



The Window

The Newsletter of St. James' Episcopal Church in Fremont, CA

BREATHING ROOM



Intentional Interim Ministry

by David †

The Rev. Dr. Eric Law, an Episcopal Priest, is the author of *The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb: A Spirituality for Leadership in a Multicultural Community* (Chalice Press, 1963). This is one of the books we discussed during our “Advent Event” on Tuesday evenings. In his book, Dr. Law identifies three ways in which a group usually engages in discussion: (1) the “volunteer” process, where folks are asked if anyone would like to make a comment (often followed by dead silence); (2) the “going around in a circle” methods where a leader gets things rolling and then

says “next,” and round we go, until all have spoken; and (3) the “commander approach” where the facilitator calls on Jane to make a comment (and Jane panics). An alternative method is what Dr. Law calls “Mutual Invitation.”

Mutual Invitation was developed by Dr. Law while working in a variety of multicultural settings. This tool is based on the premise that people carry different perceptions of their personal power. In groups, those who view themselves as having “high” personal power (able to influence change) will often dominate the conversation, while those who see themselves as having “low” personal power will look to be invited to give their input. Dr. Law points out that one’s perception of his/her own personal power is often culturally shaped, but can also be influenced by such things as age, gender or how long one has been as member of the group (e.g. cradle Episcopalians or newcomers). Mutual invitation provides the opportunity for each person to have a say and to be heard; it’s a tool that helps balance the input between the talkative and the quieter participants.

Mutual Invitation is a “small group” dynamic, working especially well with groups of four to fifteen participants. He suggests that participants sit in a circle so they can see one another. The leader announces to the group how much time they have, reviews the guidelines of the process, and introduces the subject matter. Then she/he speaks first, briefly sharing his/her own thoughts. When finished, the leader then invites another person to share. It’s important, says Dr. Law, to use words of invitation, e.g. “I want to invite Jane to speak,” rather than simply to “call” on the next person. After that person has spoken, she/he is given the privilege to invite another person to share, and so on until everyone in the group has been invited to speak. If someone prefers to say nothing, that person simply says “pass” and invites another person to share. Those who have “passed” can be re-invited to speak, if they so choose.

This is a powerful tool which can help us to listen better (See: ViewPoint on pg. 4), and to engage in meaningful conversation. We have used this method here at St. James’ in some of our Bible studies, with our Vestry and at our town hall meeting. It is a very useful tool for Interim Ministry, and we will be using it during our interim time, as we share our stories with one another. At first it may feel awkward, and we will want to give up on it, going back to the “whoever-wants-to-talk-can-talk” way of doing things. But, let me assure you, if we are persistent, we will eventually get the hang of it . . . and, who knows . . . we may even have a lot of fun with it.

Stewardship Corner

Include charity in your spending plan.

It is January 2009 and time for me to create a new spending plan. This year will bring new challenges due to the fact that my income will be less than last year. I have our diminishing stock market to thank for that. Whenever I put together a spending plan, I try to remember my priorities. My pledge to the church comes first. I know this will be paid every month even if I am away because it is set up on automatic bill paying through my bank. Next are the necessities such as food and housing. Third on my list is charitable giving.

I recently clipped an article by Michelle Singletary, who writes “The Color of Money” for the *Argus*. I did this because I agreed with her message: “I know that in tough times you want to pull back on your spending, including planned donations, but that’s exactly when your giving shouldn’t go down.” She goes on to say that “Charitable giving is a vital part of the budget for my husband and me.” Ralph and I join Michelle and her husband in believing that charitable giving is a priority in our budgets.

I have made giving to charities a much easier and predictable process by having most of the charities that I support charge a monthly donation on my charge card. This greatly decreases the number of checks that I have to write. The charity is assured of a constant income which makes the charity’s budgeting much easier. Remember to notify your charity when you receive a new credit card with its new expiration date. To keep track of my giving I have created a spread sheet on excel that shows my monthly giving, my quarterly giving and my occasional giving. If a charity is not on my spreadsheet they are out of luck and their mail requests go in the circular file. I try to keep my giving well balanced by supporting church related charities and nonsectarian charities, charities that serve Americans and charities that serve the developing countries, and charities that support health care and charities that support the environment. I also remember the universities that educated me.

