



St. James Matters

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THE RECTOR'S WHATNOT: October 2011

The Rev. Fr. Kelly Marshall

October already! I remember a Robert Frost poem I memorized when I was a boy—when memorizing poems was part of one's education. Speaking to an October morning, Frost urges slowness on the day: ". . . begin the hours of this day slow. Make the day seem to us less brief . . . Slow, slow! for the grapes' sake along the wall."

The words carry a message to me about pacing my days so that life doesn't pass by unnoticed. It's a sentiment akin to the lesson of my sabbatical, about what a pilgrim learns by walking, step by step, and attending to all around as he walks. And then there's the hymn we sang Sunday morning (September 25) at the Entrance: we render thanks to God for "the royal robes of autumn moors" which "cry their blessings on the Lord of life, as he goes meekly by." Step by step.

Doesn't life lay multiple expectations on our shoulders—many, varied and taxing demands? Beyond the tasks of life maintenance and family necessities, we often agree to do more than is healthy for our bodies, our minds or our spirits. Maybe October's lesson has to do with "slow, slow for the grapes' sake along the wall?" With about walking meekly through life, with a practiced humility born of gratitude? Step by step.

After all, "what does the LORD require of you, but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" Love God. Love your neighbor. Change the world. I encourage you to consider the pace of your life this October. Make time to reflect on the tasks you've agreed to do. Think about your soul's health and about what God requires. Day by day, step by step, slowly—"for the grapes' sake, if they were all . . . for the grapes' sake along the wall."

Your Rector and friend,

For the entire Frost poem, see <http://www.bartleby.com/117/30.html>

For the text of the hymn I referenced, see

<http://www.oremus.org/hymnal/n/n057.html>

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At St. James'
Episcopal Church
ALL Are Welcome!

COUGHLIN'S LOG FINAL ENTRY

Fr. Zeke Coughlin

I'm writing this from my new office at St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church in Bowling Green. It's my second week as the priest in charge. I'm very happy to be here, and the parish is very happy to have me. However, I do miss St. James. I could not do what I am doing now if it were not for the love, support and opportunities for learning that were offered to me as your associate rector. I thank God for the time I spent with you and think about you often.

In the Great Commission, Christ commands his disciples to go out and make disciples of others. Sometimes we get the opportunity to do this right at home, and sometimes this quest takes us far abroad. St. James travelled from Jerusalem all the way to Spain in his efforts to fulfill this Commission. So I suppose, I should be thankful that my commission has only taken me as far as Toledo, Ohio.

Although I am no longer serving as your associate rector, I will continue to serve you through prayer. Thank you for all that you have done for me. I will take what has been given to me and share it with others. I hope that you too can find ways to take what I shared with you and do the same. This is the way we serve Christ in his Church.

God bless you.

Zeke+

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 the November edition. **Deadline for submitting articles is October 20.**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHOIR

Julie Van Devender

Welcome back! I am looking forward to working with our mighty little voices again this year and invite any new young people to consider joining our ranks. We have a lot of fun practicing after church and singing to the glory of God, typically on the last Sunday of each month. Our communion anthem for Sunday, September 25 was "Trust in the Lord" by Daniel Gawthrop.

Many thanks to everyone for their support of our choir primarily through the parish budget, and also through some individual contributions. I am managing our costs to keep within our budget. Look for us to sing again on October 30. To join, our only requirements are a desire to sing and the ability to read independently. We appreciate your warm support for our joyful musical gifts.~

Begin Your Week Well!



Monday Morning Devotions in the

Mary Magdalene Chapel

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

"You have brought us in safety to this new day."



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.



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 Membership Ministry Coordinator Mary Ann Fees or one of the clergy.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED



Will you consider signing up to host coffee Hour following the Sunday liturgy? Coffee Hour Coordinator Bev Hilderbrand makes the coffee. Hosts simply need to bring snacks and serve the goodies during coffee hour. Hosts also need to clean up following the coffee hour. A sign-up sheet is located on the table in the Narthex. See Bev if you have any questions. Hosts are needed each Sunday, including the first Sunday of the month. Offerings this week are designated as *Second Harvest Sunday*.

