





Part of our mission as a called-out community of believers known as the church is to bring the gospel (the good news of Jesus) to the world. St. James-St. Matthew's has identified a need in our community for food, and a Food Ministry was launched.

In collaboration with Stacey's Pantry, Key Food and Stop and Shop Supermarkets, and St. Paul's Richmond Hill, we are providing a monthly service—the next program is set for Thursday, **January 22nd from 3PM to 4PM**...and Thursday, February 26th from 3 PM—4PM.



Yes, volunteers are always welcome by 1 PM to help! What this means is that there is a wonderful opportunity to enrich your lives of service to God and your neighbors. Please contact the Church office either by phone, 718-845-8770, or email [stjstm@aol.com](mailto:stjstm@aol.com) and let us know if you have any resources, be it time, talents, and treasures, to grow this new ministry.



*Thank you to all who supported Operation Christmas Child this year—a total of 61 shoe/gift boxes were filled for the children.*



*This somber season begins with Ash Wednesday on **February 18.***

*Join us for ashes and holy communion at 7 PM.*

*Throughout the season we gather each Wednesday at 7 PM for Lenten Devotions.*

*A light soup supper precedes each worship from 6-6:45 PM*



As we close out 2025 and usher in the new year 2026, we are encouraged to evaluate or more specifically, assess how God has been at work in our lives—as individuals and collectively as a community of believers, the Church.

In 2025 we had a few celebrations as well as challenges as a people of God, but through faith, we continue to minister to the needs of the South Ozone Park neighborhood and beyond.

In 2026, we pray for better participation by those able to offer their time and talents to make St. James-St. Matthew's a more viable church.

We are in this ministry together and each of us share a responsibility to live out this call. Join us for our annual congregation meeting and get involved:

**Sunday, January 25, 2025 at 11 AM**

Annual Congregational Meeting

All are invited to participate!



**Sunday Worship: 10:00 am**

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