

# 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 21, 2024**  
**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

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

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

## EDUCATION

### St James & St Ann's Elementary School

604.852.1788  
stjameselementary.ca  
Principal: Julia Lee

### St John Brebeuf Regional High School

604.855.0571 | stjohnbrebeuf.ca  
Principal: Gianni Bittante

### Catholic Pacific College

604.888.7727  
catholicpacific.ca

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

Tuesdays at 3:00pm  
Thursdays at 3:00pm  
Mother Cynthia  
mothercynthiasjms@gmail.com  
250-488-3368



## ST JAMES THE GREATER

PROTOMARTYR OF THE APOSTLES

PRAY FOR US !

SANCTE IACOBE MAIOR,

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 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

**Monday, January 22** *St. Vincent*

9:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Ildefonso Puray

**Tuesday, January 23**

9am ◊ Int: Elizabeth Wauthy

*Rosary Club 3:30*

**Wednesday, January 24** *St. Francis de Sales*

School Mass 9am ◊ Int: † RIP Peter van Tunen

*OCIA/RCIA 6:00pm*

**Thursday, January 25** *The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle*

9am ◊ Int: † RIP Genoveva Puray

*Sacrament Enrichment 3:30pm*

*Eucharistic Adoration 7pm*

**Friday, January 26** *Sts. Timothy and Titus*

9am ◊ Int: Jacob, George and Philip

**Saturday, January 27** *St. Angela Merici*

9am ◊ Int: Valerie Gaudet

4:30pm ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo

**Sunday, January 28** *4th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00am: ◊ Int: Mary Magdelene Ndawa

11:00am: ◊ Int: Jen Spicer

4:30pm: ◊ Int: Sophie Chapman

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” - Mark 1:17*

Jesus' call to “follow me” is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are “ready” or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

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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

#### **512. What would be opposed to the social doctrine of the Church ?** 2424-2425

Opposed to the social doctrine of the Church are economic and social systems that sacrifice the basic rights of the persons or that make profit their exclusive norm or ultimate end. For this reason the Church rejects the ideologies associated in modern times with Communism or with atheistic and totalitarian forms of socialism. But in the practice of capitalism the Church also rejects self centered individualism and an absolute primacy of the laws of the marketplace over human labour.

#### **513. What is the meaning of work?** 2426-2428; 2460-2461

Work is both a duty and a right through which human beings collaborate with God the creator. Indeed, by working with commitment and competence we fulfil the potential inscribed in our nature, honour the Creator's gifts and the talents received from him, provide for ourselves and for our families, and serve the human community. Furthermore, by the grace of God, work can be a means of sanctification and collaboration with Christ for the salvation of others.

#### **514. To what type of work does every person have a right?** 2429; 2433-2434

Access to secure and honest employment must be open to all without unjust discrimination and with respect for free economic initiative and fair compensation.

### 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 21	Monday 22	Tuesday 23	Wednesday 24	Thursday 25	Friday 26	Saturday 27	Sunday 28
Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Ps 25 1Cor 7: 29-31 Mk 1: 14-20	2Sam 5: 1-7, 10 Ps 89 Mk 3: 22-30	2Sam 6: 12-19 Ps 24 Mk 3: 31-35	2Sam 7: 1-17 Ps 89 Mk 4: 1-20	Acts 22: 3-16 Ps 117 Mk 16: 15-18	2Tim 1: 1-8 Ps 96 Lk 10: 1-9	2Sam 1-17 Ps 51 Mk 4: 35-41	Deut 18: 15-20 Ps 95 1Cor 7: 32-35 Mk 1: 21-28

**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.

### **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). Learn more [rcav.org/ecumenism-and-interfaith-relations](http://rcav.org/ecumenism-and-interfaith-relations)

**RESTORE- A women's evening of worship and Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Joseph's, Langley. Mondays: February 26, March 25, April 22, May 27.

7pm Adoration & reflection; 7:45pm Benediction; 8pm Social & snacks. Open to women of all ages & stages! For information or to volunteer, please contact Tiffany at: 604-209-8269 or [tiffany.valle.anaya@gmail.com](mailto:tiffany.valle.anaya@gmail.com)

**VOCATION LIVE-IN** There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of February 10 -11 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email [rector.minors@sck.ca](mailto:rector.minors@sck.ca)

**ENDOW'S GOD IS LOVE STUDY** All women are invited to join us for an Endow study based on Pope Benedict XVI's encyclical, *God is Love*. This inspiring letter calls us back to the foundational truths about love. Join us for a break in your day to learn and study alongside other women in the community. We will meet for eight Wednesday sessions from 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the St. James Church meeting room, February 14th to May 28th. Cost is \$20 USD for a digital copy and \$40 USD for a hard copy. Visit [endowgroups.org](http://endowgroups.org) for more information. Contact Eileen Gaudet to register at [eileenmgaudet@gmail.com](mailto:eileenmgaudet@gmail.com).

**THE THUNDER COMMUNITY AT ST. JAMES AND ST. ANN'S SCHOOL** would like to our to our parish communities to join us for our next Community Building Night. Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will be attending the Abbotsford Canucks Home game at Abbotsford Centre. Tickets are \$28 each with chances to win prizes. EVERYONE is welcome! Purchase your tickets through <https://fevo-enterprise.com/Stjames7>

**TOGETHER FOR GOOD MARRIAGE WORKSHOP** In partnership with FamilyLife Canada, we are offering the Together for Good Marriage Workshop that will give you tools, exercises and guided conversations to help you and your partner grow a healthier, more joy-filled and resilient marriage.

Saturday, March 2, 9:30am to 4:00pm at Corpus Christi Parish in Vancouver. Cost is \$60 per couple. **Enjoy an early bird rate of \$50 per couple when you register by Friday, February 2.** Learn more and register via [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

### **ST. JAMES & ST. ANN'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER**

Movie: Treasure Planet, 2002

Feb 09, 2024, 6:00 pm, doors open 5:30 pm. School Gymnasium  
Cost is \$5 per person, \$25 per family (5 or more)  
Concession stand will include pizza, hot dogs, smokies, popcorn, candy and more!

### **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. 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](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

**NET CANADA DO SOMETHING AMAZING RETREAT:** Are you in grade 11-12 or between the ages of 18-30 and trying to figure out what's next in your life? Come see if a year on mission is for you! NET Canada invites you to our Mission Discernment Night in Vancouver, BC, on Saturday, January 27th from 7-9pm at St. Francis de Sales Parish! Join us for a night of fellowship, food, and praise and get a glimpse into what a year on mission with NET Canada would look like! Interested or know someone who would be? Register at [netcanada.ca/apply](http://netcanada.ca/apply)! Have questions? Email [recruit@netcanada.ca](mailto:recruit@netcanada.ca) or call/text 613-292-9991!

### **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 it's unmeasurable value in their life.

**Thursday Sacrament Enrichment** group enjoyed learning the gift of Baptism and Holy Confession and will now be exploring the treasure of Holy Communion.

I ask you to please assist the children's Sacramental journey by sharing with them your experiences and memories of the Sacraments in your life. You can do this by emailing me what you would like to share and I will print it for them. We look forward to your participation. Email: [mothercynthiasjms@gmail.com](mailto:mothercynthiasjms@gmail.com)

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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