

# Anchor Lines



St. James Episcopal Church • Fairhope, Alabama

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## St. James' Annual Parish Meeting

Vestry Elections (4) & Parish Committee Reports

**Sunday, January 13**

**Twelve noon**  
*in the church*



**Kris Bradley**



**Anderson McKean**



**Roger Guilian**



**Elizabeth Orr**



**Ed Shell**

As we enter a new year, we want to thank the following men and women for their service on the St. James Vestry. We sincerely appreciate your work and dedication to our church:

Jim Daniell † Bill Goetter † Effie Thompson † Dylan Wells † Travis Youngblood  
and Mary Mullins Redditt *as Clerk of the Vestry*

# Vestry Nominations

**Kristofer Thomas Bradley (Kris)**—Born January 10, 1972 (46 years old) grew up in Fairhope, AL, graduating in 1990 from Fairhope High School. Attended Auburn University beginning in 1993, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Forestry in 1997. He and his wife April have attended St. James since 1998 and were married there on November 6, 1999. They have two children, John Thomas (13) and Ella Catherine (9). Currently employed by Regions Bank as a Vice-President and Forester for the bank, having served in that capacity since 2004. In addition to being a member of the Alabama Banker's Association (served in many capacities on their Trust division board), he is licensed to practice professional forestry by the Alabama State Board of Registration for Forester. Kris also volunteers annually with the United Way, and has served as an usher for the past 10 years at St. James.

**Roger Guilian**—Roger Guilian is both humbled and proud to have been asked to accept a fellow parishioner's nomination to serve on the Vestry of St. James Episcopal Church. Roger and his wife Leslie joined St. James in 2006. During that time, Roger has served St. James as an Usher, a Lay Reader, a member of the Men of St. James (formerly Brotherhood of St. Andrew), a Sunday School teacher (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade), an Adult Formation Class leader, a delegate to the Diocesan Convention, Lenten Verger, and as a musician (trumpet). A lifelong Episcopalian, Roger grew up at St. Simon's on the Sound in Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

Professionally, Roger is General Counsel, Vice President, and Corporate Secretary of Volkert, Inc., a Mobile-based civil engineering firm with offices in twenty-four states. Roger attended the University of Alabama (B.A. 1995) and the University of Alabama School of Law

(J.D. 1998). He has served on a number of non-profit boards of directors, including the Alabama State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (2010-present), the Mobile Chapter of the Alabama Alumni Association (past president), the Mobile County Wildlife and Conservation Association (past president), and he just concluded the chairmanship of the Construction Law Section of the Alabama State Bar. Roger believes that his career as an attorney serving others and solving problems, as well as his non-profit civic experience equips him to effectively and efficiently serve St. James as a member of the Vestry in its duties to manage the business of our church.

The Guilian family has a proud and growing history of service to St. James. Leslie formerly served as Director of Children's Ministries, and their three children (Crane, Charlotte, and Virginia) have served St. James in the Whitby and Canterbury Choirs and as Acolytes.

Roger states that he did not nominate himself to serve on the Vestry, and did not accept a nomination in order that he might bring praise or attention onto himself. His willingness to serve, if elected, is driven by his sincere love for the church and the St. James family, as well as by his deep sense of gratitude to the Lord our God for the innumerable blessings He has bestowed on him, for which he is wholly undeserving. Roger loves all of us and is proud to be a member of St. James, regardless of the outcome of the Vestry election. He thanks you for your consideration.

**Anderson McKean**—Anderson McKean was born in Birmingham, AL. She has been a lifelong member of the Episcopal church. While attending Mountain Brook High School, she was an active member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Anderson graduated with honors from

the University of Richmond with a degree in International Studies. Following graduation, Anderson moved to Mobile to work as Assistant Marketing Director for the Mobile Airport Authority. During that time, Anderson also received her MBA from Springhill College.

In 2001, Anderson married her husband, George McKean. They moved several times for George to complete his residency and fellowship, but ultimately settled in Fairhope to raise their three children; Trey (age 13), Madelyn (age 10), and Jack (age 10).

Anderson has served in a variety of leadership roles in the community. She served on the Children's Dance Theater Board from 2014-2015, was the American Cancer Society Black Out Ball Co-Chair in 2014 and a member of the Bayside Advisory Committee from 2011-2015. Currently, Anderson serves on Bayside's Strategic Planning Committee and is Chair of the Bayside Advisory Committee. Anderson is also the Children's/Young Adult Buyer for Page & Palette.

