

Founded in 1880, St. James of Jerusalem Episcopal Church is a lively, inclusive Anglican Catholic parish in the heart of the historic district of Long Beach, New York. Our doors are open to all!

# Cross Talk



**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Sundays:**

8:00 am Low Mass (Rite 2)  
 10:00 am High Mass (Rite 2)  
*Healing, 4th Sundays*

*Alternative liturgies on 5th Sundays  
 Children's Sunday School during  
 the 10 am Liturgy of the Word*

**Wednesdays:**

11:15 am Morning Prayer

**Thursdays:**

6:30 pm Bible Study  
*Meal followed by study of the  
 Sunday Gospel. At the Vicarage.  
 Please call the church if you plan  
 to attend.*

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available by appointment with the Vicar.

Baptisms and weddings are arranged with the Vicar and require a commitment to the Christian faith and way of life.

**PARISH LEADERSHIP**

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island*

The Rev. Dr. Christopher King, SCP  
*Vicar*

Marco Gargiulo  
*Senior Warden*

Robert Cottrell  
*Junior Warden*

Denise Lenci  
*Treasurer*

**Bishop's Committee:**

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 Linda Baessler  
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 Jules Cavanagh  
 Wally Caven  
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 Donald Fraser  
 David Horvath  
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## “Walk in newness of life”

“Jesus said, “Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.” (Mark 6:10)

This is one of Jesus’ hardest sayings. This is so not least of all because Jesus makes it very clear that to follow him means walking away from anything or anyone else you might feel your life depends on.

Jesus wants us to embark on the adventure that St. Paul calls “walking in newness of life” (Rom. 6:4). But this is possible only insofar as we leave behind “people, places and things” that feel safe but actually hold us in bondage. For both Jesus and St. Paul, to cling to old securities instead of God’s faithfulness is ultimately counter-baptismal, expressing a preference for death over the free movement inherent in life. It is, in short, paralysis.

When we choose to cross over from the old life to the new life of grace, God does not simply give us a new, ready-made self to put on like a new set of clothes. We don’t so much get a new self to be as a new Way to go in. Follow that Way and you will find that all things – especially you yourself! – have become utterly new!

Wherever you go today, no matter where your feet take you, remember to consider yourselves, as God does, cross-bearers and wayfarers, walking in newness of life with Christ Jesus our Lord.

Your fellow wayfarer,  
 Fr. Chris King +



## COME TO THE ST. FRANCIS DAY BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

St. Francis of Assisi, an Italian monk who died 783 years ago, may be the most celebrated Christian voice to affirm the moral worth of animals. According to stories, he often spoke of humans’ sacred relationship with the animals and addressed those around him as “brother hare” or “my sisters, the birds.” (When he was especially tired or achey, he also called his body “Brother Donkey”!)

In honor of his feast day which takes place during the first week of October, St. James’ will join with churches around the world in offering a Blessing of the Animals. Bring your friendly and leashed pets to this special service of blessing. *Sunday, October 3 at 4 pm in the Gesthamente Garden. In case of rain, the service will be held in the church.*

## WORSHIP GUILD TRAINING DAY: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Have you thought about serving our worshipping community at St. James’? Now’s your opportunity to join the St. James’ Worship Guild! Training for lay assistants, acolytes, crucifers, torchbearers and thurifers will be from 9-11:30 am and training for readers and intercessors from 1-3 pm. Ms. Mary O’Shaughnessy, experienced MC from

the Church of St. Luke in the Fields, NYC, will team with Fr. Chris for the day.

Attendance is required for all Worship Guild members, experienced and new! If you cannot be present, then you must make other arrangements for training with Father Chris.

*Saturday, September 25, 9 am - 3 pm.*



## 9/11 LITURGY OF REMEMBRANCE

This service of Morning Prayer for Patriot Day will commemorate the events of September 11, 2001 and renew our commitment to lives of service, peace and evangelical tolerance. Flags at half mast from sunrise to sunset. Please send Father Chris names to be remembered in the prayers. *Saturday, September 11 at 10 am.*

## INQUIRER’S CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Thinking about finally entering full communion with the Episcopal Church? Come meet with Father Chris for a series of five “inquiries” into the Episcopal Way. The bishop will receive new members on October 16 in Garden City. *Class dates/times will be decided by participants. Contact Father Chris: frchris@stjameslongbeach.org.*

