



St. James the Greater Church

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 18, 2021

Weekend Mass

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 10am & 12noon

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 9am & 7pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9am
1st Saturday of the month 9am

Confession

Tuesday thru Friday 9:30am -10am
Saturday 9:30am -10:30am
(or by appointment)

Adoration and Benediction

After Friday morning Mass for 30 minutes

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday
9am - 12noon
Closed statutory holidays

Prayer of the Week

O God,
You are the Shepherd of our hearts.
Protect us in our work
and guide us to places of rest
when we become weary.
Help us to share your love
with those who are feeling
alone and isolated.
Through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

STAFF

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COMMITTEES / PROGRAMS

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Parish Pastoral Council: Nick Fader (Chairman), Fr. Eli Canete, Elvira Castaneda, Ralph Walicki, Daryl Engelman, Brian Lerner, Mike Adelino, Kyle Hagan, Andrew Beingnessnesr

Finance Council—Joe Bichel (Chairman), Terry Gonsalves, Neale Johannesson, Kim Moody

The Shepherd Speaks—Fr Eli

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him/her ask God, who gives to all men/women generously and without reproaching, and it will be given him/her” (St. James the Greater)

On July 25, 2021, Sunday, the Catholic Church will be celebrating the feast day of St. James the Greater. St. James was a fisherman and the brother of John. Peter was his partner. When they were called to become Apostles of Jesus, they left everything to do so. St. James is the patron saint of laborers and Spain as well as our parish community.

There were two Apostles named James. James the Greater is the older of the two. He was also called “The Son of Thunder”. James, John, and Peter were honored to be the only Apostles present at the Transfiguration. They were also present in the Garden of Gethsemane while Jesus prayed before His death.

One of the highlights of the celebration of the feast of St. James in our parish is the Volunteer Appreciation Barbeque Evening. This will be on July 24, Saturday 6pm at the parish hall after our weekend Saturday Mass. The said occasion is held to recognize the greatness of the services our volunteers had rendered during this COVID 19 pandemic.

They are our heroes and front liners. They offered their time and talent to serve God and our people. And they continue to make our celebrations safe and sound. Indeed, the hearts of these people radiate and reflect the heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd. Let us continue to pray for these parish volunteers and their families.

In today's Gospel reading, we see Jesus, the Good Shepherd of us all. We can feel the heart of the leader who has care, love, and affection to His people. When the Apostles returned from their mission, tired, and wearied out after their first missionary work, Jesus told them, YOU MUST COME AWAY TO SOME LONELY PLACE, ALL BY YOURSELVES AND REST FOR A WHILE” is how Christ greets them, since with all the crowds thronging round and following him, they would not even have a time to eat in peace.

And yet Jesus refuses to send away these people, rather Jesus welcomes them, listens to them, gives advice to them, provide food they need. If Christ was like this while on earth, will He not be the same towards us now after His resurrection?

The worst sin against others springs not from hatred but from indifference. God is showing us an example of caring and loving others through His Son Jesus Christ. He had compassion with the people because they were like sheep without a shepherd.

Let us continue to encourage others to join our Church's Masses. Let us support one another in charity and humility. Let us pray for one another for our safety. When that happens and is happening in our faith community, we realize that after all, heaven begins by doing good here on earth.

Please continue to support our parish through your donations. It is greatly appreciated at this time.

Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, July 20

9:00 am Intention of Vicki Oliphant
7:00pm Intention of Leo Klein

Wednesday, July 21

9:00am Hilda Grill—R/S

Thursday, July 22

9:00am Marjorie Lefavre—R/S

Friday, July 23

9:00am Catherine Peet—R/S

Saturday, July 24

5:00pm Alexsandra Hajkowicz—R/S

Sunday, July 25

10:00 am St James Parish
12:00pm Intention of Anna & Romeo Aron

Tuesday, July 27

9:00am Intention of Marie
7:00pm Intention of Joan Russell

Wednesday, July 28

9:00am Intention of Marie

Thursday, July 29

9:00am Bill Bailes—R/S

Friday, July 30

9:00am Joe Rino—R/S

Saturday, July 31

5:00pm Intention of Sheila Omahony

Sunday, August 1

10:00am Catherine Peet—R/S
12:00pm St James Parish

Tuesday, August 3

9:00am Betty Henderson—R/S
7:00pm A. Orozco/F. Hernandez—R/S

Wednesday, August 4

9:00am Carmine D'Ippolito—R/S

Thursday, August 5

9:00am Adriano Antolin—R/S

Friday, August 6

9:00am Hugo Cordero—R/S

Saturday, August 7

9:00am Corazon Reyes—R/S
5:00pm Kitty McCarthy—R/S

Sunday, August 8

10:00am St James Parish
12:00pm Kim Watson—R/S

July Office Hours

Office hours will be slightly different for the next 2 weeks to accommodate holiday schedules.

