

St. James Catholic Church

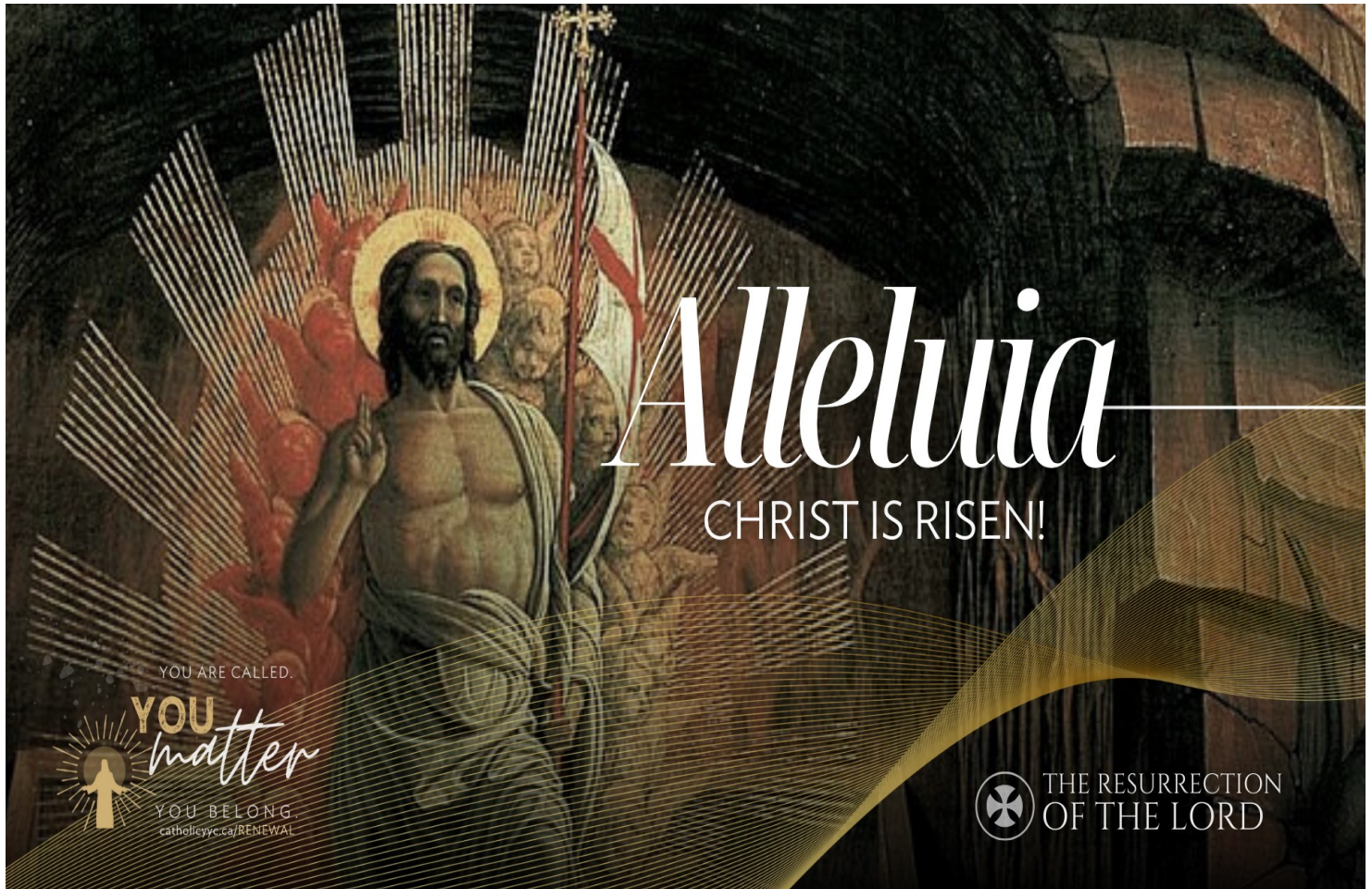
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Easter Sunday—The Resurrection of the Lord

March 31, 2024



Happy Easter! 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 April:

For the role of women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

PARISH STAFF

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The Shepherd Speaks—Fr. Eli Canete

“ I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.” (Cf. Psalm 138,18. 5-6)

YOU ARE CALLED. YOU MATTER. YOU BELONG. Beginning this 2024, Bishop William McGrattan immediately started to rekindle the hearts and souls of the Parish Renewal Team Members . The path of renewal to Synodality continues. We gathered in different pastoral zone areas listening to the moving stories of witnesses that testified about the great works of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

The joy of the Gospel moves the story tellers to share how Jesus leads them to building up their families but also building up as well their faith-communities.

