



# St. James the Greater Church

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**10th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 10, 2018**

## **Mass Schedule**

### **Saturday**

5:00pm

### **Sunday**

8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00

### **Weekday Mass**

Tuesday thru Friday

9:00am

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday 9:30am—10:30am

### **Reconciliation**

Tuesday thru Friday 8:30am

Saturday 4:00pm-4:30pm

or by appointment

### **Office Hours**

Monday thru Friday

9:00am—3:00pm

\*Closed 12:00-12:30

## **Did you know?**

Based on the First Reading of Genesis, artists have traditionally depicted Mary as grinding the serpent under her heel. Numerous paintings, murals, and statues show the serpent groveling, attempting to bite her, but failing as the Mother of God raises her sandal and prepares to completely smash evil.

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Pastoral Notes by Fr. Edmund  
**Sinners and/or Saints**

A non-practicing Christian rationalizes to his minister that the reason he does not go to church is that he cannot stand the number of hypocrites and sinners he sees and meets during the church celebrations. The minister retorts to him: *“There is room for another one, you know...”*

It is really unavoidable that the Church should gather together sinners and saints, if any. Through the centuries, the Church has always been a mixed bag of saints and sinners. Of course, sinners must try to stop being sinners and become better with all the help and supports the Church can offer, including the sacraments, the preaching of the Word of God, spiritual counseling, recollections and retreats. As long as we continue to be what we are, that is, human beings, the Church will always be like a treatment center with lots of spiritually injured or sick people being cared for.

In our journey of life, we learn more from our mistakes and failures than from our achievements and successes. When failures and mistakes become learning opportunities, we grow and mature. Failures make us grounded in our humanity, transforming our pride and prejudice into humility and thoughtfulness.

The original apostles of Jesus had many failings while they were being formed by Jesus. They were hard-headed, ambitious and quarrelsome. They abandoned Jesus when he needed them most. This is the Church we belong to, a collection of poor sinners. May this reality not discourage us from turning to Christ, our hope and our salvation. He himself declared that he came for us, sinners. *“I have come to call not the self-righteous, but sinners.”* Let us take courage at the thought that the moment we admit our sinfulness, we discover and find Jesus, our faithful doctor, at our side. And we also find Mary at our side to whom we say: *“Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.”* And to Jesus, our Saviour, we say: *“Lord Jesus, have mercy on us, sinners.”*

As it is said: *“Even saints have their past; we, sinners, have our future...”*

**Volunteer Appreciation Night Wine & Cheese**—  
Tuesday, June 26 at 6pm in the parish hall. All active volunteers welcome! Mark your calendars! Meet and Greet. No need to RSVP.

*Thank You!*

**Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, June 12**

9:00am John Kramer—RIP

**Wednesday, June 13**

9:00am Wayne Achtem—RIP

**Thursday, June 14**

9:00am Blanche Fridgen—RIP

**Friday, June 15**

9:00am Mary Wild—RIP

**Saturday, June 16**

5:00pm Eleanor Mann—RIP

**Sunday, June 17**

8:30am Special Intention of Ken, Linda & Erin

10:00am St. James Parish

12:00pm Mary Kennedy—RIP

**ONE ROCK 2.0 - Calgary—September 29, 2018** at St. Michael Catholic Church for young adults ages 18-35. Inspiring young Catholic adults to be active leaders in today's challenging culture. Engaging Talks, Formation & Renewal, Music & Solemn Worship, Fellowship. Visit [www.onerock.ca](http://www.onerock.ca)

**Ladies Mid-Week Retreat—Sept 11-13, 2018 at Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre**

Ladies, please consider attending this inspiring retreat.

Silent Retreat Theme: “Who Do You Say That I Am?” Focusing where Jesus is in our lives. Can we model Jesus in being non-judgemental and forgiving in our lives? For more information contact Kathy Oczkowski at 403 246 0660 or [fkoczkowski@shaw.ca](mailto:fkoczkowski@shaw.ca) or Katherine Cormier at 403 273 3823 or [wkorm@telus.net](mailto:wkorm@telus.net)

**Healing Corner.** The goals of overcoming violence and building a culture of peace imply spiritual, theological and practical challenges for our churches, which touch us in the center of what it means to be church. The respect for human dignity, the concern for the well-being of the neighbor and the active promotion of the common good are imperatives of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Men and women are created equally in the image of God and justified by grace. Therefore, Human Rights are basic elements of preventing violence at all levels, individual, inter-personal, and collective, especially violence against women and children.

### This Week at St. James

Monday	Christian Meditation CCO Enrichment	7:30pm 7:30pm
Tuesday	DVD	9:30am
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday	Cenacle Bridge/Eucher	9:30am 1:00pm
Saturday	Lord of Pardon—Mass El Shaddai	1:00pm 7:00pm

### Please pray for the sick:

Anthony Parel, Stella Fulawka, Aidan Hanes, Harry Piet, Laz Terek, Brian McAuley, Gary Briand, Shirley Valentine, Betty Harrison, Tony Doucette, Rolande Parel, Laura Restrepo, Gabriel Serpas, Marcelle Quaghebeur, Robert Jackson, Wesley Scott, Gary Ritter, Veronica Kubik, Terry Gonsalves, Tom Imeson, Cathy Gleason

### And for those who have died:

Judy Welch, Gisele Jeanson, Marjorie Klein

### 19th Annual Bishop's Dinner 2018 Friday, October 19, 2018 at 5:30pm Telus Convention Centre 120—9 Ave SE

Join us for an evening with Bishop William T. McGrattan in a celebration of generosity supporting 75,000 Catholic youth in our Diocese.