Anderson has been a member of St. James for 10 years and has thoroughly enjoyed being involved in various aspects of the church. Currently, Anderson teaches Sunday School and serves as a lay reader. Anderson's children are all active in You Group and EYC; she particularly enjoys sharing fellowship opportunities and community outreach activities with them.

Anderson is excited about the direction that St. James is headed under the leadership of Father De and his team. She would very much like to serve on the Vestry to give back to the church community that has become such an important part of her family's life.

**Elizabeth Orr**—Elizabeth Orr is a lifelong Episcopalian who grew up in Fairhope attending St. James. She was active in the Episcopal Church from a young age as a member in the St. James youth group, with Camp Beckwith as a counselor and ropes course facilitator, and in college as the assistant to the Episcopalian chaplain at Birmingham-Southern College. She remained active in the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama throughout UAB medical school. After completing her residency at the Arkansas Children’s Hospital in Little Rock, Arkansas, she returned to her home church of St. James in 2014. Elizabeth is a partner in the Eastern Shore Children’s Clinic where she practices pediatric medicine.

Elizabeth has a passion for the youth of both the community and our church and has volunteered at St. James with the children’s ministry, the youth group, and as a leader of the Rite 13 Sunday School. She has also volunteered with Family Promise, participates in the Monday Night Women’s Bible Study, and has been a part of the St. James Episcopal Church Women. In the community, Elizabeth is a member of Impact 100 Baldwin County and volunteers with the Strickland Youth Center in Mobile and the Ronald McDonald House. Elizabeth has loved growing up in St. James and being a part of its many ministries, and she looks forward to serving the Church wherever God calls her.

**Ed Shell**—A Georgia native, Ed graduated from Auburn University in 1968. That same year, he married his college sweetheart, Julene Ptomey. They have two sons and three grandchildren. After serving as an officer in the US Army for two years, he spent the majority of his career in sales and management positions in the telecommunications industry.

He and Julene were confirmed in the Episcopal Church in 1975 and have been members of St. James since 1993 when they moved to Fairhope. At St. James, Ed has served as a Lay Reader, Lay Eucharistic Minister, is a member of the choir, and taught Rite 13 classes for two years for 7th and 8th graders. He and Julene were pilgrims at Cursillo 98.

## Frances Patton to fill Vestry Vacancy



Frances Patton was born in Fairhope and feels blessed to be fortunate enough to have lived 50+ years as a resident of such a beautiful coastal town. As a baby, she was Christened at St. James in downtown Fairhope. Growing up in the St. James family, she has worked in the nursery, co-taught a Rite 13 class, attends Monday Night Bible Study and currently serves as a Lay Reader, Server/Chalice bearer at the 7:30 am service.

Frances is employed at *Christmas ‘Round the Corner* in downtown Fairhope as a Sales Associate and Gift Buyer. Frances states that she would be honored to continue her service at St. James as a member of the vestry.

Frances Patton, having been elected as an alternate in 2018, will fill the vacant spot on the Vestry created by Effie Thompson’s resignation.

### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

is extended to the family of:

Barbara Carlson

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. BCP 481

### Veterans Christmas Ministry

Many thanks to all of our parishioners who participated in this ministry to our Veterans. We appreciate those of you who purchased gifts, helped deliver gifts, and offered prayers for this ministry. We received word from the Veteran’s Home that the patients were pleased and thankful for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

The Veterans Christmas Ministry

### Free Breakfast this Sunday



#### Leave the cooking and cleaning to us!

This Sunday, January 13, we will have free breakfast from 10 am until 12 pm. Please join us in Green Hall.



# What's Happening

## Second Sunday Evening Worship Service

### COMPLINE

Scripture, Singing, Silence

January 13

7 pm in the Church

We hope you will make plans to join us in the Church on Sunday for Compline. From the Episcopal Church's website:

*Compline is the last of the four services in the Daily Office. It is descended from the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer. Compline is a simple office including a confession of sins, one or more psalms, a short reading from scripture, versicles and responses, the Lord's Prayer, collects which ask for God's protection during the night to come, and the canticle Nunc dimittis. A hymn for the evening may follow the short reading from scripture. The collects may be followed by a time of silence, along with free intercessions and thanksgivings.*

### Introducing our Newest Staff Member Frank Stabler, Jr.



Frank, a life-long Episcopalian, became a dedicated member of St. James in 1988. He and his wife, Sherry, have 2 children and 4 grandchildren. Since his arrival, Frank has served in the choir, as junior warden (twice), and on

many committees, such as the music, kitchen, and building committees. As a staff member, Frank will continue to bring his talents to the church in a variety of capacities, with a major focus on coordination of our expanding music program. Next time you see Frank, please welcome him as our newest staff member.

