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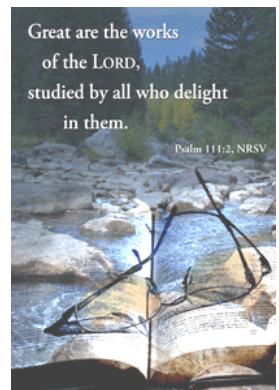
From the Rector's Study

June 1st is the start of the Hurricane Season in Southwest Florida. For the past two years, we here in southwest Florida have benefited from a fairly quiet hurricane season, thanks to El Niño. Even though things have been quiet, we must still take the proper measures to be ready just in case. Make sure you have your handy hurricane supplies checklist close by and all the supplies you might need. If all is quiet again this year, you can give the can goods to the local food shelters. One more thing to remember, make sure that you start up your generator at least once a year whether you use it or not.

Now that summer is upon us, and many of you will be taking some vacation time, I ask you to please be safe in your travels and thanks for letting me know when you will be away. As you prepare to leave, please make sure you keep up with your pledges, since the utility companies do not take

vacation. To our Northern lights we ask the same, please remember us as you attend your northern churches, as the needs are the same.

We just celebrated Pentecost and it was a glorious time in the Lord. Some people refer to the season of Pentecost as Ordinary time. I beg to differ; there is nothing ordinary about celebrating life in the Lord. If the Lord is in me and I am in the Lord, then life can be joyful even in our most difficult moments. Why? Because life is simply a journey to eternal life and there is hope of a better eternal life. We are loved of God even with all of our faults, hang-ups and issues. God truly loves us as we are and that is reason to celebrate. We need to be about sharing that message.



As you seek to invite folks to church this summer, (our duty as good Christians) please remember that we will be on our summer schedule.

Our summer schedule consists of one combined service at 9:30 am Sundays along with our Wednesday healing services at 10am. This change in schedule allows us from both the 8:00 and 10:30am services to get to know each other better. It also allows us to save a little money on energy costs.

Summer time is that time of year when we need to take more precautions such as making sure we do not dehydrate, so drink plenty of fluids. There are more cars on the road, especially our young folk who are out of school, so please drive carefully. Take out time to have fun with the family and friends. If you desire to do something really nice for one of our seniors, why not give them a call, or invite them to lunch or dinner. I am sure they will appreciate the company. Please look out for that individual you know should be in church and is not away on vacation and we will follow up. One last request, please continue to inform our deacons Ben and Jane, as well as myself about those that might be in the hospitals and remember to pray for the oil spill in the Gulf waters, that God may help resolve this matter as He cares for His creation.

Have a great June and start to the summer months. May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen!

Fr. Cesar +



SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE BEGINS

Our Sunday summer schedule begins on June 6 with one service at 9:30am. We will resume our regular schedule of 8:00 & 10:30am services on Sunday, September 5.

The office, which is normally open from 9-12 noon on Fridays, will be closed during the month of July. The Rector is away during this month and this will also allow us to save on electricity.

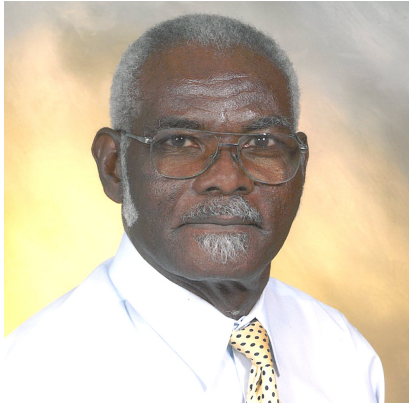
Tuesday's, "The Story of Christianity" has concluded for the summer and will begin again in the fall. Schedule times will be announced at the end of August or beginning of September.

The Choir will once again take their summer hiatus beginning in July.

The Wednesday Adult Class "The Study of Luke" will conclude on June 23rd and will begin again in September.

