

## Sunday Readings

### **January 3 Christmas 2**

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalm 84

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 **or**

Luke 2:41-52 **or** Matthew 2:1-12

### **January 10 Epiphany 1**

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

### **January 17 Epiphany 2**

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

### **January 24 Epiphany 3**

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

### **January 31 Epiphany 4**

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

## Sunday Worship Schedule

7:30 am Traditional Eucharist

8:45 am Childcare, 2nd floor

9 am Bible Study; Adult Forum

10 am Choral Eucharist,

Child & Youth Programs

## Noon Worship Schedule

Healing Eucharist

*every Wednesday*

Friday Requiem Eucharist

*the last Friday of each month*

## Monday Evening Prayer

5:30 pm In the Chapel

## Rolling up the Sleeves

### New Year Considerations for the Work of the Church

*by Randal Gardner, Rector*

Dearly Beloved,

Out of the “Aught’s,” into the “Teen’s” as New Year 2010 begins, and the transition has more weight for St. James than the numbers of the year.

### Correlating Ministry and Money

Our church is still recovering from the economic collapse of 2008, both in our own parish budget and in the lives of our members. Several of our households have lost their homes, several of our elders who depend on investments have suffered loss of income, and quite a few have lost steady employment. The human toll of this recession is significant, and it is good to see many signs of supporting care within the community of the church.

Our parish suffered a major drop in income when our investment funds dived; but, among nonprofit organizations, we were among the quickest to respond by cutting back on our use of those investments. As a result we preserved most of our fundamental assets — the stocks and bonds we owned — so that they could begin producing income once the market began to recover. At this point our endowment and reserved funds are back to about 90% of the value they had in January of 2008.

Still the Crash clarified how much our church depends on the legacy of former members who have left us these bequests and enduring gifts. Thank God for them. Because of the gifts of former generations you and I are able to enjoy about \$1 worth of church for about 76¢ worth of giving.

However, that ratio is not sustainable or healthy. We are tapping our investments for more income than they can reliably produce, and we do not yet have all the 76¢ in hand. Your Vestry and I have made a commitment to work hard at achieving a major boost in income for 2010. We need to increase regular giving — especially from members who are not giving now — and we need to raise funds through other means than regular giving. There are some important initiatives for developing alternate income sources, and there will be a near constant reminder of the need for financial support in the year to come.

### Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be held between services on February 7, and

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## Epiphany, Nabucco & Bach

By Eleanor Ellsworth, Sr. Associate Rector

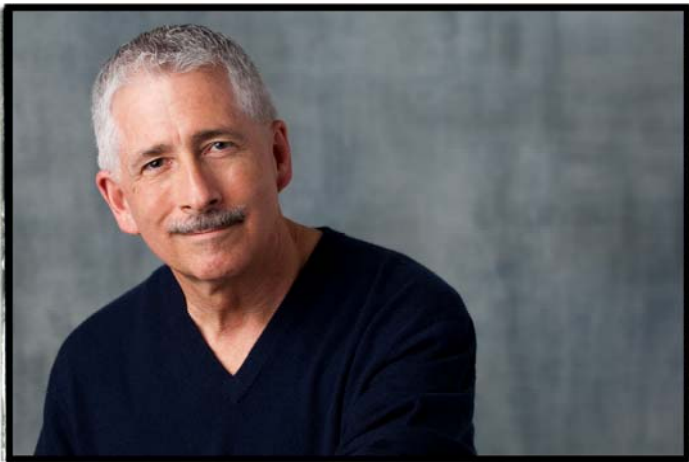
### JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

Epiphany Celebration: Wednesday, January 6th


Epiphany is one of the principal Feasts of the Church focusing on the gift of the Light of Christ into the world. The Magi's gifts to the Christ Child, the Baptism of John and the Celebration of the Wedding at Cana are all Epiphany themes remembered during the Season after the Epiphany.

- + 12 Noon—Eucharist and Healing Service
- + 6 pm—Epiphany Celebration in the Van Schaick Rm.
- + 7 pm—Dr. Nicolas Reveles on Verdi's *Nabucco*.

As apart of our Epiphany Celebration, we will be having a lovely dinner party with special guest, Dr. Nicolas Reveles. Dr. Reveles is the Geisel Director of Education and Outreach for the San Diego Opera. He also hosts OP-ERTALK on UCSD-TV and is a local treasure to all of San Diego's music and opera lovers. Dr. Reveles is a pianist, composer and lecturer of national and international note, and a joy to introduce to St. James.