### St. James Concert Series Yakov & Dina Kasman, Piano Sunday, January 20



4:00 pm in Green Hall

Yakov Kasman is an internationally renowned pianist and distinguished Professor of Piano & Artist-in-Residence at the University of Alabama, Birmingham. Daughter Dina Kasman is the youngest pianist in her family of musicians and a student of her father. She is an active performer who has placed in numerous piano and concerto competitions.

### The Order of the Daughters of the King® Sponsor Haitian Student

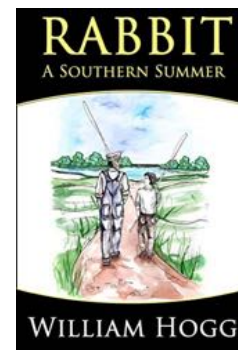
Cassandre Jean Louis is a 6th grade student at Saint Sauveur School in Les Cayes, Haiti. The tuition for one year at the school is \$550.00. The parents are obligated to pay



\$300.00 each year. The Mary and Martha of Bethany Chapter of the Daughters of the King® has voted to provide the balance of the tuition so that Cassandre can attend her school. The Daughters hope to follow Cassandre through her primary and secondary education.

### WOW Group

Enjoy the morning of January 25 meeting author and St. James member, William Hogg. His new book, **RABBIT, A Southern Summer**, was published in 2018. Beginning at 11:30, Bill will read from his book, a hilarious and touching account of his childhood in Georgia. Attendees will then enjoy a Georgia dinner from his grandma: chicken, biscuits, beans and, of course, pound cake, plus sweet tea. The cost is \$5.00 and proceeds will go to our outreach ministry. Bring a friend and have a real laugh! Call for reservations: Rita Wells 334-233-2558 or Martha Smith 901-834-1368.



### New Parish Directories

If you have not had a chance to pick up a copy of the new directory, call the church office at 251-928-2912 and we will print one for you to pick-up on Sunday morning. Copies are \$10 and all funds collected help us to defray the cost of the photographer and printing. If you would like to look at the directory online or print your own copy at home, go to our website at [stjamesfairhope.org](http://stjamesfairhope.org) under the Communications Tab. FIRST TIME login requires the password: Mark1231.

## at St. James?

### Adult Christian Formation on Sunday Mornings

Christian Formation resumes this Sunday, January 13. The Cornerstone class will not continue in January. Adult formation includes 3 offerings: In the library, Jim Daniel leads a class based on the **lectionary**. Evelyn Garrett leads a study of the book of **Ruth** in the classroom (west end) above Green Hall. **Making Children Mind without Losing Yours**, meets in the yoga room (classroom on the East end above Green Hall).

### Confirmation Classes Beginning January 27

Confirmation classes will be offered for 9<sup>th</sup> graders through adults. Anne McEniry will be teaching the high school youth and Mother Mary Jayne will teach the adult class. The classes, which begin January 27<sup>th</sup> and last until March 10<sup>th</sup>, will meet on Sundays at 12:15 following the 11:00 service. Confirmation will take place at the 11:00 service on April 7, 2019.

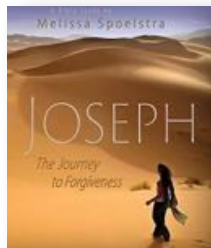
### MONDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Begins new study January 14

#### *Joseph—the Journey to Forgiveness*

Join us for our first study of 2019, Melissa Spoelstra's **Joseph—the Journey to Forgiveness**. The Monday Night Women's Bible Study will begin on Monday night, January 14, at 6:30 in the Vestry Room of Green Hall. The study books/ Kindle books may be purchased through Amazon.com, Christianbook.com, or Cokesbury.com. Prices vary (around \$12-\$14), but after adding shipping and taxes, there are small differences in the final price. Amazon offers "slightly used books" at a lower price. Melissa Spoelstra describes the study of Joseph in the following way:

