



# St. James the Greater Church

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**Pentecost Sunday**

**May 20, 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

## **The Church Says:**

The Solemnity of Pentecost celebrates the outpouring of the Spirit on the disciples. It is the birthday of the Church. The Holy Spirit continues the presence of Christ in the Church and the world today. The names given to the Spirit indicate the characteristics of this Spirit—Spirit of God, Breath of God, Paraclete, and Advocate. The Holy Spirit enkindles our faith. Thus, the Church teaches that it is impossible to know God, the Father, or Jesus, the Son, without the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit proceeds or flows from the love between the Father and the Son. This Church teaching, known as the Trinity, indicates that we believe and proclaim the Nicene Creed, that the Holy Spirit shares in the same divine nature as the Father and the Son.

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Pastoral Notes by Fr. Edmund  
**The Gift of Pentecost**

Pentecost, which we celebrate today, is both a beginning and an ending. In terms of the liturgical season, we are ending the Easter period and beginning the Ordinary Time. During the Easter season, we have come to appreciate the meaning of Christ's resurrection in our lives, the meaning of our personal relationship with Jesus and with one another as a community. Hopefully, we have come to understand the meaning of our mission as Church. We have come to appreciate powerful gifts inherent in Christ's resurrection. And with Pentecost, we are founded as church, equipped with the powerful gifts of the Spirit.

As we approach the summer season and prepare for the coming Fall, we are invited to reflect on our sense of becoming church in terms of how we share our time, talent and treasure for building up our church community. It is important to have in mind the needs of others and how we respond to those needs with the abundance of God's graces in our respective lives. The spirit of giving, more than that of receiving, has to permeate our relationships as a church community. We should not ask what our church can do for us but what we can do for our church, especially for those members who need most our care and concern.

As we struggle to live by our mission statement to become a welcoming and caring community and strive towards a deeper understanding of who God call us to be, let us now renew our resolve to be a sign of God's love in our world. With the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst, we commit to be more dedicated and more steadfast in our efforts to put into action the Christian values we profess to live by.

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us thank the Lord for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Let us be more appreciative of the unity that the Spirit has gifted us in the midst of diverse and different talents God has bestowed our members and leaders. The celebration of Pentecost is about proclaiming the unity in diversity that characterizes our becoming church. May this Eucharist always remind of Christ's sacrificial love that affords us that unity in the Spirit.



**Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, May 22**

9:00am S/I of Kent & Josie Oczkowski

**Wednesday, May 23**

9:00am Leona Demers—RIP

**Thursday, May 24**

9:00am John Otis—RIP

**Friday, May 25**

9:00am Ely Montemayor—RIP

**Saturday, May 26**

5:00pm Jeanne Hannan—RIP

**Sunday, May 27**

8:30am Rick Kees—RIP

10:00am St. James Parish

12:00pm Baldino Family—RIP

**Mindfulness Movement Classes** - Suitable for all adults, this multi-level holistic practice includes exercises to release tightness/tension, improve flexibility, strengthen the core, breathing and meditation to quiet the mind and release stress. Chairs or props will be used where required, such as for balance. The one hour classes will be on Tuesdays, 9:45 am, May 15, 22, 29, June 5 in the new classroom. The cost is "pay what you can". Classes will be taught by Nancy, a certified instructor and can be reached at 403-830-4570 if you are interested or have any questions.

**Healing Corner.** After Pentecost, the followers of Jesus formed a caring community where the needs of each person were attended to (Acts 2:43-47). The community of faith was empowered by the gifts of God's Spirit (1 Corinthians 12 and 13) to begin to live our "shalom" vision and to reach out to others. What gifts can your family offer to the ministry of reconciliation? In your neighbourhood? In your school? In your workplace? In your church? Ask God to help you become aware of the gifts that the Spirit has given you which you could offer to your family, your congregation and the community as they seek to live and minister in non-violating ways.