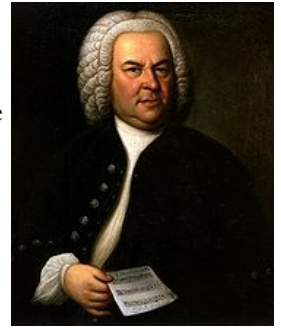


Join us at 6 pm for dinner and music followed by a lecture at 7 pm by Dr. Reveles on *Nabucco*, the opera telling the compelling story of the Babylonian Captivity of the Jews during the time of Nebuchadnezzar. (*Nabucco* is Nebuchadnezzar.) Giuseppe Verdi's *Nabucco* will come alive with Dr. Reveles' presentation.

Please welcome Nicolas Reveles to St. James and bringing a friend or two to this wonderful opportunity to celebrate Epiphany. Reservations requested by January 4, 2010: 858.459.3421. 

### FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

SAVE THE DATE— Sunday, February 21st at 4 pm, we will have a **Bach Benefit Organ Concert** sponsored by St. James Church and the World Ministry, and the St. James Music Series. Please support this exciting event and hear the extraordinary Anthony Newman in person.



World acclaimed Conductor, Organist, and Harpsichordist, ANTHONY NEWMAN presents a benefit Bach Organ Concert commemorating the 260th anniversary of the death of Johann Sebastian Bach, not only one of the greatest composers in our history, but, according to David Bentley Hart, one of our greatest theologians.


Call the Church office to reserve your admission. It will be general seating only. Admission will also be available the day of the performance. *Free will offering\**

*\*Episcopal Community Services (ECS) is the beneficiary of your free-will offering. ECS is the primary Episcopal Church outreach to the needy in San Diego.*

### NOTES ON BACH

by David B. Hart

Bach is the greatest of Christian theologians, the most inspired witness to the *ordo amoris* in the fabric of being; not only is no other composer capable of more freely developing lines or of more elaborate structures of tonal mediation (wheresoever the line goes, Bach is there also), but no one as compellingly demonstrates that the infinite is beauty and that beauty is infinite. It is in Bach's music, as nowhere else, that the potential boundlessness of thematic development becomes manifest. . . . In Bach's music, each note is an unforced, unnecessary, and yet wholly fitting supplement, even when the fittingness is deferred across massive dissonances by way of the most intricate contrapuntal mediations. Nor are dissonances final, or ever tragic: they are birth pangs, awaiting the glory to be disclosed in their reconciliations – their strettis and recapitulations. Bach's is the ultimate Christian music; it reflects as no other human artifact ever has or could the Christian vision of creation. . . .

The analogy between God's and Bach's handiworks is audible chiefly in Bach's limitless capacity to develop separate lines into extraordinary intricacies of contrapuntal complication, without ever sacrificing the 'peace', the measures of accord, by which the music is governed. . . . [It] offers an aesthetic analogy to the work of the Spirit in creation, his power to unfold the theme God imparts in creation into ever more profuse and elaborate developments, and to overcome every discordant series. 


## Rolling up the Sleeves, cont.

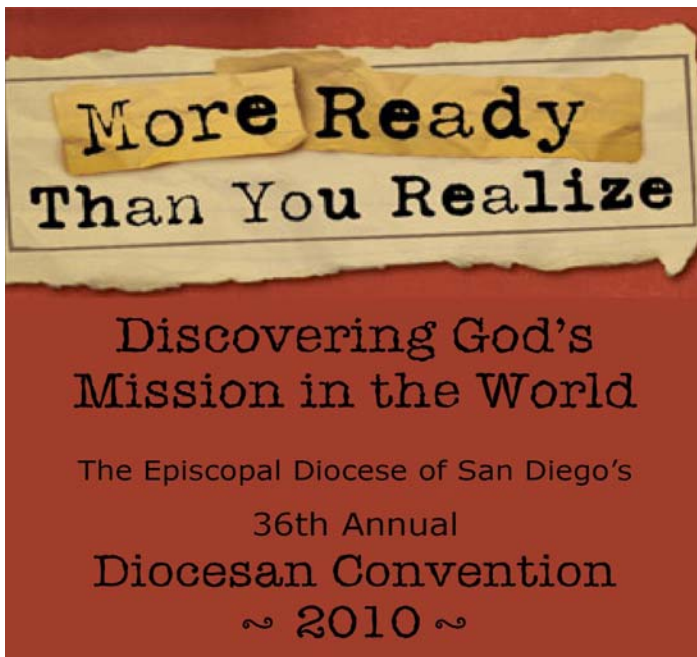
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the meeting will include some brief reports and the elections that are the main work of the meeting. A more detailed conversation about the initiatives and budget will be offered two weeks before that in a forum on January 24. This forum will take place at 11:35 either in the Hall or the Nave. It is helpful for all members to make a point to participate in the Forum on the 24th as well as in the Annual Meeting on the 7th.

