



# St. James the Greater Church

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**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 26, 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 4pm - 4:30pm  
(or by appointment)

## **Adoration and Benediction**

After Friday morning Mass for 30 minutes

## **Office Hours**

Monday 9am—2:30pm  
Tuesday to Thursday  
9am - 12:30pm  
Closed statutory holidays

## **Prayer of the Week**

Holy God,  
we stand before you  
weakened by sin  
and we ask for the strength  
and wisdom  
to combat sin in our life.  
Heal us and wrap us in your love.  
Amen.

Welcome to all visitors and new parishioners! If you are a new parishioner please be sure to register through the office.

## **PARISH STAFF**

**Pastor**—Fr. Eligio “Eli” Canete - eligiocanete@gmail.com

**Administrative Assistant**—Brenda Lerner - office@stjamescalgary.org

**Music** - Michael Scholfield - mcscholfield@icloud.com

**Bookkeeper**—Magda Aguillon

**Volunteer Screening**—Vivian Moody—pvsc@stjamescalgary.org

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

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

## The Shepherd Speaks—Fr. Eli Canete

### The Spirit Moves in Our Hearts in Different Ways

“Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us. But Jesus said, do not stop him, for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us.

One of the basic truths of our faith tells us that God loves each one of us, as we really are regardless of whether we are sinners or his dedicated followers and that in his providence, God watches over each of us. If we see and examine our own story of life, we feel, and we meet the God who made a promise to us in our experiences, “do not be afraid, I am with you in your journey.

God is with us. This is the first powerful lesson that Jesus wants to give to His disciples. Today, we still believe that the Spirit falls on everyone who is baptized and accepts Jesus in faith. As Peter said, the promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off. Like Moses and the elders, the apostles and the man John condemned, we too have the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. We too are meant to be prophets.

Being a prophet does not mean shouting in the desert like John the Baptist did. It does not mean confronting kings and princess like Jeremiah and Amos did. A prophet is someone who brings Jesus and his words to the world. That is our mission. If we are created in the image and likeness of God, if we confess that we believe in God and there is God and God is truly with us not only during the best times of our life but even in the trying times of our life, then our mission is God.

Talk about God in your family, in your friends and in your work. Share to them how God has helped you in your plans. Tell the world of God’s love for you.

This is the second lesson of our readings today. Jesus is asking us to tell and retell our story to others how God is wonderful to us. Jesus is asking us to proclaim His mercy to the sick and the dying. Jesus is asking us to teach our children the ways of God and that the ways of God are of goodness and love. If God is with us, who can be against us? Indeed, God is with us, and God is our mission.

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Tuesday, September 28**

9:00am Lucas Falcione—R/S  
7:00pm Intention of Elena Raro

### **Wednesday, September 29**

9:00am Vincenzo Ciccaglione—R/S

### **Thursday, September 30**

9:00am Richard Kallensrude—R/S

### **Friday, October 1**

9:00am Intention of Craig Elsner

### **Saturday, October 2**

9:00am Intention of Shirley Klein  
5:00pm Edward Gallagher—R/S

### **Sunday, October 3**

10:00am Geri Rinaldi—R/S  
12:00pm St. James Parish

## **Vaccination Exemption Important Letter from Bishop McGrattan**

The Diocese and the parishes will not be issuing any letters of exemption from vaccination. To view the letter: [CLICK HERE](#) Paper copies are available at the SW entrance and at the office.

## **The Shepherd Speaks (cont’d)**

If God is with us and God is our mission, then the third point tells us that God is our destiny. Our response to God must be manifested outwardly in our love for our fellow human beings, not in envy and hatred, not in jealousy and condemnation. St. John tells us, we know that we have passed from death to life, because we love one another.

Whoever does not love remains in death. Life on this earth will finally become meaningful for us only if we see God as our final destiny. We are members of a pilgrim Church being directed towards our heavenly home through the action of the Spirit of Christ within us.

On a final note, kindly help our parish hit our target for Together In Action (TIA) campaign for 2021-2022. Your generous donation would help our Diocese continue implementing its projects and programs. God bless you always and your family!

## Parish Donations

### September 12 & 19

Reg	\$5482
PAPS	\$6216
	\$11698

### Together in Action

2021 Goal \$25,353  
Collected to Date \$14,295

## SCAM ALERT!!

Once again, parishioners have been receiving emails and text messages allegedly from Fr. Eli.

Messages include:

*Are you free?*

*Hi, How are you doing? Do you have a moment.*

*This is Fr. Eligio "Eli" Canete.*

**DO NOT REPLY TO THESE MESSAGES AS THEY ARE SCAMS. THESE RESULT IN SCAM PURCHASES AND A LOSS OF MONEY FOR THOSE WHO UNEXPECTEDLY REPLY. BE ATTENTIVE TO THE NUMBERS AND EMAILS THEY ARE COMING FROM AND REPORT THESE ACTIVITIES TO THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU RECEIVE ANY SUSPICIOUS MESSAGES ALLEGEDLY FROM FR. ELI (OR ANY PRIEST).**

If Fr. Eli needs assistance, he will contact you personally by phone—not by text or email.

For more information from the Diocese of Calgary about scams [CLICK HERE](#)

Information sheets are also available at the SW entrance of the church.

## SORRY, CLASS FULL

On Sunday, September 12th, we held our Parent Information Session for First Reconciliation and First Communion. We had an overwhelming number of registrations...the most in many years! In order to manage the number of students, we will not be taking any further registrations as we are at capacity to allow for required physical distancing. We are reviewing the needs of this larger class and are looking for more screened volunteers to help with the class. If you can help, please call the office or email [pvsc@stjamescalgary.org](mailto:pvsc@stjamescalgary.org).

