



# St. James the Greater Church

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**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 17, 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 God, source of all goodness,  
you call us to humble ourselves  
to be servants

as we build up the Kingdom.

Send your Holy spirit  
to transform our hearts  
and strengthen us in our mission  
of sharing the Good News.

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

### Joyful Service!

In this weekend's reflection, I would like to acknowledge and commend the great services that our office staff, volunteers from different ministries and organizations, the nameless parishioners of our parish, our dedicated coordinators, members of the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils are doing for our Church.

I also extend my gratitude to our donors and generous givers who continue to offer and share their resources for the needs and maintenance of our parish facilities. YOU are all a blessing from God. As you are blessed, you continue to be a blessing to others.

I know that it is truly a huge challenge when these people take up these responsibilities at these challenging times. However, with great love for God and his people, these amazing individuals selflessly serve with joyful hearts.

Jesus teaches us that true discipleship means getting involved in giving selfless service to others with hope. Jesus cured the sick and drove out many demons. Jesus ministered to needs of others, healing and forgiving them. Jesus consistently reminds us as our model and example that "He came not to be served but to serve.

Jesus wants to fill us with hope, so we can see the possibilities of doing great and noble things at this time of pandemic. The Lord is inviting us to open our hearts, minds, and souls to the possibilities. For God, all things are possible.

Joyful service! This is the message of the Gospel. James and John wanted an easy way. They wanted all the glory and honor, but they wanted to get it by skipping the necessary part, the part about the sacrifices, the suffering and about serving others.

But Jesus insists that there is no other way. "Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest. Whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all. The Son of Man has not come to be served but to serve, to give His life in ransom for the many (Mark 10:43-45)

May God help us to realize that true happiness lies in a life of service, a life of doing and making room for others to see the greatness of our God. God bless you all and your families!

**Note:** Kindly help us hit our target for Together in Action 2021. Please send and give your donations under the TIA envelopes. Your help is appreciated.

**TIA GOAL: \$25,353      COLLECTED: \$14,950**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Tuesday, October 19**

9:00am Betty Garneau—R/S  
7:00pm Kenneth Kamieniecki—R/S

### **Wednesday, October 20**

9:00am Gerry McKinney—R/S

### **Thursday, October 21**

9:00am Carolyn Cheryba—R/S

### **Friday, October 22**

9:00am Millicent & Philip Gonsalves—R/S

### **Saturday, October 23**

5:00pm Zenaida Ocampo—R/S

### **Sunday, October 24**

10:00am Ana de Barrios—R/S  
12:00pm St. James Parish

## **YOU ARE INVITED!**

What do I believe as a Catholic? Why do I believe these things? Do I really know Jesus personally? You can explore answers to these important questions and meet our RCIA inquirers at the same time! All interested parishioners are invited to join us Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the Outreach room (next to the south parking lot). Please contact Brenda at the parish office for more information.

## **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](#)

## **Phone & Internet Issues**

Unfortunately our phone system and internet services went down over the weekend resulting in the inability to contact the parish office via phone or email until Wednesday. Thankfully, the issue has now been resolved and communication has been restored.



The month of October each year is dedicated **to the Most Holy Rosary**. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

### **SCAM ALERT!!**

Once again, parishioners have been receiving emails and text messages allegedly from Fr. Eli asking for favors or purchases.

**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.**

For more information from the Diocese of Calgary about scams [CLICK HERE](#)  
Information sheets available at the SW entrance of the church.

Next **Baptism Preparation Class** is November 6 at 11:00am. A preparation class is required prior to baptism. Please contact the office to register.

### **Collection Counters Needed Urgently!**

We have 2 teams that alternate monthly to count the weekend collection. Currently, the commitment is only ~2 hours twice a month for the team scheduled. Call the office for more information.

### **Tuesday Evening Mass Cancellation**

Effective November 1, the Tuesday 7pm Mass will be cancelled.

### **Food Bank Coordinator**

Thank you to John Wilson, who has volunteered to be our Food Bank Coordinator.

### **Ride for Refuge**

A huge thank you to all who participated in the Ride for Refuge in support of Elizabeth House on Saturday. A special thanks to Father Eli who joined us this year and inspired us to the most successful campaign to date, raising close to \$35,000. With your financial assistance, Elizabeth House will continue to have the funds to offer a safe and loving home for young pregnant women and women with young babies. Many of these women have been left to fend on their own and raise their children. For 25 years, Elizabeth House has empowered young women to develop skills while improving their life and their child's future. Know that your money supports some of the most vulnerable in our society. Thanks again for your continuous support of this very worthy organization!

### **World Mission Sunday—October 24th**

World Mission Sunday is a world-wide celebration of and collection for the missionary church. The funds raised will go to establish and support rural health care clinics, renovate rectories, chapels, build new churches and provide for the daily needs of all missionaries. Please pray for the missions and be generous on World Mission Sunday.

**Please pray the Pope's intention for October.**  
*We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in **evangelization**, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.*

**Add your name to the Petition to the House of Commons**, which calls on the government to require Canadian companies to prevent adverse human rights impacts and environmental damage throughout their global operations and supply chains. Sign online [HERE](#)

Help the Knights of Columbus help others! You can help support the Knights in their fundraising efforts by:

- 1, Using the Knights' Co-op Membership when buying your groceries **Co-op #1051731**
2. Bringing your empty bottles to Chinook Bottle Depot (108—61 Ave SE) and request funds be deposited to the Knights of Columbus St James Parish account

### **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