A message from your Sr. Warden

Lee Sewell



How often have we heard the saying, let me smell the flowers while I am able or don't stack my final resting place where there is no sense

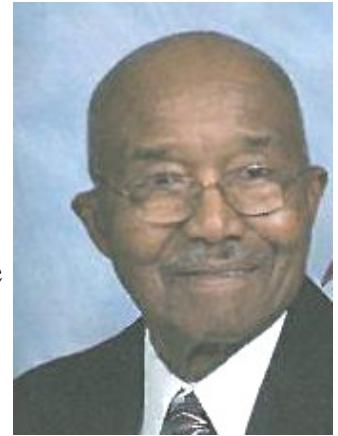
of smell, touch or sight to tell of their beauty and the flowers too, does wither. This is not dealing with death, but to raise our consciousness to how we really see each other. Is it through the eyes of love? As we are commanded by God, as we are being challenged each Sunday from the pulpit and at other times; to let the word of Christ live in us richly in all our wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs; singing with grace in our hearts to the Lord. So that this bouquet, which is Saint James, will be so beautifully sat into one vase, Amen.

To everyone who will be traveling this summer, please please please do not forget your bibles.

Also, please remember your commitment to St. James with your pledge.

Jr. Warden's Report

Ben Saddler



Summer is upon us and the temperatures have started to rise, but there is still much to do to keep our church home looking its best. There are the palms that need trimming, the armies of fire ants that need to be disbanded. The

Columbarium is getting a sprucing up and new plants and flowers are being planted. Thank you to Linda and Richard Zaleski for this project. We are always happy when volunteers give a little of their time. Thanks

Ewe are coming to that time of year when the benches need some TLC - We can use your help.

everyone have an enjoyable summer and please travel safely.

AIR CONDITIONING

Please remember to notify your Jr. Warden or the office if you plan to have a meeting and you need the A/C on. We have locked the boxes due to them being left on after meetings, services. Etc.

Treasurer's Corner

Frances Harris



Many of us find it necessary to set up a monthly budget. We expect a certain amount of income and use that money to pay our monthly bills. Just suppose, one month, the expected amount of money wasn't

in the account. Maybe you can dip into your savings to make up the difference and pay the monthly bills. But next month the same thing happens and you know you're headed for trouble. We, at Saint James appear to be headed for trouble.

Other than the set monthly income from the Cell Tower, the largest part of our annual budget has to be set on promises. The promises or pledges are received each year during the Stewardship campaign. The Finance and Budget Committee produce a budget based on the prior year's expenses and projections for the coming year. Pledged amounts are totaled and the proposed budget is adjusted accordingly for approval by the Vestry.

The church depends on the pledged amounts to meet obligations. Some of the pledges are not being met. Listed below are the deficits for each month. These are not cumulative figures, but are actual amounts, pledged but not received during those months. As you can

see, the amounts are growing larger each month.

January	-\$299.17
February	-\$1,286.90
March	-\$1,852.00
April	-\$2,596.50

The first four months total \$6,034.66 in pledges not received. Your quarterly statement shows whether you have met your pledged amount for the first three months of the year. Review that statement again and see where you stand. Don't let yourself get too far behind. It's very difficult to catch up.

Did you make a pledge? Are you keeping your promise to help support this church? Is your pledged amount a line item in your household budget? We need your help. We need your pledges to be a reality. We ask you to keep your promise. We are in this together.

Are You a Doctor?"

Anonymous

A man was going for an evening stroll, when he heard terrified screams coming from a house nearby. He ran up the steps, only to find a frantic mother, whose small boy was choking on a one dollars coin.

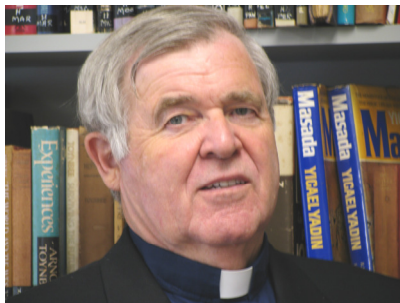
The man seized the child by his heels, thumped its chest, and out popped the coin.

The grateful mother was lost in admiration. "You certainly knew what to do," she said. "Are you a doctor?"

The Deacon's Beacon

THE DEACON'S BENCH

Summer is almost upon us and our winter friends have all headed north. We wish them a happy and safe trip and know we will see them again in the fall.



The Deacons of the Diocese have been focused on different aspects of our outreach ministries. They hope to make the congregations aware of the problems people are facing and ways that we can help.

One area that we can work together in is hunger. The need is great. I spoke with the director of the Homeless Coalition of Charlotte Country and was told that last year they were feeding sixty people a day. This year it has doubled and by next year they expect it to reach two Hundred a day. With numbers like this and given the fact we have over two hundred and fifty homeless children in our school system, you can see that the need is great.

