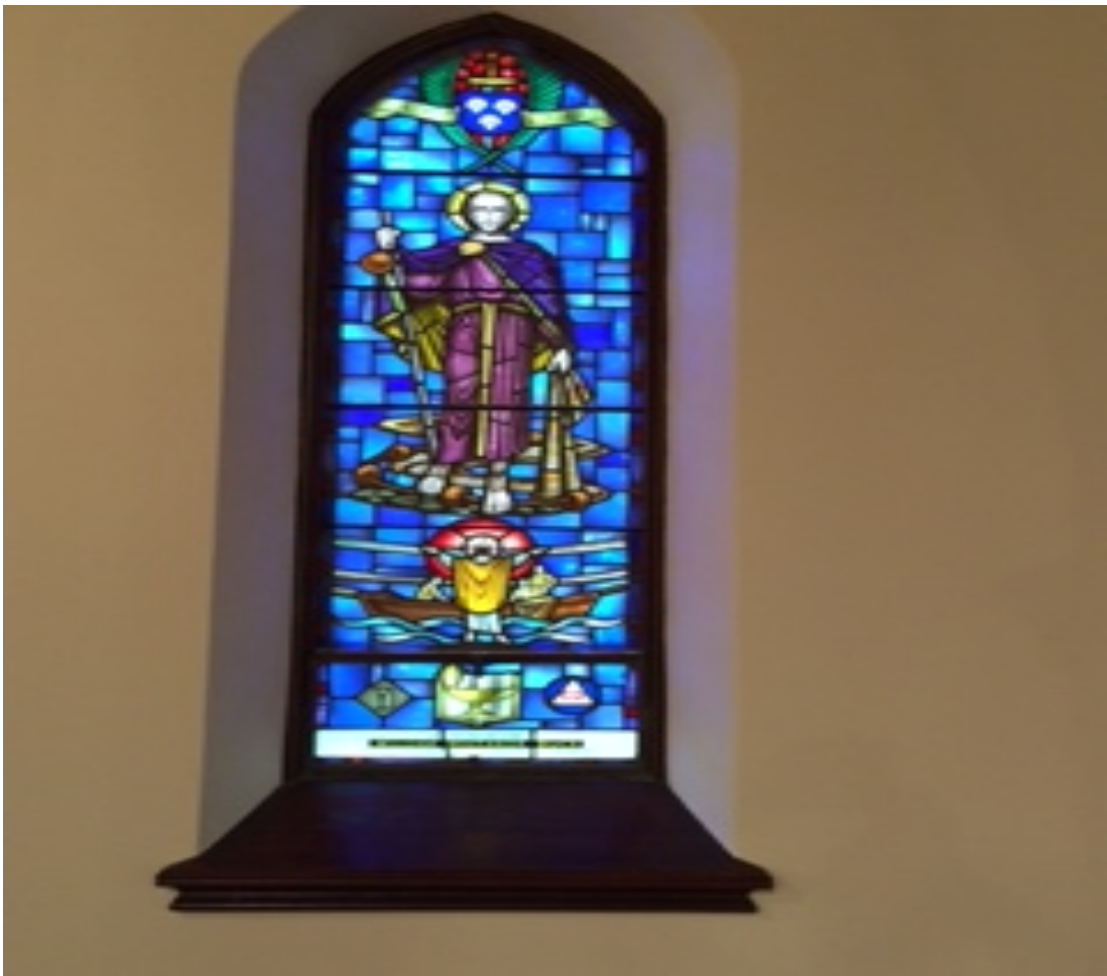


*Easter and Early Pentecost, 2016*

# The Network



*St. James' Episcopal Church*

2584 Main Street, P.O. Box 206, Glastonbury, CT

*To grow spiritually and spread the love of Christ*

## Service Schedule

<b>Sundays</b>	8:00 AM	Rite I Holy Eucharist
	10:15 AM	Rite II Holy Eucharist
<b>Wednesdays</b>		10:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers
<b>Summer, 2016</b>		8:00 AM & 10:15 AM

Our sound system is equipped with a supplemental system to aid those who need **hearing assistance** during the service. The personal units have been upgraded and are **available from the ushers**.

