

Sunday 1/3

**2nd Sunday after
Christmas**

8:45AM Synoptic Gospel Study

9:00 Kinderchurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sunday
Team

Crucifer: Mary Jean
Reckelberg

Eucharistic Ministers: Richard
Hall, Dianne Wilson

Readers: Karleen Cole, Len
Coombs

Prayers: Richard Hall

11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples
Team

Monday 1/4

Tuesday 1/5

3:00PM Homework Club

5:00PM Healing & Worship in
Chapel

6:30PM The Jesus Fatwah

Wednesday 1/6

THE EPIPHANY

5:30PM Worship Service
followed by potluck meal

7:00PM Star of Bethlehem
documentary

NO Grief Support Group this
week

Thursday 1/7

3:00PM Homework Club

7:00PM PFLAG

Friday 1/8

6:30AM Morning Prayer

Saturday 1/9

8:00AM Men's Brkfst
Lighthouse Inn

9:00AM Women's Bkfst
St. James

Sunday 1/10

**Baptism of Jesus
Bishop's Visitation**

8:45AM Synoptic Gospel Study

**The Jesus Fatwah: Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor as Yourself
- Tuesdays, Jan. 5 - Feb. 2, 6:30-8:00PM**

Much of what passes as information about Islam is weed-like disinformation rooted in stereotype and watered by fear. In "The Jesus Fatwah: Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor as Yourself," Christian and Islamic scholars offer reliable information about what Muslims believe, how they live out their faith, and how we all can be about building relationships across the lines of faith. This five-week video-based series is produced by Living the Questions. Talk to Sally Hunner or Sudi Johnson for more info. To schedule a possible daytime class, contact Sally.

Homework Club Resumes on January 5

Thank you to all who helped out with the Homework Club Christmas Party this year. The kids really enjoyed the gifts provided by so many generous souls at St. James. Santa visited and Mr. Dunlap, Madison Elementary School principal was also a special guest. Our Homework Club is on vacation through January 3 and will start up again on Tuesday, January 5. If you would like to volunteer please talk to Mary Burckle (905-9690) or Anne Schuette (242-2819) -- we have opportunities to help with snacks, walk with our students from Madison School to church, or supervise homework for kids from 1st through 6th grades.

Epiphany Celebration & Movie

Wednesday, Jan. 6, 5:30PM-8:00PM

Celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany! We'll gather for Worship at 5:30PM, followed by a pot luck meal. At 7:00PM we'll watch Star of Bethlehem (2009 documentary, 60 min.), which explores the evidence for God's existence as seen in the stars. Bring a guest! Talk to Amma Diane or Tony Karl for more info.

Solidarity Celebration for JOSHUA and RUTH - Jan. 14 at 6:30PM

Join JOSHUA and RUTH members on Thursday, January 14 at 6:30PM at St. Matthew Catholic Church - 130 St. Matthew St. Green Bay) for an evening to celebrate the New Year and our solidarity with other faith communities. The evening programming will include:

- Re-commitment of member congregations and partner congregations
- Reflection lead by Senior Pastor Bridget Flad, Union Congregational United Church of Christ
- Welcoming new members and partners

Please see Anne Schuette or Dan Hornung for more information or to arrange carpooling to this event. St. James is a member of RUTH (Responding with Understanding, Truth and Hope) with other faith communities in Manitowoc County, which makes us a partner of JOSHUA in Brown County.

9:00AM Kinderchurch
10:00AM Worship
Greeters/Ushers: 2nd Sunday
Team
Acolyte: Geri Walker
Eucharistic Ministers: Sudi
Johnson, Rich Hall
Readers: Glenn Davidowich,
Peggy Turnbull
Prayers: Dianne Wilson
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

Milestones

January Anniversaries

No known Anniversaries

January Birthdays

Jan 2 Tammy McVeigh
Jan 3 Kevin McVeigh
Jan 4 Jaylee Ziemer
Jan 5 Lynnn Rogers
Jan 9 Randy Hronek
Jan 11 Chris Eggers-Rosenthal
Jan 15 Jane Robinson
Jan 16 Bristol Huss
Jan 18 Deena Giriappa
Jan 20 Matt Ziemer
Jan 21 Clarence Carbon
Jan 21 Dianne Wilson
Jan 23 Michael Ignera
Jan 25 Skip Cole

Is your date missing? Please
tell Amma Diane

Quick Links...

- [E-Mail St James](#)
- [E-mail Pastor Diane](#)
- [Our Website](#)
- [Diocese of Fond du Lac website](#)
- [The Episcopal Church website](#)
- [NEW Discover & Grow Brochure - early 2016 learning opportunities](#)
- [NEW Ministry Schedule](#)

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Use the Max Perks
#331931799 and help buy
school supplies for the KAN
Cool for School program

To submit info for the weekly
announcements, please

St. James Book Group Meets on Wed. - January 20

The St. James Book Group will discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt on Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00PM in the church library. You will find copies of the book on the shelf in the downstairs cloakroom at church. Please sign out your copy and return it on the day of our meeting. Contact Marie Hawkins (683-9032) or Anne Schuette (682-7723) with any questions

Finding Our Way Through Grief -Wednesdays 6:15PM Next meeting date TBD

This group has decided to continue meeting. The next date will be determined by Sunday Jan 3 and announced in church and will be added to the announcements and website calendar. Others may still join the group as you are able.

The group is for people who would like some help in sorting through the many emotions and feelings we often find ourselves trying to sort through after the loss of a loved one or close friend, divorce or any other cause of grief. The group is not limited to members of the St. James congregation. The group meets at St. James Church, from 6:15pm - 7:30pm. Transportation can be arranged for those requesting it. Confidentiality regarding what may be shared among participants will be maintained. There is no cost to participate.

