



St. James the Greater Church

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 6, 2022

Weekend Mass

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 10am & 12noon

Weekday Mass

Tuesday thru Friday 9am
1st Saturday of the month 9am

Confession

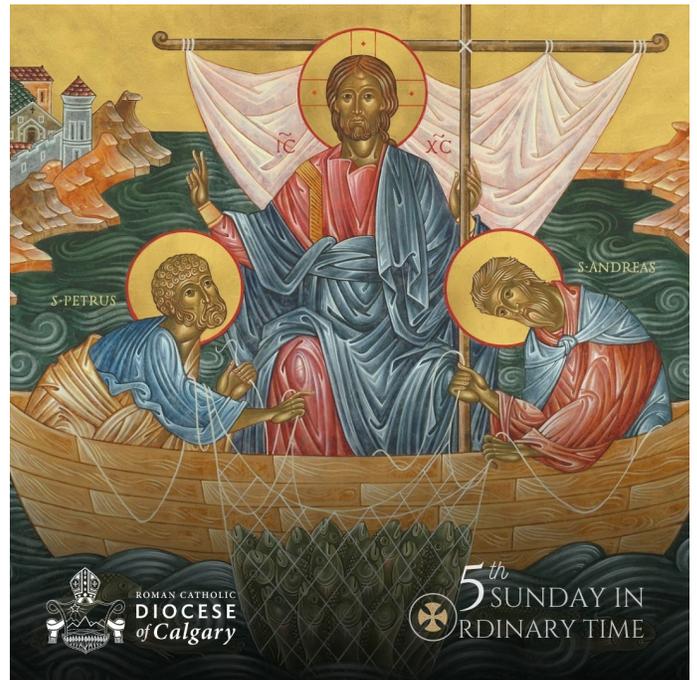
Tuesday thru Friday 9:30am -10am
Saturday 4pm - 4:30pm
(or by appointment)

Adoration and Benediction

After Friday morning Mass for 30 minutes

Office Hours

Monday & Tuesday 9am—2:30pm
Wednesday & Thursday
9am - 12:30pm
Closed Fridays and statutory holidays.



PARISH STAFF

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

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The Shepherd Speaks Fr. Eli Canete

Share your faith. As we begin this year 2022, the parish encourages you to be part of this program sharing and telling your faith story before our community. Share your faith is a venue and a platform to encourage, inspire and offer hope to others especially to other members who are in despair, helpless and hopeless. Your story of how the Lord blessed you and other generous individuals who have touched you will be published in our weekly bulletin.

Leave no neighbor behind. This is another program that we would like to carry on reaching out and making calls to our people especially the elderly and handicapped that are physically separated and isolated from their loved ones and family members. Know that you matter to us. You are important.

In this weekend's Scriptural readings, the Lord calls us to follow and join his team, his mission, and his life. The Lord also calls and believes in each one of us not only embracing our strengths and skills but also embracing our weaknesses and imperfections as well.

Always remember that it is only when we are prepared to acknowledge sincerely and humbly all our imperfections and weaknesses that we begin to see our need for a Redeemer and Savior. We are helpless without the saving grace of God. Let us never be afraid to admit our weaknesses and failures because the Lord God will help us. As Paul says, it is in my weaknesses that I become strong through the help of God's grace working in me.

Trust the Lord always. There are times that the road to holiness and goodness is not easy. It does not happen overnight. But never give up doing something good and great. Jesus told Peter, put out into the deep water, and lower your nets for a catch. Peter said to Jesus, Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing. But, at your command, I will lower the nets.

Isaiah, Paul, and Peter are inviting us to take courage in obeying the Lord. Trust in His words, and his teachings and his commands. God said, I will listen to you. When you seek me, you will find me, provided you seek me with all your heart. Jeremiah (29: 13) For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope, Amen.

Please Note: If your family or contact information has changed, please let the parish office know (Brenda Lerner contact person) to keep our records accurate and updated. Thanks, and God bless.

**If you feel inspired to share your story, please submit to office@stjamescalgary.org
Depending on interest, articles will be printed over a period of several months.*

February is traditionally devoted to the Holy Family, an ideal time to strengthen our own family and its connection to Jesus's family. Here are [12 ways you can align your family to the Holy Family this February](#). (Source: Aleteia)

Old Palms

Feel free to drop off your old palms at the church.