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATE**

During the summer months, the children's Sunday School continued to meet for lighter lessons focused on outdoor activities, like planting a patch of "biblical herbs" in the Gesthemane Garden. Our new curriculum for the new program year is called *Weaving God's Promises*, a series of rich lessons focusing on God's promises and forming our children as Christ's ambassadors of mercy and reconciliation to the world. *Our normal Sunday School schedule will resume on September 12, during the Liturgy of the Word at the 10 am Holy Eucharist. Visit [www.stjameslongbeach.org/ministries/childrens-ministry](http://www.stjameslongbeach.org/ministries/childrens-ministry) for more information.*



Nicky Fader and church kids create welcome message

**YOUTH CONFIRMATION PROGRAM BEGINS**



Youth ages 12-16 are invited to prepare for Confirmation this year! If your teen is ready (or willing to be ready), please

contact Father Chris about this opportunity for instruction and growth into spiritual maturity. We will use a curriculum called "Confirm not Conform", which was developed at one of Father Chris' former parishes in Oakland, California. The complete calendar and program overview can be viewed at [www.stjameslongbeach.org/youth-confirmation](http://www.stjameslongbeach.org/youth-confirmation). *Classes begin Sunday, September 12 at 4:30 pm. Bishop Provenzano will visit St. James' on Sunday, June 5, 2011 to confirm our candidates.*

**All Hallows' Eve Family Event  
& Long Beach Great Pumpkin Blaze**

Take a twilight tour around Long Beach, visit a "haunted" mini-mansion and help judge the best pumpkin at the Pumpkin Blaze. The evening begins at the St. James' Columbarium with a service of stories and a candlelight visit to the church. In cooperation with the Long Beach Landmarks Association. Refreshments will be served. *Saturday, October 30 at 6 pm. Please visit the website for latest information.*

**OUTING TO CATHEDRAL EVENSONG**

Combined choirs of the diocese will come together at the Cathedral of the Incarnation to sing Choral Evensong, a classic and beautiful Anglican service. This Evensong will honor our bishop on the occasion of his first year as our chief shepherd. St. James' parishioner Robert Summers will be part of the choir. *Saturday September 25 at 5 pm. Cathedral of the Incarnation, 50 Cathedral Avenue, Garden City. A caravan will leave from St. James' promptly at 3:45 pm.*



Cathedral of the Incarnation

**ST. JAMES' AT LONG BEACH ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR**



Deborah Smith & Katie Hartnett extend St. James' greetings to fair goers

The days were hot and humid, but we still turned it out for the Arts & Crafts Fair on July 17 & 18. Our staffers greeted hundreds of passersby and sold 30+ packages of our famous St. James' Pancake Mix.

We thank everyone who took time out to staff our booth: Linda Baessler, Denise Lenci, Maria Milillo, Helene Oliviera, Helene

Oppedisano, Bob Cottrell, George Milos, David Horvath, Valerie Horvath, Jules Cavanagh, Michael Cavanagh, Joseph Cavanagh, Katie Hartnett, Father Chris, Deborah Smith, Jackie Neglia, Bob Summers, Jason Miller, and Cynthia Strite. A special thanks to Marco Gargiulo for donating the long nylon banner for the booth.



l-r: Suzanne Aiosa, Bob Cottrell, Daniel Fraser and Donald Fraser work on the new fence.

**NEW FENCE BUILT**

At last, we have a new fence on the south side of the church's property! Instead of hiring a fence company to replace the old fence that had badly deteriorated, we decided to hold a St. James'-style "fence raising" instead. Volunteers at the July 10

work day enjoyed Anglican fellowship and helped us be good stewards of our resources at the same time!

Thanks are due to Wally Caven, Donald Fraser, Brian and Graham Foote, Suzanne Aiosa, Robert Summers, Bob Cottrell, Daniel Fraser, Edwin Sepulveda and Father Chris for giving their time and energy to the project. A special thanks to Robert Summers for providing deli sandwiches for the hungry crew.

**PARISHIONERS ENJOY KING TUT OUTING**



l-r: Donald & Margie Fraser, Edwin Sepulveda, Maria Milillo and Jackie Neglia at the exhibition entrance

On Saturday, August 7, 2010, a group of us attended the King Tutankhamun in Manhattan. We began the day with an informative morning lecture by Fr. Chris concerning prehistoric, Egyptian, Greek, Christian, and Jewish conceptions of the afterlife.

We then went to Manhattan to see the exhibit about the legendary treasures of King Tut. The

exhibit was vast, and included 10 galleries and 130 artifacts. It was also fascinating.

