

St James Parish

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Canonically Erected: July 28, 1993

First Mass: August 1, 1993

Dedication of the Church: Rosary Sunday October 4, 2014

Parish Feast Day: Solemnity of St James the Greater: July 25th

January 14, 2024
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

P A R I S H D I R E C T O R Y

Pastor:	Rev. William Ashley
Secretary:	Teresa Filiatrault
Parish Office Hours:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8.30 am- 4:00 pm
Sunday Mass:	Saturday Anticipated Mass @ 4:30pm Sunday @ 9am and 11am Latin Mass @ 4:30pm. Church will be open daily from 8:30am to 5:00pm
Weekday Mass:	Monday to Saturday 9am
Holy Hour	Thursday 7:00pm to 8:00pm with Confessions
Confession:	Monday to Saturday at 8:45am Fridays and Saturdays at 10am
Baptisms, Marriages & Communion to the Sick	Contact the Parish Office

Altar Servers	Fr Ashley
Altar Guild	Janet Griffiths
Civic Affairs Committee	Marc Vella, James Hargrave
El Shaddai	Ghie Javier (604.758.2146)
Filipino Ministry/ Sodality of Mary	Rosalina Cole (778.598.8465)
Finance Committee	Gerard Roddis
First Saturday Rosary	Elizabeth Ocon
Knights of Columbus	Walter Dona (604.852.2589)
Music Ministry	Daniel Ancil, Charles van Aert, Nicholas Roy, Paula DeWit,
Prison Ministry	Bob Buckham (604.852.9311)
Pro-Life Coordinator	Monica Roddis (604.853.7985)
School Building Committee	Rod Griffiths, Blanca Hluskova
Youth Ministry	Elizabeth Ocon,

EDUCATION

St James & St Ann's Elementary School

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Principal: Julia Lee

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Principal: Gianni Bittante

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Children's Catechesis Children of Joseph & Mary Gr 1-7 Catechesis

Tuesdays at 3:00pm
Thursdays at 3:00pm
Mother Cynthia
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250-488-3368



ST JAMES THE GREATER

PROTOMARTYR OF THE APOSTLES

PRAY FOR US !

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ORA PRO NOBIS !

A warm welcome to St James the Greater Parish!

Say hello to Fr Ashley, our pastor.

Kindly register in the parish so that we may serve you more efficiently. Registration forms are available in the foyer or on the website.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, January 13

9am ◊ Int: Noah Roddis

4:30pm ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, January 14 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Dr. & Mrs. Kuruppu

11:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP MaryLou Vella

4:30pm: ◊ Int: † RIP Rudi Thoma

Monday, January 15

9:00am: ◊ Int: Brenda Di Palma

Tuesday, January 16

9am ◊ Int: Zdenek Hlusek

Rosary Club 3:30

Wednesday, January 17

St. Anthony

9am ◊ Int: Keyla & Luke

OCIA/RCIA 6:00pm

Thursday, January 18

9am ◊ Int: Sarah Leslie

Sacrament Enrichment 3:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration 7pm

Friday, January 19

9am ◊ Int: Peter Doniec

Saturday, January 20 *St. Fabian; St. Sebastian*

9am ◊ Int: Dominic Roddis

4:30pm ◊ Int: Diane van Tunen

Sunday, January 21 *3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Anecita Laranio

11:00am: ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo

4:30pm: ◊ Int: Rebecca Herfst

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" - John 1:38

When we recognize who we are, it's easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.

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COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART THREE: LIFE IN CHRIST

Section Two: The Ten Commandments

CHAPTER TWO

"YOU SHALL LOVE NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF"

THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT: YOU SHALL NOT STEAL

508. What is forbidden by the seventh commandment? ? 2408-2413; 2453-2455

Above all, the seventh commandment forbids theft, which is the taking or using of another's property against the reasonable will of the owner. This can be done also by paying unjust wages; by speculation on the value of goods in order to gain an advantage to the detriment of others; or by the forgery of check or invoices. Also forbidden is tax evasion or business fraud; wilfully damaging private or public property; usury; corruption; the private abuse of common goods; work deliberately done poorly; and waste.

509. What is the content of the social doctrine of the Church? 2419-2423

The social doctrine of the Church is an organic development of the truth of the Gospel about the dignity of the human person and his social dimension offering principles for reflection, criteria for judgment, and norms and guidelines for action.

510. When does the Church intervene in social areas? 2420-2458

The Church intervenes by making a moral judgment about economic and social matters when the fundamental rights of the person, the common good, or the salvation of souls requires it.

511. How should social and economic life be pursued? 2459

It should be pursued according to its own proper methods within the sphere of the moral order, at the service of the whole human being and of the entire human community in keeping with social justice. Social and economic life should have the human person as its author, centre, and goal.

