

St. James'

January 1, 2012

10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Opening Hymn: #135

The Gathering of the Community p185
"Glory to God" p186

The Collect of the Day: ***Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son. Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 p797

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

Gradual Hymn: #153

The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Message

The Apostles' Creed p189

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution p191

The Peace

Offertory Hymn: #118

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer #1 p193

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread #6 p213

The Communion of the People #125, 120

The Prayer after Communion p214

Closing Hymn: #140

In the World: We pray for peace. We remember Rowan, Archbishop of Canterbury, Fred, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, Colin, Metropolitan of Ontario. We pray for Mary Sherwood, our missionary in Madagascar. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray today for the the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia. In Canada we pray for the people and clergy in the dioceses of the Council of the North. We pray for the men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces and their families and for those of our church family who serve in the U.S. military.

In our Diocese: We pray for John our Bishop; Christ Church Cathedral and the Very Rev. Shane Parker, the Rev. Canon Catherine Ascah and the Rev. Dawna Wall. In our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem we pray for the Right Rev. Bishop Suheil Dawani and St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem. We pray for the participants and staff in the Marriage Preparation Courses throughout the Diocese this year and for the Bishop's New Year's Levee.

In our Parish: We pray for: Sue and Sid our Priests; Elizabeth our Parish Administrative Assistant; those ministering to our Youth & our Kids' Church; our Liturgical Assistants; our Martha's teams; our Parish and Congregational Councils; our Church Musicians; the Apple Tree Ministry; the Dundas County Food Bank; Naomi House; the Dundas County Hospice; the Pastoral and Spiritual Care Team at Winchester Hospital; our Prayer Ministry and our Pastoral Care Team. This week in the South Dundas cycle of prayer we pray for the Iroquois-Cardinal Presbyterian Pastoral Charge and the Rev. Geoff Howard.

In our Extended Parish Family we pray for:

Syd, Gerda, Ronnie, Ralph, Penny, Sean, Michael, Kathy, Attila, Irene, Patricia, Mark, Curtis, Micheline, Bill, Mary, Brenda, Jeffrey, Patricia, Donald, Bill, Cheryl, Lise, Wendy, Brenda, Dorothy, Edna, Stuart, Scott, Gabby, John, Carolyn, David, Bonnie, Bill, Verna, Jim, Iva, Doug, John, Mahlon, Al, Arnell, Diane, Rick, Dianne, Pat, Dave, Madalene, Margaret, Elaine, Melanie, Lois, Bill, Harry, Wim, Laurie, Heather, Beverley, Jordan, Allan, Bernie, Joan, James and Carl.

We pray for the family of Marjorie Droppo in their loss.

We pray for Susan and Doug Peters and their family in the loss of Dawne Franklyn.

Parish Office Hours at St. James' are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Please call or leave a message at 613-543-3904 or email: st.james@hotmail.com if you would like to contact Elizabeth Irwin. **If you would like to contact the Rector directly in an emergency, phone 613-543-1873.** Our weekly bulletin is available on the parish website: www.seawayanglicans.com.

We have hand sanitizers available for your use in our churches. Please remember that dipping the Communion bread in the Communion Cup is not permitted. Please refrain from taking the cup if you have a cold!

At St. James' each Sunday at the 9:15 a.m. service there is an opportunity for private prayer at Communion time. We invite you to join the weekly prayer team in the north-west corner of the church for confidential prayer for any personal concerns.

The Dundas County Food Bank needs our support year-round. As well as food and monetary donations they are looking for volunteers to help during their opening hours. Please pick up a Food Bank shopping list at the back of the churches.

Do you know someone who struggles with basic reading, writing or math? The Tri-County Literacy Council can help. Please phone 613-932-7161.

The Way of Prayer: This parish study group on Wednesday evenings is taking a break until Jan. 18. There will be five more sessions before Lent begins. It's not too late to join the group. We have some books available (cost: \$12) - please contact the parish office.

Many thanks to everyone who was involved in making the 15th Annual Community Christmas Dinner a great success!!

IT'S ANNUAL REPORT TIME!

All those who are lead persons of organizations in the Parish, please note: You are asked to submit an annual report on your group's activities and an audited financial report (if applicable) to the parish office no later than January 23. Written reports should be short and to the point. We ask you to send your reports electronically to st.james@hotmail.com if at all possible. If not possible, please send your report early so that it can be prepared. For more information, contact Rev. Sue or Elizabeth.

Please remember that all financial reports must be audited by the congregational auditors: Nick Lee (613-543-3339) and Irene Crowder (613-652-1255) before being submitted.

St. James' Notices:

Ministry of Hospitality:

We would like to set up a roster of people who would be willing to help with coffee time after the 9:15am service at St. James'. If you would be willing to take a turn in this ministry of hospitality on a rotating basis, please contact Elizabeth in the parish office.

Fund-raising efforts are starting for replacement of the flooring in the basement Hall and entrance stairway at St. James' - please consider contributing to help make these areas clean and safe.

This Week in the Parish

Tuesday, January 3 5:30pm Potluck Epiphany party at St. James'

**Sunday, January 8 8:00am Holy Eucharist at St. James'
9:15am Family Eucharist at St. James'
11:15am Holy Eucharist at St. John's**

Readings for January 8, the Baptism of the Lord:

Genesis 1: 1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19: 1-7; Mark 1: 4-11

Don't forget our **Second Annual Potluck Epiphany Party** at St. James' on **Tuesday January 3**. We will gather at 5:30 p.m. to be ready to eat at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be followed by a time of singing carols until we are hoarse before we have to put them away for another year. Please plan on coming!

Christian Meditation will start again on Thursday, January 12 at 10:30 a.m. at St. James'.

Martha's lunches at St. James' will start again on Thursday, January 12 at noon.

"The Way of Prayer" study group will start again on Wednesday, January 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Happy New Year!!

COMING IN JANUARY:

A NEW AND EXCITING IDEA: "THEOLOGY ON TAP"!!

The idea is three-fold:

1. To give parishioners and interested folk a casual, safe venue for engaging in theological discussion outside of the church buildings;
2. Encourage our deanery (parishioners and clergy alike) to intentionally socialize and converse outside of regular liturgical or coffee-hour times;
3. Embark on a gentle evangelism - simply to be a visible presence of the Church in the wider community.

The first session will happen on Thursday, January 19 in Morrisburg at the McIntosh Inn (the pub side) at 7:30pm.!!

Topic: "Ask the Religion Expert". We will have a number of articles published by The Ottawa Citizen for participants to read and discuss. For example, one article might be "Is religion alive and well or struggling to survive in Canada?" Interested participants are asked to please call the Rev. Kerri Brennan, Trinity, Cornwall (613-220-9260) or the Rev. Jon Martin, Parish of North Dundas (613-769-4035) to confirm so space can be reserved.

N.B.: The January Parish Central Committee meeting has been postponed until Jan. 26 so that members can attend this evening event in Morrisburg.