July 20, 21, 22 (**Tuesday to Thursday**)

9am to 12pm

Closed Monday and Friday

July 26, 27, 28 (**Monday to Wednesday**)

9am to 12pm

Closed Thursday and Friday

Regular Summer Hours will resume on Tuesday, August 3.

We want to keep in touch!

Periodic bulletins will be provided through the summer months to keep you in the loop with changes, upcoming events, and other important notifications. Bulletins will arrive as usual through your email. Only a limited number will be printed.

If you have moved or changed your phone number or email address, please contact the office so we can update your information.

Same Great Content, New System

Our abuse prevention partner, Praesidium, is upgrading to a new training system. Praesidium's Armatus Learn to Protect System is becoming Praesidium Academy.

You will receive access to the new system via a system generated email from donotreply@Praesidium.com inviting you to log in to your account and update your password via the guided steps in the system. If you do not receive an email, contact support@praesidiuminc.com. Once registered you may receive additional emails from the system that mention an expiration of previously taken abuse prevention modules. Please ignore these emails as we are working with Praesidium on our specific requirements to renew.

Facebook Volunteer

We are looking for a volunteer who is familiar with Facebook and would enjoy maintaining the St. James Parish Facebook page. If interested, please call the office at 403-243-2680 ext. 4.

Parish Donations

July 5, 2021

Reg	\$3155
PAPS	<u>\$3108</u>
	\$6263

Together in Action

Goal: \$25,353 Collected: \$10,843

Stage 3 Begins on Thursday, July 1

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues at this time.

Liturgical Guidelines for Stage 3 of Alberta's Open for Summer Plan

- **Masks are no longer mandatory but are encouraged**
- REGISTRATION FOR MASS AND CONTACT TRACING ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED
- There is no capacity limit for in-person attendance
- Entrance and exit doors no longer need to be assigned.
- All pews are available for the use of the congregation
- Pews will continue to be sanitized after Masses—your assistance is greatly appreciated
- The reception of Holy Communion on the tongue is now allowed to resume. Communion will only be given under one species—the consecrated Host
- There is no limit on attendance for Funeral Masses, Weddings and Baptisms

PLEASE...

- Continue to use hand sanitizer as you enter the church
- Practice proper respiratory etiquette (coughing or sneezing into a bent elbow, promptly discarding used tissues in a garbage bin)
- If you have cold or flu-like symptoms, please refrain from attending Mass
- Exercise charity and kindness in respecting the comfort level of people regarding physical distancing, physical contact, masks, etc.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Fiorella Cerpa & family, Shirley Klein, Fr. Bill Corcoran, John Duffy, Linda Evans, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Sylvia Kirkland, Veronica Kubik, Trudy Martin, Elliott Nowell, Cecilia Nykyforchyn, Kathy Oczkowski, Norma O'Hare, Velma O'Reilly, Michael Paplawski, Anthony Parel, Gary Ritter, Sara Straathof, Gary & Janice Tipper, Margaret Ukrainec, Shirley Valentine

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

Mary Walsh, Pat Walsh, Lawrence Mamur, Catherine Peet, Marjorie Lefavre, Ray Griep, Colleen Brandt, Fidela Malipot Canete, Leslie Choquette, Bernard Knapik, Maureen McGuire, Arlene Christie

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

Starting September 2021, the Diocese of Calgary will return to parish-based sacrament preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. These two sacraments will be celebrated during the same school year. Registration for classes is now open through the parish office and will continue through the summer. Registration forms are available on our website and through the office. A copy of your child's baptism certificate and \$50 registration fee for materials are required.

This program is a child/parent program. A parent will be required to attend with their child.

Registration deadline September 10th.
Please register early to assist us in planning.