*All of us know what it's like to be hurt or betrayed. Often it's a small*

*breach such as being spoken to rudely or overlooked in a time of need. Other times we experience lies, gossip, or harsh words that cut us to the core. Some of us have endured unspeakable pain through abuse, adultery, or abandonment. God knows the pain we cause each other and longs to help us learn to practice forgiveness. Nowhere do we see forgiveness played out more fully in Scripture than in the biblical story of Joseph.*



This six to twelve week study explores what God has to say to us about grace and forgiveness through Joseph's story of trial and

triumph found in Genesis 37-50. As we study his dreams, his betrayers, his dysfunctional family, his struggle to forgive, and his journey toward reconciliation, we'll find truths that echo into our own personal situations as well as practical help for answering common questions, such as: How do I stop dwelling on the hurt? Is forgiving someone excusing what happened? When will I stop having to re-forgive? Is there a difference between forgiveness and reconciliation? Can I forgive and still set boundaries? Is it ever okay not to forgive?

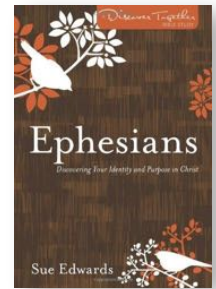
We look forward to seeing you, and feel free to bring a friend. Call Michelle Orr at 990-6077 for more information.

### WAMBS

**The Wednesday Morning Bible Study** will resume on Wednesday morning, January 16 with a 9-week study of **Ephesians: Discovering Your Identity and Purpose in Christ** by Sue Edwards. Study guides are available through Amazon. To those who like to really be prepared, you are encouraged to

read the introductory passages on pages 7 - 10.

While the group is primarily made up of women, everyone is welcome. We meet at 9 AM for fellowship and study from 9:30 to 11:00. We look forward to seeing previous group members and meeting new friends. For more information contact Elaine Pannell at pannell3264@yahoo.com.



### 2019 Altar Flower Dedications Now Available

Look for the altar flower calendar notebooks in Green Hall. In the church, you may dedicate one (\$50) or both arrangements (\$100). The cost for flower dedications in the chapel is \$50. If you have questions, call the Parish office at 251-928-2912.

### St. James Returning to Costa Rica this Summer



St. James and Spanish Fort United Methodist Church will return to Alajuela, Costa Rica June 8-15 to continue building a local church, provide a week of VBS, and set up a clothing closet. If you would like more information or are interested in being a part of this group, please contact Anne McEniry at 928-2912 or christianformation@stjamesfairhope.org.



# Opportunities for Continued Growth

## Retreat for Women February 1-2



### At Little Point Clear

All women are invited to attend a weekend retreat focusing on self care at Little Point Clear. We will meet from 6-8 pm on Friday evening and begin at 8 am on Saturday morning ending the day around 4 pm. All are welcome to attend the entire weekend or any part of the retreat. During the weekend, Mother Mary Jayne will address our spiritual health, Emily Somerville will speak to the group about the importance of the mind/body connection to our health, and Heather Haley will be teaching us about proper skin care and the best ways to protect our skin. We will also have a guest speaker address our physical health and discuss good nutritional habits. We will begin our day on Saturday with a yoga session led by Stacy Reckeweg and Mother Mary Jayne will conclude our day with Holy Eucharist. There will also be plenty of time for fellowship. If you would like more information or to register, please contact Anne McEniry at 251-928-2912 or [christianformation@stjamesfairhope.org](mailto:christianformation@stjamesfairhope.org).

## EXAMEN

### Prayer for the Year

Do you practice a daily examen? This method of prayer helps us to reflect on a past period of time, usually the previous day. It is a form of prayer to

both reflect and let go. The same principles used in a daily examen can be used in an examen prayer for the year. To begin, all that is needed is a quiet, uninterrupted space.

#### Step One: Invite God

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you review your year with wisdom, grace and faith. Ask God to help you see both your failings and accomplishments throughout the year.

#### Step Two: Review the year with Gratitude

Notice moments of Grace and Love throughout the year. Thank God for the many gifts that you received as well as the gifts that you shared. These do not have to be big, dramatic gifts, but may be simple moments that you felt peaceful or joyful.

#### Step Three: Pay attention to your Emotions

What memories speak most loudly to you? What events, conversations, or activities bring up the most emotion? Ask God to help you linger with these emotions and ask for help in understanding why you feel as you do. What can you learn about yourself or your situation?

#### Step Four: Choose one part of the year and pray from it.

While you are thinking about memories and emotions, choose one. It may be a single event or pattern in behavior but whatever comes to mind allow it to begin your prayer. Do not worry about other events or aspects of your year. Stay with the one thing that comes to you and pray from those thoughts and emotions.