Please join me in making giving to charities a priority in your 2009 budget. We all need to help feed the hungry, cloth the poor, help the sick and ensure adequate housing for everyone. I am reminded of the story in Mark 12:41-44 where Jesus found more value in the giving of the poor widow than those who gave from wealth. I know that by world standards I am wealthy. Blessed are those who give out of poverty.

Lynn Locher, Stewardship Chair



Bridges

By Kathy†

By the time this goes to press, most of the holiday season is over. I hope it was

a joyful time of year for you. I come from a world of snow, ice, bone-chilling cold and wind for Christmas. One year my family decided to visit friends in Los Angeles for Christmas. Imagine our shock when the next door neighbor started mowing his lawn on Christmas morning and planted several beds with flowering plants later in the afternoon. We could get in the car and go anywhere without worrying about black ice and drifts and sliding off the freeway exit. What a joy! What disorientation! We went to Disneyland the next day, with rides and a Main Street Parade, and all in short sleeves and just a sweater for evening. The weather was beautiful and sunny and warm. And we decided we didn’t like it much.

We made our way back, through Las Vegas to see cousins and up the length of Utah to Salt Lake City and home. The weather was abysmal, cold and snowy. We decided that felt better for Christmas. We had set a tradition in our minds that dictated how we would view holiday “perfection”. It felt like there was no Christmas without snow.

That works if you are in snowy places in the Northern Hemisphere. Millions of people know warm weather, the scent of blooming flowers, the chirping of birds at dawn on a Christmas morning. They sing *Christmas Down Under* instead of singing *In the Bleak Midwinter*.

Working our way through interim time can seem as odd and disorienting as my first California Christmas. Our expectations of the outcome of interim time and the upcoming town meetings will help us through the disorientation and will help us to name and recognize traditions that may need to take a vacation in Los Angeles.

The Great Adventure of the Re-keying of St. James'

As most of you are aware, a key to St. James' was lost (likely stolen) during the Winter Relief Program in November. Because of this, the re-keying of the facility that the vestry had planned for January or February was moved up to December. Scott Kennedy on the Facilities Cluster was instrumental in arranging and coordinating the effort, and the process was completed in one day. Thank you, Scott! The new locks are done in such a way that outside groups will have a key that will only open rooms in the Education Building and the Parish Hall. They will no longer have access to the office or the church sanctuaries.

The second episode in this Great Adventure was the convergence of the re-keying sooner than expected with the requirement for key holders to be certified as outlined in the "Called to Right Relationship" document from the diocese (available at http://diocal.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=296&Itemid=271). This requires all key holders to complete an on-line course and register for a background check. This has caused some distress for us, for many of you, and for several of the outside groups that use the facility.

The purpose of this program is to provide a background check and a short course on spotting child abuse for everyone who either works with children here at church or who has a key to our facility. Your cooperation keeps us in compliance with both the diocese and the national church - who, by the way, underwrites our liability insurance - and provides an extra bit of protection for our children.

The vestry thanks everyone who has completed the requirement. You must do so to get a new key. If you need access for an event and do not yet have a new key, please contact a member of the vestry for assistance. Members of the vestry, with the help of Barbara Dabney and Brad Hoffman, are opening and locking up for outside groups until they are able to comply with the requirement and get their new keys. Jan Brandt has volunteered to be the point person for signing out the new keys. Thank you to all who have pitched in to get this done.

If you have any questions, please contact me. I now have a contact person with the diocese who can answer technical questions about the on-line course and can help you through it if needed.

Janet Fischer, Jr. Warden

The vestry is looking for some team players!

There are four openings coming up and you may be approached. If you are not, and you have been considering it, please approach us! We ask that you prayerfully consider this important ministry. Your church community needs you!

This is a critical juncture in our parish life and the vestry will be making pertinent decisions that will impact all of us.