Parent Information Session
Sunday, September 12th at 1pm

Classes will take place in the parish hall
Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm

First Reconciliation (Part 1)

Wednesday, October 6
Wednesday, November 3
Wednesday, December 8
Wednesday, January 5

Retreat & Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Saturday, January 22 @ 2pm

First Eucharist (Part 2)

Wednesday, February 2
Wednesday, March 2
Wednesday, April 6
Wednesday, May 4

First Eucharist Retreat

Saturday, June 4
Time TBA

Sacrament of Confirmation—Registration for Confirmation will begin in the fall with classes starting in January 2022. Classes will be for students in grade 6 or higher who have received the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Classes will be a combined online and in-class schedule using the *CHOSEN* program. More information to follow.

RIDE FOR REFUGEE

Elizabeth House will again be participating as a partner charity in the Ride for Refuge **ending on October 2, 2021**. Our goal is to support the great work that [Elizabeth House](#) accomplishes, in offering young pregnant women and young women with babies a safe and loving home, while empowering their journey to independent living. This year our ambition is larger and with your help we hope to reach our lofty goal!

#NOBIKESREQUIRED to participate at 2021 Ride for Refuge! Register yourself, gather your friends, and select a fundraising activity you love. Do whatever you can, wherever you can, and sky is the limit. Of course you can still do the 5km,10km cycling, or the 5 km walks, but you don't have to!

Want some ideas? Here's some fundraise you can organize instead: littler pickup day, lose 5-10 pounds for Elizabeth House, 10k steps for a week, hike Kilimanjaro virtually, anniversary celebration (\$__ for every year you've been married?), cooking class, knit for Refuge, 2-hours Dancing for Refuge, board game tournament, shave your beard/head, wear a suit to work for a month, paint something and offer 2 ballots to win it for \$50 donation, child camp, and whatever you can come up with.

SO WHAT'S NEXT?

Be a team captain and register a team from your parish/ministry or yourself at <https://rideforrefuge.org/home>

1. Pick "Elizabeth House" as the charity

Get started! Pick the fundraising activities, and recruit team members. You can pick a fundraising activity for the whole team, or encourage members to run their own fundraising activities #freestyle. Need more ideas for fundraising activity? Visit: <https://rideforrefuge.org/freestyle>

1. Team members can fundraise their own #freestyle activity, or join the team activity

2. Those who just want to donate can do so online.

3. Each participant that raise over \$150 get a free tee-shirt and for youths under 17 they only need to raise \$75.

4. All activities need to be complete by Oct. 2, 2021

5. Donations can be made online or by way of pledge sheets | [Download Pledge Sheets](#)

This fall should mark the reopening of our parish communities. What better way to celebrate than with an activity that will bring us all together with a common goal of raising awareness and funds for Elizabeth House!

If you have any questions or need ideas on how to fundraise or use the Ride for Refuge website, please contact Real Phaneuf, our 2021 Ride for Refuge Coordinator at Real.phaneuf@shaw.ca – and he'll be happy to assist you!

Thank you for supporting our parish!

- ◆ Online giving on the "Contribute" page of our website—one time or monthly with debit, Visa, Visa debit, Mastercard, and American Express
- ◆ Mastercard, Visa or Debit through the office—one time donation or now MONTHLY available
- ◆ Pre-authorized Withdrawal (Direct Deposit) - get forms from the office
- ◆ Dropping off your envelope into the collection basket at the entrance when you come to Mass
- ◆ Dropping off your envelope into the office mailbox
- ◆ Mailing in your envelope to the parish

Volunteer Appreciation Barbecue for our Pandemic Volunteers

We wish to thank our amazing volunteers and staff who have served at the parish during the pandemic this past 16 months—Safety Coordinators, Lectors, Parish Council, Finance Council, Collection Counters, Communications Committee, Maintenance, Altar Décor, Sacristans, Musicians. Invitations to these specific ministries went out this week through the ministry coordinators . If you were missed, please call the office.

In order to manage numbers, only the volunteers themselves may attend. (Sorry, no spouses this time.) We express our great appreciation and thanks to our volunteers who made it possible to manage the ongoing and frequent changes during this time of the pandemic.

Saturday, July 24th

6:00 pm

St James Parish Hall

Hotdogs, Hamburgers and Drinks will be provided.

*Please bring a salad or dessert.

PLEASE RSVP TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY, JULY 21.

