

St James Parish

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Canonically Erected: July 28, 1993

First Mass: August 1, 1993

Dedication of the Church: Rosary Sunday October 4, 2014

Parish Feast Day: Solemnity of St James the Greater: July 25th

November 12, 2023
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

P A R I S H D I R E C T O R Y

Pastor:	Rev. William Ashley
Secretary:	Teresa Filiatrault
Parish Office Hours:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 am- 4:00 pm
Sunday Mass:	Saturday Anticipated Mass @ 4:30pm Sunday @ 9am and 11am Latin Mass @ 4:30pm. Church will be open daily from 8:30am to 5:00pm
Weekday Mass:	Monday to Saturday 9am
Holy Hour	Thursday 7:00pm to 8:00pm with Confessions
Confession:	Monday to Saturday at 8:45am Fridays and Saturdays at 10am
Baptisms, Marriages & Communion to the Sick	Contact the Parish Office

Altar Servers	Fr Ashley
Altar Guild	Janet Griffiths
Civic Affairs Committee	Marc Vella, James Hargrave
El Shaddai	Ghie Javier (604.758.2146)
Filipino Ministry/ Sodality of Mary	Rosalina Cole (604.859.8465)
Finance Committee	Gerard Roddis
First Saturday Rosary	Elizabeth Ocon
Knights of Columbus	Walter Dona (604.852.2589)
Music Ministry	Daniel Ancil, Charles van Aert, Nicholas Roy, Paula DeWit,
Prison Ministry	Bob Buckham (604.852.9311)
Pro-Life Coordinator	Monica Roddis (604.853.7985)
School Building Committee	Rod Griffiths, Blanca Hluskova
Youth Ministry	Elizabeth Ocon,

EDUCATION

St James & St Ann's Elementary School

604.852.1788
stjameselementary.ca
Principal: Julia Lee

St John Brebeuf Regional High School

604.855.0571 | stjohnbrebeuf.ca
Principal: Gianni Bittante

Catholic Pacific College
604.888.7727
catholicpacific.ca

Children's Catechesis
Children of Joseph & Mary
Gr 1- 7 Catechesis
Tuesdays at 3:00pm
Sacrament Enrichment
Thursdays at 3:00pm
Mother Cynthia
mothercynthiasjms@gmail.com
250-488-3368



ST JAMES THE GREATER
PROTOMARTYR OF THE APOSTLES
PRAY FOR US!
SANCTE IACOBE MAIOR,
ORA PRO NOBIS!

A warm welcome to St James the Greater Parish!
Say hello to Fr Ashley, our pastor.

Kindly register in the parish so that we may
serve you more efficiently. Registration forms
are available in the foyer or on the website.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, November 11 *St. Martin of Tours,
Remembrance Day*

9am ♦ Int: Anita Quinn

4:30pm ♦ Int: Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, November 12 *32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00am: ♦ Int: John Paul Olmaguez

10:00am Pancake Breakfast at High School

11:00am: ♦ Int: Mother Cynthia

4:30pm ♦ Int: Jeanne Hellier

Monday, November 13 *St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*

9am ♦ Int: Marie Bellavance

Tuesday, November 14

9am ♦ Int: Sage Leslie

3:00pm Rosary Club

Wednesday, November 15 *St. Albert the Great*

9am ♦ Int: † RIP MaryAnne Andersen

6:00pm OCIA Meeting (canceled this week)

Thursday, November 16 *St. Margaret of Scotland,
St. Gertrude*

9am ♦ Int: Ginette Paquette

3:00pm Sacrament Enrichment

Eucharistic Adoration 7pm

Friday, November 17 *St. Elizabeth of Hungary*

9am ♦ Int: Catherine Dunford

Saturday, November 18 *The Dedication of the Basilicas of
Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles*

9am ♦ Int: Peter Roddis

4:30pm ♦ Int: † RIP Dora Chu

Sunday, November 19 *33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00am: ♦ Int: Monica Roddis

11:00am: ♦ Int: Missa Pro Populo

4:30pm ♦ Int: Missa Pro Populo

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." - Matthew 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? Don't delay. None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

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COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART THREE: LIFE IN CHRIST

Section Two: The Ten Commandments

CHAPTER TWO

"YOU SHALL LOVE NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF"

THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT: YOU SHALL NOT KILL

479. How are the bodies of the deceased to be treated? 2300-2301

The bodies of the departed must be treated with love and respect. Their cremation is permitted provided that it does not demonstrate a denial of faith in the resurrection of the body.

