

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

October 20, 2024
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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| 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 7:00am to 7:00pm |
| 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 |

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| 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 (778.598.8465) |
| Finance Committee | Gerard Roddis |
| First Saturday Rosary | Elizabeth Ocon |
| Knights of Columbus | Walter Dona (604.852.2589) |
| Music Ministry | Nicholas Roy, |
| Prison Ministry | Bob Buckham (604.852.9311) |
| Pro-Life Coordinator | Monica Roddis (604.853.7985) |
| School Building Committee | Rod Griffiths, Blanca Hluskova |
| Teen & Young Adult | Patrice Quon (604-772-1032) |
| Catechism | Mother Cynthia (250-488-3368) |
| Camino Committee | Mike Girard (604-226-9477) |

CATECHISM

Rosary Club: Ages 5- 12

Tuesdays or
Wednesdays 3:15- 4:30pm

Divine Mercy Warriors: Ages 13- 17

Thursdays 3:15- 4:30pm

Ad Deum Young Adults Ages 18-30

Thursdays at 7:00pm

EDUCATION

**St James & St Ann's Elementary
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ST JAMES THE GREATER
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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, October 19 *St. Paul of the Cross*

9:00am ◊ Int: † RIP Edith Burn

4:30pm ◊ Int: Alanet MacKinnon

Sunday, October 20, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: ◊ Int: Joe & Laura Nolan

11:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Ron Filiatrault

4:30pm: ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo

Monday, October 21

9:00am: ◊ Int: Anne McCaffrey

Tuesday, October 22 *Anniversary of the Dedication of Consecrated Churches whose date of Consecration is unknown*

9:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Joe McCaffrey

Rosary Club 3:15pm

Wednesday, October 23 *St. John of Capistrano*

9:00am: ◊ Int: Waltraud Nikkel

Rosary Club 3:15pm; RCIA 6:30pm

Thursday, October 24 *St. Anthony Mary Claret*

9:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Joe McCaffrey

Divine Mercy Warriors 3:15pm

Holy Hour Adoration 7:00pm

Friday, October 25

9am ◊ Int: Karina & Louis– 15th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, October 26

9pm ◊ Int: Thanksgiving Birthday– Sean Tapay

4:30pm ◊ Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, October 27, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo

11:00am: ◊ Int: † RIP Anastase Goritsas Sr.

4:30pm: ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo

Stewardship Reflection

“For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God’s love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from “I want more” to “thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share”. This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God-centered.

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CREDO

COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART 1– Faith; Believing Truly *Lex credenda*

Section 1: God the Father and Creation

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth

Chapter 3: Creation

Fact of Creation

85. Then creation is really distinct from God, and subordinated to Him?

Yes. Throughout history, various false religions and pantheistic philosophies have regarded creation as a diving manifestation, emanation, or somehow part of God (see Rom 1: and Ws 13)- but the true God is in no way dependent on creatures.

86. In our time, what is the chief error about this distinction between God and creation?

The personification and even deification of nature, often manifested in forms of environmental idolatry, ecological mysticism, Earth-goddess rituals, animism, and other forms of pagan worship.

87. What is the error of so-called “transhumanism”?

Man’s attempt to negate his creatureliness and elevate himself to a hghr level of existence by manipulating human nature through technology (genetic engineering, cryonics, implants with brain-computer interfaces, etc.), in order to achieve self-perfection or even an alleged immortality. Transhumanism embodies man’s original sin of wanting to be like God without grace.

88. Why is a correct understanding of creation so essential to right faith?

Because “error with regard to the nature of creation begets a false knowledge of God.”

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING OF OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Ken Humphries, Wayne Slater, Marilyn Cook, Trish Parkin, Norm & Jacqui Jeanotte, Sharon Graham, Una Gaughan, Gerry Lockwood, Roger Loiselle, Henry Abeywickreme, James Hargrave, Joyce Walker

Daily Mass Scripture Readings:

| Sunday 20 | Monday 21 | Tuesday 22 | Wednesday 23 | Thursday 24 | Friday 25 | Saturday 26 | Sunday 27 |
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| Is 53: 10-11 Ps 33 | Eph 2: 1-10 Ps 100 | Eph 2: 12-22 Ps 85 | Eph 3: 1-12 Is 12 | Eph 3: 13-21 Ps 33 | Eph 4: 1-6 Ps 24 | Eph 4: 7-16 Ps 122 | Jer 31: 7-9 Ps 126 |
| Heb 4: 14– 16 Mk 10: 35– 45 | Lk 12: 13-21 | Lk 12: 35-38 | Lk 12: 39-48 | Lk 12: 49-53 | Lk 12: 54-59 | Lk 13: 1-9 | Hebrews 5: 1-6 Mk 10: 46-52 |

