



ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 10:00am & 12:00pm

Weekday

Tuesday thru Friday 9:00am
1st Saturday of the month 9:00am

CONFESSION

Wednesday & Friday 9:30 -10:00am
Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm
(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

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



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. We hope to see you again soon!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of February:

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor—Fr. Domingo Bongalos stjamespastorcalgary@gmail.com
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We are excited to introduce the *Sacred Grace* initiative, inviting **civily married couples** in our Diocese to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony in the Catholic Church. As part of the Diocesan Pastoral Renewal during the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope, this special celebration will be presided over by Bishop William T. McGrattan on **Saturday, September 13, 2025, at 1:30 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral.**

Info sessions on how to participate will be available on the following dates/location:

- **Sunday, February 9** at 6 pm at St. Albert the Great Parish, Calgary
- **Thursday, March 6** at 6 pm at St. Michael's Parish, Calgary
- **Sunday, March 9** at 6 pm at St. Thomas More Parish, Calgary
- **Sunday, March 16**, at 6 pm St. Patrick's Parish, Calgary

Two more locations (Lethbridge & Medicine Hat) will be available soon

Thank you for your support in spreading the word about the *Sacred Grace* initiative. Together, let's help couples take this important step of faith and celebrate the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Stay tuned for updates on additional info session, and visit catholicyc.ca/sacredgrace for the latest details.

Regular Donations

February 9

\$4041 + \$2181(PAPS) = \$6222

Lost and Found

Have you lost something in the church building? Items that are found in the building are usually placed into the rectangular basket above the coat rack in the hall. Small items or expensive items are kept at the office.

Thank You!

Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for replacing our TV screen in the parish hall. Our previous TV was malfunctioning. The Knights also purchased, as part of the Parish Renewal plan, a smaller screen in the hall that will soon begin to relay important parish information. We thank the Knights for their generosity.

We also thank the Knights, Kim Bichener, Carley Faba and Kari Faba for helping set up and take down our Christmas decorations and nativity.

Attention Volunteers:

Praesidium Academy sends out email notices saying they have reset your online courses after one year, however the **Diocese** requires you repeat the courses every **two years**. If it has only been one year, please disregard the notice. If you are unsure of when you've completed your courses, please contact Kerstin at pvsc@stjamescalgary.org Thank you!

Tax Receipts

The 2024 tax receipts will go out in the church next weekend. Receipts will only be prepared for annual donations over \$20. Please take your tax receipt but ensure that you have the correct envelope. Any tax receipts not picked up will be mailed out on February 24. **IF YOU HAVE MOVED PLEASE INFORM THE OFFICE.** Prefer that we email your tax receipt? Contact the office PRIOR to Thursday, February 21.

Upcoming Dates

- Family Day—February 17 (Office Closed)
- Ash Wednesday—March 5
- Stations of the Cross—Fridays during Lent at 6pm
- Fish Fry—Fridays during Lent at 6:30pm
- **40 Hours of Adoration for Vocations—May 9, 10, 11**
- Garage Sale—May 23 & 24
- Parish Picnic—May 25

Blessed the one who
trusts in the Lord

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Saturday, March 1

6:00pm

Due to our volunteer numbers and hall capacity limitations, only volunteers are invited to attend. (Sorry, no spouses or other family members unless they, too, are volunteers)

Menu: Lasagne, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert
Wine will be available (donations happily accepted)

RSVP TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY

Tuesday, February 25.

Firm Deadline

*If you would like to help, please contact Lisa Frehlich at
lisabfrehlich@gmail.com*

Retrouvaille—A Lifeline for Married Couples

Is your marriage going down the right road...or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Join us for a weekend to bring change to your life.

Retrouvaille Weekend Programme

Friday, February 28 6pm

Saturday, March 1

Sunday, March 2

To register contact Ken & Isabelle 403 276 4547
or visit HelpOurMarriageCalgary.com

Knights of Columbus

If you would like to join the Knights of Columbus or find out more information, please contact the membership director, Real Phaneuf at real.phaneuf@shaw.ca

Thank you for bringing your bottles and cans to our recent bottle drive. We made \$450. Your support is appreciated. You can also take them to Chinook Bottle Depot at any time and tell them the funds go to St James Knights of Columbus.