480. What does the Lord ask of every person in regard to peace? 2302-2303

The Lord proclaimed "*Blessed* are the peacemakers" (*Matthew* 5: 9). He called for peace of heart and denounced the immorality of anger which is a desire for revenge for some evil suffered. He also denounced hatred which leads one to wish evil on one's neighbour. These attitudes, if voluntary and consented to in matters of great importance, are mortal sins against charity.

481. What is peace in this world? 2304-2305

Peace in this world, which is required for the respect and development of human life, is not simply the absence of war or a balance of power between adversaries. It is "the tranquillity of order" (St. Augustine), "the work of justice" (*Isaiah* 32:17) and the effect of charity. Earthly peace is the image and fruit of the peace of Christ.

482. What is required for earthly peace? 2304; 2307-2308

Earthly peace requires the equal distribution and safeguarding of the goods of persons, free communication among human beings, respect for the dignity of persons and peoples, and the assiduous practice of justice and fraternity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING OF OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

*Trish Parking, Maria Laszlo, Norm Jeanotte, Sharon Graham,
Una Gaughan, Gerry Lockwood, Roger Loiselle,
Henry Abeywickreme, James Hargrave, Joyce Walker*

Daily Mass Scripture Readings:

Sunday 12	Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17	Saturday 18	Sunday 19
Phil 4: 6-9 Ps 72 Mt 5: 1-12	Wis 1: 1-7 Ps 139 Lk 17: 1-6	Wis 2: 23- 3:9 Ps 34 Lk 17: 7-10	Wis 6: 1-11 Ps 82 Lk 17: 11-19	Wis 7: 22- 8:1 Ps 119 Lk 17:20 25	Wis 13: 1-9 Ps 19 Lk 17: 26-37	Wis 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9 Ps 105 Lk 18: 1-8	Prov 31: 10- 31 Ps 128 1Thes 5: 1-6 Mt 25: 14-30

THE PROJECT ADVANCE CAMPAIGN FOR 2023 will close at the end of this year. Our heartfelt gratitude to all who have donated. For all who have yet to donate, please prayerfully consider your pledge and remember, 'God will not be outdone in generosity'. Pledge forms will be available on the table in the foyer this weekend. Please complete a form and return it to the parish office or donate online at www.projectadvance.ca noting St. James Parish as your parish.

MISSALS for the new liturgical year are available for purchase. They are in the foyer on the book shelf. Suggested cost is \$4.

DONATION ENVELOPES— As a missionary, Mother Cynthia is not paid for her work here at the parish; therefore coloured envelopes are available in the foyer for parishioners to donate towards Children's Ministry and Mother Cynthia. Tax receipts will be issued, please ensure your name is on the envelope. Rosary club children will include your prayer intention if you fill out the intention form that is in each envelope.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST This Sunday, November 12th in the High School. Net proceeds of the breakfast will be donated to the Canadian Legion's Poppy Fund.

ST. JOHN BREBEUF OPEN HOUSE Thurs. November 23rd 6pm - 8pm. We extend a special invitation to families with school age children in Grades 4-7! Please encourage your friends, neighbours, and fellow parishioners to come and see our secondary school in action! Applications for new students for the 2024-2025 school year will be available at the Open House, at the school or parish offices, and on our website (www.stjohnbrebeuf.ca). Completed applications for new students due Feb 1st, 2024.

CWL Membership Dues St. James CWL is an inactive council, however, existing members still need to pay National Dues.
2023 National Fees: \$25
2024 Provincial Fees: \$10
2024 Diocesan Fees: \$5
2024 Insurance Fees: \$0.50
2024 Total Fees: \$40.50

If you missed last year you can catch up by paying \$81 for both years. If you are inactive and want to reactivate for 2024, it's the same amount, \$40.50.