Single ticket: \$185 / Table of 8: \$1480. For more information or to reserve your tickets, please contact Samantha Jones at 403 218 5531 or email [bishopsdinner@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:bishopsdinner@calgarydiocese.ca) or visit [www.bishopsdinner.ca](http://www.bishopsdinner.ca)

**Hall Tablecloths Missing**—All of our round, green tablecloths from the hall have mysteriously disappeared. These tend to be the favorite for many of our events and we are hoping to get them back as soon as possible. If you know of their whereabouts, please return them this week. Tablecloths are not to be removed from the church without permission from the office and must be returned within 48 hours, cleaned and ironed.

### Holy Land & Rome with Pope's Audience.

Join Fr Edmund on October 7-17 for a pilgrimage to the Land where Jesus lived (Israel) and a visit to the Centre of Catholicism (Rome), including an audience with Pope Francis. For details, please call Mylene at Mariden International at 1- 800 -627-4336.

### Mass with Filipino music (El Shaddai Update)...

On Saturday, June 2, 7pm & on July 7, 7pm, the El Shaddai Prayer Group will host a Mass in English with hymns and songs in Filipino (Tagalog), followed by Worship & Praise. Their temporary Prayer Meeting (Gawain) on Saturday, 7 pm is as follows: May 19 (cancelled), May 26, June 2 (starts with Mass), June 9, June 16, June 23, June 30, July 7 (starts with Mass), July 14, July 21 & 28.

### Annual Cemetery Memorial Masses with Bishop McGrattan

June 13 at 7:30pm—St. Mary's Cemetery

June 14 at 7:30pm—Eden Brook Cemetery\*

(\*rsvp 403 240 4032)

August 22 at 7:30pm—Queen's Park Cemetery

August 23 at 7:30pm—Mountain View Cemetery\*

(\*rsvp 403 272 5555)

### Last Week's Donations

TIA	\$1075.00
Maintenance	\$102.55
Food Bank	\$740.40
Children's Collection	\$62.00
Regular	\$5732.70
PAPS*	\$1422.00
	<b>\$7154.70</b>

Weekly Goal \$6725.00

\*Pre-Authorized Payment System

2018 TIA GOAL: \$30990 To Date: \$13854


Please consider Pre-Authorized Payment for your church contributions. You can use the easy-to-accomplish white envelope found in the pews and at the entrances. Our church also accepts stocks donation as well as bequests which can be indicated in your last will. Thank you for your generosity!

**Saint Teresa of Calcutta**— On June 10, 2018, St. Stephen Ukrainian Catholic Church (4903 45 St. SW) will be hosting a visit from Fr. Brian Kolodiejchuk, MC, Postulator for the Cause of the Canonization for Saint Teresa of Calcutta. Fr. Brian will celebrate Mass at 10:30am followed by Brunch and the Presentation on the life and legacy of Mother Teresa. All are welcome. Free will offering.

**23rd Annual Catholic Family Life Conference: *Living the Joy of Love* June 29—July 2, 2018 at Lac Ste. Anne, AB.** Fun and formation for the whole family! Programs for all ages. For more information visit [www.catholicfamilyministries.com](http://www.catholicfamilyministries.com) or call 1 780 961 3346

**YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE—Feeling along, frustrated, angry with each other? Does talking only make things worse?** Thousands of married couples experiencing difficulty in their relationship have found the help they needed by taking the **Retrouvaille** program. This program runs Sept 7-9, 2018. For more information or to register, visit [www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com](http://www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com) or call 403 879 7893.

**Lord of Pardon**—Saturday, June 16 at St. James Church—Rosary 12:30, Mass 1:00. Reception to follow.



Are you interested in articulating your faith in a clear and simple way? Are you unsure of just how all the puzzle pieces of our faith fit together? Are you interested in taking a new step in your faith journey for your sake or the sake of a loved one? At St. James parish we will have weekly meetings that address some of these bigger questions. This appeal is to leaders in the parish like the Knights, CWL, RCIA, Lectors, Eucharistic ministers, choir members or really anyone interested in growing in their faith or helping others. These meetings will take place Mondays at 7:30pm (approx. 1 hr) beginning May 7th and running weekly until June 11th in the hall. For more information, contact Dustin Greenwald at [dustin.greenwald@cco.ca](mailto:dustin.greenwald@cco.ca) or at 587-583-4007.

A **'Master Email List'** is being compiled to enable the parish to send important notifications such as guest speakers, seasonal and special events electronically. The weekly bulletin can be emailed by request. With this, housebound parishioners can be updated with parish news and events. If you are in our Ministry list, your email address will be automatically placed on the Master List. (If you do not wish to be on this list, please advise the office.) You may complete the form below and place it in the collection basket or donation slots or drop it off at the office. You can also accept the invitation on our Facebook page, or by emailing or phoning the office.

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Given name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Permission to receive parish emails: YES \_\_\_\_\_ To receive parish bulletins: YES \_\_\_\_\_