Men's Conference

God Squad Canada is proud to announce our **28th Annual Men's Conference**, themed **Pilgrims of Hope**. This event, taking place on **March 14th - 15th** at **St Michael's Catholic Church in Calgary**, promises to be a transformative experience for all attendees. With keynote speakers who are leaders in their fields, participants will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions, foster spiritual growth, and build valuable connections. Join us in this journey of hope and community. Register today!

Register now: GODSQUAD.CA

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 18

9am Intention of Michael & Rosemary Scholfield

Wednesday, February 19

9am Evaresta & Pedro Encarnacion +

Thursday, February 20

9am Ann Hayes +

Friday, February 21

9am Tom Hayes +

Saturday, February 22

5pm Stefan Lojek +

Sunday, February 23

10am John Lojek +

12pm St James Parish

Jubilee Parish Mission Announcement

This year, as we enter into the Jubilee Year, Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) has partnered with the Diocese of Calgary to offer two parish missions. One will be February 28 - March 1 at St. Peter's Church, and the other will be March 7 - 8 at St. Bonaventure Church. More details are available at www.catholicyc.ca/reasonforyourhope. All are welcome to attend. Registration is required.



Did You Know?

We have a library in the parish hall for parishioners to use. Simply sign-out the books or videos you like with our self-serve system in the library and return once you've finished with them. Sorry, we cannot accept more donated books at this time.

Prayer for Our First Communion Candidates

Thirteen children are currently being prepared to celebrate their First Holy Communion on Sunday, June 1. In the area of the baptismal font is a table with a basket with these children's names inside. Parishioners are encouraged to choose a name from the basket and pray for them between now and June.

This Week at the Church

Monday	Office Closed for Family Day 6:00pm	Legion of Mary
Tuesday	9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm	Mass Cenacle Knights of Columbus
Wednesday	9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm	Mass Confession RCIA
Thursday	9:00am 7:00pm	Mass Parish Renewal Team
Friday	9:00am 1:00pm	Mass/Adoration/Confession Sing-a-long for Seniors
Saturday	3:00pm 4:00pm 5:00pm	Baptism Confession Mass
Sunday	10am 12pm	Mass Mass

Rosary begins at 8:30am prior to all weekday Masses.



YOU ARE called
YOU MATTER
YOU BELONG

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WORKSHOPS

The Diocese of Calgary invites married couples to attend our Marriage Enrichment Workshops.

- THURSDAY AT 7 PM
JAN 30, 2025
Natural Family Planning
- THURSDAY AT 7 PM
FEB 20, 2025
Conflict Resolution
- THURSDAY AT 7 PM
MAR 20, 2025
Communication
- THURSDAY AT 7 PM
APR 10, 2025
Financial Stewardship
- THURSDAY AT 7PM
JUNE 5, 2025
Marriage & Addiction

\$20 FEE PER SESSION*
*Discounted rate of \$75 if registering for ALL sessions

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Call 403-218-5521
mara.capilli@calgarydiocese.ca

Catholic Pastoral Centre, 120 17th Ave SW
Calgary, AB

REGISTER HERE

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National Canadian Flag Day February 15

National Flag of Canada Day, commonly shortened to Flag Day, is observed annually on February 15 to commemorate the inauguration of the flag of Canada on that date in 1965.



We Pray for the Sick and All Who Care for Them

Fr. Naveed Arif, Joyce Beninger, Emma Boccardo, Ali Boyd, Stephanie Davis, Gaetano Dumo, Shylow Dustin, Gabrielle Engels, Scott Evans, Phil Faba, Fr. Noel Farman, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Jennifer Hazen, Charlotte Johansen, Martin McCarthy, Bill Montgomery, Dave Moran, Mark Naylen, Elliott Nowell, Cecilia Nykyforchyn, Rita Ortiz-Waschmann, Andrew Pelletier, Kathy Roe, Jorge Carlos Rotela, Gabriel Serpas, Virgil Smith, Fr. Michael Storey, Brad Sluiter, Ildiko Szikora, Mary Terek, Shirley Valentine

And for Those Who Have Died

Roselene Schroh, Denis Grady, Mario Petrollini, David Rawlyk, Joyce Patterson, Jullith Gallego-Boykin



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