Please send your payment to the Parish Office, payable to "St James Parish", with Attn: CWL by Tuesday, December 12th.

HIGHLY SPIRITUAL MARIAN PILGRIMAGE with Fr. Mario Fernandes, OCD, to Oregon and Washington. Dec. 1-2-3, 2023
Price: CDN \$650.00 pp. For details and itinerary contact the Parish office or: info@aquinasinstitute.ca

CATHOLIC PRISON MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT DAY This event is for volunteers and anyone who is interested in learning more about the Prison Ministry in the Archdiocese of Vancouver. There will be a presentation on Trauma Informed Care, with time for reflection and a keynote address by Archbishop Miller. Saturday, November 25, 9 am-2pm, St. Andrew Kim Parish in Surrey. Free and open to all aged 19 and above. Lunch will be provided. **Registration deadline: Thursday, November 16.** Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF PRO-LIFE IN OUR PARISH! Once again, Christmas cards with traditional Christmas themes to help **keep Christ in Christmas**, will be available after the 9:00am, 11:00am and 4:30pm (Sunday) Mass on Sunday, November 12 and 19. These quality cards, with many new designs, are at the same great price of **\$8.00 for a pack of 10 cards**. For more information, or to order, contact Monica Roddis at 604.853.7985 or email mon-icamary@shaw.ca. Your support is much appreciated!

DATE NIGHT All married couples are invited to join us for a joy-filled dinner of celebration and encouragement. Cost is \$30/couple. On Thursday, December 7, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish in Surrey. **Registration deadline: Thursday, November 30.** Register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

CATHOLIC PACIFIC COLLEGE would like to invite you to our *Breakfast Fundraiser* hosted at St. Matthew's Parish Hall on Monday morning, December 4. There will be Mass at 8am in the parish, and the program will begin at 9am. Our guest speaker is Fr. Deacon Andrew Bennett, a member of our Board of Governors and Program Director for Faith Communities at Cardus. Fr. Deacon Andrew is a fantastic speaker and I know you will enjoy the morning program we have lined up. We will have live Sacred Advent Music, student testimonies, and a word from our founder, Tom Hamel. Tickets are \$30 each. Tables hold 6 people, so consider purchasing a table for \$180 and inviting friends. Deadline to register is November 27. Register at catholicpacific.ca/fundraiser

VIRTUAL WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER If you desire to restore communication and rekindle romance, this weekend experience is for you— right from the comfort of your own home! The online experience is presented by a team of three couples and a priest who will help you to: •Learn tools to make your relationship a priority; •Communicate from the heart and grow in intimacy; •Renew your commitment to each. Cost is \$130. November 24-26. **Registration deadline: Friday, November 17.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

Pregnant? Need to talk? Hurting from a past abortion?

For confidential and compassionate help, text: "HOPE" to 393939 or go to "onlinecare.ca"

Dear Friends,

Each year, Project Advance enables us to come together as a community of faith in Jesus to support various ministries and programs of our local Church.

This year's Appeal focuses on empowering our parishes to be vibrant centres of faith and community. Our hope is that they will be strengthened and equipped with the necessary resources to carry out more effectively their mission of evangelization and service.

Your donation to Project Advance will help to realize this vision. Every gift, regardless of its size, makes a difference. Your support will fund initiatives such as pastoral formation, youth and young adult ministry, and outreach programs for those in need.

Every year in Project Advance, once the goal for your parish is met, all additional funds raised are directed back

to the parish to fund its own special projects.

I want to thank you personally for your continued support of your parish and our Archdiocese. Your generosity through the years has allowed us all to do so much good, and I am truly grateful for your commitment to the Church.

Please prayerfully consider making a gift to Project Advance 2023. Help empower your parish to be a beacon of hope, love and service in your community.

With my prayers for you and your family, I remain
Sincerely yours in Christ, Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ J. Michael Miller CSB

+J. Michael Miller, CSB
Archbishop of Vancouver

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