



St. James the Greater Church

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2024

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 10:00am & 12:00pm

Weekday

Tuesday thru Friday 9:00am

1st Saturday of the month 9:00am

CONFESSION

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30 -10:00am

No Confession on Thursday

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm

(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday

9:00am - 3:00pm

*Closed from 12:00-12:30pm for lunch,
and on all statutory holidays.*



Thank you for joining us! We warmly welcome all new parishioners and visitors to our parish. If you are new to our parish community, please fill out a registration form available on our website, at the SW entrance of the church, or at the parish office.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of January: For the gift of diversity in the Church. We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

PARISH STAFF

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

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Volunteer Screening—Kerstin Daly - pvsc@stjamescalgary.org

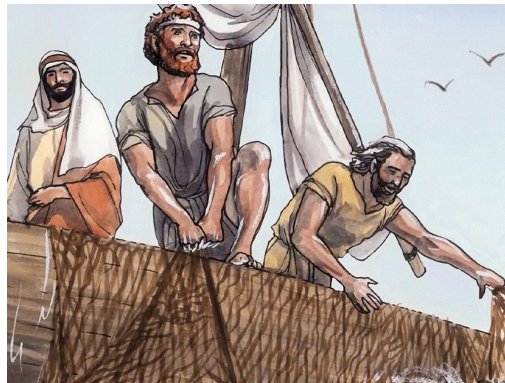


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Sharing the Word
Courtesy of Diocese of Saskatoon
Gospel—Mark 1:14 - 20

The eager and immediate response from Peter, James and John, and Andrew in today's reading draws us into their joy, but tension and confusion are lurking beneath the surface. While these disciples are the only ones who will be privileged to some of the most complete revelations of Jesus' power and purpose, they are also the ones who will most seriously misunderstand Jesus and will fail him at key moments in Jesus' life.

1. What does the passage tell you about call and purpose?
2. Recall a time when you shared the enthusiasm of the disciples in this Gospel passage.
3. Has your enthusiasm for Jesus ever been tempered or even absent? Why or why not?



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS—DON'T FORGET!

Did you know your screening requirements must be up-to-date by the end of January in order to continue in your ministry? This means:

All Volunteers: An online Praesidium Sexual Abuse Prevention Training course must be completed and a refresher completed every 2 years.

In-Person Praesidium course for those who have not completed the online version:

Sunday, January 21

1:30—3:30pm in the parish hall

****If you are required to attend the in-person course, please watch for an email from our Volunteer Screening Coordinator, Kerstin Day.***

We say goodbye to our bookkeeper, **Magda Aguilon**, who will be moving on to a different job. We thank Magda for her service to our parish and wish her well in her future endeavours. If you are interested in applying for the bookkeeper position, please consult the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary—[Employment page](#).

2024 Ultimate Cash Raffle & 50/50 Add-On
In support of the Calgary Catholic School District

\$30,000 in prizes!

Tickets available online from January 1 to February 29, 2024

The earlier you buy, the more chances you have to win.

For full raffle details, please visit: cceffaffle.com

What should I do with my old Christmas cards? Bring them in to the parish office! Used and unused cards will be donated to Mission Council and repurposed. Unused envelopes are also greatly appreciated. All proceeds go to missions in Canada and throughout the world.

**Tuesday, January 23**

9:00am Andrew Kuzemka—R/S

Wednesday, January 24

9:00am Bernie DeCoste—R/S

Thursday, January 25

9:00am Intention of Mary Goudreau

Friday, January 26

9:00am Intention of Robert Brister

Saturday, January 27

5:00pm Jane Cordeiro—R/S

Sunday, January 28

10:00am Teresa Paul—R/S

12:00pm St James Parish

Join Fr. Troy Nguyen as he launches the **ABLAZE Youth Ministry** at St. Bonaventure Church (1600 Acadia Drive SE) which is open to all youth in the Diocese. Share this information with parents and teachers, and the youth in your life!