#### Step Five: Look toward the New Year

Now think and imagine what challenges and blessings may await you in 2019. Think of important relationships, major or minor decisions, skills to learn, habits to build, good work to accomplish. Make

a simple list and bring them to God. Ask for the graces that you will need.

End your prayer giving thanks to God's presence throughout your examen practice.

If you are interested in learning more about a daily examen practice, **Pray as You Go** podcast offers narrated daily Examen. These guides walk you through an examen process set to music. There are several options including one for children and one for young adults. [<<CLICK HERE>>](#) to go to the website.

## “Pray as you Go” Podcast

In addition to Pray as You Go Examen, the podcast offers powerful, prayerful way to start or end your day.

Podcasts are all around us and it seems like everyone is listening to one or more. “Pray as you Go” is a great way to begin the day in prayer. Each episode is around 10 minutes and includes a daily prayer that is accompanied by music. This podcast provides a framework for prayer and not a commentary. The app can be found on iTunes or Google play and is very user friendly.



## SAVE THE DATE June 2 - 5 Vacation Bible School To Mars & Beyond

Explore where God's Power  
can take you!



# School News

## OPEN ENROLLMENT

for the 2019-2020 school year

## GOING ON NOW

Call 251-928-2912 or come by the school office.



Happy New Year! December was a very exciting time for our precious children at St. James School. Even with all of the hustle and bustle of the Christmas Holidays, our children were able to stop and experience the true meaning of Christmas. They learned the importance of Advent with Mother Mary Jayne in our weekly chapel and "Miss" Anne in Godly Play. Our two, three, and four-year old students performed their first Christmas Pageant in Green Hall. It was amazing to experience the story of Christmas through the eyes and angelic voices of our children. The pageant was truly heart-felt by our parents, grandparents and many other family members and friends who were in attendance. In addition to our Christmas program, the

children were visited by St. Nicholas on December 6<sup>th</sup> for St. Nicholas Day and the children had a special visit from Santa Claus himself (aka Mr. Cecil) on our "Polar Express" Day. We are looking forward to a very busy and exciting 2019.

St. James school is currently offering Open Enrollment for the 2019 - 2020 school year. If you know of anyone who is looking for a school that will introduce children to Christ in a nurturing environment by providing exemplary preparation for future learning, please send them our way. I am always available to



discuss our program and delighted to give tours of our school and beautiful campus.

*Shelley E. Miller*

Shelley Miller,  
Director of Preschool



The Lectionary Schedule

Date	The Old Testament	The Psalm	The Epistle	The Gospel
Sunday, January 13 The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord	Isaiah 43:1-7	Psalm 29	Acts 8:14-17	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
January 20 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany	Isaiah 62:1-5	Psalm 36:5-10	I Corinthians 12:1-11	John 2:1-11
January 27 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Psalm 19	I Corinthians 12:12-31a	Luke 4:14-21
February 3 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	I Corinthians 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30

# YOUTH NEWS...

- From July 21-27, the Youth Group will travel to Houston, Texas to help with the Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts. Please check your email for more information or contact Anne McEniry.
- If you would like to be added to the Youth Email Distribution list, please email Anne McEniry at [christianformation@stjamesfaihope.org](mailto:christianformation@stjamesfaihope.org) or 251-928-2912.

**Happening 2019**  
**February 1-3**  
**Church of the Nativity, Dothan, AL**

Spots are still available for 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> graders & interested adults. Use the links below, or go to the Diocesan website at [diocgc.org](http://diocgc.org).

[Happener Registration](#)  
[Youth Staff Registration](#)  
[Adult Staff Registration](#)

## EYC JANUARY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Wednesday, January 9	6:00 - 7:00 pm	Rite 13 Resumes	Green Hall
Sunday, January 13	10:15 am	Christian Formation Resumes	CE Building
	5:00 - 6:30 pm	EYC Resumes	Youth Room
January 19 - 22		Ski Trip	Beech Mtn, NC
January 20	5:00 pm	EYC	Youth Room
Sunday, January 27	12:15 pm	Confirmation Begins	Youth Room
	5:00 pm	EYC	Youth Room



# Advent and Christmas, a Special Time at St. James

Please thank your St. James musician friends for blessing our Christmas worship!