Pastoral Zone Synod Consultation Process

Thank you to those who represented our parish at the recent Pastoral Zone Synod Consultation Process held on Saturday, January 29th. More information will be made available as similar dialogue will involve parishioners at a later date.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: The City of Calgary bylaw for the **MANDATORY** wearing of masks in ALL public places is still in place. We ask that ALL parishioners PLEASE wear masks through the entire Mass (except when consuming the Host) and that ALL wear them **PROPERLY** covering the nose, mouth and chin. We ask for the cooperation of all parishioners for the wellbeing and safety of all staff, volunteers, parishioners and visitors.



CCEF 2022 Cash Raffle

The Calgary Catholic Education Foundation supports over 57000 students in the 117 schools in the Calgary Catholic School District. Our \$2500 EARLY BIRD draw takes place on February 11, 2022! Tickets are available online at <https://bit.ly/22Raffle> All net proceeds fund grants for the CCSD schools.

2021 Tax Receipts

Tax Receipts were mailed out and distributed this week. If you do not receive your tax receipt, please contact the office to ensure that the office has your correct mailing address. If your family information or contact information has changed, please let the parish know in order to keep our records up-to-date.



Congratulations to the students who celebrated their First Reconciliation on Saturday, January 22nd. They have now completed the first half of the program and will now continue their preparation for First Eucharist ending in June. Thank you to Fr. John Gannon for assisting Fr. Eli with the First Reconciliation celebration, and to our teachers and volunteers.

NOTE: Students who were unable to do their First Reconciliation on January 22nd, please contact the office as soon as possible to make other arrangements.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 8

9:00am Intention of Peter Thov

Wednesday, February 9

9:00am Joe MacNeil—R/S

Thursday, February 10

9:00am Intention of Eleanore Helfrich

Friday, February 11

9:00am Intention of Leo & Shirley Klein

Saturday, February 12

5:00pm Intention of Therese Nguyen

Sunday, February 13

10:00am Gabriel Waschmann Ortiz—R/S

12:00pm St James Parish

Children's Resources

Children's Bulletin—[CLICK HERE](#)

Children's Coloring Page—[CLICK HERE](#)

Donations

January 16 & 23

Regular \$3508

PAPS \$1742

\$5240

January 30

Regular \$3698

PAPS \$1742

\$5440

February Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

This month, the Holy Father expresses his gratitude for the mission and courage of religious sisters and consecrated women, and asks for prayers for them that they may continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

CCCB Updates on Indigenous Reconciliation

now available. Please visit the Diocesan website www.catholicyc.ca

World Day of the Sick—Friday, February 11

***Fr. Eli will anoint the sick following the 9am Mass on February 11th**

Feb. 11 is World Day of the Sick, an observation introduced by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes and is an important opportunity for those who serve in Catholic health ministry to reflect on caring for those who are sick as well as those who provide care to them. The theme of this year's message is "*Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful*" (Lk 6:36). Standing beside those who suffer on a path of charity.

Resources for the World Day of the Sick (Feb. 11) this year:

[Pope Francis' Message](#) for the 30th World Day of the Sick

[Prayer for all those who work in Catholic health care](#)

Watch for a message from Bishop McGrattan next Monday in [Faithfully](#) for the World Day of the Sick

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

John Duffy, Linda Evans, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Sylvia Kirkland, Shirley Klein, Amorel Lerner, Bill Lerner, Al Meier, Mark Naylen, Elliott Nowell, Norma O'Hare, Darlene Otis, Michael Paplawski, Anthony Parel, Sarah Straathof, Shirley Valentine

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED

Edmond Roward, Marie Moore, Anne Wrona, Jane Denis

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 monthly
- ◆ Pre-authorized Withdrawal (Direct Deposit) - get forms from the office or at the entrance
- ◆ Dropping off your envelope into the collection basket at the entrance of the church
- ◆ Dropping off your envelope into the office mailbox (by office entrance)
- ◆ Mailing your donation to the church

Bishop Carroll Guided Tours, Information and Registration

As your child begins the process of High School registration it is important for families to be in a position to make an informed choice regarding the specific school registration. Bishop Carroll High School's personalized learning program allows students the opportunity to create a unique academic plan supporting their strengths, learning needs and extra-curricular commitments in a relationship based small school environment.

Is your child highly involved in outside school activities?

Would your child benefit from academic coaching and personalized learning opportunities?

Would your child enjoy the opportunity to accelerate their coursework?

Is your child interested in exploring high caliber fine arts experiences?

Would your child benefit from participating in all aspects of their high school experience?

If you answered 'YES' to any of these question please use either of these links to join us for a guided tour during the week of February 7-11, 2022." <https://shorturl.at/yLR89> or

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfeOiG2LAUCJJYodRlmt_Vt3eZFQjRdBnT8CuHahKWeSywlyw/viewform