Exiting members of the vestry are: Johanne LaRocque, Greg Miller, Connie Rux and Scott Whitaker. Please feel free to contact any of us with questions.

Johanne LaRocque

"Thank You, Saint James'!"



That is the only answer that came to mind when I was asked, "What will you tell people at church about your leaving?"

I joined the family at St. James' in January 1990. We moved here following a wonderful job offer, leaving family on the East coast. My family and I never looked beyond this parish when we were searching for a new church home. When we were enjoying the fellowship at coffee hour, I told my husband that I felt so at home, and he agreed! I joined the choir and played guitar in the folk choir that first year. Teaching Sunday school, leading bible study, and becoming a Eucharistic Visitor all came from the nurturing I received here.

You helped me when I was sick or injured. You helped me raise my boys. You comforted me while I mourned the loss of my parents. I have been uplifted by so many prayers and notes of encouragement!

I will miss you all! I know that we will find a new church home (we always do!), but this time the candidates will be compared to St. James. A part of my heart will always stay at St. James' Church. Thank you all. I love you.

Kae Romeril



ViewPoint

by David☩

When you read this, I will be with family traveling “down under,” visiting Australia and New Zealand. As most of you know, I am taking all of January off to complete our year-long celebration of Dad’s 90th birthday.

Also, as you read this, we will be in the “Epiphany Season,” the Church’s celebration of the start of Jesus’ ministry. The Gospel reading for the first Sunday of Epiphany is the story of Jesus’ Baptism where we hear a voice from heaven: “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased” (Mk 1:11). The next time we hear that “voice” will be the last Sunday of Epiphany, The Transfiguration of our Lord: “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” (Mk 9:9). Indeed . . . listen!

Now, listening is very difficult for me. Oh, I hear OK, but I don’t always listen; and there’s a difference between listening and hearing. Hearing is simply the act of perceiving sound by the ear. If you are not hearing-impaired, hearing simply happens. Listening, however, is something you consciously choose to do. Listening requires concentration so that your brain processes meaning from words spoken. I tend to be “hard of listening” rather than “hard of hearing.” Perhaps it has to do with my WASP cultural background; or how I was raised; maybe I just didn’t learn it. In any case, I am working at learning it now . . . and I invite you to join me.

In the months ahead, we are going to have many opportunities to share our hopes and dreams for St. James’ Parish and to tell our stories—an essential tool during our interim time. As we do this, it will be important for each one of us to cultivate and practice the art of “Active Listening.”

Active listening intentionally focuses on who you are listening to, whether in a group or one-on-one, in order to understand what he or she is saying. As the listener, you should then be able to repeat back in your own words what they have said to their satisfaction. This does not mean you agree with, but rather understand, what they are saying. It’s that kind of listening which leads to learning. So . . . Happy Listening!!

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Another Great Book & Media Sale

The Holiday Book & Media Sale was another hit! Thanks to your generosity, our day-of-sale totals topped \$850 with more to come as the leftovers make their way to Half Price Books. A very special thank-you to everyone who donated, bought, sold, sorted, baked, set up, cleaned up and shuttled (or who will shuttle) - you are all amazing!

Pegeen Perry



Muchas Gracias!

“Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a gift and not giving it.”

The Faith Formation Team is grateful for all those who came to the parish’s Las Posadas celebration on December 7th, and participated in a very joyful and sociable event. And our thanks to the many individuals who worked at making it a grand evening:

- Kathy and David: enthusiastic supporters of the event and Matthew gospel readers extraordinaire;
- Senior Warden Sylvia Ma for saying: “Yes, go ahead, even if Faith Formation has no budgeted money”;
- Jan Scrutton, Penny Trant, Marlene Benedict: an abundance of delicious food;
- Greg and Elaine Miller: gorgeous decorations;
- Mark Locher and Cassandra Martinez: starring as Joseph and Mary;
- Steven Maina, Beth Scrutton, and Bruce Roberts: our “Mean People at the Doors”;
- Leslie Watson: beautiful luminaires lighting our way;
- Katherine La Rose and 11 a.m. Choir: hearty singers;
- Bryneth Fuller: a beautiful solo song;
- Penny Whistle Pipers: from Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Grace Nativity Schools of San Jose;

John Maloney
Chair, Faith Formation Team



BENEDICAMUS DOMINO

Translated, the headline means “Let us bless the Lord”. Our response, at the end of a service is “Thanks be to God.” Hearing that in worship services recently caused me to ponder again the idea of blessing.