[Register now.](#)

When: Friday evenings

- **Jan 19 (All ages) from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm** - Family Adoration and Board Games at St. Bonaventure
- **Jan 26 (Gr. 7-12) from 7 to 9 pm** - Impact Night with Tony Melendez and Access52 - at St. Michael's Church (800 85 St SW)

Sunday Collection

January 14

Regular: \$2896 PAPS: \$1638

Total: \$4534

Family Enrichment Retreat**Talk #1****God's Plan for the Family**

St James Parish Hall

Saturday, February 10

6:30—8:30pm

All parishioner are welcome.
For more information, contact:
Christian or Jennifer Tsai
Family & Youth Ministry Coordinators
pctsai@gmail.com
587 969 8830



Immense thanks to all who contributed to our 2023 Together in Action campaign. Thanks to many generous donors we were able to reach our goal!

Thank you!

**Did You Miss Confirmation Registration
On January 11?**

**Please contact the office as soon as possible.
Classes begin in February.**

Registration is open to all students who:

- Are in grade 6 or higher
- Have been baptized (copy of baptism certificate required)
- Have celebrated First Communion

Our preparation program for the Sacrament of Confirmation will run between February and May with monthly mandatory in-person classes on Thursdays from 7:30—8:30pm in the parish hall. This is a student/parent program and therefore students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. This program also consists of a series of online videos using the resource **CHOSEN: Your Journey to Confirmation** from Ascension Press.

Notes from the Knights

Pancake Breakfast on Sunday January 21st after the 10:00 Mass. Bring the whole family together and enjoy pancakes with sausages and ham. All donations support local charities and events in our parish.

Lenten Friday Fish Fry begins on Friday, February 16 at 6:30pm. More information to follow.

Mark Your Calendars!**Garage Sale**

June 7 & 8

More information to follow.

**Pilgrimage to Italy
October 7 - 18, 2024**

Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Eli Canete
www.ihtours.com
\$5290/person

Information Night in the Parish Hall
Wednesday, March 20
6:30pm

This Week at the Church

Monday	7:00pm	Legion of Mary
Tuesday	8:30am 9:00am 9:30am	Rosary Mass/Confession Marian/Divine Mercy Cenacle
Wednesday	8:30am 9:00am 1:00pm	Rosary Mass//Confession Choir
Thursday	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass /Confession
Friday	9:00am 1:00pm	Mass/Confession/Adoration Sing-a-long for Seniors
Saturday	4:00pm 5:00pm	Confession Mass
Sunday	10:00am 11:00 12:00pm 4:00pm	Mass RCIA Mass Rosary Crusade Mass

Donate a Warm Winter Coat

The Salvation Army is teaming up with the Diocese of Calgary to ensure everyone has a warm coat this winter. Donations of new and gently used coats and other winter wear are sorted and distributed by the Salvation Army throughout various programs to be shared with those in need. **To drop off coats** at the Catholic Pastoral Centre during office hours (please call 403-218-5500).

RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN

Children's Liturgy of the Word—

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Huge thanks also to the donors of the grant from Benefaction Foundation for their generous donation.

Theology of the Body Conference

Join experts Dr. Christopher West, Sister Helena Burns FSP, Fr. Cristino Bouvette, and internationally acclaimed songwriter Mike Mangione as they introduce and reflect St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. When/Where: **Friday, Feb. 9, 2024 from 6 pm to 10 pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church** (10827 24 St SW Calgary). [Register online](#). For any questions, please get in touch with theologyofthebodyconference@gmail.com

We Pray for the Sick and All Who Care for Them

Emma Boccardo, Stephanie Davis, Wendy Denis, Gaetano Dumo, Fr. Noel Farman, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Sylvia Harris, Ann Hayes, Charlotte Johansen, Dean Klein, Clifford MacFarlane, McDonald/Born Family, Bill Montgomery, Mark Naylen, Elliott Nowell, Rita Ortiz-Waschmann, Andrew Pelletier, Jorge Carlos Rotela, Gabriel Serpas, Brad Sluiter, Shirley Valentine, Richard Zelichowski

And For Those Who Have Died

Kendra O'Hare

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