I ask all church members to remember these people with both your prayers and your help. All donations of canned products are divided between our pantry and that of the Coalition. We all can do something to help these Saints of God.

Deacon Ben

THE DEACON'S CORNER

To my Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It's June and we go to the lazy, crazy days of summer, one service at 9:30. Some of us get to sleep in and others have to get up early. But all in all we still have to keep up our studies and quiet time with God.



Are you bored? Do you need something to do on those days you are home alone? Tidewell Hospice is looking for volunteers. As I said before, there are a variety of programs. The training will be in June. You must be able to attend all 3 sessions: Monday June 14, 9:00am – 4:00pm, Wednesday, June 16, 9:00am – 4:00pm, Friday, June 18, 9:00am – 4:00pm. If you are interested, please give Nancy Vollmer or Christine Peters a call. 941-627-0848.

Five of us went to the Amazing Love Healing Ministry's "Healing Gathering Day" at Dayspring, May 8th. It was a very powerful day. Pastor Sharon said, "The World is Our Parish". Their mission is: "Healing, restoring and sending people in the power of the Holy Spirit. We seek to fulfill our mission by establishing healing houses/centers all over the world." The Lord said His house will be a house of prayer. He lives in us, we all are healing houses. Let us be filled with healing prayers. For more information go towww.amazinglovehealing.com.

God's Peace and Love, Deacon Jane

Our Church Women



FERRIS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

ECW

We will continue to host the coffee minute on the first Sunday of the month during the summer. Those dates are **June 6, July 4th, and August 1st**.

We have planned a day's outing to **The Mineral Springs in North Port on Thursday June 17th**. This trip replaces the former cruise we were forced to cancel because of inclement weather. On a point of interest and fact; at a much later date, three of us went on the same cruise with another organization, and we were not in the least bit impressed.

We hope you will join us at "The Fountain of Youth". Please contact anyone of us for further details.

I look back at the past year and thank God for all He has allowed us to accomplish. Thank you for your time, your gifts; monetary and other, your prayers and your overall bond of fellowship.

As for me, I reflect over the past two years and thank you for the opportunity you afforded me to serve as your President. We have together; accomplished much, reaching out into our community as well as far and wide; beyond the boundaries of our land. There is every reason to continue your loyal support and commitment. I hope you do.

At this writing, we have a President elect and Vice- President elect. Date of their installation TBA.

May you all have a very peaceful, enjoyable stay cool summer.

Sisterly in Peace and Love

Kathleen Hudson

Students who received a Ferris Scholarship last school year and are planning to continue their college education, must send a copy of their last year's report card and a copy of their next years class program to the Ferris Scholarship Committee.

Scholarships will be rewarded next school year after classes have resumed in the fall.

Best wishes for a successful school year.

Ferris Scholarship Committee



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & THANK YOU

With grateful thanks and God's love to my brothers and sisters for their prayers, phone calls, visits and cards.

Thanks to Millie and Amy for bringing me the beautiful altar flowers and to Fred for bringing me holy communion.

*Please continue your prayers,
God bless,
Enid Levy*

Thank you to The Brotherhood of St. Andrew for honoring our Mother's on Sunday, May 9 with their annual dinner.

Thank you to my St. James family, After reading the Deacon's Corner in the March issue of the Beacon, I have decided to try taking on new things rather than giving up things and making promises difficult to keep during Lent and ongoing.

St. James is a constant teaching/learning institution. There is never a service attended or a class given that I did not go away with answers or new thoughts challenging my faith and pointing out to me that my knowledge of the Bible and Christianity can fit into a thimble.

It is nice to see that so many of you have found the peace that I am searching for. I have no doubt that I will find it here at St. James. Where else, but St. James, can you walk right into the Upper Room and share in the Last Supper?

I love St. James, its leadership, its members and all that it stands for. It feeds my mind and my soul. Just as we take care of our immediate family, we MUST take care of St. James so that when we enter the sanctuary on Sundays, we can experience the "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" that awaits us.

*Love,
Barbara DeSouza*

Thank you to St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Boca Grande for their generous gift to St. James, as we partner together to help those in need in our community. Their gift helps us to help those who are homeless and hungry, both physically and spiritually, and those who are less fortunate than we are. May God continue to bless St. Andrew's as they are an example of spreading the gospel.