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING OF OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Marilyn Cook, Trish Parkin, Norm Jeanotte, Sharon Graham, Una Gaughan, Gerry Lockwood, Roger Loiselle, Henry Abeywickreme, James Hargrave, Joyce Walker

Daily Mass Scripture Readings:

Sunday 14	Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19	Saturday 20	Sunday 21
1Sam 3: 3-19 Ps 40 1Cor 6: 13-20 Jn 1: 35-42	1Sam 15: 16-23 Ps 50 Mk 2: 18-22	1Sam 16: 1-13 Ps 89 Mk 2: 23-28	1Sam 17: 32-51 Ps 144 Mk 3: 1-6	1Sam 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7 Ps 56 Mk 3: 7-12	1Sam 24: 2-20 Ps 57 Mk 3: 13-19	2Sam 1: 1-27 Ps 80 Mk 3: 20-21	Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Ps 25 1Cor 7: 29-31 Mk 1: 14-20

TAGALOG MASS “KAPISTAHAN NI STO NINO” Monday, January 22, 7:00pm. Bring your Sto Nino statue for procession before and after the Mass. More info please call Rosalina at 778-598-8465. Reception to follow– share your specialty.

SPIRITUAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM Pope Francis has challenged everyone to think about their brothers and sisters in a new way as many are experiencing profound loneliness and isolation. The Archdiocese of Vancouver is offering the Spiritual Care Training Program as one way to answer this call. The eight-week course teaches how to make yourself more available to seniors and others who can benefit from your genuine concern and presence in their lives. Some topics covered include aging, communication, boundaries and self-care. The training is offered online via Zoom every Thursday, from February 1 to March 21, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$30. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an annual ecumenical celebration. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship. This year is between January 18th (the Feast of the Confession of Saint Peter) and January 25th (the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul). Prayer Services will take place at SFU, UBC, Sacred Heart Delta, St. Anthony's West Vancouver, St. Ann's Abbotsford, St. Peter's New Westminster, and the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. Learn more rcav.org/ecumenism-and-interfaith-relations

COPING WITH POST-HOLIDAY GRIEF SEMINAR Grief can be unpredictable. It comes and goes, sometimes in waves. It affects our sense of well-being and changes us forever. Christmas is a time for family, but if we have lost someone, it can be a particularly difficult time. Everything has changed. We can keep busy during the holiday season but what happens afterwards?

Join us on Saturday, January 20 from 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm at All Saints Parish Hall.

Denis Boyd will discuss grief and some coping strategies to help with the letdown we sometimes feel after Christmas, when everyone has returned home, the decorations are put away and we are settling into a new year. Denis is a registered psychologist and popular speaker who presents talks and workshops on a variety of topics including marriage, grief, retirement, and family relationships.

Register online at beholdvancouver.org/events

PRO-LIFE MASS AND PRAYER VIGIL

Join us for a monthly Mass and vigil to pray for respect for all human life, from conception to its natural end. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver, it takes place on the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 am (8:30 am in April). It begins with Mass, followed by the rosary and other prayers either at a church with Adoration or at a local hospital. All are welcome! The next Mass and Vigil takes place on Saturday, February 3 at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Vancouver at 9:00 am. Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

THE GREAT DIVORCE: A Book Study for Young Adults

The Great Divorce by C.S. Lewis is the story of the journey of a man taking a bus ride from Hell to Heaven. Along the way, he follows several people who, upon arriving in Heaven, meet people and situations from their past lives.

Young adults aged 19-35 are welcome to a book study with the Religious Sisters of the Archdiocese. The next meeting is on Friday, February 9 at 6:00 pm until 8:30 pm at the Vanspec Centre (2811 Venables Street, Vancouver).

This is a great opportunity to connect with other young adults and the Religious Sisters of the Archdiocese in a discussion setting. It also offers a chance to go deeper in overcoming the struggles of living a Christian life in the modern world. Learn more and register online at beholdvancouver.org/events

Children's News

Sunday Gospel Time for young children to learn the Faith at their level while parents are Spiritually fed with the readings and homily. We provide this ministry to assist all members of the family to grow in the Faith and in holiness.

Tuesday Rosary Club and Catechism is embarking on a new season full of learning and living the Faith through understanding the Holy Mass and its unmeasurable value in their life.

If you took photos of the Live Nativity on Christmas Eve, I would love copies of them to display for the children.

Thursday Sacrament Enrichment group enjoyed learning the gift of Baptism and Holy Confession and will now be exploring the treasure of Holy Communion. The whole group is thankful to Fr. Ashley for hearing their confessions on the last class before Christmas. As one young person told me yesterday, that having a clean soul made this the best Christmas ever.

As the numbers of families requesting Children's Ministry is rising there may be need for another day in the week to be offered, which I would love to do.

May I ask you to pray that St. Joseph will find an unfurnished basement suite close to St. James so I can live and serve daily without be hampered by the drive or the weather.

God Bless, MC

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