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THE RECTOR'S WHATNOT: *Easter Life, Pentecost Energy* The Rev. Fr. Kelly Marshall

Did you know that the very latest Easter ever can be is April 25? We almost hit that date this year! In 1948 it was on April 25, and in 2038 it will be on April 25 again. Easter is a moveable feast, and calculations for its date year by year are complex. It does follow its cycles, though, with the cycle repeating after exactly 5,700,000 years. Thus speaks *Wikipedia*.

All this is to get to the Easter and Pentecost *seasons*. With Easter being late, late, late this year, the entire month of May falls within the Great Fifty Days—the eight-week Season of Easter. Pentecost is consequently later than usual—June 12 this year. So the two months covered by this newsletter—May and June—are within the seasons of Easter and early Pentecost.

Easter, the season of Life. **Pentecost**, the season of Energy. **Easter**, the season of the Risen Jesus of Nazareth. **Pentecost**, the season of God the Holy Spirit. **Easter**, the season of God-Made-Human, Jesus of Nazareth, the Messiah of God, the Son of God, the first fruits of all those who shall rise from the dead. **Pentecost**, the season of God who is spirit, the Breath of God, the Holy Spirit, the Energy of God-at-work-with-us, in our world. **Easter**, the season of the One who comes to us in Bread and Wine, or whenever two or three of us gather in his Name, or when we see anyone who is hungry or sick or in need of clothing or suffering. **Pentecost**, the season of the One who makes our very bodies temples of the living God, who enlivens us for the work of keeping the covenant of our Baptism, who works in and through and with us to make God real and to show God loving.

I invite you to ponder, to reflect on these holy Seasons. Throughout Easter, celebrate the new life God has given you as a baptized person of faith. “As in our ancestor Adam, all died, so in Christ Jesus have all been made alive.” You and I are among the “all” who have been made alive. **Easter!** Throughout Pentecost, celebrate the Energy of God working through and with you to redeem the entire creation—to pull God’s sacred future back in time to this day, the very day you find yourself reading these words. God gifting us to energize and make real the reign of God. **Pentecost!**

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Your Rector and friend,

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At St. James'
Episcopal Church
ALL Are Welcome!

THE RECTOR'S SABBATICAL: PILGRIMAGE

Father Kelly Marshall



We sing a hymn from time to time—number 564 in *The Hymnal 1982*; the words are based on the venerable John Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*:

“He who would valiant be ‘gainst
all disaster,
Let him in constancy follow the
Master.
There's no discouragement shall
make him once relent
His first avowed intent *to be a
pilgrim.*”

That idea of being a pilgrim is the theme of my upcoming Sabbatical. I'll be thinking, studying, writing and making pilgrimage. That is, I'll practice being a pilgrim. Not the Thanksgiving variety; rather, the pilgrim “who journeys to a sacred place for religious reasons.” That's the dictionary definition of a pilgrim. I'll be exploring the concept of pilgrimage by seeking out some of those sacred geographic sites—Jerusalem, Canterbury, Santiago de Compostela. And as well, I'll be journeying to the non-physical, sacred spiritual sites of *Christian being*, via books and conversations and keeping journals.

In late May, I'll begin this Sabbatical Pilgrimage. As you may remember, the summer of 2010 was the original planned Sabbatical; however, with the death of my father in late spring and many family arrangements to be made during the summer, the Vestry and I decided it was best to



postpone it for a year. The year now has passed. I'll be away from St. James' Church *through September 10*, and then again for three weeks in November. The November time will be at St. George's College in Jerusalem. I've had to divide the total time away into two portions because of a registration glitch on the part of the folks in Jerusalem.