In their testimonies, it is very clear that the primary reason to entering the Diocesan Renewal which highlights 3 Pastoral Priorities, namely, Form Missionary Disciples of Christ, Be a Church of Encounter and Witness and Strengthen Family Life is to know more the love of our Lord.

This love that comes from the risen Christ impels us to open our hearts and be involved to become storytellers and instruments of God's boundless love and mercy in our community as well.

Everyone is called. Each one of us is summoned to start the task. It is a call for all of us to a deeper encounter with Christ and be involved in making our parish community more vibrant, to nurture, help and support each other live our baptismal life and mission. There will always be trials and challenges. But the good news is we are never alone. We have the community, and we have the risen Lord who will continue to walk with us.

Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows, tears, challenges, and fears. Easter reminds us that life is worth living and that life is worth saying yes because the Lord is our strength and hope.

Easter gives us the good news that no tomb can hold us down anymore, not the tomb of negativity and hopelessness, pandemic and wars, not the tomb of despair, discouragement, doubt, or death itself. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life, constantly experiencing the real presence of the Risen Lord in all the events of our lives.

This coming April 13, 2024, Saturday at 2pm, please join us in our Parish Renewal Gathering. Please register online or with the Parish.

Whenever we make the effort to return and find our way back to our parish community, know and remember that with your ideas and inputs, new avenues of growth and life arise, new paths of activity and creativity open up, and more encounters with one another will inspire us to make our Church alive again and again.

Christ gives us the method “Come and see”. (John 15:4) This method is for you and me, for every member. This is for St. James. This is for all of us. This method includes encounter, accompany, community, participation and mission. **YOU ARE CALLED. YOU MATTER. YOU BELONG.**

FORMED

FORMED is an outstanding online Catholic resource for the whole family. All parishioners are encouraged to create their own free account (go to FORMED.org/signup, select St. James Calgary, enter name and email).

FORMED resources will be highlighted weekly in answer to our diocesan call for parish renewal based on foundations that include faith formation.

NOTE RE COFFEE TIME: There will be **no videos shown on Easter weekend**. On Divine Mercy weekend, the feature will be the Elements of the Mass Ep. 5 **and** the Divine Mercy Trailer --- they are both only two minutes long.

[Easter Week on FORMED](#)
[Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids: He Is Alive!](#)

[Elements of the Catholic Mass - Ep. 5: Processions](#)
[Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley: Divine Mercy Trailer](#)

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)

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday
9:00am - 3:00pm
*Closed from 12:00-12:30pm for lunch,
and on all statutory holidays.*

Children's Collection—Children are invited to place small donations in the Children's Collection container in front of the altar during the offertory collection. Funds raised support our two CHALICE child sponsorships in Ukraine and Haiti.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 2

9:00am Shannon Farrell—R/S

Wednesday, April 3

9:00am Ashton Stephens—S/I

Thursday, April 4

9:00am Nazir Nahas—R/S

Friday, April 5

9:00am Christina Christiansen—S/I

Saturday, April 6

9:00am Bill Lerner—S/I

5:00pm Gabriel Waschmann Ortiz—R/S

Sunday, April 7

10:00am Troy Misseghers—R/S

12:00pm St James Parish

Tuesday, April 9

9:00am Brian & Brenda Lerner—S/I

Wednesday, April 10

9:00am Jacqueline & Duane Leuschen—R/S

Thursday, April 11

9:00am Philip Gonsalves—R/S

Friday, April 12

9:00am Vicente Raro—R/S

Saturday, April 13

5:00pm Mary & Sergio Plazas—S/I

Sunday, April 14

10:00am George Castro—S/I &

Julia Almeida—R/S

12:00pm St James Parish

Knights of Columbus

The Knights would like to thank all who attended the Stations of the Cross and our Fish Fry nights over the last 6 weeks of Lent. All profits from these events will be turned over to the parish. We also appreciate the Brothers and parishioners who volunteered their time to this wonderful parish activity.

Our next bottle drive and pancake breakfast will be held on the weekend of April 20 and 21. The Knights will be available in the parking lot 30 minutes before and after each of those weekend Masses. Please mark your calendars.

The Knights have updated their charitable donation on the bulletin board in the hall. If you are interested in seeing where the funds go that are raised from your generous participation in our parish events, please have a look.