The most memorable objects for me were King Tut's chariot, which was a very simple wooden platform with primitive wheels. I was awed to think that he rode this around 1325 BC, and now it is in New York City, in 2010!

My second favorite objects were the canopic jars that contained the boy-king's internal organs, and the actual crown found on his head when the tomb was discovered.

I believe that I speak for all that attended in our group that we very much enjoyed our lecture by Fr. Chris and the exhibit itself. – Valerie Horvath

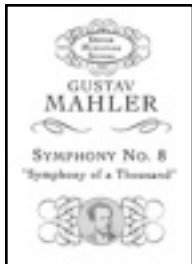
**COMMUNION KIT GIVEN TO PARISH**



We express our gratitude to Robert Summers for his gift of a beautiful new kit for taking Holy Communion to the ill or infirm with fitting solemnity. The kit includes sterling silver chalice and paten, with traditional gold plate inside, cruets, pyx and communion spoon in a handcrafted hardwood box. Fr. Chris blessed the kit on the Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin. *AMDG!*

**Join us for a Parish Outing to Carnegie Hall:  
Mahler's "Symphony of a Thousand"**  
*Thursday, October 21, 8 pm*

The Mariinsky Orchestra of St. Petersburg, Russia performs this remarkable symphony, one of the largest choral works in the classical concert repertory. Part 1 is based on the 9th-century Christian hymn *Veni creator spiritus*, while Part 2 is a setting of words from Goethe's *Faust*. The two parts are unified by a common theme: redemption



through the power of love. We will enjoy a delicious and inexpensive Italian meal at Angelo's before the concert. *Tickets will range in cost from \$46 - \$71, depending on the seat you want. Deadline for reservations is September 19. Please make your reservation with David Horvath at dbh2010@verizon.net.*



**EPISCOPAL 101: The Reserved Sacrament**

It is our practice at St. James', as in the great majority of Episcopal churches, to reserve consecrated elements from the Mass at all times.

After Holy Communion has ended, any remaining Bread, and sometimes a small flagon of Wine, are placed reverently in the Tabernacle in the side chapel.

We do this for two reasons. First, reserving the Blessed Sacrament allows the sick or homebound to receive Communion from the same elements consecrated at the principal Sunday Mass. This is one way that we express our belief that "we who are many are one Body, because we all partake of the one Bread."

The second reason that we reserve the Blessed Sacrament is so that the faithful can pray and meditate in the presence of the Eucharistic Christ. Episcopalians believe that after the prayer of consecration at Mass, the Bread and the Wine become unique and privileged instruments of the Lord's Real Presence. Anyone who spends regular time in worship before the Tabernacle can tell you how very real that Presence truly is!

Our Tabernacle at St. James' is to the left of the altar. It is a small cylindrical, domed safe made of bronze. An image of a pelican is on the door, a medieval symbol of self-sacrifice reminding us that Christ feeds us with the substance of his own Body. Next time you are in church, take a moment to seek the presence of Jesus there. It may well become an essential part of your week.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

	2010 Jan-Aug	2009 Jan-Aug
Income	\$49,257	\$31,721
Expenses	\$60,612	\$32,825

Pledges and offerings have increased more than 55% over 2010. This is commendable growth, and we have sustained it through the summer months! While net income through June (income minus expenses) is down (-\$10,251 from August '09), this is due to the cost of the new roof (\$20,000), materials for the new fence (\$2000), plus the cost of enhanced church publications.

On the balance, though, we are seeing a hopeful trend towards setting the mission of St. James' on sound footing. We thank God for this parish's growth in stewardship and financial faithfulness.

In the next issue of Cross Talk, there will be lots of information about our new stewardship program, Consecration Sunday. The next issue will also introduce our Guest Leader for Consecration Sunday, the Rev. Thomas J.P. Pellaton, colleague of Father Chris and expert in Appreciative Inquiry.

**CROSS TALK NEWSFLASH...**

■ Mr. John Radin and his family joined Father Chris to bless and dedicate the parish's flagpole "in memory of PTL Frank T. Radin and in honor of the entire LB Police Benevolent Association." Mr. Radin donated and set up the flag pole for St. James' in the early 1990s but it was never formally dedicated.

■ Harrison Winter, daughter of Jackie and Lynsey Winter, will be baptized on September 12 at the 10 am Mass.

■ Quentin Xavier Hunter, son of Rhonda and Michael Hunter, will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on September 19 at the 10 am Mass.

■ Kids and families of St. James' thank Marco Gargiulo for hosting a summer Sunday School picnic at his home on July 24. The food, from Marco's restaurant *La Viola* in Cedarhurst, was terrific!