Nominations for Vestry, Endowment Trustee & Diocesan Convention Delegates & Alternates

The nomination committee for the placement of names for openings for next year's Vestry and Endowment Trustees includes: Richard Hall (Sr. Warden) chair of this committee, Dianne Wilson (Jr. Warden), Andrew Hooker & Sally Hunner (Vestry whose terms end), and Donna Franz (from the congregation). Anyone can nominate someone provided the nominee meets the qualifications. Nomination forms and instructions are available at the Info area at the back of the sanctuary. People remaining on the Vestry include: Skip Cole, Tammy McVeigh, and Murray Sim. Dan Hornung and Mark Hunner remain as Endowment Trustees, Joanna Sanchez's Endowment Trustee term ends.

Visual Arts Board--"Art Among Us"

The Visual Arts Board, located in the front foyer, presents and celebrates the seasons and lessons of the church in art. Individuals are invited to feature their creative gifts of the Holy Spirit in a variety of media (paintings, crafts, photography, etc.) to share with our community.

The January theme is: "Vespers," an evening prayer service originating in ancient times celebrated with hymns, psalms, and ringing of bells. We've passed the longest night yet the days are still short. At the end of the day we praise God. What does vespers mean to you?

Please share your thoughts this January with Liz Gordon will coordinate the board this month. For more info, talk to: Amma Diane, Liz Gordon, Sally Hunner, Sudi Johnson, Tony Karl, Chuck Wernecke, Dianne Wilson

Rides to Church - Can You Help Out Our Members on Sunday Mornings?

Occasionally members of St. James need a ride to church because of health issues, others need a ride on a regular basis and Donna Franz coordinates this ministry. Right now the team is seeking St. James members to give Geri Walker a ride to church on Sunday mornings. Geri lives at River Hill Apartments, 1500 N. 3rd St. in Manitowoc and is ready to go by 9:15 am on Sundays. There is a sign-up

contact Amma Diane Murray
BEFORE 3PM on Thursday
dianemarie.murray@gmail.com
920-860-5152

sheet in the back of church for volunteers to sign up for a specific Sunday. Please talk to Donna if you have any questions.

St. James Prayers of the People

Let us each keep those in need in our prayers this week:

For healing, comfort and strength, we lift up . . .

Alison, Jim, Steve and Mary Beth, Susie & Dave, Mary, Barbara, Caroline(Tiger), Joe, Bill, Del, Pat, Matthew, Mary Anne, Becky, Dale, Dorothy, Steven, the family of Lynn Prucha, Clayton, Bethany, Mike & Laura, Duane, Al, Dale, Lisa, Andrew, Jerry, Wade, Pat, Judy, Matthew, Mary, Audrey, Karen, Bob, Robin, Rita, Randy, Connie, the Shaw family, the Henderson triplets and their parents, Henry, Janet, Karen and Jacklyn, Sue, the family of Bill and Mary McVeigh.

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

Bill, Tim, Kyle Kurschner and Zach Truett, Shane Rosenthal, Jordan Rosenthal and Brady, in the military, Kathy & Gary, Guy & Mary, Susan, Caleb.

Additional prayers we offer include...

Peace in our world. . . The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza and Sudan and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the churches of the Diocese. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia. The Bible Challenge Participants. The incarcerated in Wisconsin - especially those in solitary confinement. For people living with mental illness.

We offer thanks for...

Diane our Rector, Richard & Dianne, our Wardens, our Vestry and other ministry leaders, staff, and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matthew Gunter, his wife Leslie and family. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his wife Sharon.

We remember the departed...

Paul, Tom, Joe, Myrna, Bill, John, Dorothy, Isabel, Howard, Bob, Cindy, Stan, Dale, Paul, Ray, Ken, Emily, Peter, Gwyneth, Bill, Mary

If you would like prayers to be offered as part of The Prayers of the People, please fill out the written Prayer Request Form and place it in the PRAYER BOX. All are located at the back of the church. Prayers will remain on our active prayer list for one month and can be extended by filling out a new request form.

Thanks and praises to the Lord for answers are most welcome also!

Looking Ahead: January Calendar Dates

January 5	Homework Club 3PM
January 5	Islam Study 6:30PM (also 1/12, 19, 26 7 2/2)
January 6	Epiphany, 5:30PM Eucharist followed by a potluck, 6:15PM pot luck, 7PM "Star of Bethlehem" documentary
January 9	Men's Breakfast 8AM; Women's 9AM
January 10	Bishop Gunter's Visitation
January 11	Discover & Grow Meeting 5PM
January 14	Joshua/RUTH Solidarity gathering 6:30PM
January 19	RUTH meeting 8:30AM
January 20	Vestry 5:30PM
January 20	Book Group 7PM
January 21	Crafting 1PM
January 25	Clergy Retreat begins until January 28
January 31	St. James's Annual Meeting

For a full calendar visit our website www.stjamesmanitowoc.com

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Brat Fry Anyone???

From Mary Burckle:

If any Ministry group or team is planning a brat fry as a fund raiser in 2016, it is advisable to contact Rob's Family Market 2330 Menasha Ave. 684-1129 as close to January 1 as possible for best choice of dates, so talk to your ministry leaders or facilitators.

The Health Department is the one that oversees the permits and allows 2 or 3 brat fries per organization (St. James). Typically the permit goes from July 1-June 30. We only had one brat fry last year and it was not in that time frame so we don't currently have a permit that I am aware of. When you get the permit, you need to let them know the dates and who the money is going to and who will be your food safety person on site. Food safety training is also available through the Health Department at no cost. If you cannot specify where the money is going, they will charge you for the more expensive permit.