***Safe Church Policy*** requires that minor children should not leave the sanctuary during worship unaccompanied by a parent. Ushers will ask unaccompanied children to go back into the church and get a parent. We appreciate your compliance with this policy.

### **Vision Statements:**

All of our ministries are Christ-centered, joyfully sharing Christ's love.

Led by our commissions, we will reach out and encourage participation to nourish spiritual growth.

Using our time, talents, and treasure, we will support the ministries and activities of this faith community.

We will be an open, welcoming, and inclusive faith community with honest and respectful communication.

Our ministries will serve the community of St. James' and those beyond our walls.



The **Network** cover page is a photo of the “St. James” stained-glass window. William Whitaker Buck is honored at the bottom of the window. He was a long-time Treasurer and Junior Warden of St. James’ Church.

## Annual Meeting



Shrove  
Tuesday  
Pancake  
Supper

# RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS

Spring is here and it is already time to be thinking about “the end of the church year” - that time of year when things slow down, or I should say, used to slow down. It seems that each year there is more and more to do in the summer months at Church, which in many ways is a good thing. Many of our ministries will continue right through the summer and we may even have some new things going on. This is all good because we don't stop being church when the weather gets warm.

This year we will not be going to the old summer schedule of one service at 9:00. We will hold 8:00 and 10:15 services all summer. The 10:15 service might look a little different on many Sundays as we try some new things to make it a bit more child-friendly, since there is no Sunday school in the summer.

I am hoping that we will have some activities on our front lawn this summer, such as movie nights with films shown under the stars, perhaps a concert in St. Michael's Chapel, and other things that will bring us and others to our church. I am looking for a few people who might want to help plan some fun activities for the church community and beyond, not only this summer, but throughout the year. If you are interested in this, contact me.

Church is about worship, community and mission, and we need to be intentional about all of these. Worship - is it joyful? Are we truly praising God and are we being fed? Community - do we know the folks who sit next to us on Sunday morning? Do I feel comfortable talking about issues of faith and issues that affect my life with these folks? Mission - are there opportunities for us to engage in Kingdom building activities, helping to heal, nurture and support those who are seen as the least in our world and are we supporting one and other in our efforts to do this work? It's important to ask these questions, and to be able to answer a resounding YES to each of them. If we can't, we need to figure out how we become the church that allows us to do so in the future.

So as spring turns into summer, let's not turn our attentions away from church, but let us together find ways to be church all year round.

Peace,  
Denise+



# Outreach

A HUGE THANK YOU

to Sandy Ouellette and Sarah Shannon

for putting together, coordinating, and pulling off a fantastic, expanded **Art in the Abbey**, and to all of you who supported it with your time, talent, and treasure. As you may know, this is the source of most of our Outreach funds.

Please mark these upcoming Outreach events on your calendar:

- April – all month **Kids Helping Kids Food Drive**  
*Children (and adults) are encouraged to donate kid-friendly food items each week for four weeks. Watch the bulletin and email blasts for details. Coordinator: Blakeley Crevoiserat*
- April 22 (Friday) **Blood Drive**  
*Volunteers needed to welcome donors and to provide food for donors – sandwiches or sandwich makings, cookies/brownies, fruit. Coordinator: Jeannette Brown.*
- May 1 (Sunday) **Walk Against Hunger**  
*Join the St. James' team as a walker, or sponsor a walker to raise funds to feed the hungry.*
- May 7 (Saturday) **LUNCH IN THE PARK**  
*Volunteers needed to assemble bag lunches, donate home-made cookies, and help pack up and transport the lunches to Bushnell Park in Hartford. Coordinator: Marie Dixon*
- May 8 (Mother's Day) **Plant Sale**  
*Plan on buying your beautiful hanging plants at St. James' to support Outreach Programs. A great Mother's Day gift!*
- June 25 (Saturday) **LUNCH IN THE PARK** (see above)

## REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

Denise and several St. James' parishioners attended a March meeting to learn about refugee resettlement. There will be a follow-up / initial training meeting at IRIS (*Integrated Refugee and Immigration Services*) in New Haven on April 7, which some of us will attend. If you are interested in getting involved with this outreach effort, please let me know and we'll keep you on the email list. Email Barbara Buddington - [bbuddington@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bbuddington@sbcglobal.net).



