



WEEKLY

Week of November 9, 2025

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

Season of Giving



Each year St. James' coordinates with local organizations & families in need and provide opportunities to give them a little Christmas cheer. The Angel Tree provides gifts for children of locally incarcerated parents. More on page 3. The Giving Trees have different shaped ornaments explaining the items needed. These could be pjs, Meachem elementary kids toys, children's clothing with sizes, and more! This year is especially challenging for many feeling the effects of the economy and cuts to supplemental programs. **Please take a tag and have your item back by November 30.** Questions, please contact **Cindy Bright at cgbright1@gmail.com for Angel Tree gifts and Nancy Graham at nancymgraham4@gmail.com.**



Welcome Robbie Padilla as St. James' New Organist! Robbie has played in our church many times as a sub. Now we are blessed to have him as our own Organist to work with our talented choir and Choirmaster, Nick Kilkenny! Please take a moment to welcome Robbie to our family!

Sunday Loose Plate Offering Will Be Donated to Skaneateles Food Pantry



Weekly Schedule

Sunday November 9

Preacher: John Gillmeister, Seminary Intern

7:00 a.m. Rite I

8:30 a.m. Rite II with Organ & Choir *

Mini-Saints Sunday School (lower level)

10:00 a.m. Adult Formation Class-

Lakeside Room & Saints-in-Training

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

Monday

9:30 a.m. Yoga

Tuesday -Parish Office Closed

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



WHAT'S GOING ON?

Sunday, November 9: Last session of first Adult Formation Series- 10 a.m. Lakeside Rm.

Tuesday, November 11: Parish Office Closed

Sunday, November 16: *Don't forget to take a gift tag for someone in need & bring in your pledge card!*

Saturday, November 22: 8:30 a.m. MS/HS Youth Group Volunteer at Auburn's SS Peter & John Soup Kitchen. See Sarah Jones.

Sunday, November 23: ONE WORSHIP ONLY 9 a.m.

- **Friendsgiving Potluck** directly following-sign up to bring a side dish on board in church
- **New Adult Advent Study (11 a.m.-12 p.m.) Lakeside Room** -Simple Conversational/ Listening Prayer
- **Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship at 4 p.m.** at St. James'

Monday, Nov. 24-Tuesday, Nov. 25: Parish Office will be open by Appointment ONLY.

Wednesday, Nov. 27 -Friday, Nov. 28: Parish Office Closed

Sunday, November 30: Advent I

- **Angel & Gift Tree wrapped gifts DUE**
- **Adult Advent Study at 9:40 a.m.-Tactile Prayer- the Anglican Rosary**
- **Advent Wreath Making at 9:30 a.m. Parish Hall.** (Bring your own greenery)

Sunday, December 7: Advent II

- **Adult Advent Study at 9:40 a.m.-Group's Choice- Psalm, Examen, Adoration, Intercession, Creation**
- **Children's Pageant Practice at 10 a.m.** in Saints in Training class.

St. James' Parish Office Upcoming Schedule

Closed -Tuesday, Nov. 11

By Appointment Only the Week of Thanksgiving
Mon. Nov. 24-Wed. Nov. 27

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

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

For key programs and upcoming events, visit StJamesSkan.org and look at the ROTATING banners on the home page. Many link to more info. Questions, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjamessskan.org

Sunday, December 14: Advent III

- **Adult Advent Study at 9:40 a.m.-Moving outward-Praying as we Serve**
- **Children's Pageant Practice at 10 a.m.** in Saints in Training class. & **Cookie Making after 10:45 a.m. service.**

Friday, December 19: 4:45 p.m. Caroling (youth & families)

Sunday, December 21: Advent IV

ONE SERVICE ONLY- 9 a.m.

