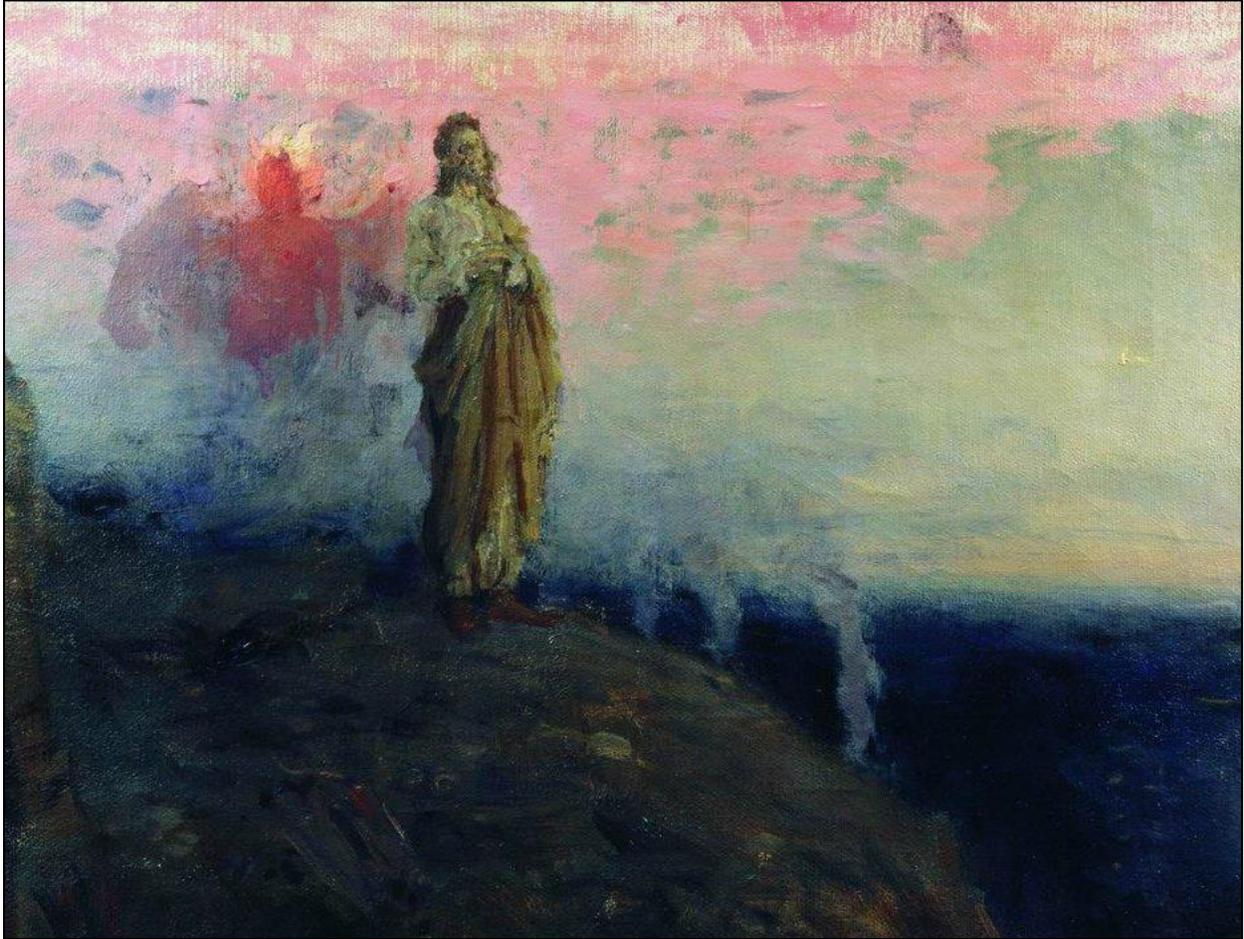




St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

Forged in Fire: From Age to Age



"Temptation of Christ" by Ilya Repin

Holy Eucharist
First Sunday in Lent
February 22, 2026 at 9 a.m.