Dictionary.Com identifies several meanings for bless (as a verb) and blessing (as a noun). Some blessings are very formal, such as the blessing of a Bishop or a priest. Some are overlaid with centuries of tradition, like the special blessing of a newly-ordained priest, which is said to carry extra meaning and something like an extra measure of grace.

In the midst of such formal blessings are the ones that are interjected into conversations, like “Bless my soul.” when something is funny or shocking. And “Bless you.” rings out when someone sneezes, a blessing for good health.

But there are other occasions when the blessing, formal or not, is the wish for good health, safe travel and bestowing a measure of God’s grace on the recipient. We do this for one another when we say “Drive safely!” or “Best wishes this holiday season”.

My personal favorite, a blessing written for me, reads something like this:

Today,
May the coffee be hot,
The work load manageable,
The laughter genuine
And the phone calls few.

We can be blessed, we can acknowledge the many blessings we receive, but it is another thing to write and pronounce a blessing like the one I received. It makes a wonderful New Year’s offering to those whom you love and cherish.

May your New Year:
Be filled with strength for the journey.
Be filled with laughter to gladden your heart,
Be filled with hope for the future.

Kathy✠

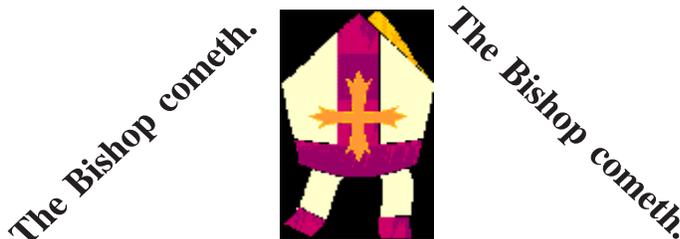
2nd TOWN HALL MEETING



Our 2nd Interim Time Town Hall Meeting will be on Sunday, February 1, 2009, following the 11:00 a.m. service. A “light” lunch will be served. Our guest speaker will be Michal Anne Pepper, Ph.D., a former pastor in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). She is

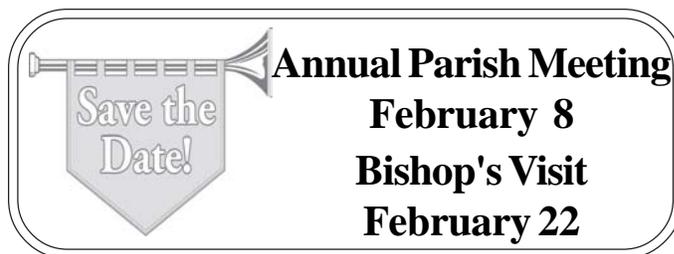
a psychologist, teacher, author and current aspirant for Ordination into the Episcopal Church. Michal Anne believes that God calls us all into deeper relationship and ministry during every part of our lives. She delights in working with communities as they live into God’s calling. She has worked with a number of congregations throughout what is called “a congregation’s life-cycle,” that is, from birth and growth, to maturity, to decline and death. She will be preaching at all three services on February 1st, and then lead the town hall meeting, as we explore where we are in our own “life-cycle” as a parish, and what God might be calling us to do and to be.

The meeting will conclude by 2 p.m., giving us plenty of time before the 2009 Super Bowl kickoff.



On **Sunday, February 22 at 4 p.m.**, The Rt. Rev. Marc Andrus, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of California, will make his regular “Episcopal Visit” to our Parish.

Mark your calendars! Celebrate with us!