Here are some questions and answers that can help frame for you this time of Sabbath and Pilgrimage:

Q. What is a clergy Sabbatical?

A. It's a time of re-creation and reflection for full-time clergy who have served at least six years in a parish of the diocese. Sabbaticals are for the purpose of Sabbath Time, Study and Reflective Time, and Family Time. *Sabbath Time* means ‘time structured for rest and worship’—time away from the daily routines. The idea is rooted deeply in Old Testament faith and practice. *Study and Reflection* can happen more readily in settings away from our daily schedules and places; hence, travel is often part of a sabbatical. *Family Time* also is key to sabbatical time, because one's family predates and supersedes the duties of demanding work. These three aspects of a Sabbatical blend to allow a parish priest to review his ministry and to energize for that ministry's next stage, once the Sabbatical is done.

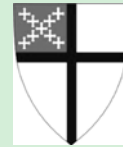
Q. How does a parish calculate time for and finance such a thing?

A. In our Diocese, full-time clergy earn two weeks' sabbatical time for every year they serve. In addition to this earned sabbatical period, I'm adding a few weeks' vacation to maximize being overseas. The Sabbatical is funded in three ways: by the parish, by the priest and by the diocese. Our Vestry began saving for this day back in 2004, my first full year here.

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BISHOP HOLLINGSWORTH

TO VISIT MAY 8—10 a.m.



Holy Baptism, Renewal of the Baptismal Covenant and Holy Eucharist

Potluck lunch in Jones Hall
following the liturgy.



WHO WE ARE

St. James' Church is a community of faith which embraces the richness of both the protestant and catholic traditions.

We are a home for *all people* who want to explore a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Deadlines

If you would like us to include an announcement in the Sunday bulletin, please email the information to office@stjamesboardman.com **by noon each Monday.**

The next edition of *St. James Matters* will be a combined July/August edition. **The deadline for submitting articles for publication is June 20.**

ECW UPDATE

Janet Smart



Nine of us traveled to St. Stephen's, East Liverpool on Saturday, April 9.

We shared ideas and information, had lunch together and then visited the Museum of Ceramics for a guided tour by Director, Sarah Vodrey. The museum has a special display of Fiesta Ware right now as it is celebrating its 75th anniversary. If you've never visited that museum, you might like to try it. The trip takes only about 45 minutes, and the cost is only \$4. Information on the Museum is on the table in the fellowship area.

As of April 17, we received 71 hand-kitted and crocheted items for the Seamen Institute's Christmas-at-Sea Program. These items were delivered to the ECW's Annual Meeting at the Hilton Hotel in Beachwood and were blessed by the Bishop on April 30. Many thanks to all who are participating in this project.

We received a lovely thank-you note from the Lillian Valley School for our donation. They have also sent

along photos of the children who attend the school. We will put them up on one of our bulletin boards for all to see soon. Anyone can send a donation at any time to help support this school. It is the only elementary school on a reservation currently being supported by the Episcopal Church. You may be interested in visiting their website to find out more about them:

<http://www.lillianvalleyschool.com>.

Their mailing address is: Lillian Valley School, P.O. Box 790, Blackfoot, Idaho 83221. If your local school is not participating in the "Boxtops for Education" program, consider clipping the symbols from General Mills products for them. We will provide a place for them to be collected. The school receives 10-cents for every box top submitted. The funds are used for the school's library. Last year, they won first prize for the number of box tops submitted per student, which gave them an additional \$500 in prize money for their library.☺



Membership at St. James' Episcopal Church

If you wish officially to become a member of our parish family and faith community, we encourage you to speak with Father Marshall or one of the other clergy.

We will recognize new members again when the Bishop visits on May 8.

INSPIRING DIVINE DESIGNS

Scrapbooking/Cardmaking

May 1 and 15 — 5 to 7 p.m.

Contact Jo-Ann Kaschak or Sharyn Fees for more info.

Begin Your Week Well!



Monday Morning Devotions in the Mary Magdalene Chapel with the clergy

8:30 a.m. each Monday; on your way by 8:45 a.m.



~ SAVE THE DATE ~

St. James' Men's Breakfast

May 21 @ 8:30 a.m.

Perkins, Rt. 224 in Canfield

Contact Florence Hosler for more information.

~ SAVE THE DATE ~

St. James' Women's Breakfast

May 14 @ 9 a.m.

Perkins, Rt. 224 in Boardman

Contact Rod Hosler for more information.