Mindful of the Lenten call to almsgiving and loving service to those in need, we lift up our outreach ministries here at St. James which your offerings directly support:

ST. JAMES MEALS

Neighbors and volunteers of St. James gather twice per month to shop, cook, and open our dining room for guests to enjoy the hospitality of a sit-down meal. Much more than a feeding program, this ministry focuses on lifting up the dignity of our fellow human beings.

MEALS AMONG US

Every Sunday, volunteers make sandwiches and pack lunches, which are then delivered to multiple sites to feed people in need. On the third Sundays of the month, our Sunday School children participate in this feeding ministry as part of their Christian formation.

TASKFORCE

As part of our ministry partnership with St. Martin's in the Austin neighborhood of Chicago, St. James provides funding, meals, clothing, and more to TaskForce Prevention & Community Services, supporting LGBTQ+ youth in need of housing, healthcare, and other essential services.

SUMMER IN THE CITY

For over 25 years, St. James has organized a summer enrichment camp, with fun and educational activities for children in the city. This is provided free-of-charge so that any child can have access to a life-changing camp experience and forge lasting bonds.

BOMBAS SOCKS

As the only Bombas Socks distributor in River North, St. James not only supplies clean, warm socks to people in need but also handles the logistics of sharing socks with ministry partners and other social service organizations throughout the city.

Get involved by contacting the Rev. Canon Steven Balke and **make your donation using the QR Code.**



Welcome to St. James Cathedral!

Whether you are visiting or are a regular worshipper, you're not just welcome at St. James – you belong! This booklet contains everything you need to worship with us today. If you would like to learn about the mission and ministry of the cathedral, please complete one of the visitor cards available in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy person.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Children are always welcome at St. James. We also offer nursery care with a changing station for parents of our youngest members. There is an open space to the front right of the pews for children to play under your supervision.

HOLY COMMUNION

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest or minister know if you would need a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine. We are also happy to bring Communion to you if you are unable to come to the altar rail. Please let a priest know if this would be helpful for you.

PARKING

On Sundays, reduced-rate parking is available at R.O.W. Parking Garage (50 E. Ohio) for \$2 for up to six hours from the time of entering the garage. Discounts are also available for all-day parking at Ohio Ontario Self Park (33 W. Ontario) for \$11. To receive a reduced-rate parking voucher, please go to the welcome table in the narthex or the reception desk in the Welcome Center.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Restrooms are in the Welcome Center connected to the east end of the cathedral and below the front entrance of the cathedral.

GET INVOLVED

There are a variety of ways to become involved, whether you are a committed follower of Christ, an occasional visitor who appreciates our programming, or fall somewhere in between.

Refreshments are available after the service, where we look forward to getting to know you and helping you connect with this vibrant and historic community!



The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James,
Dean of the Cathedral



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

V Cantor **People**

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the op-pressed. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit, and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

Hear us, O Christ.

Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Hear us, O Christ.

Hear us as we remember those who have died, and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

Hear us, O Christ.

VI Cantor

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according

to your word.

People

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Sing 3x

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy on us.

The presider pronounces God's forgiveness saying

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of Genesis. (2:15-17, 3:1-7)

The Lord God put the man in the Garden of Eden to take care of it and to look after it. But the Lord told him, "You may eat fruit from any tree in the garden, except the one that has the power to let you know the difference between right and wrong. If you eat any fruit from that tree, you will die before the day is over!"

The snake was sneakier than any of the other wild animals that the Lord God had made. One day it came to the woman and asked, "Did God tell you not to eat fruit from any tree in the garden?" The woman answered, "God said we could eat fruit from any tree in the garden, except the one in the middle. He told us not to eat fruit from that tree or even to touch it. If we do, we will die."

"No, you won't!" the snake replied. "God understands what will happen on the day you eat fruit from that tree. You will see what you have done, and you will know the difference between right and wrong, just as God does."

The woman stared at the fruit. It looked beautiful and tasty. She wanted the wisdom that it would give her, and she ate some of the fruit. Her husband was there with her, so she gave some to him, and he ate it too. Right away they saw what they had done, and they realized they were naked. Then they sewed fig leaves together to make something to cover themselves.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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The people stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

As the Deacon carries the Gospel book past the play area, all children are encouraged to join in the procession, gathering around as the Gospel is read.