■ Moses Powell will be received into the communion of the Episcopal Church at the Cathedral of the Incarnation on October 16.

■ Addison Paige Hartnett, daughter of new member Katie Hartnett, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Independence Day, Sunday, July 4 at the 10 am Mass. We welcome Addison to the Household of Faith.

■ Simon Joubaud-Pulitzer, son of parishioner Courtney Pulitzer and Emmanuel Joubaud, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on The Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin, August 15 at the 10 am Holy Eucharist.

■ On the Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin, August 15, the congregation participated in the recitation of the Angelus after the end of the Mass. Father Chris also blessed and distributed prayer cards with the icon of Our Lady of Tenderness. A few are still available. Please contact the parish and we will send you one, as long as supplies last.



## WE MUST JOIN THE IMMIGRATION DIALOGUE

Most Episcopalians are aware of, and probably invested in, the current public debates about immigration in the United States.

Our biblical tradition speaks prophetically about God's intent for a healed society in which distinctions based on nationality or ethnicity are transcended. The Hebrew Bible speaks more often (38 times) and more vociferously about welcome for the alien and the sojourner (the non-Jew who resides in or travels through Israel) than any other topic of identity: "Remember that you were slaves in Egypt ... do not oppress the aliens in your midst" (Deuteronomy 24:18-22).

The great prophetic vision of Zion is as a light to the nations, where all will worship God and do justice together (Isaiah 42:6-7; Isaiah 60:3), where people from every language, family and nation gather before the throne of God to build a city of peace and justice (Revelation 5:9- 10; 21:22-26). That overarching dream of differing peoples gathered to worship and build a just society also underlies the founding vision of the United States. Those American forebears claimed that vision of a "city built on a hill" to which the nations shall stream.

We all agree that American immigration law is broken. Just and appropriate responses can be shaped in public conversations in which people of faith do and must have a voice. As you engage in that civic discourse, I would encourage you to learn more about the underlying issues and then gather with others in your congregation and in the larger community to reflect on a number of questions:

- What values do I as a Christian hold about the dignity of every human person?
- Should immigrants be treated differently from citizens and, if so, how and why?
- What values do I believe this nation should hold up as central?
- What are my own fears in the midst of this current debate?
- What is my prayer?

*The Most Rev. Katherine Jefferts Schori is presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church.*



Lily Muffin says, "Check out our terrific new website at [www.stjameslongbeach.org](http://www.stjameslongbeach.org)!"



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ST. JAMES' PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
September	October	November	December
<b>11</b> Saturday, 10 am Patriot Day Patriot Day Memorial Service	<b>3</b> Sunday, 4 pm Blessing of the Animals for the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi	<b>1</b> Sunday, 10 am ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS COMMEMORATION	<b>4</b> Saturday, 5:30 pm Feast of St. Nicholas
<b>12</b> Sunday, 4:30 pm Youth Confirmation program begins	<b>17</b> Sunday, 10 am Anglican/Lutheran Ecumenical Exchange (Fr. Bob Splittgerber presides at Mass)	<b>21</b> Sunday, 10 am FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING & CONSECRATION SUNDAY	<b>24</b> Friday, 7:30 pm Christmas Eve
<b>25</b> Saturday, 9 am - 3 pm Liturgical Ministries Training Day Saturday, 5pm Choral Evensong at Cathedral of the Incarnation	<b>24</b> Sunday, 10 am PATRONAL FEAST OF ST. JAMES OF JERUSALEM And Church Diamond Jubilee	<b>25</b> Thursday, 10 am Thanksgiving Day Morning Prayer	<b>25</b> Saturday, 9 am CHRISTMAS DAY
<b>26</b> Sunday, 10 am Commissioning of Worship Guild members	<b>30</b> Friday, 6 pm All Hallow's Eve Family Event	<b>28</b> Sunday, 8 am & 10 am FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	<b>26</b> Sunday, 8 am & 10 am FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
<p><i>Days in ALL CAPS are Days of Special Devotion, when we are expected to attend church. All SUNDAYS are days of Feasts of the Lord and days of obligation.</i></p>			

### VESTRY MEETINGS

Sundays after 10 am Holy Eucharist, in the Parish Hall:

September 12, October 3, November 14, December 5

*The Bishop's Committee (or Vestry) is responsible for the parish corporation and supporting the mission, ministry & vision of St. James'.*

An up to date parish Calendar of Events can be found online at [www.stjameslongbeach.org/news-events/calendar](http://www.stjameslongbeach.org/news-events/calendar)

