



Welcome to St. James' in the City!

We're happy to have you with us this morning. We hope you find our parish to be a place of welcome and invitation. After the service, come have a cup of coffee and visit our welcome table, where you'll find out more of what St. James' has to offer.

Remember to join our 15 minutes of prayer time in the church before the services for the life and ministry of this congregation.

Dedicate a new Book of Common Prayer in the name of your Loved One.



It's time to replace many of our Prayer Books that are in the pews. If you would like to make a donation for a new *Book of Common Prayer* we ask for \$30 to cover the cost of each book. You may dedicate the book in thanksgiving for, or in loving memory of a loved one. A book plate will be placed on the inside cover to acknowledge your commemoration. Please call the church office for more information, 213-388-3417. Thank you.

Adult Forums on Personal and Estate Planning

February 25th 12:15-1:30: Jody Giles, the writer and creator of THE MISSING PIECES PLAN will be here to give us a comprehensive overview of how to prepare for "end of life issues" and what documents are essential for careful planning. The forum will meet in Hampton Hall, 2nd floor of the Parish Office building. The cost for this seminar is \$20.00 which includes lunch and a copy of Jody's book/workbook. Space is still available, and scholarships if it would help you to participate. Please contact Mtr. Jenifer at jchatfield@stjla.org or 213-388-3417, x106.

March 11th 12:15-1:30: Steven Carvel of The Law Offices of Steven Carvel, an Estate Planning, Trusts, and Probate Attorney will offer a general presentation on key terms and concepts of estate planning and healthcare directives from a legal perspective. **Please RSVP by March 4th, jchatfield@stjla.org.**

Baptisms at St. James'

Our next Baptism date is at the Great Vigil of Easter, March 31st, 2018. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or your child, please contact Rev. Jenifer at jchatfield@stjla.org.

Rector Search Update

Your search committee had a full day of interviews on Saturday, February 10th, and will complete the interview process on February 17th. They are getting to the point of having background checks on the finalists, and are nearing the final stages of the search process. After much discernment in the selection of their final choices, the committee will then meet with the Vestry. Please continue to keep your search committee in your prayers.

Ingrid Finley-Scott,
Chair of the Search Committee and Vestry Member

FROM THE BISHOP



Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them, and
not to hide yourself from your own kin?

— *Isaiah*

The powerful words of the prophet Isaiah which we hear on Ash Wednesday give shape and purpose to our Lenten disciplines. The Christian tradition of Lenten sacrifice honors the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. We put aside certain luxuries out of respect for someone who gave His life out of love for us. Those disciplines are not to be for show or to be self-serving but to connect us to the suffering of the world for which Christ gave himself.

This is the sixth consecutive year in which we distribute our Lenten Soup cups, representing the cups of hot soup which are distributed at our Soup Kitchen every Friday. We encourage you to put the monetary equivalent of a weekly sacrifice into it. The week after Easter, we'll collect the cups. All the money donated will help the Saint James' Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry feed those in need.



Each week we will be providing examples of small expenses to "give up for Lent". Your sacrifice could be the cost of a pizza, a movie ticket, or an *iTunes* app download. You decide. Small amounts add up! But perhaps more important, each time we drop in a coin or a bill we remember in gratitude our many blessings and remember with compassion those who do not have enough to eat.

It is one way we express our willingness not to hide from our own kin.

Blessings for a Holy Lent!

Faithfully, +*Catherine*

N.B., Cups are available in the church Narthex. Please pick one up today to begin saving your coins!



OUR COFFEE THIS MORNING
Comes to us courtesy of **LAMILL COFFEE**
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(323) 663-4441. <https://lamillcoffee.com>

CALENDAR

SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Church	8:00AM
Sunday School	Sunday School Rm	10:30AM
<i>Childcare available for children 4 and under.</i>		
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	10:30AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	12:15PM
<i>Korean Language</i>		
Confirmation Class	Sunday School Rm	12 NOON
Vestry Meeting	Conf Room	12:15PM

MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY

Presidents Day -- Parish Offices Closed

TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

Food Pantry Prep	Street Lvl	8:00AM
<i>(volunteers welcome)</i>		
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Chapel	12:15PM

THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Food Pantry Distribution	Street Lvl	7:30AM
<i>(volunteers welcome)</i>		
Centering Prayer	Chapel	9:15AM

FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Soup Kitchen Prep	Parish Hall Kitchen	2:00PM
Soup Kitchen Meal	Parish Hall	5:00PM
Soup Kitchen Chapel	Chapel	6:00PM
<i>Volunteers are always welcome!</i>		

SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Church	8:00AM
Sunday School	Sunday School Rm	10:30AM
<i>Childcare available for children 4 and under.</i>		
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	10:30AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	12:15PM
<i>Korean Language</i>		
Confirmation Class	Sunday School Rm	12 NOON
Missing Pieces Forum	Hampton Hall	12:15PM
Book Group	Parish Office Basement	12:15PM

SAVE THE DATE

March 11	Estate Planning Forum
March 25-April 1	Holy Week and Easter Sunday
April 20-22`	Women's Retreat, Santa Barbara

ST. JAMES' PRAYER LIST

Supporting Our Brothers and Sisters with Prayer

We ask you to hold the following friends and parishioners of Saint James' close to your heart and in your prayers:
 the Rev. Charles Saquety, Helen Nelson, Kay Wiley,
 Eric Nelson, Shirley Perez, Bill Wasson,
 Ogechi Ogbunamiri, Freddie Wright, and Harold Ahaiwe.

2018 WOMEN'S RETREAT

We are happy again this year to offer the women of St. James' a time to deepen their spiritual life in community. The retreat will be held at Mount Calvary on the weekend of April 20-22. Sharon Crandall, Centering Prayer leader at the Church of Our Saviour San Gabriel and a member of Prism ministries will lead us in a retreat about seeing ourselves as God's beloved. We have 12 spaces reserved and the cost is \$300. Scholarships are available if it would help you to be able to attend the weekend. Speak to Holly, Ingrid, or Sara Jane if you're interested or have questions. Make a deposit of \$50 today to reserve your space either by check to St James' (note women's retreat on the memo line) or via the church's online donations page at www.stjla.org. The remaining balance due to St James' by April 8th.

ALTAR FLOWERS

During this time of Lent, the altar flowers are replaced by bare branches to remind us of Jesus' suffering and death that lead ultimately to His resurrection on Easter morning.

But, for the rest of the year, supporting the Altar Flowers ministry is a wonderful way to honor your loved ones and beautify our Altar at the same time. Please consider signing up for a Sunday after Lent, so that we may continue to adorn the altar with beautiful arrangements every week. The sign-up calendar is located in the Parish Hall. Suggested donation: \$150. Thank you for your generosity.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Many thanks to the Soup Kitchen Volunteers for hosting the 10:30am coffee hour.

Hosting coffee hour is a wonderful way to support St. James'. It offers hospitality and welcome to our fellow parishioners and visitors. Please sign up for a Sunday in 2018, the calendar is located in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your generosity.

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