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Equipping the Beloved Community

Regional Training: January 2009

This regional training event will be hosted by St. Clement's in Berkeley on Saturday, January 17th at 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Bishop Steven Charleston will kick off our day with worship, followed by a full day of training for **year-round stewardship leadership**, a workshop on arts for all ages with Mel Ahlborn (president of Episcopal Church in the Visual Arts), and workshops on **Lenten programming, congregational discernment, and parish administration**. Also available will be the practicum segment of **Eucharistic Minister** and **Visitor training**, which now requires several weeks of advance preparation using the workbooks that are available in congregations, or by download at www.diocal.org. More details are available at the same website under Events. You may also register on-line.

Submitted by David✚

A REMINDER – We are still collecting used ink cartridges (not the large ones, please) and old cell phones. We get money for the operating budget for sending them in to be recycled. Please set up a box at work for collecting these items and tell your friends and neighbors to save these for you. There is a small basket on the shelves by the office for your donations.

Thank you very much.

Barbara Dabney.

Financial Summary

	<u>11/30/2007</u>	<u>11/30/2008</u>
Operating Cash	\$10,271	\$6,229
Building Cash	5,381	7,262

Year-to-date Summary

Pledges budgeted	\$234,667
Pledges paid	211,420
Unpledged contributions	7,226
Other operating income	<u>21,011</u>
Total operating income	\$239,657
Total operating expenses	<u>\$274,372</u>
Income less expenses	\$(34,715)

BeadForLife party raises \$1,000.



Thanks to your support, over \$1800 was raised from the BeadForLife party. All proceeds go to the BeadForLife organization, which helps lift the women of Uganda out of poverty.

Thank you so much for purchasing the jewelry and supporting this project.

Janet Fischer for The Rosary Makers

YOUR BROTHERS NEED YOUR HELP.



Mount Calvary Monastery and Retreat House was destroyed in the Montecito Tea Fire, November 13th. All seven Benedictine Episcopal monks, staff and retreatants were all safe.

The Companions on the Way, a secular remnant of the Incarnation Priory community in Berkeley, are raising funds for the brothers. They hope to raise several thousand dollars by the end of the year. Please help the monks who continue to pray for us.

If you wish to join this effort, please write a check made out to Order of the Holy Cross and put "fire fund" in the memo line. You may place your check into the offering plate, drop it off at the Church Office or mail it directly to the monks at: Mount Calvary, PO Box 1296, Santa Barbara, CA 93102.

David✚

“Ushering in the New Year”



Saint James' ushers held their 2008 meeting in the big church on December 6. The attendees shown left-to-right in the photograph were: (back row) Gregg Feeney, Jan Pearson, Brad Hoffman, Chris Perry, Bud Spalding; (front row) Cathy Knotts, Margaret Rainey, Bob Bell, Rev. Dr. David Abernethy-Deppe and Tim Young. Usher co-ordinator Burtin Hart was the photographer.

David opened the meeting with a prayer and discussed how the clergy would like the services to flow. The group discussed the points that David brought up in context of their ushering experiences at Saint James', what was working and could be done differently followed by rehearsals.

Saint James' ushers are usually the first people who meet and greet anyone arriving for services at our church home. We are often the first-line contacts that visitors make when approaching either of the chapels, so it is our pleasure and duty to help them orient themselves to Saint James' chapels and amenities.

The usher teams assist at regular and special services alike, whether the usual Sunday services or at weddings, funerals, baptisms, church celebrations, etc., and perform services such as: monitoring entry to and egress from the grounds (including occasional traffic/parking control); powering-up the public address sound system and one or more microphones as needed; handing out bulletins or other service and/or program pamphlets and the like; answering questions about Saint James' for example, where to get a name badge or whom to refer someone asking a question the usher might not know); recruiting oblation bearers from the congregation just before services; occasionally operating the lighting before, during, and after services; assisting in regulating the flow of persons approaching the altar for communion; assisting in taking up the offering and depositing it in the church

vault; tidying-up the churches in between and/or after services; and assisting in closing and locking the campus buildings at the end of services.

There is no specific age limit for serving as an usher at Saint James', but generally youths need to be old enough to understand that they are representing the church and conduct themselves accordingly (this is generally referred to as their having reached the “age of understanding”). There is no uniform dress code for ushers, but dress should be appropriate for the church service(s) at which the usher(s) is/are and serving, as ushers meet and greet even first-time visitors to Saint James'.

