

The Grapevine

March 2017

A Message From St. Matthew's New Priest-in-Charge, Rev. Jackie Schmitt:

Hello, good people of St. Matthew's!

I look forward to meeting you all in person on Sunday, March 5th! Until then, a little word about myself. In conversation with your wardens, I became very excited about working with you during this interim process. It is an enriching time, during which you can reflect on where you have been, take stock of who you as a congregation are now, and imagine what kind of leadership you want to call in your next rector. I'd like to hear from you what you love about St. Matthew's, what keeps you coming together, and how you could invite new people to join you in what you love.

I have served a variety of parishes, as an interim and as a rector or priest-in-charge, both in struggling urban and comfortable town settings. I spent most of my working life in campus and young adult ministry. We lived for 10 years in the Diocese of Chicago, when I was the Episcopal Chaplain at Northwestern University. I retired in 2015, when I was the Rector of St. David's Church in DeWitt, about a year after my husband's death. I have four children, three (finally) on their own and one in college. I grew up in Syracuse, and a trip to Heid's was one of the treasured outings I looked forward to as a child.

Jackie Schmitt

HEAVENLY BAKERS NEEDED!



The Heavenly Bakers list is in need of people to bake for The Open Table meal this Sunday, and then also for the fish dinners through Lent. If you wish to bake for any of these, please see the sign-up sheet(s) in the hall. Also, please leave your email if you wish to be on the Heavenly Bakers ongoing list. Leave your name and phone # if you don't have email.

SOCK IT TO ME FUNDRAISER!

The newly formed women's group at St. Matthew's is collecting **NEW athletic style** men's and women's socks to donate to the Samaritan Center. Please bring in new packages of socks and place in the bin in the hall. We will be collecting through February and March.



LADIES' NIGHT: "PLANT NIGHT"



Our next Ladies' Night at St. Matthew's will be fun night of planting terrariums with the guidance of Tim and Lisa Ballantyne, of Ballantyne Gardens. The cost per person is \$25, with all supplies provided, and we ask that this event be 13 years of age and older. Feel free to bring a drink (wine is welcome!) or snack to share! Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board and the absolute deadline for attending is Sunday March 12th. Tim and Lisa need to know how much supplies to bring, and if you don't sign up, you won't have supplies. (Email Sarah at stmatthews_office@verizon.net if you want her to sign you up!).

THE OPEN TABLE FREE MEAL

St. Matthew's is hosting our free community meal, *The Open Table*, on **Sunday, March 26th, from 4:00-6:00pm**. The menu is meatloaf, a side, dessert and drinks. Please join us and bring your friends and family! Please sign up to volunteer or plan on eating with us! (Menu subject to change) * Donations for the dessert table are greatly appreciated as well. Please mark as "Open Table".



MEN'S NIGHT:

The next Men's night will be held on **Wed., March 15th at 7:00pm**. Bring your playing cards and we will be hanging out, playing cards and having some pizza!



FORTY DAYS – FORTY ITEMS:



Starting on the first day of Lent, we have a challenge for you! Each day of Lent, remove one item from your house that you no longer wear or need and put it in a trash bag. At the end of the forty days, donate these items to your local Salvation Army, or other charitable organization. They can be shared with those who can really use the items. Please see Sue Straub if you need a bag!

THE SAMARITAN CENTER:

First of all, thanks to everyone at St. Matthew's for their continued and generous support of the Samaritan Center, Children's Fund, and our Emergency Food Bags. Without your amazing contributions through sponsoring meals; contributing and buying crafts for/at the Giving Boutique; and generously filling shopping bags, these ministries would not be possible. We cannot thank you all enough! In keeping with our budget, we are doing well but we continue to "save for a rainy day".



Now, for those of you who like to plan ahead, here are the **2017 dates: May 6, September 23 and October 28**. Sign up sheets will be placed by the kitchen door a couple of weeks in advance and as always, bakers welcome! Please join us! Any questions, please feel free to call Clinnie at 315-382-6689,

WINE TOUR UPDATE:

We will be putting out a survey soon to get an idea of how many might be interested in participating in a wine tour this year, possibly in late summer. See Dave Holloway with any questions or input.

St. Matthew's Annual Lenten Fish Dinners

Every Friday through Lent!