ECW UPDATE

Janet Smart



Thank you for saving the Boxtops for Education for the Lillian Valley School. Continue to leave them in the box on the

table at the top of the steps before entering our worship area. If you have a lot of them, you may put them in an envelope labeled "for ECW" and leave it on the table. These little coupons are found on many products such as Betty Crocker baking items, General Mills cereals, Green Giant, Old El Paso, Pillsbury refrigerated and dairy items, Land O Lakes, Yoplait, Nature Valley, and Juicy Juice as well as Cottonelle, Scott, Kleenex, Hefty, Ziploc, and Avery office supplies. A complete list is available online at boxtops4education.com. Each coupon is worth 10 cents for their school to purchase books and school supplies, so it is a great help to them.

Four of us visited the Archiver's Scrapbooking Store in Fairlawn on September 15. We enjoyed the free classes and purchasing items not available in our area.

Our fall rummage sale will be held **November 10 and 11**. If you have not yet brought your items, please wait until after our St. James Night In event on **October 15**.

Protestant Family Service (PFS) will be holding their *Feast of Salads Fashion Show and Chinese Auction Fundraiser* on **Saturday, October 22** at First Presbyterian Church, 201 Wick Avenue from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$20/person. Call the PFS office at 330/746-4600 for reservations/tickets.

Lastly, Church Women United's World Community Day is Friday, **November 4, 2011** at Calvary Baptist Church, 1463 Shields Road. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. The theme is *Living Our FaithUnlocking Action.*

SINGLES & COUPLES RESUMES IN OCTOBER

This casual event is usually held on the *first Friday of each month*, September through June. Parishioners take turns hosting this get together at their homes and are responsible only for supplying beverages, napkins and eating utensils for the evening. Those who may not have the space to entertain people in their home can sign up to host the event using the church's Jones Hall.

Those who attend bring an appetizer, hot dish, or dessert for everyone to share. The evenings are made up of informal conversations that lead to some very interesting discussions about books, movies, gravestones (really!), food, TV ratings, and, of course, politics and religion. What better way to get to know the people you pray with on Sunday mornings?

By the way, it's called *Singles & Couples* because that includes EVERYONE! Mark your calendar now and plan to attend one or more of these enjoyable evenings.

~ SAVE THE DATE ~

**St. James'
Men's Breakfast**

October 15 @ 8:30 a.m.

Perkins, Rt. 224 in Canfield

**Contact Rod Hosler
for more information.**

INSPIRING DIVINE DESIGNS

**Scrapbooking/
Cardmaking**

**October 2 and 16
5 to 7 p.m.
Jones Hall**

Experienced and novice scrapbookers and card makers welcome.

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

SINGLES & COUPLES

October 7

Hosts: Mark & Kathy Scheel

November 4

Hosts: Rod & Florence Hosler

December 2

Hosts: Al & Sandra Baxter

January 6

Parish Epiphany Celebration

~ SAVE THE DATE ~

**St. James'
Women's Breakfast**

October 8 @ 9 a.m.

Perkins, Rt. 224 in Boardman

**Contact Florence Hosler
for more information.**

Sunday Attendance Report

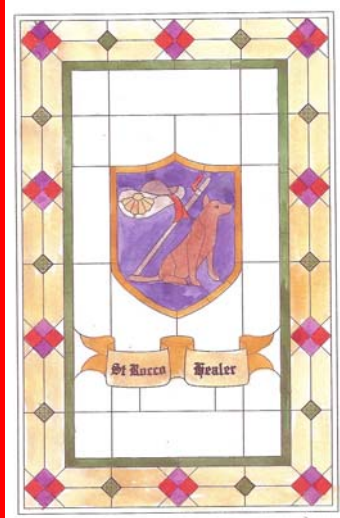
September 2009 Average	76
September 2010 Average	73
September 2011 Average	67

ST. ROCCO STAINED GLASS WINDOW

Becky Olmi

Great news! The installation of the St. Rocco stained glass window will begin on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 10 a.m. All are welcome to stop by and watch the window be placed in its new home. It usually takes a day to complete the total installation. The dedication of the window will follow on All Saints' Day, **Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m.**

A special thank you to all who have made the dream of a St. Rocco stained glass window a reality for St. James' Episcopal Church.☚



The Parochial Register

Baptism

Dominic Sontag
May 8, 2011

Burials

Rosemary Berger
September 26, 2011



Pledges for the Support of Father Coughlin's Ministry

A Message from the Vestry

If you made a promise to support the ministry of the Rev. Zeke Coughlin, will you please do some calculating and determine if you completed your pledge for the year he spent with us? Thanks!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

All Saints Day Festival
Eucharist and Dedication of
the New St. Rocco Stained
Glass Window

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
7 P.M.

YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, October 9
4 p.m.
at St. James

Gospel Readings For September

October 2

Matthew 21:33-46

October 9

Matthew 22:1-14

October 16

Matthew 22:15-22

October 23

Matthew 22:34-46

October 30

Matthew 23:1-12



To access the week's Bible Readings
online,
go to: <http://www.lectionarypage.net>.



HOLY CROSS DAY — SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

Sharing the Rector's Sabbatical Four Opportunities in October and November

Tuesdays, October 4, 11, 18 and 25 (7 p.m.)
Sundays, October 16, 23, 30 and November 6 (11:45 a.m.)

- Session 1 Tuesday, October 4 and Sunday, October 16
Step by Step: What I Learned About Pilgrimage
- Session 2 Tuesday, October 11 and Sunday, October 23
Canterbury Tales 2011
- Session 3 Tuesday, October 18 and Sunday, October 30
St. James, Patron of Spain: Devotion to Santiago
- Session 4 Tuesday, October 25 and Sunday, November 6
When the Gods Change: Identical Sacred Sites, Different Gods

Harvest Home

English Roast Beef Dinner

St. Stephen's East Liverpool

Monday, October 3
5 - 7 p.m.

Adults — \$9.00
Children — \$4.50

We will carpool.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex for those interested in attending.

EVENSONG

AT CHRIST CHURCH, WARREN

Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 5 p.m.

Our Choir will join the Christ Church Choir for this celebration of the parish's 175th Anniversary. Other events begin at 4 p.m. All are invited!

PASTORAL CARE

A Note from Father Marshall

Now that my summer sabbatical weeks are past and I'm back to my normal schedule, a reminder to everyone about pastoral care. ***Please call me first***, whenever you have or become aware of any pastoral need. I'm the 'first responder!' I'll then coordinate further pastoral ministry with our other clergy and our pastoral visitors.

The best number at which to reach me always is the Rectory—**330-965-3663**. Any message you leave at the parish office may or may not get to me quickly. And it's always possible to make an appointment with me to meet and talk at the office.

A **sincere thanks** to everyone who cared for the pastoral needs of the parish family during my absence.

October Birthdays

- 1 Janice Harden
5 Barbara Wittkugle
11 Emily Shurtleff
14 David Ulicny
15 Gretchen Scheel
17 Clark Dixon
20 Bill Stewart
Steve Shurtleff
22 Mary Ellen Maruschak
26 Kathy Rose
28 Wilma "Billie" Allgood
Rosanne Thomas
29 Robert Hilderbrand
30 Liz Myer

Anniversaries

- 8 Zeke & Lisa Coughlin
11 Jim & Jane Booth



ST. JAMES' NIGHT IN

Paula Ulicny

St. James Night In, our major fund raising event, will be held on **Saturday, October 15**. It will consist of dinner, the Reverse Raffle, Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle, and Mini-Board Raffle.

The cost of dinners will be \$10 each. This year's event will be held in Jones Hall and will begin at 6 p.m. For the Reverse Raffle, we will sell 125 tickets for \$50 each. The grand prize is \$1,500. After dinner the ticket numbers are drawn in random order. If your number is called, you are eliminated from the raffle. Ticket numbers are called until the last four remain. These ticket holders must decide whether to split the grand prize or continue drawing numbers until only one remains.

In the Silent Auction, items or gift baskets are donated by parish members or local businesses and are bid on by the participants during the evening. When the bidding has ended, the highest bidder wins the item. The Mini Board is a small board divided into 125 numbered squares that you can buy for \$5 each. The last number drawn in the Reverse Raffle wins half the amount collected on the Mini Board.

