# 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 27, 2024 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### PARISH DIRECTORY

Pastor: Secretary:	Rev. William Ashley 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

Altar Servers
Altar Guild
<b>Civic Affairs Committee</b>
El Shaddai
Filipino Ministry/
Sodality of Mary
Finance Committee
First Saturday Rosary
Knights of Columbus
Music Ministry
Prison Ministry
Pro-Life Coordinator
School Building
Committee
Teen & Young Adult
Catechism
Camino Committee

Fr Ashley Janet Griffiths Marc Vella, James Hargrave Ghie Javier (604.758.2146) Rosalina Cole (778.598.8465)

Gerard Roddis Elizabeth Ocon Walter Dona (604.852.2589) Nicholas Roy, Bob Buckham (604.852.9311) Monica Roddis (604.853.7985) Rod Griffiths, Blanca Hluskova

Patrice Quon (604-772-1032 Mother Cynthia (250-488-3368) 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 School 604.852.1788 stjameselementary.ca Principal: Gianni Bittante

St John Brebeuf Regional High School 604.855.0571 | stjohnbrebeuf.ca

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Catholic Pacific College 604.888.7727 catholicpacific.ca

**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, October 26 9pm ◊ Int: Thanksgiving Birthday– Sean Tapay 4:30pm ♦ Missa Pro Populo Sunday, October 27, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am: ◊ Int: Ashley Hartnett and Family 11:00am: ◊ Int: + RIP Anastase Goritsas Sr. 4:30pm: ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo Monday, October 28 Sts. Simon and Jude 9:00am: ◊ Int: Anne McCaffrey and Family **Tuesday, October 29** 9:00am: ◊ Int: Chris Pilla Rosary Club 3:15pm Wednesday, October 30 School Mass 9:00am: ♦ Int: The Douglas Family Rosary Club 3:15pm; RCIA 6:30pm Thursday, October 31 9:00am: ◊ Int: + RIP Harley Jeanotte Divine Mercy Warriors 3:15pm Holy Hour Adoration 7:00pm Friday, November 1 All Saints 9am ◊ Int: Missa Pro Populo First Friday Mass 6:30pm Saturday, November 2 The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed Souls 9am ◊ Int: + RIP Deceased of van Tunen/Filiatrault Families 4:30pm ◊ ◊ Int: Roberto Ocon Sr. First Saturday Rosary Devotion & Potluck 5:30pm Sunday, November 3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am: ◊ Int: + RIP Deceased of Abato Family 11:00am: ◊ Int: Mother Cynthia 4:30pm: ♦ Int: Missa Pro Populo

#### **Stewardship Reflection**

"And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way." Mark 10:52

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to physically see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. This is hard but try to focus on the positive and not the negative things in your life. When you focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common. You will see God's active presence in your daily life. You will begin to develop an attitude of gratitude.

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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- Work of Creation

89. What has God revealed to man about His work of Creation?

In the divinely revealed history especially contained in the book of Genesis, this work is described as God calling the universe into existence by His Almighty Word, and giving this creation a splendid order and harmony in a sequence of six days (see Gn 1:6-8, 14-19)

#### 90. What was the special work of six days of Creation?

In fashioning the material universe ("the heavens and the earth"), on the first day God made the light. On the second day, He made the firmament of material heavens. On the third day, he made the dry land and plants. On the fourth day, He adorned the heavens with sun, moon, and stars. On the fifth day, He filled the skies and seas with birds and fish. On the sixth day, He filled the earth with land animals, and finally crowned his creation by fashioning man and woman. God called of these "very good" (Gn 1:31), having come forth as wondrous effects from a perfect cause.

#### 91. What did God do after these six days?

God rested on the seventh day, blessing it and making it holy (see Gn 2:2-3).

#### 92. Must we interpret the days of Genesis as twenty-fourhour periods?

The majority of Church Fathers held the six days of creation as six literal days but there was not moral unanimity among them on this question. Some Catholic authorities (e.g. Sts. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas) recognized a diversity of permissible interpretations; and in 1909, the Pontifical Biblical Commission ruled that the six days of Genesis could be taken either in the literal sense of natural days or in the applied sense for certain periods of time.

#### 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 27	Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 31	Friday 1	Saturday 2	Sunday 3
Jer 31: 7-9 Ps 126 Hebrews 5: 1-6 Mk 10: 46-52	Eph 2: 19-22 Ps 19 Lk 6: 12-19	Eph 5: 21-33 Ps 128 Lk 13: 18-21	Eph 6: 1-9 Ps 145 Lk 13: 22-30	Eph 6: 10-20 Ps 144 Lk 13: 31-35	Rev 7: 2-14 Ps 24 1Jn 3: 1-3 Mt 5: 1-12	Job 19: 1, 23-27 Ps 103 1Cor 15: 20-23 Jn 12: 23-26	Deut 6: 2-6 Ps 18 Heb 7: 23-28 Mk 12: 28-34

The display of the work of '*Priests for Life Canada*' has been postponed and RESHEDULED for <u>Sunday, November 10,</u> <u>2024</u>. 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 <u>Tuesday, November 12, 2024</u>. For more information, please contact Monica Roddis, Chair, St. James Respect Life at <u>monicamary@shaw.ca</u> or 604-853-7985

**WOMEN'S RECOLLECTION** An evening recollection for women, preached by a priest of the prelature of Opus Dei Monday, October 28 Confessions available during the recollection, starting at 5:00pm, Recollection 6:00pm to 8:00pm