Currently there are 33 “regular” ushers and 10 “alternate” ushers. Each regular usher at Saint James' becomes a member of a team that serves usually one service a month, but there are ushers who commonly serve at one or more services a week. For months having a fifth Sunday, the usher teams rotate staffing the additional services. It is regular ushers' responsibility to find substitutes for themselves when they cannot serve at their agreed-to times/services, and a team roster and updates to it are posted (in the “big church” audio/visual control room and via e-mail) several times a year (for ushers who do not have e-mail, contact is maintained via telephone).

Alternate ushers are people from the congregation or ushers “covering” last-minute usher staffing needs, who are willing to be called-in on reasonable notice to fill-in for any one of the regular ushers, who cannot serve at his/her regular service. There is no set schedule for regular usher-team meetings, but the ushers usually convene a group meeting about once a year.

Anyone who is interested in becoming an usher should contact the clergy, any usher, or Burtin Hart at (510) 795-0472 or at burtinh@sbcglobal.net. Persons who would like to try ushering are always welcome, even if wishing to serve only as an occasional alternate.

Burtin Hart

Next issue of *The Window* will be in February. We welcome your comments, pictures, essays, poems, cartoons, artwork, newsworthy items of interest, any group activity information and book reviews.

February Issue Deadline: January 15

World-Renowned Folk Singer John McCutcheon to return to St. James!

Folk artist John McCutcheon will play another all-ages, one-night-only show at St. James' on Monday, January 19, 2009. This will be his sixth concert at our venue, right here in the Big Church.

Tickets are already selling fast at our sales table in the parish hall (and via will-call to the church office) and to folks outside our campus as well. Tickets will be for sale each Sunday through January 18, from 9am - 12:30pm. Or until we sell out!

McCutcheon performs around the world, bringing together professionals and factory workers, folk music veterans and novices, kids and grandparents alike, who find his blends of song and story, humor and insight, contemporary and traditional folk music to be an exhilarating, celebratory evening. His first concert for us in 2004 drew a sell-out crowd of St. James' folks and people from around the Bay Area. Audience reviews have been raves, and each of his concerts with us plays to a full house.

This is an incredible way to support St. James'. Ticket prices are affordable at \$25 for adults, \$15 for kids 5-12, and children under 5 are admitted free. And back by popular demand, a fantastic drawing will be held during intermission for special prizes. Tickets for the drawing are on sale now as well.

Save the date and don't delay in getting your tickets for this special St. James' event on January 19, 2009... an inspiring evening of songs, stories and smiles.

Meg Williams

Do you like Chinese food?

Chinese families celebrate the new year with a meal together on new year's eve. Next year, the first day of the Lunar New Year is on Jan. 26th. Are you available for lunch on Sunday Jan 25th after the 11 a.m. service?

Please come and join the St. James' family to celebrate the Lunar New Year by enjoying some great fellowship and an Asian buffet lunch. We will be dining at Newark Buffet, 35201 Newark Blvd., Suite W in Newark (a few doors down from the Ranch 99 Market). The cost will be \$14 per person including tax and tips. Sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall.

Meg Williams and Sylvia Ma
Available for Lunch ministry

Annual Meeting

On Sunday, Feb. 8th, we are going to have a single service at 10 a.m. followed by our Annual Parish Meeting and Potluck. Please plan to join us as we cast our ballots for 4 new Vestry members (see article on page 3) and 5 Deanery Delegates (see article below).

In preparation for our Annual meeting, our Treasurer, Jan Brandt, will be leading a discussion on our 2009 Operating and our Building (capital expense) budgets on Sunday Jan 25th at 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

The Vestry will be appointing the members of our Transition Team and our Search Committee in January. During our single service on Sunday Feb 8th, the new members of our Transition Team and our Search Committee will receive blessings from our Interim clergy.

Sylvia Ma, Senior Warden

Volunteers are needed as Deanery Delegates and Alternates for 2009.