If you wish to place a thank you or acknowledgement in the Beacon, please send it into the office either by email, typewritten or handwritten.

Notes from the choir....

Barbara Wojtkiewicz, Director

As we approach the end of this year's Easter Season at Pentecost we can look back on the wonderful contribution the choir has made to our worship experience. We sang a variety of music, but everything was designed to remind us of the risen Lord and the salvation He offers us. We hope you enjoyed hearing the music as much as we enjoyed presenting it.



Of course, we always welcome new members into the choir. We will be singing until the end of June, if you would like to give it a try. We practice on Saturday afternoons, and before church on Sunday mornings. If anyone who normally comes to the 8am service would like to sing with us during June, when the only service is at 9:30, they would be very welcome.

After Pentecost, we will be concentrating on music about the work of the Holy Spirit. We will be learning some new music and also singing some well known songs. This is the time of year when we say good-bye to some of our members who return to the north for the summer. I am no longer among that group, but some of our members are. You may see that the choir is smaller by a few people. We wish them a good summer and look forward to seeing them again in the fall.

Prayer Blanket Ministry

Betty Creelman, Director

A very special thanks to our dedicated workers who make this ministry possible. Our workshops are scheduled for the fourth Thursday of each month from 2 – 4 in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome and there are all sorts of projects to work on. We continue to make tags, cut circles for 3-D ornament hangers, iron, cut and sew cloth pieces and pray! Some workers will be starting some "Happy Scrappy" projects with odd bits of fabric in the coming workshops. There are many folks willing to lend a hand and help along the way and we hope you will consider joining us as well. We also thank those who are working on these prayer blankets, prayer shawls and baby items at home and bringing them in.

Thank You,



PS We are still looking for soft yarn, safety pins, and plain fabric or cotton material at least a yard in length.

Bountiful Treasures

Linda Zaleski

*Lay up your
Treasurers in
heaven*



Don't forget Dad when you are doing your Father's Day shopping. We have small gift items for Dads, men and graduates. Everything in the store will be half price for the month of June. We need to cut down on some inventory. The store will be closed for the months of July and August as we restock and redecorate.

Happy Father's Day



Daughters of the King

Linda Zaleski



A new Daughter, Kim Rogowski will be admitted to the order during the service on June 27. Kim has completed the 3 month preparation period and will become the newest member of St. Mary Magdalene Chapter. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 9 with a luncheon at Linda Zaleski's.

ACOLYTE GUILD

Do you know that you do not have to be ordained to serve the Lord in His Sanctuary? Would you like to be a part of a wonderful ministry where you can serve the Lord? Well you can by serving as an acolyte. We are in need of acolytes (young or adults) for Sunday services and other services that occur at St. James. If you would like more information or are interested in training, please contact Mr. Edmund Matthews.

MISSION CLEANERS

Butch Patteson

2010 marks the ninth year the Mission Cleaners have been privileged to clean the church, get paid, and donate those funds to missions. In April, the organization known as REACH recognized the continuing contributions from the Mission Cleaners. We are pleased that REACH was recognized in our parish.

REACH (Reconciliation, evangelism and Christian living) is an organization that serves to bring reconciliation and healing through mediation among the peoples of Rwanda. In 1994, during a two month period, Rwanda was devastated by a conflict wherein approximately 1.2 million people were killed. This genocide traumatized the country and one man, Fr. Philbert Kalisa, organized an effort to help heal this nation.