Advent II: Handbells—Cynthia Blacklaw, Elizabeth Brinkley, Carolyn Koch

Christmas Eve, 4pm: Canterbury Choir

Vocal Soloists—Emmie Freeman, Emma McCree Marlowe, Asheton Green

Christmas Eve, 7pm: Coventry Choir

Vocal Soloists—Asheton Green, Eliza Green, Annie Deakle, Helen Deakle

Gamard Family Handbell Ringers

Flute—Caroline Gamard

Clarinet—Catherine Gamard

Christmas Eve, 10 pm: Adult Choir

Vocal Soloists—Rebecca Stevens, Frank Stabler, David Dorsey, Ed Shell, Kay Jackson, Earl Jackson, Carolyn Koch

Brass for Christmas Eve Services: Trumpets—Bill Goetter, Roger Guillian, Sam Butler

Trombones—Edward Doyle, Drew Downey

Timpani—Robin Isherwood

Christmas I, December 30: Guitar—Frank Stabler

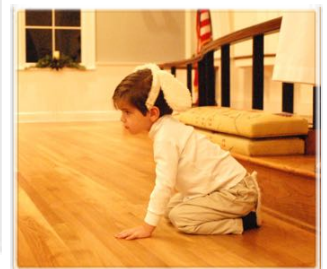
Celtic Harp—Helen Rodgers

A special THANK YOU to Canterbury and Coventry choir assistant Asheton Green who takes care of many, many details. Thank you to Sherry Stabler for filing the piles and piles of choral music back to their storage cases!



**Women's Christmas Outreach Party**

## EPIPHANY FEAST OF LIGHTS



## Volunteer Opportunities...

### DIOCESAN CONVENTION

St. James needs your help. We cannot host the 2019 Diocesan Convention without you—our dedicated volunteers. This Sunday, the Committee chairpersons will have a table set-up at the Annual Meeting.

**There are 3 ways you can help:**

- 1) **Volunteer your time** in the areas of grounds, kitchen/food, and registration. A chairperson from each committee will be present to answer questions.
- 2) **Monetary donations** to help with convention expenses. Any amount will help. Make your check payable to St. James and denote CONVENTION on the memo line. Drop off monetary donations in the offering plate, the parish office, the drop box or give to a committee member on Sunday.

- 3) **Donate specific items needed:**
  - GALLON jugs of orange juice.
  - CASES of bottled water - 12 ounce SMALL size bottles ONLY!
  - CASES of MINI (7.5 ounce) soft drinks (coke, diet coke, sprite, or 7-up ONLY please).

*We do appreciate all donations, but in this case, please bring only the specific items for which we have asked.*

**Collections will begin on Sunday, February 10 and not before. Thank you for your help!**

### ANCHOR LINES Newsletter

Did you know that St. James mails out approximately 475 Anchor Lines Newsletters each month? We have several ladies who come to the Parish office to fold, label and sort all 475 newsletters and prepare them for bulk mail. They have been helping with

this task for over 25 years! Now the ladies need some help. Normally, they meet on the first Wednesday morning of the month. On-the-job training is provided. Please contact the Parish office at 251-928-2912 if you would like to volunteer your time in this way.

### Communications Ministry

St. James is in the process of forming a new ministry to help with audio and video on Sunday mornings. We need 10-12 tech-savvy people who are willing to turn on the new sound system, lights and microphones at approximately 8 am, and manage live-streaming the 9 am service from the sacristy. Please email Jennifer Glover at [communications@stjamesfairhope.org](mailto:communications@stjamesfairhope.org) or call the Parish office at 928-2912 if you are willing to help.

## Thank You St. James from Holy Nativity, Panama City

In December of this past year, The Rev. Steve Bates, Rector of Holy Nativity in Panama City, wrote a letter to Father De thanking our Parish for the assistance given after Hurricane Michael. A portion of that letter is printed below. If you would like to read the letter in its entirety, go to [LINK HERE TO LETTER](#). Also posted are many, many letters from the sweet children at Holy Nativity.

Thank you for everything. Please thank your parish. Continue to hold us in your prayers. I am grateful for you all and take comfort in the knowledge that if we need anything I can pick up the phone.

With much love and gratitude,

Steve †

Dear De:

Words cannot express my thanks to you and your parish for your help in this difficult time. Your gifts of manpower, supplies and financial support have made all the difference in the world. We know we still have a long road ahead of us, but your assistance and the help of those like you, gives us hope. Your work crews in the early days gave us enough stability to be able to begin helping our neighborhood. Because of your contributions, we were able to spend almost a month distributing supplies from the church. We were able to serve hot meals every day for over three weeks to anyone who needed one. The pre-cooked meals you brought were probably the biggest hit of the entire first month. They fed a lot of people....

