

TODAY'S HYMNS can be found in the blue-covered *The Hymnal 1982* in the pew rack.

- 1. Hymn of Praise #445
- 2. Gradual #559

- 3. Offertory: #448
- 4. Communion: #688

LOOKING AHEAD

WORSHIP

Sunday, March 12, 2017, Second Sunday in Lent ... The Penitential Order
with the Holy Eucharist
8AM – Rite I; 10AM Rite II

Sunday, March 19, 2017, Third Sunday in Lent The Penitential Order
with the Holy Eucharist
8AM – Rite I; 10AM Rite II

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

Sunday, March 12, 11:30AM End of Life Planning Forum
Saturday, August 5, 2017 Norman's Attic
Saturday, September 30, 2017 Harvest Fest

2017 FREE COMMUNITY DINNER SCHEDULE, 5:30PM

Friday, March 31, 2017 – Hosts: Susan and Paul Gratz
Friday, April 28, 2017
Hosts: Arlington Community Public Health Nursing Association

TODAY'S COVER ART is “Temptation of Christ on the Mount”, tempera and gold on wood; panel from the Maesta Altarpiece of Siena, 1308-1311; by Duccio di Buoninsegna, d. 1319; now in the Frick Collection, NY, NY. Courtesy of *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=49183>. Original source: www.yorckproject.de. Used with permission.

The St. James' Weekly News
The First Sunday in Lent
March 5, 2017



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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.

TODAY'S HYMNS are listed on the hymn board above the pulpit and also on the back cover of this newsletter.

ORDER OF HEALING TODAY immediately following the 10AM liturgy. If you wish to participate, please come forward after the final blessing. We ask that those who are leaving to be mindful of the healing service and continue their conversations outside the nave. Thank you for your consideration.

TODAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH. As is our custom, the loose offering will be contributed to the Parish Discretionary Fund. We are grateful for your generosity that provides additional resources to help those in need.

OUR LENTEN PROGRAM, FIVE MARKS OF LOVE begins today following the 10AM liturgy. This is the first of five sessions. The other sessions are on March 19 and 26 and April 2 and April 9. [Next Sunday, March 12, we will have the special forum that was rescheduled. See below for more information.]

THE END OF LIFE PLANNING FORUM is next Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 11:45AM (following the 10AM liturgy). Father Christopher will discuss the church options for funerals, memorial services and other related topics. Forms will be available to delineate preferences. Other presenters include Eileen Rice, RN, PhD., Director of Clinical Operations at Battenkill Valley Health Center, who will discuss Advanced Directives (medical). Joseph O'Dea, attorney-at-law, will discuss legal aspects and options. Representatives from Hanson-Walbridge & Shea Funeral Home will be present to discuss the role of funeral directors in the planning process. There will be a question and answer period. Refreshments will be served. The forum is open to everyone in the community. Please share this information with your friends and neighbors.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Sick: Bob Alexander; Lynn Bates; Ken Blackler; Garrett Brewer; Janet Cassell; Sue Claro; Peter Garneau; Jo Gillikin; Dot Grout; Thomas Hayton; Esther Jaffee; Jane Jersey; Bruce Keene; Marilyn King; John Laughrey; Julie Legg; 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 and Judy; Dot Whitley; Wilfred Williamson; Jeanne Zouck; Barbara; Beth; Bruce; Celia; Chris; Dennis; Dick; Erika; Helen; Isaac; Jan; John; Kathy; Kay; Rick; Sherry; Toby

For the Departed: All our departed loved ones; all victims of war, terrorism, violence and oppression in the United States and throughout the world.

For Those In Need of Our Prayers: Andie Owen and her family; Philip Brown; Charles; Anna, Sherri; Alyce; Sue; Sara; John; Katie; Joan; Cathy; Alex; Sofia; Eleanor; Wanda; the Kluj family; Hank; Ellen; Estelle; Michael; all 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: 3/7-Rachel Brown; 3/11-Mackenzie Sibley, Judy Werner

Wedding Anniversaries: None this week

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 the Lenten opportunity to study and reflect; the parish family of St. James'; our families and friends; 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. In the Diocesan Prayer calendar we remember the congregation of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Burlington and the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

From the Interim Pastor

**THE CONCLUDING PARAGRAPHS OF
CHARLES DARWIN'S
"ORIGIN OF SPECIES"**

I will use this passage in my sermon, but to not wish to read the whole thing in the middle of a long service. The last word is the only time he used anything like "evolution" in the whole book.

It is interesting to contemplate an entangled bank, clothed with many plants of many kinds, with birds singing on the bushes, with various insects flitting about, and with worms crawling through the damp earth, and to reflect that these elaborately constructed forms, so different from each other, and dependent on each other in so complex a manner, have all been produced by laws acting around us. These laws, taken in the largest sense, being Growth with Reproduction; Inheritance which is almost implied by reproduction; Variability from the indirect and direct action of the external conditions of life, and from use and disuse; a Ratio of Increase so high as to lead to a Struggle for Life, and as a consequence to Natural Selection, entailing Divergence of Character and the Extinction of less-improved forms.

Thus, from the war of nature, from famine and death, the most exalted object which we are capable of conceiving, namely, the production of the higher animals, directly follows. There is grandeur in this view of life, with its several powers, having been originally breathed into a few forms or into one; and that, whilst this planet has gone cycling on according to the fixed law of gravity, from so simple a beginning endless forms most beautiful and most wonderful have been, and are being, evolved.

Fr. Christopher +

**5 MARKS OF LOVE
"Tell, Teach, Tend, Transform, Treasure"**

**A Lenten Program from The Society of St. John the Evangelist,
Courtesy of the Diocese of Vermont**

If we are "marked as Christ's own," what are the "marks of love" that characterize the Divine Life abiding and at work within us?

This six-week series provides the opportunity to observe and to reflect on the ways in which the Divine Life expresses itself in and through us; individually and in our faith communities, as well as in the world around us. Each week will explore the Anglican Marks of Mission (Tell, Teach, Tend, Transform and Treasure) through videos, questions and exercises so we can speak more clearly and act truthfully, motivated always by hearts marked by God's love.

The Marks of Love are not simply a list of tasks to be checked off one after the other; they are signs that our life is rooted and grounded in the Being of God. The Brothers of SSJE will draw on their own monastic spirituality to help us balance action with contemplation, so that our words and deeds proceed from the deepest places of our hearts, where God dwells. The resource encourages us to reflect on how we should live, not what we should do.

Ultimately participants will learn to offer themselves, body and soul, to God's Mission, and to live for God's glory.

NOTE: Printed materials are available on the table at the back of the nave for those who wish to participate. Please take and keep a copy and prepare for each session in advance. The introduction is preparatory homework as we will have five sessions instead of all six. [The End of Life Forum is rescheduled for March 12 at 11:30AM so there will be no SSJE program on that date.]