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Words: Para. Communauté de Taizé
Music: Jacques Berthier (1923–1994)

HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (4:1–11)

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Then the Spirit led Jesus into the desert to be tempted by the devil. Jesus fasted for forty days and nights. After this, he was very hungry. The devil came to Jesus to tempt him, saying, “If you are the Son of God, tell these rocks to become bread.” Jesus answered, “It is written in the Scriptures, ‘A person lives not on bread alone, but by everything God says.’”

Then the devil led Jesus to the holy city of Jerusalem and put him on a high place of the Temple. The devil said, “If you are the Son of God, jump down, because it is written in the Scriptures: ‘He has put his angels in charge of you. They will catch you in their hands so that you will not hit your foot on a rock.’” Jesus answered him, “It also says in the Scriptures, ‘Do not test the Lord your God.’”

Then the devil led Jesus to the top of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and all their splendor. The devil said, “If you will bow down and worship me, I will give you all these things.” Jesus said to the devil, “Go away from me, Satan! It is written in the Scriptures, ‘You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.’” So the devil left Jesus, and angels came and took care of him.

The Gospel of our Savior.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1. We be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, God Al³ -
 2. Christ, who on the cross for - sak - en, like a
 3. We be - lieve in God the Spir - it; in one

-might - y, by whose plan earth and hea - ven
 lamb to slaught - er led, suff - ered un - der
 church, be - low, a - bove; saints of God in

sprang to be - ing, all cre³ - a - ted things be - gan.
 Pon - tius Pi - late, he de - scend - ed to the dead.
 one com - mun - ion, one in ho - li - ness and love.

We be³ - lieve in Christ the Sav - ior, Son of
 We be - lieve in Je - sus ris - en, heav - en's
 So by faith, our³ sins for - giv - en, Christ our

God in hu - man frame, vir - gin born, the
 King to rule and reign, to the Fa - ther's
 Sav - ior, Lord, and friend, we shall rise with

child of Ma - ry up - on³ whom the Spir - it came.
 side as - cend - ed till as judge he comes a - gain.
 him in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); from the Apostles' Creed

Music: Tony Botel, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We give thanks for what is good in the world and pray for the Church, the world and our local community, the sick, those who need our prayers, and those who have died.

PEACE

The presider says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.



Holy Communion

OFFERTORY



Your offering supports the ongoing mission of St. James Cathedral, including the St. James Meals, Meals Among Us, and Summer in the City. Contributions are welcome online at SaintJamesCathedral.org/give, by texting "SJC" to 73256, or you may place checks and cash in the collection plate.

The people stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymnal 142

During the final verse of the hymn, bring your bulletin and gather around the altar for Communion.

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con-tend, and didst the vic-tory win,
3 As thou didst hun-ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra-cious Lord,
4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas-sion - tide,
5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fer-ing o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con-quer sin.
3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)

Music: St. Flavian, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider God be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Reader Why is it right to give God thanks and praise?
All **Listen, and we will hear.**

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us your love, even when things go wrong. Jesus knew hurt and pain. Through him you wipe away our tears, and fill us with your peace. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord, who
was and is and is to come, ho - ly is the Lord.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Reader Why do we share this bread and wine?
All **Listen, and we will hear.**

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins."

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Savior.

Wor - thy, wor - thy wor - thy, wor - thy is the Lord, who
was and is and is to come, wor - thy is the Lord.

Reader How do we follow Jesus Christ?
All Listen, and we will hear.