### Christmas Stockings Delivered to Holy Nativity Children in PANAMA CITY



Members of the Outreach Committee stuffed 280 small Christmas stockings with Chick-Fil-A gift cards, cross dog tag necklaces, Christmas bracelets, and candy canes for children of Holy Nativity parish and school. Terry Moore and

Teddy Faust delivered the stockings during an assembly, called by the Rector, Steve Bates. The children were so very excited and happy!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
<p><b>Plan ahead for February</b>                      No Anchor Lines in February due to Convention preparations                      February 1 - 2 ~ Women's Retreat &amp; Happening                      February 10 ~ Taizé in the Chapel at 7 pm                      February 14-16 ~ Diocesan Convention</p>			<p>9                      Holy Eucharist 7 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Open Cursillo Reunion                      Group - 7:30 am &amp; 6 pm                      WAMBS 9:30 am, <i>Vestry</i>                      Healing Service 10 am-  <i>Chapel</i>                      Chair Yoga - 2 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      Canterbury Choir- 3:30 pm                      Rite 13, 6:15 pm, <i>Youth Room</i>                      Adult Choir - 6:45 pm</p>	<p>10                      Yoga with Stacy                      Reckeweg- 6 pm                      Chess - 7pm,  <i>Library</i></p>	<p>11                      Parish Office                      Closed</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13  <b>FREE Parish Breakfast</b>                      Worship Service 7:30 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Worship Service 9 am, <i>Church</i>                      Christian Formation 10:15                      Worship Service 11 am, <i>Church</i>  <b>ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, noon</b>                      EYC - 5:00 pm                      Compline at 7:00 pm, <i>Church</i></p>	<p>14                      Yoga Flow with Jane Tucker, 8 am                      Beginner Yoga at 9:45 am                      Women's AA - 6 pm                      Centering Prayer -6 pm                      Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm - <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>15                      Intercessory Prayer - 8:30 am                      DOK Study Session 10 am                      Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study - 6:30 pm, <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>16                      Holy Eucharist 7 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Open Cursillo Reunion                      Group - 7:30 am &amp; 6 pm                      WAMBS 9:30 am, <i>Vestry</i>                      Healing Service 10 am-  <i>Chapel</i>                      Chair Yoga - 2 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      Canterbury Choir- 3:30 pm                      You Group - 6 pm                      Rite 13, 6:15 pm, <i>Youth Room</i>                      Adult Choir - 6:45 pm</p>	<p>17                      Clergy Reading                      Group - noon                      Yoga with Stacy                      Reckeweg- 6 pm                      Chess - 7pm-  <i>Library</i></p>	<p>18                      Parish Office                      Closed</p>	<p>19                      EYC                      Departs                      for SKI                      TRIP</p>
<p>20                      Worship Service 7:30 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Worship Service 9 am, <i>Church</i>                      Christian Formation 10:15                      Worship Service 11 am, <i>Church</i>                      Concert 4:00 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      EYC - 5:00 pm</p>	<p>21  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>                      Yoga Flow with Jane Tucker, 8 am                      Beginner Yoga at 9:45 am                      Women's AA - 6 pm                      Centering Prayer -6 pm                      Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm - <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>22                      Intercessory Prayer - 8:30 am                      DOK Study Session 10 am                      Diocesan Commission on Aging Meeting- 1 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study - 6:30 pm, <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>23                      Holy Eucharist 7 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Open Cursillo Reunion                      Group - 7:30 am &amp; 6 pm                      WAMBS 9:30 am, <i>Vestry</i>                      Healing Service 10 am-  <i>Chapel</i>                      Chair Yoga - 2 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      Canterbury Choir- 3:30 pm                      Rite 13, 6:15 pm, <i>Youth Room</i>                      Adult Choir - 6:45 pm</p>	<p>24                      Yoga with Stacy                      Reckeweg- 6 pm                      Chess - 7pm-  <i>Library</i></p>	<p>25                      Parish Office                      Closed                      WOW                      Group                      11:30 am,  <i>Green Hall</i></p>	<p>26</p>
<p><b>EYC SKI Trip to NC</b></p>			<p><b>CURSILLO</b></p>			
<p>27                      Worship Service 7:30 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Worship Service 9 am, <i>Church</i>                      Christian Formation 10:15                      Worship Service 11 am, <i>Church</i>                      Adult &amp; Youth Confirmation                      Classes begin at 12:15                      EYC - 5:00 pm</p>	<p>28                      Yoga Flow with Jane Tucker, 8 am                      Beginner Yoga at 9:45 am                      Centering Prayer -6 pm                      Women's AA - 6 pm                      Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm - <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>29                      Intercessory Prayer - 8:30 am                      DOK Study Session 10 am                      Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study - 6:30 pm, <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>30                      Holy Eucharist 7 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Open Cursillo Reunion                      Group - 7:30 am &amp; 6 pm                      WAMBS 9:30 am, <i>Vestry</i>                      Healing Service 10 am-  <i>Chapel</i>                      Chair Yoga - 2 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      Canterbury Choir- 3:30 pm                      Rite 13, 6:15 pm, <i>Youth Room</i>                      Adult Choir - 6:45 pm</p>	<p>31                      Yoga with Stacy                      Reckeweg- 6 pm                      Chess - 7pm-  <i>Library</i></p>	<p>1                      Parish Office                      Closed</p>	<p>2</p>
					<p><b>Women's Retreat &amp; Happening Weekend</b></p>	
<p>3  <b>Parish Breakfast</b>                      Worship Service 7:30 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Worship Service 9 am, <i>Church</i>                      Christian Formation 10:15                      Worship Service 11 am, <i>Church</i>                      Adult &amp; Youth Confirmation                      Classes begin at 12:15                      EYC - 5:00 pm</p>	<p>4                      Yoga Flow with Jane Tucker, 8 am                      Beginner Yoga at 9:45 am                      Women's AA - 6 pm                      Centering Prayer -6 pm                      Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm - <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>5                      Intercessory Prayer - 8:30 am                      DOK Study Session 10 am                      Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study - 6:30 pm, <i>Vestry Room</i></p>	<p>6                      Holy Eucharist 7 am, <i>Chapel</i>                      Open Cursillo Reunion                      Group - 7:30 am &amp; 6 pm                      WAMBS 9:30 am, <i>Vestry</i>                      Healing Service 10 am-  <i>Chapel</i>                      Chair Yoga - 2 pm, <i>Green Hall</i>                      Canterbury Choir- 3:30 pm                      You Group - 6 pm                      Rite 13, 6:15 pm, <i>Youth Room</i>                      Adult Choir - 6:45 pm</p>	<p>December 2018 figures from the Finance office will be presented at the annual meeting on Sunday, January 13.</p>		