A display of the work of *'Priests for Life Canada'* will take place in the foyer on **Sunday, October 27, 2024**. Please take this opportunity to pick up the excellent material so that you will have the knowledge to speak out in defense of all life. *'Priests for Life Canada'* has provided a beautiful statue of Our Lady which can be won by entering a free draw. Father Ashley will make the draw for the statue after morning Mass on **Tuesday, October 29, 2024**. For more information, please contact Monica Roddis, Chair, St. James Respect Life at monicamary@shaw.ca or 604-853-7985

EL SHADDAI ABBOTSFORD CELL GROUP 16th Anniversary Celebration- Oct. 26, 2024. 12:00 to 4:00 pm. Holy Mass at 4:30 pm Healing Message by Bro Joel Macquillan. Mass Celebrant Fr. Ashley.

ST. JAMES & ST. ANN'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER Movie: Inside Out 2. Thursday, Nov 7, 2024 (No School on Friday): 6:00 pm, doors open 5:30 pm. In the School Gymnasium. Cost: \$5 per person, \$25 per family (5 or more) Concession stand will include pizza, hot dogs, smokies, popcorn, candy and more!

DIVINE MERCY IS COMING TO VANCOUVER! All are invited to attend the third **North American Congress on Mercy**, to be held November 15-17 at Good Shepherd Church in Surrey. The Congress brings together world-renowned speakers on the theme, "Divine Mercy and Mary: Our Hope," including Archbishop J. Michael Miller, Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, and Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC. Don't miss this opportunity to enrich your knowledge of and devotion to the Divine Mercy, which Jesus told St. Faustina was "the last hope of salvation" for our world. Great preparation, too, for the upcoming Jubilee Year of Hope! Registration required. Please visit Mercy-Congress.org to register and for more information.

MOMENTUM: CATHOLIC SINGLE MOTHERS will be hosting a gathering of single mothers for faith sharing and fellowship. Lunch and childcare provided. If you are a single mother, please join us! Saturday, October 26, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at All Saints Parish in Coquitlam. Register for free and learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events

CHANGING THE DEBATE ON EUTHANASIA (MAiD) IN CANADA Alex Schadenberg, the executive director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, will give a presentation on the overall situation in Canada on euthanasia (MAiD) in 2024. Mr. Schadenberg will discuss how far we have come in a few short years to making euthanasia routine and acceptable, illustrating his presentation with real-life stories. He will also touch on the current court cases including St. Paul's Hospital. October 18, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at St. Nicholas Parish Centre in Langley. Learn more and register for free at beholdvancouver.org/events

VOCATION LIVE-IN November 2-3 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

ST. ANN'S CHRISTMAS MARKET "A Merry Place for All" Friday, November 15th, 4pm – 8pm; Friday Night Dinner 4:30pm – 6:30pm. Saturday, November 16, 9am – 3pm. Breakfast and Lunch served by Knights of Columbus. Vendors, Pies, Raffle baskets, 50/50 draw, Baking

ZERO HUNGER: A NIGHT OF HOPE AND ACTION IN VANCOUVER Hosted by Mary's Meals, this is an evening of impactful storytelling presenting the documentary Zero Hunger: In a World of Plenty, a powerful film that shines a spotlight on the urgent hunger crisis in Ethiopia's Tigray region, where 4.5 million people are in need of emergency food assistance. November 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre. **Register by October 22** to info@marysmeals.ca or call 1-855-702-0330.

FAITH AND SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP The Vancouver Chapter of the Society of Catholic Scientists is offering scholarships valued at \$1000 and \$500 to two Catholic undergraduate students enrolled in a science discipline at a post-secondary institution within the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of their essay or video submission. GPA will not be factored into the assessment. **Application deadline is November 1**. Learn more and apply at catholicsscientistsvan.org/scholarship

HALLOWTIDE MASS AND EVENTS The Halloween Triduum is a three-day celebration of the Saints and those who have gone before us into eternal rest. This year the Gardens of Gethsemani are offering a Mass on each of these holy days. It will also culminate in a celebration with the theme of Dia De Los Muertos, a Mexican festival honouring deceased loved ones. All Hallows Eve Mass is on Thursday, October 31 at 6:00 p.m. All Saint's Day Mass is on Friday, November 1, at 5:00 p.m. All Soul's Day Mass is on Saturday, November 2, at 4:00 p.m., with the festival afterward. Learn more at rccav.org/month-of-holy-souls/.

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED BISHOPS, CLERGY, AND CONSECRATED MEN AND WOMEN All parishioners are welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese. Remember kindly in your prayers during the month of November those who have laboured for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry. Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 12:10 p.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events

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