*First  
Communion*



*Art in the Abbey*



## ***Food For The Poor***

*To the St. James Episcopal Church Family:*

*Food For The Poor wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Pastor Roth on our recent visit to your parish.*

*On behalf of our brothers and sisters throughout the Caribbean and Latin America, we thank you for your compassion and care. We are all blessed by and grateful for your generosity.*

*In Christ,  
The Food For The Poor Family*

## **Adult Formation Offerings**

### **THEOLOGY ON TAP**

***CHECK THE WEEKLY E-MAIL BLASTS FOR DETAILS***

**WEDNESDAYS 6:30 P.M. @ ST. JAMES**

### **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION**

Coffee and Conversation will continue on April 14th at 10:00 in the Loft at St. James. We will read and discuss ***Wearing God*** by Lauren F. Winner. Please order your book in advance of the first gathering.

We will meet on: April 14, 28, May 12, 26, June 9, 23 & 30.

## **Help Feed the Hungry Ministry - An Opportunity to Serve**

Thank you for your continual generous donations of food and toiletries, which are shared with the Glastonbury Food Pantry and the MANNA pantry in Hartford. In addition, each Sunday the Glastonbury **Panera** bakery donates its surplus bread products, which are delivered to Hartford each Monday by our loyal volunteers. We would welcome another delivery volunteer, especially to give us more options during the summer. Bread is picked up at Panera at 8:00 p.m. Sunday and delivered to MANNA on Monday. For more information, contact David Buddington at 860-633-1991 or [dbuddington@hotmail.com](mailto:dbuddington@hotmail.com).





*Art In the  
Abbey*



## *Carol's Closet*

This joyful ministry of providing paper goods and personal hygiene items, based here at St. James' and enthusiastically supported by this parish and our collaborative faith community and Glastonbury community partners is growing! Since opening this past September, a total of 153 individuals, representing a total household size of 367 persons, have been served. We have given out 203 bags of goods. Wow! Great job, St. James-ers!

We are so pleased that we are able to provide much-needed goods to our guests. It is exciting to experience the relationships and connections being made. It is wonderful to see a brand new community developing right here at St. James'!

With the increasing numbers coming through our doors, our need for items or monetary donations continues to grow. If donating items, please place in the basket marked "Carol's Closet " next to the door in the foyer. Monetary donations of support are welcomed and should be placed in an envelope clearly marked for Carol's Closet. **(Please do not include it in your pledge envelope.)** *If giving by check, please note Carol's Closet on the memo line of the check.*

Regular size items needed (Please no trial or tiny-sized complimentary items):

- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Facial tissue
- Individual bars of soap, including unscented
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Adult incontinence pads or briefs (various sizes, open packs accepted)

**Looking ahead...** Fundraiser dinner-September 16

## *Nursery Help, Please*

We are looking for folks who would be interested in helping to staff a nursery at St. James'. We are blessed to have young families as members and visiting our church but we don't have a nursery for people with children too young for Sunday School. We have had folks say that if when they came to look at St. James' we didn't have a nursery, they would have not come back after the first visit. It is a very important ministry to offer young families. Our budget at this point can't support hiring nursery attendants so we are looking for roughly 8-10 people who would be willing to once a month or less, staff the nursery. There would be training in Safe Church practices and we would always staff in pairs. If you are interested in this very important ministry, please talk to Denise or email at [dcabana1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dcabana1@sbcglobal.net).



# FOODSHARE **Walk** against hunger

The May 1<sup>st</sup> Walk is the largest anti-hunger event of its kind in the State! Funds raised will benefit both Foodshare and Hands on Hartford. The Walk itself is less than 2 miles long, making it fun for people of all ages. It begins and ends with music, children's activities, popsicles, informational booths and so much more! It is



always a great day and together the walkers and the sponsors make a difference! St. James' Outreach Committee encourages everyone in the parish to find a way to participate. Our team name is: [St. James' Glastonbury](#) and is

already registered on the Foodshare website. Come join us for this fun, educational, family oriented event.

We'd like to recruit **15** or more team members. Join as an individual or make it a family affair. A portion of the money we raise goes directly to support Hands on Hartford's MANNA programs that benefit the hungry. A successful *Walk Against Hunger* raises about one third of MANNA's \$150,000 annual grocery bill. Your participation helps MANNA serve senior citizens forced to choose between prescription drugs or groceries; families with limited resources that struggle to buy food or heat their homes; and children so hungry that they cannot learn or grow properly.

