

St. James' Journal

June 2024

Rev. Wayne Sherrer – Priest-in-Charge



Upcoming Events Around the Diocese

2024 Hegg Awards

Sun, June 9 | 3 PM | St. Peter's, Morristown

Bishop Hughes will present the David P. Hegg II Lifetime Achievement Award to 96 honorees across our diocese for their leadership and wisdom and for the countless gifts of time and talent they have shared with their congregations and the community. You are invited to attend as the diocese honors Pam Laura from our parish. The service will be live streamed. The link to the live stream and the downloadable bulletin will be posted on <https://dioceseofnewark.org/events>.

School for Ministry: Lay Preacher Training begins in August

The Episcopal Church allows the Bishop to license confirmed lay ministers as preachers, for those who are invited by their clergy person to preach in public worship on an occasional or regular basis. In congregations without clergy, that supervision comes from the Wardens and Vestry. Training as a preacher includes studying Scripture as well as how to compose and deliver a sermon. Training for this license is provided by the School for Ministry and will meet monthly from August 2024 through February 2025. Information about cost, dates, and other requirements are found at <https://dioceseofnewark.org/event/school-ministry-preacher-training>

Questions may be sent to the Director of the School for Ministry, Dr. Laura Moore

(lmoore@dioceseofnewark.org) or the Canon to the Ordinary, Canon Andrew Wright (awright@dioceseofnewark.org).

Cross Roads Camp & Retreat Center

Come and visit Cross Roads Camp & Retreat Center in nearby Califon for their open house on June 8. Learn all about their summer and year-round opportunities. Crossroads Camp, which is jointly supported by the Lutheran and Episcopal parishes in New Jersey, begins their summer camp program on July 7 for children who have completed at least second grade. Take a tour of camp, hear stories about summer camp, ask questions of their staff, and finish with a delicious lunch in the dining hall. These are especially great opportunities for families interested in sending their children to camp for the first time (or attending Family Camp together) or for retreat leaders interested in one of our many buildings that are open year-round. These tours start at 10:30 AM from the Lodge and conclude after lunch at noon. Please register by the Monday before the date attending. Visit <https://www.crossroadsretreat.com/open-houses/>

Ice Cream Social

Looking ahead, the parishes in our region will have an outdoor Eucharist at the Convent of St. John Baptist in Mendham on August 20. An ice cream social will follow. Check out their website at <https://www.csjb.org/>



Congratulation Ricky Okoye!

Frederick Okoye III graduated from Pennsylvania College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) in Philadelphia, PA on Friday, May 24, 2024. His graduation came after an additional year of scientific research. On July 1, 2024 he will start a surgical residency in Urology at SUNY Downstate University of Health Sciences on Brooklyn NY.

In March he broke his foot in a freak car accident, but we are grateful he has healed enough to walk across the graduation stage on Friday. Ricky will now be referred to as Dr. Frederick Okoye III and is very proud to have been hooded by his father, Dr. Frederick Okoye Jr.

Please remember the newly minted Dr. Okoye in your prayers for continued healing, and for a smooth transition to this next important phase in his life.

Thanks,
Chika



*Much Happiness Ricky!
Your St. James' Family
is proud of you!*



June Birthdays

- June 5 John Stout
- June 8 Janel Jenkins
- June 9 Carol Sumner
- June 15 Fred Okoye
- June 19 William Herling
- June 20 David Jenkins
- June 25 Kathy Erwood-Lacouture
- June 27 Henry LaForge

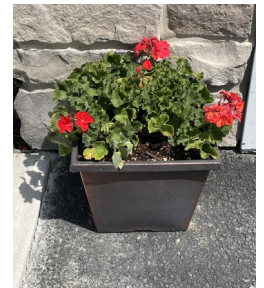


Mother's Day Thank You



Thank you to St. James' Sunday School On Mother's Day every lady attending the Sunday service was presented with a lovely geranium plant decorated with a colorful, printed greeting as we were leaving church. Thank you to our Sunday School members and their teacher, Mrs. LaForge.

Phyllis Bartkus



Shop Rite/Weis Gift Cards

If you are interested in purchasing Shop Rite or Weis gift cards, please contact Paul Bartkus. The gift cards are usually delivered the 1st Sunday of the month.

Summer Backpack 2024

Hello All,

We are getting close to the summer and our primary "We Feed People" program.

As in the past, the program activities are threefold:

- On a Saturday at 9 AM, we take delivery of the food from ShopRite and unpack it. Called **BUY**.
- On a Sunday after church, we form an assembly line and fill bags with food. Called **PACK**.
- On a subsequent Saturday morning between 10 and 11 AM, we distribute the food. Called **GIVE**.

You do not have to sign-up for all activities. However, we do need the most hands for the **BUY** dates.

Below is a calendar of the tentative schedule for the summer.

Please review it and reply to Paul with your notations of availability.

Please also let me know if there are times when you know you will not be available (weddings, vacations, etc.).

Your help with this ministry is greatly appreciated and giving me a sense of our people-availability at this time will allow me time to tweak the schedule if needed.

Thanks again,
Paul Bartkus
pbartkus@verizon.net

BackPack Calendar 2024

Sun		Sat	
		6/15/2024	Buy 1
6/16/2024	(allow wk to shake out first order)	6/22/2024	
6/23/2024	Pack 1	6/29/2024	Give 1
		7/6/2024	July 4th Wkend
7/7/2024	July 4th Wkend		
		7/13/2024	Buy 2
7/14/2024	Pack 2		
		7/20/2024	Give 2
		8/3/2024	Buy 3
8/4/2024	Pack 3		
		8/10/2024	Give 3
		8/24/2024	Buy 4
8/25/2024	Pack 4		
9/1/2024	Labor Day Wkend	8/31/2024	Give 4

Upcoming Events

- June 9 Parish Picnic, Field of Dreams 10 AM
- June 15 Backpack BUY
- June 16 Father's Day
- June 20 First Day of Summer!
- June 23 Graduate Sunday
- “ Backpack PACK
- June 29 Backpack GIVE
- June 30 July/August Journal Articles Due

Looking for a Volunteer Webmaster

St. James' is looking for someone with Webmaster experience to maintain and update our website. If you have this kind of experience and are interested in helping out, please contact our parish administrator, Rosie Caamano, at 908-852-3968 or stjames214@comcast.net.

Ushers Needed

Interested in ushering once a month? St. James' is looking for help in this ministry. Please contact the church office if you would like to try this out!

July/August 2024
Journal Articles Due
Sunday, June 30th



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St. James' Staff & Vestry

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Wayne Sherrer

Parish Administrator: Rosalia Caamano

Organist: Dmitry Nikolaev

Sexton: Pauline Volkert

Vestry

Senior Warden: Marvin Walker

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Jayne Mutascio Nona Wolosin

Janice Cipriani Ruth Najemian

Millie Quelly David Lacouture

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