### Diocesan Convention

This year's convention is moving to a larger venue than any of our congregations can hold, and it is doing so in order to include more of the members of the diocese than just the elected delegates. A keynote address from an exciting theologian — Brian McLaren — is part of the gathering. There will be room in the convention workshops and worship gatherings for all who wish to attend. There will also be space enough to listen to our Bishop as he shares his clarifying vision for a diocese oriented to mission and growth.

At St. James we will be offering a way to participate in the Bishop's "One Book, One Diocese," reading McLaren's *The Secret Message of Jesus*. More details about Convention are on the diocesan web page, [WWW.EDSD.ORG](http://WWW.EDSD.ORG); (the link to Convention is on the left side of their page.) 



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## Experience the "Cardboard Village" a learning tool for Youth

By Chris Bernard, Pastor for Youth & Families



**The "cardboard village" - sleeping quarters!**


### 30-hour Famine

Our friends up at St. Barts have invited us to be a part of their *30 Hours Famine* on January 8-9. It's an overnight at St. Barts. If you are interested, let me know and I'll get you more info.

### Winter Retreat

From Friday, January 15 to Sunday, January 17, Jr. and Sr. High School students will have the opportunity to enjoy a weekend away, engaging in fun activities, good food and some formative talks that will help cultivate a deeper sense of faith and faithfulness. (Speaker to be announced.) The cost is \$125 per person, with scholarships available. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Bernard, Pastor for Youth and Families at [chris.bernard@sjbts.org](mailto:chris.bernard@sjbts.org)

### Combined Sunday School

After trying out a little experiment this last fall, we have decided that we will be shifting back to our previous educational structure. For the rest of the school year, we will have a combined Jr. and Sr. High Education hour during the 10 o'clock service. Join us at 10 as we continue to explore the teachings of Jesus. 

**Episcopal Diocese of San Diego**  
**36TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONVENTION**  
**First United Methodist Church of San Diego**  
**February 12 & 13, 2010**

## Meet your Vestry Candidates

The Nominating Committee of St James has nominated, from qualified parish electors, five candidates for Vestry members to serve a three year term beginning February 2010.

### THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee consists of the Rector and those Vestry members whose term of office expires at the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on February 7, 2010. The Nominating Committee this year is Midge Coburn, Jim Campbell, Howard Young, and Cindy Trowbridge.

A short biographical sketch for each candidate has been submitted, including evidence of the candidate's active participation in the life of the parish.

#### A qualified parish elector is:


- At least sixteen (16) years of age;
- A regular attendant of worship at St. James;
- Registered for the previous 60 days in the congregation as a baptized person or communicant;
- A regular financial contributor to the parish as verified by the records.

To be considered as a nominee for the Vestry, a nominee must:

- Be qualified as a parish elector and be at least eighteen (18) years old;
- Enjoy a reputation for active participation in the life of the parish;
- Be committed to principles of Christian stewardship and be willing to participate actively in the stewardship program of the parish;
- Be willing to work to build consensus even while representing a particular voice or point of view.

Nominations are closed eighteen (18) days prior to the Annual Meeting. Election of the qualified nominees shall be by ballot at the Annual Meeting, in accordance with Diocesan Canons and the St. James By-laws.

### DELEGATES FOR THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION

The Nominating Committee has also nominated people to serve as delegates for the Diocesan convention in February, 2010. Any qualified parish electors who are interested in being a delegate (must be at least 16 years of age) for the 2010 convention. 

### LORRAINE BENTON

I grew up in Worcester, Massachusetts where I attended Catholic church and school through high school. I received a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy from Northeastern University in Boston in 1974. It was in Boston that Paul and I met and were married at Trinity Episcopal Church in 1975. We have 4 children: Jenny, married to Micah; Phil, married to Jacque; Andy and Steve. We moved to San Diego from St. Louis in 1983 and have been members of St. James, where Paul attended growing up, since that time. Our children were acolytes at St. James and were also very active in the EYC program. I have taught Sunday School at Holy Communion Episcopal Church in St. Louis, St. Andrews in Pacific Beach and here at St. James.

I have been a Physical Therapist for 35 years and have worked at Scripps Memorial Hospital in Encinitas for the past 11 years. I am currently Supervisor of Rehab Therapies.

I look forward to serving St. James in a greater capacity, if elected to the vestry.