The parishes and missions of the Diocese of California are divided into six deaneries. St. James' belongs to the Southern Alameda County Deanery. Other churches in the Southern Alameda County Deanery are St. Anne's in Fremont; St. Bartholomew's in Livermore; St. Clare's in Pleasanton; Holy Cross in Castro Valley and All Saints in San Leandro.

According to the diocesan canons, the principal objectives of convocations of the Deanery are to develop and communicate the policies and plans of the Diocesan Convention and of the Executive Council. Before each annual diocesan convention, the deanery representatives are responsible for reviewing the diocesan budgets, resolutions, and amendments. During the annual convention, they are responsible for attending and voting on such items on the agenda. Our Deanery meets 3 or 4 times a year, usually on Sunday afternoons.

For 2008, our Deanery delegates are: Ralph Locher, Alice Johnson, Bob Bell, Marnie Hartmann and Jan Brandt. Our Deanery Alternates are Kae Romeril and Elaine Miller.

St. James' Deanery delegates are elected for a one year term during our Annual Parish Meeting (Sunday, Feb 8th 2009). We have five openings. Please give this important ministry your prayerful considerations.

If you are interested in being a nominee for the Deanery Delegate, please submit your name to Sylvia Ma (srwarden@saintj.com) or call 510-552-6549.

Jan Brandt and Sylvia Ma



ST. JAMES' PRAYER LIST

Most Holy God, we pray for:

- ✧ For Those Who Need Continued Healing: Stephanie, Steve, Elaine, Merle, Paul, Delfina, Norma, Lori, Jenny, John, Brian, David, Linda, Tanya, Jewel, Everett, Rod, Jim, Phil, Susie, Bob, Debbie, Gail, Fent, Manny, Kyffen, George, Fran, Katherine
- ✧ For Those Who Need

Comfort and Strength: Mary, Carol

✧ For Those Who Need Guidance and Direction: Joan, Robert, Elizabeth, Michael, Dean, John, Cody, Deja, Jordon

✧ For all those suffering economic hardship, especially the unemployed: Bill, Chad, Debbie, Dean

✧ For Families Who Are Expecting Children: Tamarah, Marlene, Laura, Jennifer, Allie and Cesar, Deidre and Nick, Tara, Ziggy, Shabana & Riaz, Beth and Victor.

✧ For those in the Military, especially for those enduring the conflict in the Middle East: Daniel, John, Ryan, Cammy, Kurt, Jarrod, Matthew, Joseph, Robert, Tim, Clinton, Joshua, Tony, Valerie, Alex, Vincent, Johnny, Andrew, Angelina, Adrian, Chas, Eric, Davie, Moe, Theresa, Erica, Kenny, Steven, Patrick, Caitlin, Joshua.

✧ For those who are traveling: Flo

Birthdays
JANUARY

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Mary Ellen Gallagher | 20 Stephanie Casas |
| 5 Orietta Hardy-Sayles | 22 Deborah Schupner |
| Laura Winter | 26 Byron Bader |
| Gayle Culver | 27 Ian Miller |
| 6 Thomas Blalock | 28 Maggie Shalar |
| 7 Guy Downing | Bob Crawford |
| 9 Brandon Hoffman | 30 Kassy Menke |
| 10 Caylyn Ramsamy | 31 Bruce Menke |
| 13 Ingrid Benedict | |
| 14 Allison Geibig | |
| 19 Andy Hedvall | |



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Chris & Frank McNulty
- 4 Mike Aquino & Donald Razzolini
- 12 Fred & Barbara Gifford
- 16 Craig & Jodi Benson
- 19 Rod & Jackie Whitehouse



SUNDAY SERVICES AT
8:00 AM, 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST AT 10:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:00 AM

For the most recent St. James' calendar, Gg to
<http://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/calendar.aspx?ci=G1H2J4O9J4G1G1G1>.



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The Rev. Kathy Crary

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Treasurer: Jan Brandt
Music Director, Katherine LaRose
Sexton: Art Gallado
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Other Important Coordinators

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Footprints: Katherine Larose
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