Tickets will be on sale soon. Please invite your friends to share in this fun evening. We are also looking for items for the Silent Auction. Please ask businesses that you frequent regularly to consider donating an item or gift certificate. If you have questions, see Mark Scheel or Paula Ulicny. ☺

STEWARDSHIP 2012 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITY

Ralph Sylvester

October 2, 2011	Distribution of pledge cards.
October 16, 2011	Vestry and other lay leaders offer their pledges as a symbol of their commitment.
October 30, 2011	Last Sunday to offer pledges.
November 13, 2011	Stewardship Team contacts members who have not yet responded.
November 20, 2011	Report is presented to Vestry and parish.
November 27, 2011	Stewardship drive ends.
December 2011	Vestry sets the 2012 Budget

Thanks to everyone for your continued support of St. James' Church.

Save the date and mark your calendar now!

DEDICATION AND BLESSING OF THE ST. ROCCO WINDOW

Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m.

All Saints' Day Festival Eucharist

We've saved and waited for several years, building sufficient funds to place a stained glass window in our St. Rocco's Shrine near the front door. On Thursday, October 13, installation will begin. And then on All Saints' Day, we'll remember Rocco, all those in whose loving memory the window has been given, and all the saints at a Festive Eucharist.

A sincere word of thanks to everyone who contributed to making our parish church more beautiful, to the glory of God.

St. Nicholas is Coming

**Tuesday
December 6
6:30 p.m.**

MUSIC NOTES

Organist/Choirmaster, Frank Lynn, will be on vacation Sunday, October 9 and 16. Gary Richards will be with us to play the organ on October 9.

There will be no choir practice on Wednesday, October 5 and 12. Rehearsals resume on Wednesday, October 19.

St. James' Episcopal Church – Activity Calendar

~ October 2011 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8:30am Aerobics 7pm AA
2 10am Eucharist 5pm Evensong at Christ Church, Warren 5pm Inspiring Divine Designs	3 8:30am Morning Devotions 5pm Harvest Home Dinner St. Stephen's E. Liverpool	4 7pm Rector's Forum*	5 5:30 pm Aerobics No Adult Choir Practice	6 7pm Singles & Couples hosted by the Schaefer's	7 7pm Singles & Couples hosted by the Schaefer's	8 8:30am Aerobics 9am Women's Breakfast 7pm AA
9 10am Eucharist 11:30am Ministry Coord. 4pm Youth Group	10 8:30am Morning Devotions	11 7pm Rector's Forum*	12 5:30 pm Aerobics No Adult Choir Practice	13 10am St. Rocco Window Installation 6pm Cribbage	14	15 8:30am Aerobics 8:30am Men's Breakfast 6pm St. James Night In
16 10am Eucharist & Healing 5pm Inspiring Divine Designs 11:45am Rector's Forum*	17 8:30am Morning Devotions 6pm Finance Team	18 7pm Rector's Forum*	19 5:30 pm Aerobics 7pm Adult Choir Practice	20 Newsletter Deadline	21	22 8:30 am Aerobics 4pm Community Meal and Second Coat Mission 7pm AA
23 10am Eucharist 11:45am Rector's Forum*	24 8:30am Morning Devotions 6:30pm Vestry	25 7pm Rector's Forum*	26 5:30 pm Aerobics 7pm Adult Choir Practice	27 6pm Cribbage	28	29 8:30am Aerobics 7pm AA
30 10am Eucharist 11:45am Rector's Forum*	31	Notes: November 1 @ 7 p.m. – All Saints' Day Festival Eucharist and Dedication of St. Rocco Window November 4 @ 9:30 a.m. – Church Women United November 4 @ 7 p.m. – Singles and Couples hosted by the Hoslers . *See newsletter, page 5.				

2011 Second Coat Mission



Once again this year we'll be giving our extra coats and sweaters to our neighbors in need. It's the same day as our next Community Meal, **October 22**.

We are now accepting your "second coats and sweaters" in preparation for this mission. Remember the Gospel imperative, "If you have two coats, give one to a person who has none."

Please join us on October 22, as we share our blessings with our neighbors!

Looking Ahead



November 1, 7 p.m.

*All Saints' Day Festival Eucharist
And Dedication of St. Rocco Window*

November 10 & 11

Rummage Sale

November 30

*Mission Area Evensong in Celebration
of St. Andrew's Day*

December 6, 6:30 p.m.

*St. Nicholas' Day Festival Eucharist
and Parish Advent Party*

December 10 & 11

*Celebration of the 25th Anniversary
of Fr. Kelly's Ordination to the Priesthood*

"We always can afford to be generous. Always."



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