Garage Sale—June 7 & 8



Divine Mercy Sunday

April 7, 2024

2:00-4:00pm

- Blessing of the image
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 30 minutes of quiet adoration
- Reflection on Divine Mercy
- 3:00pm—Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- Benediction
- Veneration of the Image



From Our Parish Renewal Team

We begin our journey of Parish Renewal by listening to you. On Saturday, April 13 from 2-4pm we will be holding our Parish Renewal Gathering. We invite you to join us in exploring how we can move our parish forward in our quest for spiritual and community renewal. This gathering will be an opportunity to explore ways in which you will be able to express and help our parish find a welcoming path, all with the goals of strengthening our family life, encountering and witnessing God's love for each other, inviting, teaching, and practicing our faith. You are called (we want to hear from you), you matter (your opinion is of value), and you belong (you are an important part of our parish). Please join us as we make renewal in our parish a reality.



Huge thanks to all of our volunteers who helped with the various Lenten and Holy Week activities and celebrations. Your help and involvement is always greatly appreciated!

No Bulletin Next Weekend

Sunday Collection

March 24

Regular: \$2493 PAPS: \$1638

Total: \$4131

Together in Action: \$4356

2024 Together in Action Goal: \$36, 218

Perfect Mother's Day Gift!

Afternoon Tea

Saturday, May 11 at 1:30pm

St James Parish Hall

\$30/person

Tickets now available after some of our weekend Masses, through Lisa Frehlich or the parish office. Sponsors and donations of baked goods and gift basket items gratefully accepted.

Funds raised will support the parish.

This Week at the Church

Monday	Office Closed 7:00pm Legion of Mary
Tuesday	9:00am Mass/Confession 9:30am Marian/Divine Mercy Cenacle
Wednesday	9:00am Mass/Confession 1:00pm Choir 7:00pm Parish Renewal Team
Thursday	9:00am Mass
Friday	9:00am Mass/Confession/Adoration 1:00pm Sing-a-long for Seniors
Saturday	9:00am Mass 10:00am Funeral (Josephine Smutko) 10:30am Baptism Prep 4:00pm Confession 5:00pm Mass
Sunday	10:00am Mass 11:00am RCIA 12:00pm Mass 2:00pm Divine Mercy Celebration (No Mass)
Monday	9:00am Carpet Cleaning 7:00pm Legion of Mary
Tuesday	9:00am Mass/Confession 9:30am Cenacle
Wednesday	9:00am Mass/Confession 7:15pm RCIA
Thursday	9:00am Mass 6:15pm 1st Communion Class 7:30pm Confirmation Class 7:00pm Opus Dei Men (sanctuary)
Friday	9:00am Mass 1:00pm Sing-a-long for Seniors
Saturday	9:00am Mass 2:00pm Parish Renewal Event 4:00pm Confession 5:00pm Mass
Sunday	10:00am Mass 12:00pm Mass

RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN

Kid's Bulletin—[Click Here](#)
 Kid's Coloring Page—[Click Here](#)
 Children's Liturgy of the Word—[Click Here](#)

What do I do with my old glasses and hearing aids?

We now have a box for these used items. Please look for the box "**Lions Recycle for Sight**" box now located in the parish hall. All donated items are refurbished, sanitized and packaged right here in Calgary! Packaged items are then sent with medical mission teams such as *Doctors Without Borders* to help those in developing countries who would normally not have access to vision and medical care. Simply place used glasses, sunglasses and hearing aids in the box.

Together in Action 2024 Goal \$36,218

This year's theme is inspired by Philippians 4:19: "**God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.**" This scripture encourages us to trust in God's abundant provision and share this abundance with others through service and love.

Our diocesan goal is the same as last year: \$2 million. Nearly 50% of the proceeds will go to caring for our retired priests, hospital chaplaincy, and pastoral care. Approximately 10% will support diocesan missions, Mission Council and Elizabeth House. Another 15% will help organizations, such as CCCB (Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops), Calgary Catholic Immigration Society, and the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute.

In addition, for the next three years, close to 30% of the yearly proceeds will be used to support local or regional healing and reconciliation initiatives for residential school survivors, their families, and their communities. For more information, visit www.catholicyyc/TIA

Easter Flowers Provided by Enchanted Petals

Many thanks to Enchanted Petals for their assistance
 with our beautiful flowers
 Visit www.enchantedpetals.ca
 10% off for parishioners
 (Located across the street from the church.)

We Pray for the Sick and All Who Care for Them

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

And For All Who Have Died

Clifford MacFarlane, Cristina Licella, Staff Sgt Randall, Joan Randall

We Are So Grateful For Your Financial Support!

- ♦ Online giving on the "Contribute" page of our website—one time or monthly with debit, Visa, Visa debit, Mastercard, or 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 church entrance
- ♦ E-transfer to isupport@stjamescalgary.org
- ♦ Dropping off your envelope in the collection basket
- ♦ Dropping off your envelope at the office or into the office mailbox
- ♦ Mailing your donation to the church