4:30-6:30PM

MARCH 3

MARCH 10

MARCH 17

MARCH 24

MARCH 31

APRIL 7



All Meals Include:

Entrée, French Fries, Coleslaw, Dessert & Beverage



Adult meal price: \$11.00
60+ meal price: \$10.00
6-12 yrs. meal price: \$10.00
5 yrs. & younger: \$6.00

A La Carte:
Fish sandwich, mac & cheese,
grilled cheese, french fries,
coleslaw

*prices subject to change

900 Vine St. Liverpool * www.stmatthewsliverpool.org

TRANSITION NEWS:

We are sure that there are many questions out there as to the transition here at St. Matthew's, as we begin our search for a new rector. Please contact your warden's, Bill Jones (491-3959, billj7605@verizon.net) and Penny Dugas (652-3989, pdugas66@verizon.net) with any questions or concerns.

SNOW DAY NOTICE:



Just a reminder! During the week, when Liverpool Schools are closed, the office at St. Matthew's will be closed and all services at St. Matthew's will be canceled.

DONATE ONLINE:

Many of us are online more than we'd like. We pay our bills online, make donations to charity online, and now you are able to make your recurring pledge to St. Matthew's online, as well as one-time donations. It's easy to do and you don't have to remember to bring money to church to put in the plate! Please visit www.stmatthewsliverpool.org/give to find out more!

CLICK HERE
to give online

FOOD \$EN\$E SHOPPERS PROGRAM

At St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Everyone can s-t-r-e-t-c-h their food dollars... NO income requirements

Ordering: Sunday, March 5th 9-10am
Wednesday March 8th, 2-4pm

Pick-up: Wednesday, March 22nd 2-4pm

Buy March's Food Package for \$20.50 (list subject to change)

Chicken Drumsticks, 3.5 lbs. (avg.)

Ground Turkey, 1 lb.

Frozen Strawberries, 16 oz.

Boneless Ham Steaks, 1 lb.

Pierogies, 13 oz.

Frozen Green Beans, 16 oz.

Swai Fillets, 1 lb.

Diced Potatoes, 20 oz.

Fresh Produce

Salisbury Patties, 12 oz.

Brownie Mix (mint chip), 17.5 oz.

Fresh Produce

The Specials for March Are:

Boneless Ham: 4 lbs. for \$11.00 - The ham is boneless and weighs four pounds per special

Italian Meatballs: 5 lbs. for \$13.00 - The meatballs are fully-cooked; just heat and serve

Produce Box: \$15.00 - The Produce Box includes six apples, four oranges, three pears, red seedless grapes (2 lbs.), one whole pineapple, and one whole cantaloupe

Fish Fillets: 3 lbs. for \$6.50 - The fish fillets are breaded and ready to cook

Stuffed Pork Chops: 2 lbs. for \$7.75 - The pork chops are stuffed with apples and cranberries

French Fries: 5 lbs. for \$4.00 - The French Fries are ready to cook and can be used in the oven or fryer

Hot Pockets: 12/8 oz. sandwiches for \$17.50 - The pepperoni pizza Hot Pockets contain 12 sandwiches per special

How to sign up? You must pay at the time you place your order at the church. Payments must be cash or SNAP/ Food Stamp benefits. Person noted on the benefit card must bring EBT card, ID & sign the voucher to be placed. FS benefits will not be called in until Mon. the 13th. Please remember to keep balance due in your FS account until that time. Please remember that sites cannot hold any packages after the scheduled pick-up time. If you have a conflict, give your receipt to a friend and they may claim the package for you. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Thackston, or call the church office at 457-4633.

March Birthdays

Bartolomeo, Dick	20	Piston, Stephanie	02
Chidsey, Andrew	13	Stace, Karen	13
Corasaniti, Joseph	13	Straub, Susan	10
Familo, Edward	15	Sullivan, James	03
Henry, Carla J.	21	Thackston, Gary	30
Jim, Alyssa	23	Townley, Kelley	19
Lacey, Caleb	15	Uhrig, Scott	03
Lacey, Emma	10	Vigliotti, John	30
Miller, Mark	03	Winstanley, Mary	20
Pestle, Laurie Beth	21		

(If anyone has been omitted from this list, please call the office)

In Our Thoughts and Prayers:

*Mary & Sean Ahern
Neil Alamond
Rev. Barbara Allen
Andrea
April
Jim Arnold
Wes Anderson
Bill Balduf
CJ
Nicole Canavan
Doug Drumsta
Dr. Edwards
Beverly Eggers
Cheryl Familo
Charles & Mary Lou Feeney*

*Duane Fleming
Amy Good
Sally Harrington
Dave Harvey
Susan Kadet
Jacob Kaiser
Don Keough
Jennifer Kerns
Marion Magee
Virginia Marks
Larry & Nanny Martin
Laura McGaffick
Michelle
Jared Miller
Kaden Miner
Diani Miner
Bob Murdock*

*Marian Osborne
Joe & Pam Piraino
Zachary Piston
Sharon R.
John Rheinheimer
Dorothy Rolince
David S.
Mimi Sachel
Ron Sager
Shirley Shepherd
Jacob Smallman
Joell Szachara
PJ Tarquinio
Sue Turo
Clemente Vigliotti
Noel Warner
Justin Zander*



DIOCESAN NEWS

EfM (Education for Ministry) Mentor Training

Train to become an EfM (Education for Ministry) mentor in the Diocese of Central New York. Mentors lead small EfM seminar groups. This training weekend is an opportunity to become an accredited mentor or for current mentors to fulfill continuing training requirements.

More information and a registration form are available on the diocesan website, www.cnyepiscopal.org.

When: Thursday, Apr. 6th at 12:00 p.m. through Saturday, Apr. 8th at 2:00 p.m.

Where: St. Margaret's House & Ecumenical Center, 47 Jordan Road, New Hartford.

Cost: A fee of \$230 covers the training, overnight lodging, and meals. Financial assistance is available, please see the diocesan website for details.

Central New York Cursillo Events

[Cursillo](#) is an experience and a continuing faith community helping Christian adults to live out their baptismal vows.

[Cursillo "Cabin Fever" Event](#)

When: Saturday, March 25th, 2-5pm

Where: St. Matthew's Church, 900 Vine Street, Liverpool.

[Cursillo Weekend](#)

When: Thursday, May 4th through Sunday, May 7th.

Where: Casawasco Camp & Retreat Center, 158 Casowasco Drive, Moravia.

[Cursillo Grand Ultreya Picnic](#)

When: Saturday, Jul. 15th, 11:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Where: Dwyer Memorial Park, Preble.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MISSION TRIP TO EL SALVADOR:

Mr. Kip Coerper of St. James' Church in Skaneateles will be leading a Habitat for Humanity Mission Trip to El Salvador (our Companion Diocese) from May 27 to June 4, 2017. [Learn more about the trip, and how to volunteer](#) at the Diocesan website, www.cnyepiscopal.org.

DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS



New Beginnings Weekend (grades 6–8)

[Details will be posted on the diocesan website.](#)

When: Friday, Mar. 17th to Sunday, Mar. 19th.

Where: St. Paul's Church, 117 Main Street, Owego.

Happening Weekend (grades 9–12)

[Details will be posted on the diocesan website.](#)

When: Friday, Mar. 31st to Sunday, Apr. 2nd.

Where: Casawasco Camp & Retreat Center,
158 Casowasco Drive, Moravia.



MARCH 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 12:00pm Ash Wednesday Service 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service	2 5:00-7:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	3 4:30-6:30pm Lenten Fish Dinner	4 10:00a-12:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance
5 <i>1st Sunday of Lent</i> 8:00am-+HE 9:15am – Choir 9:00am – Food \$en\$e ordering 9:15am –Sunday School 10:00am – Child Choir 10:10am-Nursery 10:15am -+HE	6 11:00-2:00pm Advocates	7 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	8 12:00 Noon-+HE	9 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	10 4:30-6:30pm Lenten Fish Dinner	11 Happening Youth Overnight 6pm
12 <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i> 8:00am-+HE 9:15am – Choir 9:15am –Sunday School 10:00 – Child. Choir 10:10am-Nursery 10:15am -+HE	13 11:00-2:00pm Advocates 6:30pm Ladies Night : “Plant Night”	14 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	15 12:00 Noon-+HE 7:00pm Men’s Night	16 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	17 4:30-6:30pm Lenten Fish Dinner	18 Horton Birthday Party
19 <i>3rd Sunday in Lent</i> 8:00am-+HE 9:15am –Sunday School 9:15am – Choir 10:00 – Child. Choir 10:10am-Nursery 10:15am -+HE Shopping Cart Sunday Grapevine Deadline	20 11:00-2:00pm Advocates	21 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	22 12:00 Noon-+HE 2:00-4:00pm- Food \$en\$e Pick Up	23 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance	24 4:30-6:30pm Lenten Fish Dinner	25 2-5:00pm Cursillo “Cabin Fever”
26 <i>4th Sunday in Lent</i> 8:00am-+HE 9:15am – Choir 9:15am –Sunday School 10:00 – Child. Choir 10:10am-Nursery 10:15am -+HE 4-6pm - The Open Table Community Meal	27 11:00-2:00pm Advocates	28 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance 7:00pm Vestry meeting	29 12:00 Noon-+HE	30	31 4:30-6:30pm Lenten Fish Dinner	