Sunday Attendance Report

April 2010 Average.....	90
April 2011 Average.....	113
Palm/Passion Sunday ..	142
The Great Vigil	78
Easter Day.....	126

APRIL 16, 2011
ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE ORDINATION OF THE REV. CHRISTOPHER ZEKE COUGHLIN TO THE SACRED ORDER OF PRIESTS



I just wanted to take a moment and give my enormous and sincere thanks to all who participated in my ordination. So many people helped with cleaning, food, preparation, decoration, and in so many other ways. You all helped to make this a very special day for me, for the congregation of St. James, and for the many people from around Christ's Church who came to observe and participate. I could not name all of you in this single note any more than I could capture all of my gratitude on this single page. So, I simply say, "Thank you, Thank you" for all that you've done for my ordination, and for all of your love, support and prayers. You have not only made my ordination a day that I will always remember, but through this and so many other experiences, you have made St. James a place that I will always remember.

Peace and Grace,
Zeke+



**PALM/PASSION SUNDAY—APRIL 17, 2011
 RECOGNITION OF FIRST COMMUNIONS
 SHERLYN HIMES, KRISTINA TUFARO, AIDEN VAN DEVENDER**



Sherlyn, Aiden, Kristina, & Fr. Kelly (left); Zeke, Kristina, Fr. Kelly, and Sheryln (center); Olivia (friend of Sherlyn), Zeke, and Sherlyn (right).

**EASTER DAY — APRIL 24, 2011
 ALLELIA, CHRIST IS RISEN! THE LORD IS RISEN, INDEED, ALLELUIA!**



Thanks to Kasey Vanden Bosch for these great photos!



Many thanks to all who gave of their time and talents to make our Holy Week and Easter services beautiful and meaningful.

Congratulations to **Annabelle Himes** who recently won first place for artwork she submitted in the World Music Jam art contest sponsored by The Women's Committee for Children's Concerts, an affiliate of the Youngstown Symphony. For the 71st annual concert/contest, local artists judged the first through eighth-grade entries. The art was displayed at the DeYor Center for Performing Arts. Annabelle is in the third grade at Willow Creek Learning Center. **Mary Ann Fees** (pictured below) serves on the committee.



Photo credit: William D. Lewis, *The Vindicator*.

REBUILDING THE CHURCH IN HAITI—PROGRESS REPORT
Michelle DeRhodes

Thanks to all who have given generously to the Rebuilding the Church in Haiti fundraising efforts. To date, we have received \$930 in contributions. It is not too late to participate. You can still make a contribution by visiting the website of the national church at: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/haitiappeal>. Brick by brick, we can help to rebuild the church in Haiti. The cost of a brick is \$10. Bricks may be purchased in memory or in honor of family members and/or friends.~

Kudos to **Kasey Vanden Bosch** who was recently selected for induction into the National Art Honor Society by the Art Department faculty of Boardman High School. Criteria for membership include outstanding artistic scholarship and service to the school and community. The induction ceremony will be held on May 5 at BHS. Well done, Kasey!

Congratulations to soon-to-be high school graduates, **Rachael Hilderbrand, Gretchen Scheel, and Michael Colangelo!** We will recognize them on Pentecost—Sunday, June 12. Rachael will graduate from Springfield Local High School and will attend American University in Washington, DC, where she will study International Relations. Gretchen will graduate from Canfield High School and will attend The University of Oklahoma where she will study Chemistry/Pre-Medicine and cheer for the Sooners!

Michael will graduate from Poland Seminary High School where he played football for the Bulldogs from 7th to 11th grade. His plans after graduation are undecided. Michael works part-time at Kentucky Fried Chicken and enjoys movies, video games, and hanging out with his friends. Congrats Rachael, Gretchen, and Michael, and best wishes from your parish family!!~

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE
MAY 19 & 20



Items may be placed in the storage closet in Jones Hall (please no TVs, computers, or printers). Spring clothing and household items are great sellers. Please hold onto your fall and winter clothing until our fall sale.