## Meet our Volunteer Coordinators

**Altar Servers**—Vivian Moody, Onon Martin  
**Church Décor**—Anita Zyla, Midge Chartier  
**Baptism Prep**—Dustin & Eloisa Greenwald  
**Cenacles**—Sharon Jeanson, Lucy Ciccaglione

**Children's Liturgy**—Sarah Straathof

**Coffee Ministry**—Zita Fulawka

**Collection Counters**—Anita Zyla, Merle Gonsalves

**Family & Youth**—Christian & Jennifer Tsai  
Frank & Nina Miguel

**Food Bank**—Cathy Smith

**Funeral Lunches**—Zita Fulawka

**Knights of Columbus**—Ralph Walicki

**Landscaping**—Evelyn Bond, Mary Corns,  
Al Meier

**Linens**—Lucy Ciccaglione / Maria Faba

**Liturgy**—Andrew Beingsner

**Maintenance**—Arnie Funke

**Morning Rosary**—Sharon Jeanson  
Lucy Ciccaglione

**Pastoral Care**—Stephanie Davis

**Sacrament Prep—Reconciliation & Eucharist**  
Victoria Hoddinott

**Sacrament Prep—Confirmation**  
Vicki Oliphant

**Sacristans—Weekday**—Myrna Castro/ Midge  
Charier

Sat 5pm—Andrew Beingsner

Sun 10am—Fr. Eli (VACANT)

Sun 12pm—Onon Martin

Funerals—Cor Stuijts

**Safety Coordinators**—Stewart Winfield  
Andrew Beingsner

**Volunteer Screening**—Vivian Moody

**Website**—Angela Alexandre

**Weekend Lectors**—Stewart Winfield

Elvira Castaneda

**Weekend Eucharistic Ministers**

Andrew Beingsner

## Coordinator Positions Available:

Library Coordinator

Thank you to Rita Ortiz-Waschmann who has volunteered to manage our Facebook page! And thank you also to those who have come forward as volunteers for Pastoral Care and Children's Liturgy.

### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Darlene Otis, Maria Petrollini, Wendy Denis, John Duffy, Linda Evans, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Sylvia Kirkland, Shirley Klein, Veronica Kubik, Trudy Martin, Elliott Nowell, Cecilia Nykyforchyn, 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 RECENTLY DIED**

Erwin Boegershausen, Joe Lutz, Kathryn Dickson

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

**[CLICK HERE FOR UPDATED RESTRICTIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF CALGARY](#)**

### **NEW TEMPORARY MEASURES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 20**

**CAPACITY 1/3 (134 people) - First Come/First**

**No pre-registration or contact tracing at this time.**

- **MASKS ARE ONCE AGAIN MANDATORY AS PER THE CITY OF CALGARY BYLAW IN THE SANCTUARY AND THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING**
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING IS ALSO MANDATORY**—Alternate rows are marked as before
- The reception of Holy Communion on the tongue is allowed. Communion will only be given under one species—the consecrated Host
- 50 person limit for Funeral Masses, Weddings and Baptisms
- No social gatherings are allowed
- Meetings and classes may continue provided physical distancing and masking can be maintained

### **PLEASE...**

- Continue to use hand sanitizer as you enter and leave 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 towards one another

### **Children's Liturgy—Next date October 12**

We thank Sarah Straathof for her leadership with this program. Children are dismissed with the leaders for a short time during the Mass. Children's Liturgy is a free program consisting of a short lesson and simple craft in the parish hall. Parents are welcome to come with their child.

At this time, we are only able to offer Children's Liturgy once a month at the 10am Mass due to a shortage of volunteers to help with the program. More volunteers will ensure that we can continue the program and offer it more often. Time requirement is minimal ~ 30 minutes prior to the week you are scheduled. The lessons are very simple, well laid out, and straight-forward. Two screened volunteers are required for each Sunday. Thank you to those who have come forward to start the screening process to become volunteers for our Children's Liturgy program. More volunteers are still required. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the parish office.

**Last chance to Support Fr. Eli on his ride on October 2<sup>nd</sup> in support of Elizabeth House through the Ride for Refuge.**

Last year the Knights were joined by parishioners, friends and family and raised \$4,500. This year our goal is set even higher. Fr. Eli, members of the Knights of Columbus, friends, family and parishioners of St. James are participating this year. Since 2013, St. James Knights have participated in The Ride for Refuge and have raised over \$28,000 to date for Elizabeth House.

There is still time to join us or make your donation. You can join any of the Teams with activities like bike riding, walking, or crafting, or to try your own activity before Oct. 2 deadline.

- To donate to Fr. Eli's fundraising activity in support of Elizabeth House, visit <http://ride.w-ith.me/FatherEli>
- Become a member of Father Eli's team at RDW Cycling Team, visit <http://ride.w-ith.us/KnightsofColumbus>
- If you have made a pledge in support of father's ride, please contact the parish office to make payment.

On behalf of Elizabeth House, I would also like to thank the Lyceum Society, fellow Knights of Columbus councils, CWL members across the city and parishioners that have donated or created teams. They have joined us in raising funds in support of this wonderful ministry, while enjoying a fun activity. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Real Phaneuf, Campaign chair at [real.phaneuf@shaw.ca](mailto:real.phaneuf@shaw.ca)

**Real Phaneuf**  
Campaign Chair  
[Ride for Refuge in support of Elizabeth House](#)  
Cell 403-542-5228



**Holy Land Collection  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT  
OF THE HOLY LAND**

On behalf of the Custos, Fr. Francesco Patton, o.f.m., I sincerely thank you for your solidarity and support to of the pastoral works that benefit our Christian brothers and sisters and for maintaining the Holy Sites of our Church.

Fr. Robert Mokry, OFM  
Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada

**Thank you for your support!**

- ◆ 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 your donation to the church