^WS: Worship Service
+HE: Holy Eucharist
°HB: Holy Baptism

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MARCH 2017 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Ministry Schedule	<i>March 1st Ash Wednesday 12:00 noon</i>	<i>March 1st Ash Wednesday 7:00pm</i>	<i>March 5th 1st Sunday of Lent</i>	<i>March 12th 2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	<i>March 19th 3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	<i>March 26th 4th Sunday of Lent</i>
ACOLYTES 8:00 10:15	Gail Jones	Aaron Weekley	Gail Jones Elizabeth Weekley	John Vigliotti Dayna Stearns	Abigail Hines Caroline Henry	John Vigliotti Johnny Lisi
ALTAR GUILD	Gail Jones	Jackie Gates	Kate & Mike Croyle	Kate & Mike Croyle	Dale & John Vigliotti	Dale & John Vigliotti
COFFEE HOSTS 8:00 10:15	*****	*****	Dale & John Vigliotti Judy Carroll	Bill & Gail Jones Sarah Alamond	Betty Palmer/ Cathy Labucki Dave Holloway Elana Henner	Penny Dugas Sue Hansen
EMs & LECTORS 8:00 10:15	Gordon Davis Joe Hannah	Cindy Adamowsky, Jackie Gates	Gail Jones Bill Jones Gordon D. Courtenay M. Sallie Jameson	Billy Balduf Bill Jones Pat Haight Judy Carroll Tracy Lewis	Cindy A. Jackie Gates Dave Holloway Rose R. Joe Hannah	Mike Gates Dale Vigliotti Dick Kopp Tracy Lewis Lee Wakefield
NURSERY 10:10	*****	*****	Erin Bagley Michelle Makai	Aaron McKeon Michelle Makai	John Owens Michelle Makai	Courtenay M. Michelle Makai
TELLERS	*****	*****	Mark Miller Milt Oatman	Jim Sullivan Jim Carruthers	Matt Stace Don A.	Mary Beth S. Dave Holloway
USHERS 10:15	Jim & Mary Beth Sullivan	Phil Hayes	Jim Carruthers Chris Clarke	Henry Family	Miller Family	Lauri O'Brien Rose Katura

Office Contact:

Sarah Alamond, Parish Administrator

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Office Hours: M-F 9am-12pm

St. Matthew's Rector, Wardens and Vestry Members

Priest-in-Charge

Rev. Jackie Schmitt

Wardens

		<u>Term Expires</u>
Bill Jones	(315)491-3959	2019
Penny Dugas	(315)652-3989	2018

Vestry

Phil Iavarone	(315)451-5617	2018
Courtenay McKeon	(315)214-9276	2018
Clinnie Poole	(315)471-6689	2018
Dawn O'Polka	(315)458-2088	2019
John Owens	(315)424-7792	2019
Katie McCormick	(585) 732-9005	2019
Christina Stearns		2020
Amy Thackston	(315)652-5990	2020
Deb Bayless		2020

Treasurer:

Deb Smith (315)458-1409

Clerk of the Vestry:

Cathy Labucki (315)218-5195



Because we believe that God loves everyone without exceptions,
we are a church that nurtures spiritual growth for all ages.

We are a community that is:

Open and welcoming.

Gentle.

Joyful.

Generous.

Rooted in our Episcopal Tradition.