If you are available to price items, we would be happy to have your help. We usually meet on Thursdays at 9 a.m. Contact Paula Ulicny or Janet Smart for more information.~

May Birthdays

- 3 Adrionna Tufaro
- 10 John Wigle
- 13 Craig Harden
- 14 Kent Hilderbrand
- 15 Sally Moldovan
- 17 Debbie Yiannaki
- 18 James Tufaro
- 19 Carol Leach
- 27 Cheryl Sylvester
- 28 Stan Jezior
- 29 Twila Frantz

Anniversaries

- 3 Pat & Clare Julian
- 5 John & Barbara Wigle
- 9 Andrea & Michael Theisler
- 21 Robert & Jean Calhoun
- 25 Larry & Jan Green
- 26 Rod & Florence Hosler
- 29 Michael & Lynn Himes
- 31 Frank & Michele DeRhodes



LAYWEEDERS

Spring is here, and we will be gardening soon. Do you enjoy working outdoors? Anyone who wishes to help make the church grounds look beautiful, see Regina Jenkins. We can always use more help with weeding, pruning, planting, mulching, watering, etc.



A NOTE FROM ZEKE

For those of you who may not be aware, I will be leaving St. James in the not so distant future. Last month, due to surprising and unforeseen circumstances, my wife Lisa was offered an interview at a hospital in the Toledo area. Even more surprising and unforeseen, she was later offered the position itself. The job is a wonderful opportunity for her career and the answer to many of our prayers. After a few days of prayer and discussion, we decided to take the position and make the move. I will be remaining at St. James until the end of my contract on August 15. My priorities are to complete the foundations for our plan for Evangelism and the other duties assigned to me in my letter of agreement. I will also be focused on getting the mission area youth ministry up and running. Meanwhile, Lisa and I will be attempting to sell our

house and making all the other necessary transitions to prepare for our move.

Sometimes God answers prayer by opening a door, and sometimes we can't see all of what's on the other side. Yet still we walk in faith. As Lisa and I move through the door that God has opened for us, we walk with hearts burdened with the sadness of leaving, but hopeful of what God has in store for us. We offer you our love and prayers and ask for yours in return. St. James has been a home to us, and you have been our family. We will take great joy in our last four months with you and (as Lisa and I are not leaving the diocese) hope that the future will allow for many reunions.

Zeke+

SPRING UNITED THANK OFFERING INGATHERING

Sunday, June 5

Annual Blessing of Animals
Sunday, May 29
4 p.m.
Church Lawn

Gospel Readings for May

May 1
John 20:19-31

May 8
Luke 24:13-35

May 15
John 10:1-10

May 22
John 14:1-14

May 29
John 14:15-21



To access the week's Bible Readings online, go to:
<http://www.io.com/~kellywp/index.html>.

Gospel Readings for June

June 2
Ascension Day
Luke 24:44-53

June 5
John 17:1-11

June 12
John 20:19-23

June 19
Trinity Sunday
Matthew 28:16-20

June 26
Matthew 10:40-42



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June Birthdays

- 1 Jody Musitano
- 4 Louise Thorne
- 5 Tom Simerlink
- 6 Herb Olmi
- 8 Zeke Coughlin
- 9 Mildred Pollock
Dolly Wagner
- 11 Molly Galano
- 12 Bill Amendol
Rosemary Berger
- 14 Tom McQuiston
- 15 Rachael Hilderbrand
- 19 Louis Englehardt
- 23 Jan Green
Lindsay Adair
- 24 Michael Conway
Dylan Reynallt
- 25 Ann Sittler
Sam Galano
- 26 Jane Booth
Rod Hosler
- 29 Andy Wittkugle



Anniversaries

- 1 Sam & Karri Tufaro
- 8 Sam & Molly Galano
Clark & Nancy Dixon
Ray & Donna Speerbrecher
- 16 Dave & Sue Adair
- 26 Jeff & Sharyn Fees
Bill & Amy Amendol
Steve & Emily Shurtleff
- 27 Gary & Becky Borman
- 30 Butch Merrill & Jody Musitano

THE RECTOR'S SABBATICAL: PILGRIMAGE

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Q. Who will be here with us while you're gone?