### ST. JAMES' FAMILY CELEBRATIONS

09/13	Cliff Familetti (Bapt.)	10/25	Christopher Kuna (Bapt.)
09/13	William Familetti (Bapt.)	10/27	Jason Miller (B)
10/06	Don & Margie Fraser (WA)	10/27	Ava Abramson (B)
10/14	Nancy-Laurel Pettersen (B)	10/27	Kaitlin Abramson (B)
10/17	Loderick & Irma Smith (WA)	11/03	Linda Baessler (B)
10/18	Judith Mason (B)	11/04	Bernie & Susan Keller (WA)
10/20	Benjamin Mason (B)		

### LONG BEACH EVENTS

10/02	AOH Irish Day Parade, Washington Blvd 12 pm
10/09-10	14th Annual Fall Festival, Kennedy Plaza
10/30	Landmarks Assoc. "Hauntings"; call 431-2140

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

9/08	First day of school
11/02	Election Day: schools closed
11/25-26	Thanksgiving recess
12/24-1/01	Christmas recess
2/21-25	Winter recess
4/18-26	Spring recess
6/24	Last day of school

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### The Way Ahead

I

In this moment  
hangs a sacred stillness:  
a holy thread weaving  
through us in silence

II

Our waiting becomes  
suspended animation as  
the visible meets the invisible

III

Here his soul transcends  
space and time  
returning to the only  
I AM

IV

Changed from glory into glory  
becoming as Light...  
there is no sting here  
only victory ∞

— Bob Cottrell

**September-October Worship Guild rota on the reverse.**

**SEPTEMBER 2010 SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS AT WORSHIP**

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Assistant</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Thurifer</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
<b>09/05/10 Pentecost 15</b>	1) R. Summers 2) V. Horvath	J. Robson	Assistant duties will be temporarily split between the Acolyte and Thurifer.	M. Cavanagh	M. Gargiulo	--
<b>09/12/10 Pentecost 16</b>	1) A.M. Brantley 2) A. Kemler	M. Powell		T. Brantley	D. Horvath	Amy
<b>09/19/10 Pentecost 17</b>	1) R. Summers 2) A.M. Brantley	V. Horvath		J. Miller	M. Gargiulo	Nana
<b>09/26/10 Pentecost 18</b>	1) J. Robson 2) A. Kemler	M. Powell		J. Blumenthal	D. Horvath	Valerie

**OCTOBER 2010 SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS AT WORSHIP**

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Assistant</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Thurifer</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
<b>10/03/10 Pentecost 19</b>	1) R. Summers 2) A.M. Brantley	A. Kemler		M. Cavanagh	M. Gargiulo	Nicky
<b>10/03/10 Blessing of Animals</b>	<b>Service at 4pm on Sunday afternoon in the Gethemane Garden - The service will last about 30 minutes.</b>					
<b>10/10/10 Pentecost 20</b>	1) M. Powell 2) R. Summers	J. Robson	Assistant duties will be temporarily split between the Acolyte and Thurifer.	T. Brantley	D. Horvath	Amy
<b>10/17/10 Pentecost 21</b>	1) A. Kemler 2) M. Gargiulo	M. Powell		M. Cavanagh	M. Gargiulo	Helene
<b>10/24/10 PATRONAL FEAST</b>	1) D. Horvath 2) R. Summers	A.M. Brantley		J. Miller	D. Horvath	--
<b>10/31/10 Pentecost 23 (Fifth Sunday)</b>	1) A. Kemler 2) J. Robson	V. Horvath		M. Cavanagh	M. Gargiulo	Valerie & Amy

**READERS:** You can find and print the readings for each Sunday at <http://www.io.com/~kellywp/>. Find the correct date and select "RCL" (Revised Common Lectionary). If more than one Old or New Testament reading is provided, choose the first reading listed.

- Lector:** reads from the Old or New Testament at worship
- Intercessor:** leads the Prayer of the People
- Assistant:** stands at the priest's left (congregation right) to help the priest at the altar and give direction to other lay ministers
- Acolyte:** performs a number of duties – lights & extinguishes the altar candles, carries the processional cross, receives the offerings and rings the bells at Mass
- Thurifer:** carries and tends the thurible (swinging incense pot); censes the altar party and the people

*There's room for YOU on our team of ministers at worship! If you'd like to try your hand (or your voice!) at a particular role, speak to Father Chris. Individual training is straightforward and can be arranged at any time. A parish-wide training day will take place in early fall.*