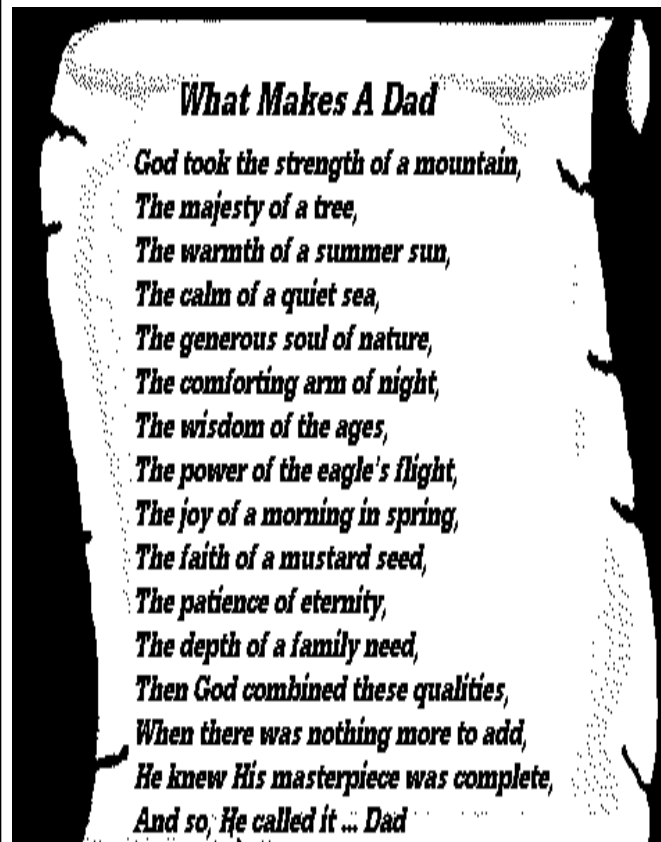
Initial support came from efforts in the United Kingdom where Fr. Philbert attended seminary and has spread to other countries. REACH-USA is an organization formed in our diocese that is seeking to help Fr. Philbert. The Mission Cleaners have provided annual support since Bishop John Lipscomb first began support for Fr. Philbert.

A new REACH center has been built near the capital of Rwanda, several teams have traveled to Rwanda from our diocese, Fr. Philbert visits our diocese and has been to St.

James. The work of REACH in Rwanda will be needed for many years. The Mission Cleaners look forward to continued support for REACH-USA and other missions.

We encourage you to consider the work of REACH and other mission groups and to support the work being done in countries where the need is great. Contact the office with any questions or concerns.

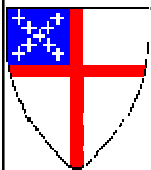
Happy Father's Day



God Bless You

The Cursillo Community

Butch Patteson



Need a lift??

Need a lift? Kinda stale in your Christian walk? Want more? Like a closer relationship with Christ? Looking for something? Feel like you're missing something? All head and no heart? Got that empty feeling? The blues? Or just want more of the good stuff you already have?

Consider attending a Cursillo weekend.

Consider exposing yourself to the Holy Spirit.

Consider a spiritual makeover.

Cursillo weekends are currently held three times a year in the diocese of SW FL. They are held at Dayspring Conference Center and run from a Thursday evening until Sunday evening. Cost is \$175, but help is available if that is too much (just let a clergy person know). Your sponsor from our parish helps you get there and get back. The weekend consists of talks, group time, worship sessions, music, meals, and sleep...with a little walking (or a ride in a golf cart) between things. You are NOT required to make any commitments, sign in to anything,

promise anything, or whatever. You go, you listen, you walk away.

Cursillo does however, according to people who go, change lives.

If you are interested, talk to a member of the clergy or ask the office or ask someone who has attended Cursillo (which includes the clergy). You apply, get accepted for a weekend, go. How you change is between you and Holy Spirit!

The next weekend is the last weekend in September.

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Cursillo #119

June 10-13

Cursillo #120

September 30 - October 3

Money Matters

The Marley theory

Or

the “blankie” syndrome

No not Bob Marley, the reggae musician, but Jacob Marley...remember him?...Christmas carol...held on to his money through the bitter end... pulled him down... Perhaps you too believe you can take it with you. Perhaps you are going to hold on to the money no matter what. Perhaps the money is your “blankie”, your security...kind of like Linus except in adult form.

We all know, however, that you can't take it with you and that nothing is absolutely secure...at least not here on earth. Yet there are many people who hold on to every penny as “if it is their last” and, more importantly, refuse to give any direction to their money affairs for the time after they have departed this earth. To the bitter end refusing to share any money, refusing to give back to the organizations that have sustained them here on this earth (like all those other people gave).

It takes very little effort to leave funds in your will or trust to any of the numerous organizations that have helped you during your life...the church, veterans groups, civic organizations, overseas missions, whatever. Think of it like your “blankie”...just want someone else dividing up your “blankie” and distributing it to whoever knows whom?