### GEORGE L. DAMOOSE

I was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan and was graduated *cum laude* from Harvard College (1959) and with honors from Harvard Law School (1965). I served three years as a Naval Officer, the last one and one-half of which were at the Naval Electronics Laboratory (now SPAWARS) here in San Diego.



I have been happily married to Cari (41 years); we have two children, Alison (teaches math at Mesa College) and Chris (works in Architecture for Nogul Onufer & Associates (in San Diego)). I love playing golf, reading, the movies, traveling – and spending quiet evenings at home. I currently serve on the La Jolla Music Society Board and on the Holy Cross Cemetery Advisory Board. I've previously served on the Board of San Diego Hospice, the Bishop's School and the San Diego Civic Light Opera Association ("Starlight").

I am a certified Specialist in Taxation (State Bar of California), was Chairman of the Executive Committee of

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the State Bar Taxation Section and served as chair of the Taxation Subcommittee of the CEB Joint Advisory Committee. In 2006, I was honored by the California State Bar Taxation Section with the Joanne M. Garvey Award, given to one attorney in the state in recognition of outstanding lifetime achievement and contributions to the field of tax law.

I specialize in all areas of tax, including sophisticated estate planning, and advise on business acquisitions, dispositions, and structuring business relationships and transactions.

### MICHAEL FLUHARTY

I have attended St. James since baptism, and was married here in 1998 to Polly Foster Fluharty. I moved from La Jolla after graduating from UCSD. In 1993 we returned after living in Connecticut and subsequently the Bay Area. We have two sons who are active in the St. James youth ministries.

I am a self employed consultant specializing in Information Technology and Engineering. My recent projects have required me to bring together diverse teams to focus on a common goal.

My interests include Finance, Economics, and Leadership. I serve on the Leadership Council for Boy Scout Troop 506 and am active in leadership training.

It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve the Church as a member of the Vestry.

### MONICA BUCHANAN STARKEY, M.P.H.

I was born in Santa Monica, California to Douglas and Charlotte Buchanan who came to La Jolla and joined St. James in 1975. I was married to Dave Starkey by Father Waddy at St. James in 1987. We celebrated our 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary this year.



I am a Certified Clinical Research Coordinator, (CCRC), earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Administration and later completed a Masters Degree in Public Health.

My work experience includes the design, implementa-

tion and management of clinical trials. Infectious Disease research has resulted in co-authorship of original research articles published in the medical journals: *Annals of Internal Medicine*, *Pediatric Infectious Diseases* and *AIDS*.

My volunteer work includes: the Secretary for the Health Ministries Outreach Committee at St. James for the past 2 years of a three-year term, White Elephant Sale volunteer, (6 yrs), Pediatric Tuberculosis Task Force, Administrative Secretary and the UCSD Pediatric Tuberculosis Clinic, coordination and database management.

As a former bicycle racer, I competed in college, the State Championships and National Championships. While the racing days are behind me, I still have love for the sport and have continued riding and training for over 25 years.



### NANCY WILSON

I first began attending St. James as a child when my family visited my maternal grandmother in La Jolla. Later in the early 1970's, after my family moved to San Diego, we became members of St. James. My husband, Dave, and I were married at St. James in May 1974. We continued attending St. James until the early 1980's when, after moving to Poway, transferred to St. Bartholomew's, returning to St. James in early 2007. Dave and I have three grown children and a son-in-law, Ellen, Ben and Elizabeth married to James. I have a long-standing bond and affection for St. James; it continues to be an important part of my life.

My activities at St. James include serving on the HR Committee and helping with the White Elephant on the day of the sale for the past two years and in the mid-to-late 1970's.

I've worked at the University of California-San Diego since 1973 and have been at Scripps Institution of Oceanography/UCSD since 1985. I'm the director of SIO's Office of Contract and Grant Administration; a position I've held for the past fifteen years. SIO is a very close knit community and I have the good fortune to work with staff and academics in support of SIO's research. Experience has taught me analytical, negotiation, and communication skills, and the belief that most issues can be resolved. I would be honored to serve St. James as a member of the Vestry.

### **100! Wow!**

Dorothea Rodimon has just turned 100 years old (December 29). Dorothea is legendary as a Realtor in La Jolla and enjoyed 58 years of marriage to Rear Adm. Warner Rodimon, an heroic Captain of the U.S.S. Hopewell. Dorothea seldom misses a Sunday at St. James, staking claim to the front pew.

For help with a small birthday party she turned to her younger friend, Rosamond Loomis. The more youthful Rosamond won't be 100 for another year.

### ***The Women's Dinner Group Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 6th at the Epiphany Celebration***

For our January meeting the Women's Dinner Group will join the all parish *Feast of the Epiphany* event on January 6th.

