



# St. James the Greater Church

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**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 3, 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**

O Marvelous Light,  
you open the eyes of your people  
to see the miracle of life around them.

May we always be students  
of what is truly great in God's eyes.  
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

“May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives” (Psalm 128) Greetings and blessings to all Christian couples and families!

Then the man said, “this at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. This one shall be called woman, for out of man, this one was taken. Therefore, a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

I am praying and reaching out today, with Christian sympathy to the divorced and to troubled families. Our parish community of St. James accepts you with respect, compassion, sensitivity, support, and love, sharing the depth of your pain from a failed or failing marriage.

I continue to pray that both spouses need to work hard to create a good marriage. Marriage demands that they should become the right persons for each other as God-given talents. Marriage is a union based on committed sharing and forgiving in the name of Christian love.

It requires many mutual adjustments, much mutual generosity and great good will to forgive and ask for forgiveness. It requires also sincere cooperation in training children and raising them as practising Catholic Christians and daily strength from God obtained through personal and family prayers and reception of sacraments.

Genesis account explains God’s original plan concerning sex and marriage. It teaches that God made people for each other. Hence, in marriage they are no longer two but one, united in unbreakable bond.

The Gospel is teaching us that family life is sacred, that spouses are partners with equal rights and that the destruction of a family leads to destruction of a beautiful community. Thus, whereas most marriages are happy, none however are without problems at some time or other, problems that can lead to suffering, worry, and pain.

A happy marriage does not happen all at once without an on-going commitment by both spouses to making it such. It must be created, worked at, and often requires heroic effort and self-sacrifice.

Marriage begins to crumble when spouses ignore each other and live for self alone. Jesus out of compassion worked His first miracle at a wedding feast. By his self-giving, may Jesus help all married couples to mature and grow in the fulness of love.

“Husbands love your wives as Christ loved the Church. (Eph. 5:25) and this should be absolute and enduring.” Dear couples, may the Lord, through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, help your life-long commitment and bless your married life with every happiness and joy so that you may always be enabled to share with each other the faithful love which Christ showed for all humanity by dying on the Cross. Amen.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Tuesday, October 5**

9:00am Julia Almeida—R/S  
7:00pm Intention of Colleen Cove

### **Wednesday, October 6**

9:00am Vincenzo Ciccaglione—R/S

### **Thursday, October 7**

9:00am Maria Talarico—R/S

### **Friday, October 8**

9:00am Intention of Darlene Smrdely

### **Saturday, October 9**

5:00pm Marie Gallagher—R/S

### **Sunday, October 10**

10:00am Zenaida Ocampo—R/S  
12:00pm St. James Parish

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

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

## **Christian Life Program for Couples**

Couples For Christ ([www.couplesforchrist.ca](http://www.couplesforchrist.ca)) would like to invite all couples to attend the online Christian Life Program (CLP) starting Saturday, October 9 at 7pm. The program runs for 8 Saturdays until November 27. Zoom link will be provided upon registration - <https://bit.ly/clp-registration>

Video testimonial of CLP - <https://bit.ly/thankgod4clp>

For any questions, kindly contact Christian Tsai - [PCTSAI@GMAIL.COM](mailto:PCTSAI@GMAIL.COM)

## **Catholic Mom - Holy Cross Family Ministries**

Enjoy free Catholic coloring pages, lesson plans, Mass worksheets, crossword and word search puzzles, and more to help your family prepare for Sunday Mass. For Sunday Gospel Activities visit <https://www.catholicmom.com/sunday-mass-activities> or [CLICK HERE](#)

## Parish Donations

### September 26

|      |               |
|------|---------------|
| Reg  | \$4586        |
| PAPS | <u>\$3108</u> |
|      | \$7694        |

### Together in Action

2021 Goal \$25,353  
Collected to Date \$14,615

## 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." "I need some help with something."*

**DO NOT REPLY TO THESE MESSAGES AS THEY ARE SCAMS. THESE RESULT IN SCAM PURCHASES AND A LOSS OF MONEY FOR THOSE WHO UNKNOWINGLY 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 available at the SW entrance of the church.

## Food Bank Coordinator

We are looking for a new Food Bank Coordinator. Duties are minimal in checking requests three times per month and coordinating team members to pack and distribute food hampers to those in need in our community.

We thank Cathy Smith for her role as coordinator for the past several months.

## 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**—VACANT

**Funeral Lunches**—Zita Fulawka

**Knights of Columbus**—Ralph Walicki

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

**Linens**—Lucy Ciccaglione / Maria Faba

**Liturgy**—Andrew Beingessner

**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  
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Sat 5pm—Andrew Beingessner

Sun 10am—Fr. Eli (VACANT)

Sun 12pm—Onon Martin

Funerals—Cor Stuijts

**Safety Coordinators**—Stewart Winfield  
Andrew Beingessner

**Volunteer Screening**—Vivian Moody

**Website**—Angela Alexandre

**Lectors**—Stewart Winfield, Elvira Castaneda

**Eucharistic Ministers**—Andrew Beingessner

The National **Life Chain** is scheduled for Sunday, October 3rd from 3:00-4:00pm. This is a peaceful, prayerful, pro-life witness along Macleod Trail. The location allotted to St James/Holy Name is on the west side of Macleod Trail at 90th Ave (across from the Carriage House Inn). Please observe social distancing rules.

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, Wendy Denis, John Duffy, Linda Evans,  
Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Sylvia Kirkland, Shirley Klein, Veronica Kubik,  
Trudy Martin, Elliott Nowell, Norma O'Hare,  
Michael Paplawski, Anthony Parel, Gary Ritter, Sara Straathof, Gary & Janice Tipper,  
Margaret Ukrainec, Shirley Valentine

### **AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED**

Velma O'Reilly, Maria Petrollini, Erwin Boegershausen, Joe Lutz,  
Kathryn Dickson, Gloria Heisler

**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 required at this time.**

- **MASKS ARE 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.—Please be respectful of distancing between parishioners when in the church and in the office areas.
- 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

*Thank you for your support!*

**We thank all who have continued to support our parish through the pandemic.**  
**Your contributions are so greatly appreciated!**

- ◆ 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