A. Your Vestry, your Associate Rector, and your Retired Clergy. The Vestry will care for all administrative functions overseen by the Rector. Your primary contact person will be **Senior Warden Becky Borman**. Day-to-day office work will be overseen by her; Assistant to the Rector for Administration Patti Green and Choirmaster Frank Lynn work under her direction through the sabbatical period. The work of the Sextons is overseen by **Junior Warden Mark Scheel**, as well as anything pertaining to the building and grounds. Pastoral Care will be the shared responsibility of the Pastoral Ministry Team (Coordinator, **Cindy Simerlink**) and the clergy. Associate Rector **Zeke Coughlin** will be the on-call priest throughout the end of his contract on August 15. He will make first and most calls and will ask for assistance from the Pastoral Ministry Team and the other clergy as needed. After August 15, Cindy and our retired clergy, the Rev. **John Wigle** and the Rev. **Mary Vidmar**, will share responsibility for pastoral ministry. All planning for worship will be in place before I leave, and liturgies will continue to be a joyous, good weekly offering of praise to our God. With our abundance of clergy, we'll celebrate Eucharist almost every week while I'm away. Assignments for who will preach and who will officiate are already in place.

Q. Where will you be going?

A. I'll spend part of the Sabbatical here in Boardman, taking sabbath time in my home. I'll be traveling to a retreat center for about a week at the beginning and at the ending of the Sabbatical, to prepare for being away from and then for coming back to parish responsibilities. I'll travel to South Carolina and Illinois to visit my children and grandchildren, and to Pennsylvania to spend some time

with my family there. In late June and July, I expect to travel to England and Spain for study, pilgrimage and rest. If all works well, I'll be praying for you at the great Cathedral of St. James on St. James' Day—Santiago de Compostela in northwest Spain. Then in November in Jerusalem, I'll be studying at St. George's (Anglican) College, spending two weeks learning more about the Palestine of Jesus.



Q. Will you get anything out of this time away from the parish?

A. *I hope to get some perspective, at the least.* To step away from the intensity of parish ministry, from being on call seven days a week, from the work and privilege of sharing the joys and sadness of members of a parish family, from the administrative necessities of weekly routine—and then to step back again gives perspective on the work we've done together over the past seven years and the work which falls to us, together, when I return. I hope to get some rest, some family time, some travel, some learning, and some experience at making progress as a Christian pilgrim.

Q. Will we get anything from your time away?

A. *I hope you get some perspective, at the least.* And I hope to bring back to you my learnings and experiences, so that we all together can continue as pilgrims in the Christian journey. And you'll get, also, the very good experience of living more fully into your baptized ministry—the ministry of every Christian in working

hard at being the Church in the absence of your Rector.

Q. How can we learn more about your Sabbatical?

A. Vestry member Paul Van Devender has agreed to be a liaison between you and me during the Sabbatical months. We'll stay in touch through him. AND join me in the Parlor on **Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00**. We'll think together about *pilgrimage*.

“Since, Lord, thou dost defend us with thy Spirit,
We know we at the end shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away; Ill fear not what men say,
I'll labor night and day *to be a pilgrim.*”*~*

ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

The News and The Good News
Sunday Mornings —9-9:45 a.m.
in Jones Hall

Each Sunday morning, a discussion group meets informally in Jones Hall to share reflections and points of view on an article from the news which addresses contemporary issues within and beyond the Church. Our goal is to relate this to the Gospel; hence, “The News and the Good News.”

Find your copy of the article for next week on the table near the elevator.