Beginning at 6 pm there will be a special buffet, Epiphany readings, and music. At 7 pm, Dr. Nicolas Reveles will present an informative talk about the opera, *Nabucco*, which will be presented by the San Diego Opera in February. *Nabucco* tells the compelling story of the Babylonian captivity of the Jews during the time of Nebuchadnezzar. All are invited for this special event. Sign up after church on Sunday or call the church office at (858) 459-3421 to make your reservation.

**Please note:** This event will take the place of the usual WDG meeting on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

Our February meeting will be held, as usual, on the second Tuesday of the month, February 9, at 6 pm in the Van Schaick Room.

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All are welcome to join us!

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**WEDNESDAYS**

**Jan. 13—Feb. 10**

**“Exploring Spiritual Guidance”**

**7 pm—8:30 pm**

**With Dr. Gardner**

### **Lunch Bunch**

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### ***The La Jolla Historical Society***

**JANUARY 20th AT NOON**

The Lunch Bunch begins the new year with a look back at the past and a look forward to the future of our community when the president of the La Jolla Historical Society, Constance Mullin Branscomb, comes to speak at our first 2010 meeting.

The Historical Society's headquarters are located in the Wisteria Cottage, right across the street from St. James, and this little cottage holds a significant place in our own church's history, for it was there that the early formative meetings were held over 100 years ago. The La Jolla Historical Society has made great strides in remodeling Wisteria Cottage. In addition, there are great projects and plans on the agenda for the years ahead.


Connie Branscomb has been very supportive and active in the cultural life of La Jolla. She is well traveled and a superb speaker. This will be a good meeting to bring a guest. It is also a good way to start the new year on a positive note—proud of our heritage and challenged to preserve it.

Remember, lunch is served at noon in the Van Schaick Room (Cost \$7.00). Reservations must be made by calling the church office (858-459-3421) prior to noon on January 18th or sign up after Sunday church services.

### **Join the “Friday Morning Book Club” in the St. James Gift Shop**

**9 am January 6**

November 6, 2009, the St. James Gift Shop held its first Book Club meeting. We discussed our love of books and developed a format and schedule for future meetings. The club, now named "*Soul Searchers*" encourages participants to pick books and share their thoughts with the group. Becoming excited about books and engaging in thought-provoking conversation is our purpose. Soul Searchers meets the 2nd Friday of the month at 9 am. Our next meeting will be January 8, 2010 at the Gift Shop.

We invite you to attend! Feel free to come by the Gift Shop and browse through our bookshop section. You might find your next great literary adventure right here at St. James! 

### Christmas News from Dorcas House

On December 5th, the children gave a Christmas show for 21 visitors and a group of supporters from the US Consulate in Tijuana. This is the second year of the show.

The children practice with the help of students from Lazaro Cardenas High School, one of the most prestigious charter schools in Tijuana.

**Dorcas children and students from Lazaro Cardenas High School**



After the show, we made the children a Thanksgiving feast (it was a mixed up holiday!) and then a Consulate employee played Santa and handed out gifts of clothing and shoes. 🎁

**Gaby, our new college student, stopped by to see Santa.**

**Note: Dorcas House is a recipient of funds from the Women of St. James Elephant Sale.**



### MUSIC AT JAMES

Evensong continues on January 17<sup>th</sup> at 5PM on the campus of The Bishop's School in St. Mary's Chapel, The Rev. Blayne Colmore presiding. The remaining Evensong dates this season include February 14, and March 21.



**Sunday, January 31, 2010 at 4 pm**

St. James Music Series tickets are still available for the remaining two concerts in the 2009-2010 Series. Call Steven Townsend at 858 459-3421 X109 for information or you may order tickets on line at [www.sjbts.org](http://www.sjbts.org) The San Francisco Girls Chorus is recognized as one of the world's most respected vocal ensembles. In addition to three Grammy Awards, their most recent season included a performance at the 56th Presidential Inauguration Ceremony and the Chorus debut at New York's Lincoln Center.

**Sunday, March 14, 2010 at 4 pm**

We are honored to close our 25<sup>th</sup> annual St. James Music Series with a performance by a cornerstone of our series and one of the most acclaimed choral ensembles in the world, Grammy Award winning Chanticleer. This concert features Chanticleer's lush signature sound in their program titled "In Time Of....Songs of Love and Loss, War and Peace," Chanticleer will reflect on the most profound experiences touching all of us - singing some of the choral repertoire's most beautiful music.

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## Advent & Christmas with our youngsters



The “most wonderful time of the year” at St. James was filled with fun, fellowship, music, and worship.