- **Christmas Family Reception after worship**
- **Children's Pageant Practice (MANDATORY) after worship in the NAVE**

Christmas Eve Worship at St. James'! Wednesday, December 24

4 P.M. Family Christmas Eucharist with Children's Pageant (Children in pageant arrive by 3:30 p.m.)

7 P.M. Contemporary Christmas Eucharist with Praise Band

9:30 P.M. Christmas Music Prelude

10 P.M. Traditional Christmas Eucharist with Organ & Choir

No Services on Christmas Day-Dec. 25

Sunday, December 28 : ONE SERVICE ONLY -9 A.M.
No Sunday School Classes

Celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary? Thinking of Someone Special? Remembering a loved one? Please Consider dedicating altar flowers for a week. Altar flowers cost St. James' about \$50 a week. Your generosity helps keep us looking beautiful. Flowers can be dedicated for ANY reason! Dedications are put on the cover of the Weekly. It is so easy! There is a list of dates on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Sign up for a date. Put a check (memo-flowers) or money in an envelope and put in the offering or drop off in the parish office. Any questions, please see Laura Posecznick at laura@stjamessskan.org.

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'



Walnuts from Trees Available in Parish Hall

Christopher Deets gathered up some of the walnuts that blanket the ground and cleaned them up for anyone to pick up and take home.

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 & Hygiene Products
- An eye mask (for napping in a room with a roommate)
- Ear Plugs
- Night lights
- Entertainment items (cards, board games, puzzles- 300-500 pcs.)
- Calendars, Journals & Pens, Crossword puzzles (large print)
- Light blankets (for one's use when in common areas)
- Bags that hang off walkers or wheelchairs

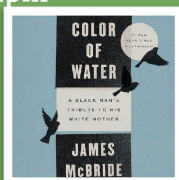
Questions: Contact Carol Murphy at
murphycarol336@gmail.com

Next Diversity Book Club-Sunday, Nov. 23 at 12pm

THE COLOR OF WATER BY JAMES MCBRIDE

November 23: The Color of Water tells the story of McBride and his white, Jewish mother Ruth. Ruth was born in Poland and raised in Suffolk, Va, the daughter of an itinerant rabbi and a loving, disabled mother who spoke no English.

Lakeside Room -All Welcome!



FriendsGiving Potluck on Nov. 23 at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall

Only 1 worship service at 9 a.m. on November 23 to close our 2026 stewardship campaign.

Please Sign Up to Bring a Side Dish on the List in the Rear of the Church. Turkey/

Main Dish will be provided by St. James'. Sarah Jones, Director of Children, Youth, & Families is leading this event. Anyone with questions or wishing to lend a hand, please contact her at sarah@stjameskan.org.



PRISON FELLOWSHIP
ANGEL TREE

Angel Tree Program: Make Christmas Special for Children of the Incarcerated!

The Angel Tree and is organized by Prison Fellowship/Jail Ministry. It enables churches like St.

James' to buy and deliver gifts for children who have incarcerated parents. The gift provides a tangible expression of love which connects the incarcerated parent to their child. One teenager described the program this way, St. James' has committed to purchase gifts for about 25 children: 1 clothing and 1 fun gift for each child. Find the list of tags on the tree in the rear of the church. All of the families live in Auburn. Please join St. James' in this important ministry of love.

Important dates for Angel Tree at St. James' Sundays, November 9-TAKE A TAG/SIGN UP

Kick Off 2025 Angel Tree Christmas gift program at all 3 worship services. A small Christmas tree will be displayed at the back of the Sanctuary with gift tags that include the child's first name, sex, age, size and gift suggestion (provided by their caretaker)

Sunday, November 30-DROP OFF GIFTS

All gifts are due back at St. James Parish Hall, wrapped or in a gift bag with the tag attached. Gifts will be sorted and prepared for delivery
Sunday, December 7-Pick Up for Delivery Dec. 8-12 Gift Deliver volunteers will contact their families and determine the best time for gift delivery when the caregiver and child are home.

Questions: Cindy Bright at
cgbright1@gmail.com

MORE INFO

stjameskan.org/jail-ministry/

St. James' Prayers for Week of November 9, 2025

In our parishes, we pray for the people of Trinity Episcopal Church in Constantia and the people of Grace Episcopal Church in Copenhagen. **In the Episcopal Church, we pray for the people** of the Diocese of Central Gulf Coast and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. James Russell Kendrick. **In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people** of the Church in the Province of the West Indies and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Howard Gregory.

Those who are sick and in need of prayer: Sandy Rozek (friend of Nancy & Jim Corl), Sandy Rozek (friend of Nancy & Jim Corl), 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), 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

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



Readings Sunday November 16, 2025

Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalms 98

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Luke 21:5-19



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