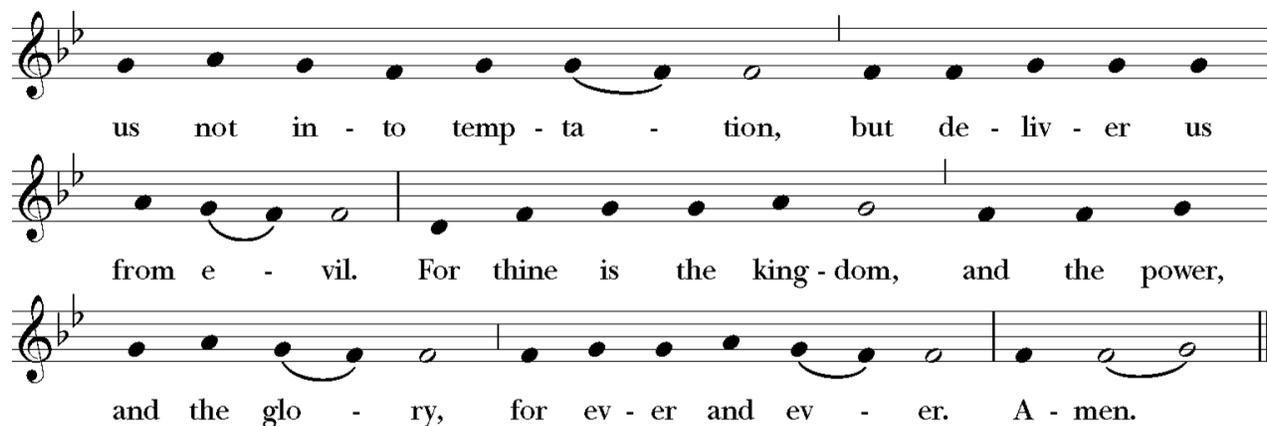
Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry to the Lord, who
was and is and is to come. A - men, A - men, A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal S-119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead



us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winifred Douglas (1867-1944)

BREAKING OF THE BREAD



Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus is the Lord, who
 was and is and is to come, Je - sus is the Lord.

The presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it.

If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

Let the priest know if you would prefer a gluten-free wafer.

The choristers sing

COMMUNION ANTHEM Litany to the Holy Spirit Peter Hurford (1930-2019)

In the hour of my distress, when temptations me oppress, and when I my sins confess, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When I lie within my bed, sick in heart and sick in head, and with doubts discomfited, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When the house doth sigh and weep, and the world is drowned in sleep, yet mine eyes the watch do keep, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand and the presider says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal 147



1 Now let us all with one ac - cord, in
2 The cov - e - nant, so long re - vealed to
3 Your love, O Lord, our sin - ful race has
4 Re - mem - ber, Lord, though frail we be, in
5 There - fore, we pray you, Lord, for - give; so



1 com - pa - ny with a - ges past, keep vi - gil with our
2 those of faith in for - mer time, Christ by his own ex -
3 not re - turned, but fal - si - fied; au - thor of mer - cy,
4 your own i - mage were we made; help us, lest in anx -
5 when our wan - derings here shall cease, we may with you for



1 heaven - ly Lord in his temp - ta - tion and his fast.
2 am - ple sealed, the Lord of love, in love sub - lime.
3 turn your face and grant re - pent - ance for our pride.
4 i - e - ty, we cause your Name to be be - trayed.
5 ev - er live, in love and u - ni - ty and peace.

Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540–604); tr. Praise the Lord, 1972, alt. James Quinn, SJ (1919–2010)

Music: *Bourbon*, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780–1859); harm. Thomas Foster (1938–2024)

THE ST. JAMES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

The presider says

Let us pray.

Faithful God,
you call us to be living stones in a spiritual temple.
Bless the mission and outreach of this cathedral church.

By the power of your Holy Spirit,
enable us confidently to restore its fabric,
trustfully to reimagine our vocation,
and boldly to renew our ministries in your name.

Make this place a house in which your love dwells
and in which all your people find welcome.

Grant this, we pray, through the One who leads us ever onwards in your service,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The deacon says

Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel or bow as the presider prays

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Ginger, Jane, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Lois, Mary, Yvonne, Lee, John, Rachael, Jonah, Katie, Cynthia, Patricia, Joan, Kay, Kevin, Walco, Jim, Mike, Arthur, Tyria, Katrina, Denise, Stacy, Richard, Cleo, Ulla, Frank, Bill, Cynthia

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY:

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING: Lydell, Kenneth, Sencere

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: For our bishop, Paula, and our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Congregations in the Chicago-South Deanery: Brent House Campus Ministry at the University of Chicago; the Chapel at Montgomery Place; Grace Episcopal Church in Chicago; and our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: La Santa Cruz in Oaxaca; St. Peter in Geiger Centre

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up for our weekly newsletter at SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews.