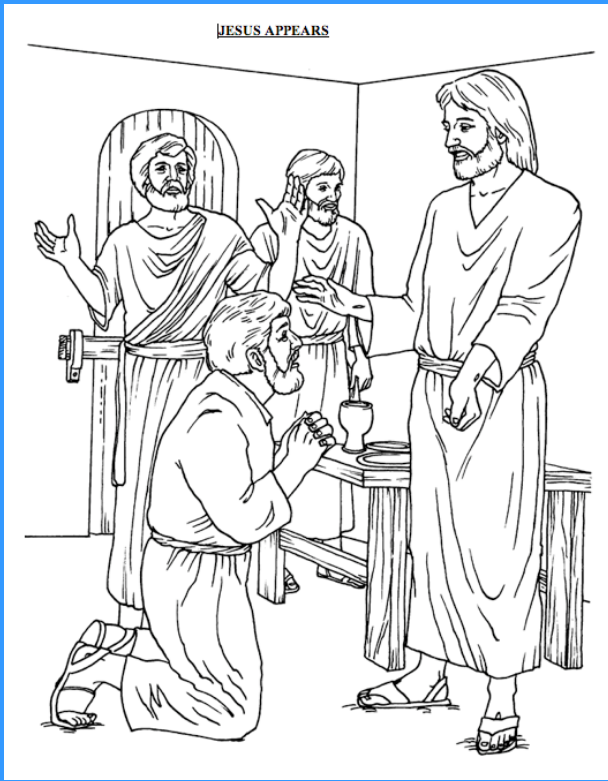
Feed Your Faith:
Small Group Prayer
Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Beginning May 24 and continuing throughout the summer

Watch the Sunday bulletin for more information.

St. James' Episcopal Church – Activity Calendar – May 2011

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8am News & Good News 10am Holy Eucharist 11:30am Journey to Renewal 6pm IDO	2 8:30am Morning Devotions	3	4 6:30pm Aerobics 7pm Adult Choir Practice	5	6	7 8:30am Aerobics 7pm AA
8 8am News & Good News 10am Bishop's Visit 4pm Youth Group @ St. John's	9 8:30am Morning Devotions 8:30pm Vestry April/May Meeting	10	11 6:30pm Aerobics 7pm Adult Choir Practice	12 6pm Chibbage	13	14 8:30am Aerobics 8am Women's Breakfast 7pm AA
15 8am News & Good News 10am Holy Eucharist & Healing Liturgy 11:30am Ministry @OOD 6pm IDO	16 8:30am Morning Devotions 6pm Finance Team	17 7pm Rector's Forum: Pilgrimage	18 6:30pm Aerobics 7pm Adult Choir Practice	19 9am - 5 pm ECW Spring Run/age Sale 6:30pm Eucharist Ministers Refreshment Session	20 9am - 3 pm ECW Spring Run/age Sale	21 8:30am Aerobics 8:30am Men's Breakfast 7pm AA
22 8am News & Good News 10am Holy Eucharist 4pm Youth Group - place to be announced	23 Rector's Seasonal Begins 8:30am Morning Devotions	24 7pm Feed Youth Faith: Small Group Prayer	25 6:30pm Aerobics 7pm Adult Choir Practice	26 6pm Chibbage	27	28 8:30am Aerobics 7pm AA
29 8am News & Good News 10am Holy Eucharist 4pm Blessing of Animals	30 Office Closed	31 7pm Feed Youth Faith: Small Group Prayer	Notes: June 2 - Ascension Day Liturgy @ 7 p.m. June 3 - Singles & Couples @ 7 p.m.			

Note: Youth Choir rehearses each Sunday following the liturgy.



Looking Ahead

Ascension Day Eucharist

Thursday, June 2 — 7 p.m.

Feast Day of Mary Magdalene

First Witness to the Resurrection and Apostle to the Apostles
Sunday, July 17 — 10 a.m. (Healing Liturgy)

Our Patronal Festival: Blessed James, Apostle & Martyr

Sunday, July 24 — 10 a.m.

Feast Day of Blessed Rocco, Minister of Healing

Sunday, August 14 — 10 a.m. (Healing Liturgy)
(followed by our annual Cavatelli Dinner)

Annual Parish Family Picnic

Tuesday, July 26 — 6 p.m.
Master's Pavilion, Boardman Park

“We always can afford to be generous. Always.”



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