Upcoming June Events

**Summer Service Schedule Begins
Sunday, June 6 @ 9:30am**

**Vacation Bible School
June 7-9**

**Brotherhood Meeting
Saturday, June 12 @ 10:00am**

**Health Seminar
Wednesday, June 16 @ 11:00am
“Cholesterol”**

**ECW
Thursday, June 17
Mineral Springs Outing**



**Beacon Reports Due
Monday, June 14**

(July & August Issue)

**Beacon Mailing
Thursday, June 24 @ 10:00am**

**D.O.K. Installation
June 27 @ 9:30am**

June 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 2:00 - Cursillo	2 10:00am – Healing & H.E. 3:00pm – Story of Luke	3 1:00 – ECW Board 6:30pm - Evangelism	4	5 3:30pm – Choir Practice
6 9:30am – H.E. 5:30pm – Praise & Worship	7 7:00pm - Cursillo	8 2:00pm - Cursillo	9 10:00am – Healing & H.E. 11:00am – D.O.K. Luncheon 3:00pm – Story of Luke	10 6:30pm - Evangelism CURSILLO WEEKEND BEGINS	11	12 10:00am – Brotherhood 3:30pm – Choir Practice
13 9:30 am – H.E.	14 7:00pm - Cursillo BEACON REPORTS DUE	15 2:00pm - Cursillo 7:00pm - F&B	16 10:00 am – Healing & H.E. 11:00 am – Health Seminar 3:00pm – Study of Luke	17 ECW – Mineral Springs Outing 6:30pm - Evangelism	18	19 3:30pm – Choir Practice
20 9:30 am – H.E. 	21 7:00pm - Cursillo	22 2:00pm – Cursillo 5:00pm - Healing 7:00pm - Vestry	23 10:00am – Healing & H.E. 3:00pm – Study of Luke	24 10:00am – BEACON MAILING 6:30pm - Evangelism	25	26 3:30 – Choir Practice
27 9:30 am – H.E. D.O.K. INSTALLATION	28 7:00pm - Cursillo	29 2:00pm – Cursillo	30 10:00am – Healing & H.E.	Fr. Cesar away on vacation		

CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 2010



1st Cornelius Ridgewell	11th Florence Desrochers	19th Enid Farquharson
2nd John Brower	Mireya Olivero	Lynda Venditti
Angelique Nelson	Eleanor Elmore	Stephen Rogowski
4th Cislyn Burke	12th The Rev. Cesar Olivero	20th Arlene Chase
Jenine Jones	14th Kerel Joseph	21st James Martin
5th Shirley Rowe	15th Joyce Braithwaite	Shannon Burdick
6th Evans Orisakwe	Justin Clemente	23rd Irene Beyde
7th Robina Muirhead	16th Clarence Hibbert	24th Virginia Setchel
Taylor Nero	Angie Patteson	Esline Lafayette
8th Brandon Schmidt	17th June Walters	25th Lionel Lynch
Rolanda Harris	Pamela Schmidt	28th Vikki Meyer
9th Warren Olsen	18th Nancy Katyryniuk	29th Lenita Hanson
10th Jack Patterson	Albertha Hibbert	



BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

1st Florence Schloss	24th Kyle Munroe
2nd Ida Delapenha	27th Clarence Stephenson
Ruby Glen	29th Joyce Braithwaite
3rd Pamela Schmidt	30th Robert Munroe
10th Delores Sewell	



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2nd Gerald & Barbara Nerber	20th Michael & Nancy Katyryniuk
3rd Frederick & Joycelyn Johnson	22nd Gilbert & Amy Ricketts
12th James & Jerrilyn Martin	25th James & Georgianna Albury
15th Robert & Nancy Munroe	29th Jagnanan & Joyce Pragdat
20th Robert & Lucia Shockley	

SAINT JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MISSION STATEMENT

*St. James Episcopal/Anglican Church is a Eucharistic,
multi-cultural body of faith, telling God's story
and sharing God's Love.*

The Rev. Cesar Olivero, Rector
Pamela Schmidt, Administrative Assistant
William A. Setchel, Jr., Bookkeeper

ST. JAMES VESTRY MEMBERS and their term expiration dates:

Senior Warden: Leaford Sewell (2013)

Treasurer: Frances Harris (2011)

James Albury (2011)

Kathleen Hudson (2013)

Charles Meyers (2012)

Junior Warden: Benjamin Saddler (2013)

Clerk: Pamela Schmidt (2011)

Enid Farquharson (2013)

Elizabeth Krakowski (2012)

Ann Scotten (2012)

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