For more information visit [www.FoodshareWalk.org](http://www.FoodshareWalk.org) and search for our Team name: [St. James' Glastonbury](#) Or contact Jeannette Brown [jeannette.brown167@yahoo.com](mailto:jeannette.brown167@yahoo.com) or (860) 633-5801. Together let's take a step forward in faith and *Walk Against Hunger!*

## **SAVE THE DATE**

***Sunday, May 1, 2016***

***12:30pm check-in***

***2:00pm Walk-start***

***at The Hartford***

***140 Garden St., Hartford***

***FREE PARKING:***

***at 690 Asylum Ave.***

## **Be a Hero on April 22 - *Blood Drive***

Although the spring penitential season is over, as Christians we still have an opportunity to live sacrificially, giving a little of ourselves to help heal those in need. On Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, St. James' will sponsor a blood drive. **If you are healthy and weigh more than 110 lbs. you are probably eligible to give. Unfortunately, only about 2% of folks who can give do. Blood cannot be manufactured – it can only come from generous donors – perhaps like you.** The Red Cross recommends that you sign-up on-line. Go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and follow the donation links. Or call 1-800-RED CROSS to schedule your donation appointment. Arriving for a scheduled appointment rather than walking-in can help streamline your donation experience.

Usually, just a few St. James' parishioners donate blood at our blood drive. Our emphasis again this spring will be to increase the number of St. James' donors. If you have never given blood but would like to, consider making your first donation on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Red Cross is especially gentle and attentive with first time donors. It's easy to be a hero; it doesn't hurt or take long. The entire process, from arrival to departure takes just over an hour. The adult body has an abundance of red blood – about 10 pints? Only about 1 pint is given during a



donation. So it's like tithing with your blood. Donating blood is a perfect marriage of outreach to those in need and faithful stewardship of our personal resources.

Even if you don't donate blood, you can still support those who give by greeting the donors as they arrive in the foyer or help upstairs in the parish hall where we locate the canteen. We also need folks to help set-up and help clean-up. This type of volunteering supports both the Red Cross staff and the donors; it makes the whole process run smoother. If your schedule doesn't allow you to donate or volunteer on that day, you can still help by baking goodies or making sandwiches that we'll serve in the canteen. Look for the sign-up sheets in the foyer or contact Jeannette Brown at [jeannette.brown167@yahoo.com](mailto:jeannette.brown167@yahoo.com) or (860 633-5801) for more information about how you can put your faith in action. Jeannette L. Brown, Blood Drive Coordinator

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## ***Greetings! from your DUC (Deacon under construction)***

*My journey to the Deaconate started in 2007 when I decided to join the Education for Ministry class that Trinity, Wethersfield offered. Education for Ministry is a 4-year program that covers study of the Old Testament, New Testament, Church history and Theology. During the 4 years of EFM, I attended a Deacon Information Day offered by the diocese. This daylong event explained all about deacons and their call. I felt the need to do something with meaning; to make the world a better place for everyone.*

*I began talking about the deaconate with my priest and my friends who were all very supportive and encouraged me to follow my heart. Next, I met with the Discernment Committee. We spent the better part of a year exploring questions provided by the diocese. The Discernment Committee and my priest then recommend that me for postulancy.*

*Next, I met with Bishop Aherns and the Committee on Ministry. They seemed to feel that I may be being called to the diaconate. They invited me to join the 2 year deacon training program being offered by Province 1. This past September, myself, along with other postulants from Connecticut, Western Massachusetts, and New Hampshire began a condensed series of classes and retreats to learn what we are required by church cannons to know and be able to do to be as a deacon.*

*In December, I was invited to join the St. James community as a deacon intern where I could begin to discover what the position of a deacon requires. You have all been so very welcoming and helpful. I couldn't ask for a better community for my exploration.*

*My next step is to be placed into a Clinical Pastoral Education program. This program will find me acting as a chaplain in a local hospital. I am looking forward to serving with you during my year's internship that will, likely, be completed by Advent. Meanwhile, I continue my "day job" as a financial analyst for The Phoenix.*

Happy Easter! Jessie Karpf

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