR. CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY

Saturday, Nov. 22, 8:30 a.m. MS/HS Youth

Volunteer at Auburn's SS Peter & John Soup Kitchen .

**Sunday, Nov. 23- Friendsgiving Potluck
Brunch after 10:45am Service**

(Everyone bring an item to pass!-Sign Up Online)

**Sunday, Nov. 30- Advent Wreath Making
9:30-10:45am** (Bring your own greenery-candle rings
& candles provided.)

**Sunday, Dec. 7-Children's Christmas Pageant
Practice -10 a.m.** (It is important for all the kids who
will be participating to come to this first meeting for parts/
jobs are designated.)St. James' is looking for more
adult volunteers to help in both the Mini-Saints &
Saints-in-Training Classes. If you are interested in
being an extra helper, please contact Sarah Jones at
Sarah@stjameskan.org.

Vote Tuesday, Nov. 4, 6 a.m.- 9 p.m. (Onondaga County) for Local Elections

Every registered voter is eligible to vote. Be sure to check on where your voting station is located. It could have changed. Never assume. Since you have to provide multiple forms of ID to be registered, NYS does not require you to provide one at the polls. HOWEVER, it makes things easier for the inspectors looking you up & if you registered by mail-you will be required to show your license before you can vote. Your address on your ID must match what is on file or you will have to do an affidavit ballot which is longer. Local elections decide how your town or village will be run. In some cases, it is more important than the national election. Do your homework, read up on who is running for office. Questions, contact the Board of Elections in your county.

MASTERWORKS CHORALE

*Michael Kringer, director
presents*

Handel's Messiah Sing!

50 voice choir & soloists - and a chance to add your voice*

Sunday, November 9, 2025, 4:00 pm

Waterman School Auditorium
55 East St., Skaneateles NY

*Rejoice with the glorious Christmas Portion and Hallelujah Chorus, our holiday
tradition! No ticket needed. Suggested donation at the door: \$20 (adults);
18 & under are free. Approx. 1 hour, no intermission. All proceeds support the
MasterWorks Chorale*

**Experienced Messiah singers attend our November 7th rehearsal (required)
and perform with us!*

For more info: masterworkscny.org

Parish Office Schedule Updates

Closed -Tuesday, Nov. 11 for Veterans Day

By Appointment Only-Monday, Nov. 24-Wednesday, Nov. 27

(Call or email ahead to be sure staff is available.)

Closed -Thursday, Nov. 28 & Friday, Nov. 29 for Thanksgiving

Safe Church Training-Nov. 8 10am-2pm Parish Hall

Mother Pilar is offering In-Person Safe Church Training on Saturday, November 8 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Anyone wishing to volunteer within any ministry at St. James' requires safe church training. Once trained, the certificate lasts for 5 years. You can do it online or in-person. If you would like to attend the in-person training, please contact the parish office at 315-685-7600.

Did You Know? By Emma Cowley



Midori Monét, a Black trans woman from the U.S., was crowned Miss International Queen 2025 in Thailand, making history as the first Black trans woman and first Black contestant from any nation to win the title. She is also the third American to ever claim the crown. Originally from Tacoma, Washington, and now based in Seattle, Monét's journey to the international stage began long before this historic win. She earned the national title of Miss International Queen USA 2025, and notably competed in cisgender pageants as well—placing among the top finalists at Miss Washington USA, a rare feat for a trans woman. Alongside her pageantry, Monét is a dedicated advocate for LGBTQ+ youth. She co-founded The House of Scott, a chosen-family network providing mentorship and community for queer youth, particularly those facing marginalization. On the Miss International Queen stage, she also won Best National Costume and Best Preliminary Performance, showcasing

both her artistry and presence. In her acceptance speech, she declared she was “living out [her] ancestors’ wildest dreams,” underscoring the importance of visibility, representation, and pride—especially for Black trans women who are too often underrepresented and underserved. Her win is being celebrated worldwide as a groundbreaking moment for diversity in pageantry and a powerful symbol of hope and progress.

St. James' Prayers for Week of November 2, 2025

In our parishes, we pray for the people of St. James' Episcopal Church in Clinton and their priest, the Rev. Joanna Benskin, and the people of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Constableville. **In the Episcopal Church, we pray for the people** of the Diocese of Central Florida and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Justin S. Holcomb. **In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people** of the Church of the Province of West Africa and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Cyril Kobina Ben-Smith.

Those who are sick and in need of prayer: Lois Laxton, Helen O'Neill, Bob Bratt (husband of Tori), Nick Gilbertson (grand-nephew of Debra Rose Brillatti), Rachel (niece of Martha Stiles), Stephanie (daughter of Jean Beeles), Kathleen Owen's (mother of Amy Schiek), Lori Schiek (sister-in-law of Amy), Jim Lanning, Christine Posecznick (Sister in law of Laura Posecznick), Travis and Aubrey Hyde (son and daughter-in-law of Nicole), Joe Mooney, Cincy (sister of Carolyn Ebner), Anne & Bob Stenhouse (Laura Posecznick's parents), Stephanie Hembach (daughter-in-law of Gay), Nicole Hyde, Robert Jansen (friend of Joan Johnson), Pinky Grau, Willie Crary, Jim & Nancy Corl, John Devins, Pat Brown, Mike Fowler, Sharon Gannon, Ed & Mary Kay Cole, and Sandy Fillingham.

Those listed on our long term prayer list: Pat Odom (mother of Michele Lytle), Brooke (Ann Scholl daughter in law), Mary Bradley, Tara Covert, Diana O'Brien, Maria Malvaso, Evan Brown (Michael Brown's son), Barb Baker, Matt Bates, Tom (Nick Kilkenny's father in law), Edward, Laura Volk, & Adam Slavic (friends of Katie Grau), Dennis McEnery (friend of Helen O'Neill), Sharon Arliess, Ann Scholl, Spencer Gervasoni, Susanne Rynkiewicz, Lauren Javis (daughter to a dear friend), Mary Beth Grau, George (husband of Barbara Kay), Jennifer Evans, Harry Peltz, Jim & Nora Brown, Donna Richards, Chris Richards, Michael Brown, Tracy Feocco, Linda Hawley, Jason Weston (son of Susan Gibedes), Pam Stewart, Ann Wolfe, 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), Matt & Lori Andrews (friends of Joan Johnson), Joan Johnson, Elliott Stokes (nephew of John Johnson), Lauren (granddaughter of Joan Johnson), Ben (grandson of Joan Johnson), 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), Joyce Thomas, Steve Giocondo (father of Sara Jones), Vera Foehl, Rick Burton, Sean Arliss (grandson of Sharon & David Arliss), Susan Scholl, 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), Darwin Parker, Jude Ker, Linda Lavery, Judy Santillo & Ann Malvaso (sister's of Marie Hughes), Marilyn Garofalo (mother of Chris Davis), Dot Pitman, 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, Alberto Fry, David Bates, Scholl family, Patrick & Jonathan Arliss, Kirsten Juhl (daughter of Jim & Nancy Corl), Gwen Birchenough, Pat Gannon, Jennifer Carson (niece of Linda Lavery), Ingrid McCurdy, Ella (friend of Ingrid), Noelle (daughter of Ingrid).

All who have died: Helen Dayal (sister of Laura Bigness)

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



Readings Sunday November 2, 2025

Isaiah 1:10-18
 Psalm 32:1-8
 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
 Luke 19:1-10



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