

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont.)

BENNINGTON COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS WISH LIST: Deodorant; soap; shampoo; toothbrushes; toothpaste; razors & shaving cream; diapers (all sizes); feminine products; men's clothing (all sizes); cleaning supplies; toilet paper; paper towels; garbage bags. There is a bin in the narthex to collect the donations. For more information, please see Michael Rice.

LOOKING AHEAD

WORSHIP

Sunday, January 8, 2017.....Holy Eucharist
Rite I, 8AM; Rite II, 10AM

Sunday, January 15, 2017.....Holy Eucharist
Rite I, 8AM; Rite II, 10AM

Sunday, January 22, 2017, **One Service at 9AM**.....Holy Eucharist
followed immediately by the Annual Meeting

AN ORDER OF HEALING is offered at the conclusion of the liturgy of the Holy Eucharist on the first Sunday of each month.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

2017 FREE COMMUNITY DINNER SCHEDULE, 5:30PM

- Friday, January 27, 2017
Hosts: Joanna Taylor and June Sherwin
- Friday, February 24, 2017 – Host Needed
- Friday, March 31 – Hosts: Susan and Paul Gratz
- Friday, April 21, 2017
Hosts: Eileen Rice and the Battenkill Valley Health Center

The St. James' Weekly News
The Feast of the Holy Name
January 1, 2017



Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her Baby
In a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

[Hymn #102, v. 1]

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WELCOME

A warm welcome to all and a special welcome to visitors; the addition of your praise and thanks heartens us all. If you are seeking a church home or simply a place to rest for a while on your spiritual journey, we invite you to consider St. James' to be that place. The service leaflet will guide you through the liturgy. In the pew racks you will find the *Book of Common Prayer* (red binding) and *The Hymnal 1982* (blue binding). Please do not hesitate to ask a fellow worshipper for help.

If you are new to St. James' and wish to receive our weekly e-mails, please fill in one of the welcome forms and leave it in the offertory plate or with an usher. Restrooms are located in the undercroft on the right-hand wall. There is an elevator located in the narthex for those who need it. **Please do not hesitate to speak to an usher or any church member if you have questions or need assistance.** Whether you are a visitor or a parishioner, if you would like a call and/or a visit please send an e-mail to stjamesparishoffice@gmail.com or call the office at 375-9952. If you have a need for hospital visitation for yourself or for a family member or friend, **you must call Fr. Christopher or the Parish Office.** Hospitals do not release the names of patients who are admitted.

WELCOME TO OUR GUEST ORGANIST TODAY: Welcome back, Gail Albright! Your musical gifts enhance our worship. Thank you and Happy New Year.

MESSIAH SING-ALONG is today at 3PM. An informal reception in Memorial Lounge follows the performance. All are welcome.

A GIFT ON CHRISTMAS DAY. The Christmas Day liturgy at 9AM was scheduled to be a cappella and so it was until a very special gift was offered to the congregation. After receiving Communion, a congregant slipped onto the piano bench and began to play for "Silent Night" much to the delighted surprise of all. Our musical benefactor continued with "Joy to the World". Thank you, Mary Jo Deignan, for your gift of music.

2017 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available on the table in the narthex. Please take yours. We ask that you not use your old 2016 envelopes unless you are making a payment in 2017 for your 2016 pledge. The Beancounters work hard to keep your giving records accurate so **please mark your check accordingly** to let us know your intention. Haven't made a pledge yet? It's not too late. Blank forms are available in the narthex as well. Please check with Sue Claro if you have any questions.

JANUARY 27, 2017 COMMUNITY DINNER sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the undercroft. Joanna Taylor and June Sherwin are in charge of the first dinner and are requesting help with donations of food and set-up and clean-up time. The complete schedule is on the back cover. There is no designated host for the February 24 dinner. Please consider taking on this responsibility either alone or by organizing a team. For additional information, please check with Joanna Taylor or Sue Claro. Thank you!

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Sick: Ken Blackler; Garrett Brewer; Janet Cassell; Sue Claro; Peter Garneau; Jo Gillikin; Dot Grout; Thomas Hayton; Esther Jaffee; John Jaworski; Jane Jersey; Bruce Keene; Marilyn King; John Laughrey; Mary Loring; Alan Mears; Bob McCarthy; Gail McDevitt; Charlie Menghini; Jack Michael; Cecelia O'Brien; Andie Owen; Ralph and Natalia Panelli; Irene Roth; MaryAnn Schaefer; June Sherwin; John, Judy and Anita Werner; Dot Whitley; Wilfred Williamson; Jeanne Zouck (Susan Gratz' mother); Barbara; Beth; Bruce; Celia; Chris; Dennis; Dick; Helen; Isaac; Jan; John; Kathy; Kay; Sherry; Susan; Toby

For the Departed: All our departed loved ones; all those in whose memory the Christmas flowers are given remembering especially parishioners Philip, Mary Ann and Sarah who died this past year; all victims of war, terrorism, violence and oppression in the United States and throughout the world.

For Those In Need of Our Prayers: The Simko and Lawrence families; Andie Owen and her family; Philip Brown; Charles; Anna, Sherri; Alyce; Sue; Sara; John; Katie; Joan; Cathy; Alex; Sofia; Eleanor; Jack, Vin, Jan and A.J.; Wanda; the Kluj family; Hank; Estelle; Michael; the people of Aleppo; all those who suffer from terrorism, strife, hunger and deprivation throughout the world; the homeless; refugees; for peace and justice everywhere; for all who need our prayers.

For Those Who Celebrate This Week:

Birthdays: 1/3-Don Brown; 1/8-The Very Rev. Christopher L. David

Wedding Anniversaries: 1/2-Bebe and Bill Bullock

Baptismal Anniversaries: None this week

For Those Who Serve in the Armed Forces: Gary Marckres; Margaret; Willow Bucchieri-Sibley

In Thanksgiving: For the ministry of our Interim Pastor, Fr. Christopher L. David; for our families and friends; for the gift of music; for those who bring us the Messiah Sing-Along performance, musicians, organizers, workers, supporters; for God's love, freely given; for the communion of saints; for the continuing presence of the Holy Spirit.

For The Church: For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Thomas, our Bishop; the people and mission of this Diocese; the Very Rev. Christopher L. David, Interim Pastor; this parish of St. James' and its mission; the Revs. Paul Gratz, Sean Lanigan, Rolfe Lawson, John Miller, Scott B. Neal, Keith F. Patterson, priests; Kathleen Moore, postulant.