ADULT FORMATION AT ST. JAMES **The Forum Sundays at 10 a.m. in Kyle's Place: TODAY:** Join us at the Forum to meet and learn more about our guest preacher, James Walters, Canon Theologian at Chichester Cathedral and the founding director of the Faith Centre and the Religion and Global Research Unit at the London School of Economics. **Next Sunday:** Artist Joel Sheesley is presenting on the art of the Stations of the Cross. His own work has been commissioned at St. Mark's Geneva. **Wednesday 5:45 p.m. Evensong, followed by dinner and then adult formation at 6:30 p.m.:** Poetry of Life, Longing, Lament, and Love: This Lent all are welcome to meet in Meeting Room 1 as we read, discuss, and reflect on the poetry of Mary Oliver, Pádraig Ó Tuama, Naomi Shahib Nye, Li-Young Lee, and more, exploring our thoughts and feelings around the concepts of life, longing, lament, love and more.



LENTEN ST. MARTIN'S-ST. JAMES BOOK GROUP Each Lent the Peace & Justice Committee of the Diocese of Chicago selects a book for the whole diocese to study for Lent. St. Martin's and St. James choose to study this book and discuss it together via Zoom. This year's book is *Come Have Breakfast: Meditations on God and the Earth*, a text on Eco-justice and Creation Care, by Jesuit theologian and Professor Emerita of Fordham University, Elizabeth A. Johnson. We will meet on Zoom at 6:00 PM on Thursdays, February 26; March 12 & 26. **Please email the office (info@SaintJamesCathedral.org) for the Zoom link to the meetings.** The book is available for purchase in paperback, e-book, and audiobook, or available to borrow from the St. James or St. Martin's libraries.

SMALL GROUPS AT ST. JAMES

- **First Sundays Book Group**, Sunday, March 1 at 1 p.m. in Room 212: Join us as we set up our reading plan and begin discussion of “When the World Breaks” by Jason Adam Miller. Might be interested but do not yet have the book? No problem - you are more than welcome to come! Feel free to bring your lunch. **Contact: Kim Moreland** (1stSundays@SaintJamesCathedral.org)
- **First Tuesdays Book Group**, Tuesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m in Room 210. The book for March's meeting is "Tender is the Night" by F. Scott Fitzgerald. **Contact: Marcy Backhus** (bookgroup@SaintJamesCathedral.org)
- **Scripture Reading Group** Mondays at 6 p.m. in Room 212 **Contact: Jacob Perkins** (jperkins@SaintJamesCathedral.org)



Holy Week



SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY March 29

8, 9, and 11 a.m. **Eucharist**

4 p.m. Organ and Poetry: Marcel Dupré's Stations of the Cross

MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK March 30

12:10 p.m. Eucharist

TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK March 31

11 a.m. Chrism Eucharist

WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK April 1

12:10 p.m. Eucharist

MAUNDY THURSDAY April 2

6:30 p.m. **Eucharist and Foot Washing**

GOOD FRIDAY April 3

1:30 p.m. **Liturgy of the Passion**

6:30 p.m. Seven Last Words

HOLY SATURDAY April 4

8 p.m. **Easter Vigil Eucharist**

Festive reception following

EASTER DAY April 5

8, 9, and 11 a.m. **Eucharist**

10 a.m. Children's Activities



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CHORAL EVENSONG

with music of Henry Purcell

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 AT 4 P.M.

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SINGS MUSIC BY ENGLAND'S
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DEACON: The Rev. Rick Incorvati

PREACHER: The Rev. James Walters

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (<i>Spoken</i>)	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (<i>Family</i>)	Cathedral
	11 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (<i>Choral</i>)	Cathedral
		Live-Stream Service (<i>see enews, website, or YouTube</i>)	
FIRST SUNDAYS	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong (<i>Oct–June</i>)	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS	9 a.m.	Morning Prayer (<i>see enews, or website</i>)	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong (<i>Wednesdays, Sept–June</i>)	Cathedral

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