**DRIVER WANTED** Irene Kubas has been a parishioner of St. Anns since 1967. She has recently lost her Driving License and we are trying to see if there may be someone in St. James parish that would be willing to give her a ride to Mass even once or twice a month as she lives nearby. She is at 31313 Livingston Ave. If anyone becomes interested, please call Nancy Postma 778 552 2819

**PRAY FOR HOLY SOULS THIS NOVEMBER** Praying for the faithful departed pleases God, who makes use of our prayers to help purify these souls in purgatory that he Loves. You can sign up to receive daily prayers right in your inbox throughout the month of November from the Gardens of Gethsemani. **Sign up now:** <u>rcav.org/month-of-holy-souls</u>

HALLOWTIDE THE GARDENS OF GETHSEMANI, OCT. 31 -Nov. 2 To welcome the Month of Holy Souls, come to the Gardens of Gethsemani for three days of prayer, Masses, and activities. On Thursday, October 31, all are invited to an All Hallows' Eve Prayer Vigil and candle-lit procession beginning at 6:30 pm. On Friday, November 1, All Saints' Day activities for children will begin at 5:00 pm followed by Mass with Archbishop Miller at 6:30 pm. Finally, on Saturday, November 2, there will be All Souls' Day activities for children beginning at 4:00 pm and Mass at 6:30 pm. After the activities and Masses for these days, there will be refreshments and fellowship. For more information about each of the days, please visit rccav.org/month-of-holy-souls

**PRISON MINISTRY SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT DAY** Learn more about volunteering with the Archdiocese's Prison Ministry. Hear testimonies from those we serve, and be inspired by our keynote speaker, Archbishop Miller. Lunch and Refreshments provided. Must be 19+ years to attend. Saturday, November 9 at 9:00 a.m. To register, email Angela Veters at <u>aveters@rcav.org</u> by October 31. **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 <u>rector.minors@sck.ca</u>

**ST. ANN'S CHRISTMAS MARKET** "A Merry Place for All" Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 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

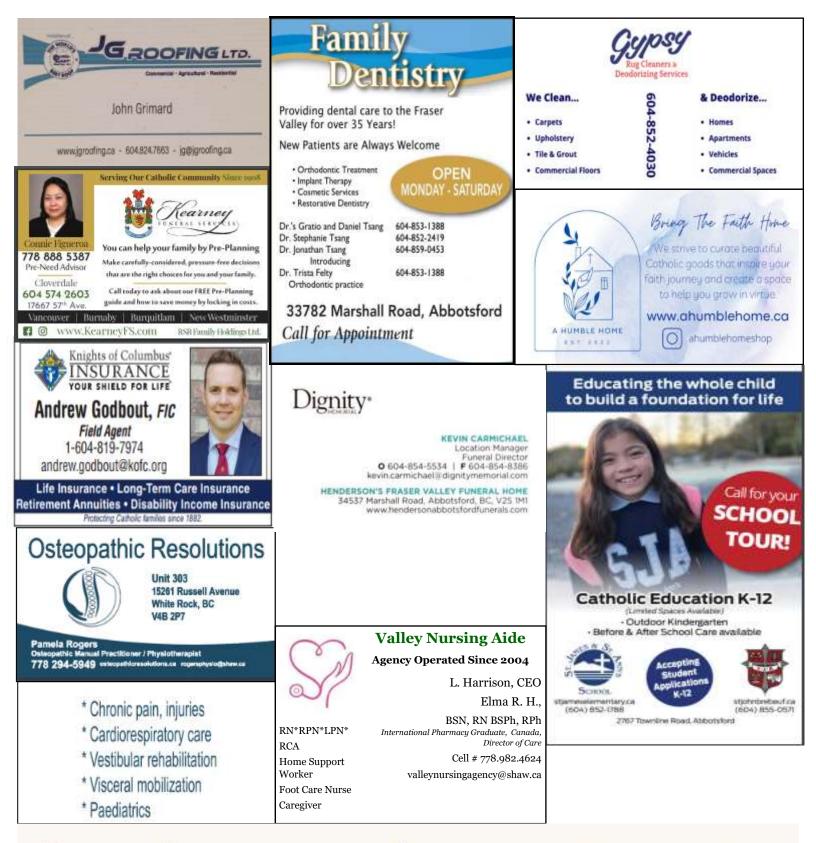
**ZERO HUNGER: A NIGHT OF HOPE AND ACTION IN VANCOUVER** Hosted by Mary's Meals, this is an evening of impactful storytelling presenting the documentary Zero Hunger: In a World of Plenty, a powerful film that shines a spotlight on the urgent hunger crisis in Ethiopia's Tigray region, where 4.5 million 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 <u>info@marysmeals.ca</u> or call 1-855-702-0330.

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 <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>

**MILES CHRISTI SILENT RETREAT** The Spiritual Exercises are a weekend silent retreat with spiritual talks and time for personal meditation in silence. These retreats are preached by the priests of Miles Christi, according to the method and principles of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Each day there will be Holy Mass, Holy Rosary, and an opportunity for confessions. For young adult men & women, ages 19-35. Friday, November 15 through Sunday, November 17 at Westminster Abbey, Mission. Learn more and register at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>

An Evening with the Saints: All Saints Day Celebration with Readings and Relics Join priests and religious in the Archdiocese to honour the saints. This event includes readings from various saints, a candlelight procession, a litany of saints, chanted compline, and the opportunity to venerate the relics of many saints, including our most recently canonized Canadian saint, Saint Marie-Léonie Paradis. The event is geared towards all young adults but especially those who are seeking to connect with other young adults and discerning a deepening call to holiness and vocation. Friday, November 1 at Our Lady of the Assumption, Port Coquitlam. 6:30 p.m. Confessions, 7:00 p.m. Mass, 8:00 p.m. Readings and Relics.

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