### This Week at St. James

Monday	Office Closed—Victoria Day No Christian Meditation CCO Enrichment	7:30pm
Tuesday	No DVD Mindfulness Movement	9:45am
Wednesday	Pastoral Care Workshop Choir	1:00pm 7:30pm
Thursday	Garage Sale Drop Off	9am—8pm
Friday	Garage Sale Drop Off Garage Sale Cenacle No Bridge	9-10:30am 12-7pm 9:30am
Saturday	Garage Sale El Shaddai	9am-3pm 7:30pm
Sunday	1st Communion Retreat <i>(*no coffee after 12:00 Mass)</i>	2:00pm

### Please pray for the sick:

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, Lynne Tsubouchi

### Hike for Life

Fr. Edmund did the Hike for Life last Saturday and raised \$1625 for Pro-Life! If you have not yet submitted your pledge amount, please do so this week at the office or send it directly to the Calgary Pro-Life Association at 311, 4014 Macleod Trail S, Calgary, AB, T2G 2R7. If mailing, please mention in the envelope that you sponsored Fr. Edmund. Thank you for your support!

**First Holy Communion** will be celebrated during the weekend of June 2 & 3 at all Masses except the 8:30am Mass on Sunday morning. Please pray for the 29 students who will be receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We thank our catechists: Deacon Bruce, Laura Meneses, and Joanne Anderson.

### 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.

### New Marian Feast—Mary, Mother of the Church

Pope Francis has decreed that the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, should be inscribed in the Roman Calendar and celebrated every year after Pentecost. We will celebrate this Feast Day at St. James on May 22 at 9:00am.

### Knights of Columbus Garage Sale Friday, May 25—12:00noon to 7:00pm Saturday, May 26—9:00am to 3:00pm

Items for the garage sale can be dropped off at the parish hall on Thursday, May 24 from 9:00am to 8:00pm, and on Friday, May 25 from 9:00am to 10:30am. No clothing please.

### 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.

### Last Week's Donations

TIA	\$1861.95
Maintenance	\$5446.60
Children's Collection	\$30.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$200.00
Regular	\$6143.30
PAPS*	<u>\$1422.00</u>
	\$7565.30

Weekly Goal \$6725.00

\*Pre-Authorized Payment System

2018 TIA GOAL: \$30990 To Date: \$12623

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!

**Silver Jubilee for Fr. Jaroslaw “Yarek” Dziuba**—Join St. Joseph’s Parish in celebrating Fr. Yarek’s 25 years of priesthood on Saturday, May 26, 2018. Mass at 10am with a reception to follow in the St. Joseph’s parish hall. Best wishes donations will be accepted at the reception. Please RSVP to Marilou LeGeyt at [marylou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:marylou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca)


**Chance 2 Enhance Car Raffle**—In support of Catholic Education, the Calgary Catholic Education Foundation is sponsoring a Car Raffle. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Parishioners and interested community members can order tickets at [www.theccef.ca](http://www.theccef.ca) or buy them from their local Catholic school. Many prizes to be won. Grand Prize is a 2018 Toyota Rav4! Thank you for your support. **Draw date: Wednesday, June 6.**

**Permanent Diaconate—Apply by May 31, 2018**

The Diocese of Calgary is looking for men of prayer and charity who are prepared to serve the church in ordained ministry as permanent deacons. Men must be Roman Catholic, married or single, 35 to 60 years of age, minimum grade 12 education, be of sound moral character and mature faith. During 4 years of Human, Spiritual, Theological, and Pastoral formation, the aspirant will prepare for the threefold ministries of Charity, Word, and Sacrament that are the call of the deacon. For more information about Permanent Diaconate, please contact Deacon John Walsh at [John.Walsh@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:John.Walsh@calgarydiocese.ca) Application deadline: May 31. More information at [www.calgarydiocese.ca](http://www.calgarydiocese.ca) {under Faith & Life, click Permanent Diaconate}

**Pastoral Care Workshop**—Wednesday, May 23 1:00-3:30pm in the parish hall

Guest speaker Micheline Pare’ will speak on “Compassion Care”. Anyone interested in getting involved with pastoral care, please contact Stephanie Davis at (403) 246-5585.

 <p>Catholic Christian OUTREACH</p>	<p>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 <a href="mailto:dustin.greenwald@cco.ca">dustin.greenwald@cco.ca</a> or at 587-583-4007.</p>
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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 \_\_\_\_\_