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Monday - Thursday: 8:30 - 5:00

Friday: CLOSED

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Sundays:** 7:30 am, in the Chapel

9 & 11am, in the Church

*Nursery available at 9 & 11*

**Wednesdays:** 7 & 10 am, in the Chapel

### St. James' Vestry

Mary Hopkins Chamblin  
Jim Daniell\*  
Drew Downey  
Bill Goetter\*  
Callie Grissett  
George Huckabay  
Bob Keyser, *Sr. Warden*  
Terry Moore  
Sallie Smith  
Bruce Stone, *Jr. Warden*  
Effie Thompson  
Dylan Wells\*  
Travis Youngblood\*

Pel Henry, *Treasurer*  
Mary Mullins Redditt, *Clerk*

\*Rolling off the Vestry on  
Sunday, January 13

### St. James' Staff

Rector: The Reverend De Freeman  
Associate Priest: The Reverend Dr. Mary Jayne Ledgerwood  
Director of Music Ministries: Helen V. Rodgers  
Director of Christian Formation: Anne McEniry  
Parish Administrator: Meghan Fancher  
Director of Finance: Jim Ketchum  
Director of Communications: Jennifer Glover  
Director of St. James School: Shelley Miller  
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Sexton: Mike Costigan

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### January Servants

**Altar Guild:**  
**1/7-1/13:** B. Goetter Team  
**1/14-1/20:** Estefan/Johnston Team  
**1/21-1/27:** Clark/Earl Team  
**1/28-2/3:** Redditt/Bentley Team  
**2/4-2/10:** Webb/Stabler Team  
**Pastoral Care:** Sherry Webster,  
Michele Doyle, Eileen Burke,  
Jeanne Yancey  
**Prayer Chain:**  
**Days**—Gilda Nester 928-9600 or  
Michele Doyle 990-9877  
**Nights/Weekends**—Sue Ladd  
928-6203