

St. James Parish

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Pastor: Rev. William Ashley
 Deacons: Deacon Alan Cavin
 Deacon Larry Gorman
 Parish Secretary: Teresa Filiatrault
 Parish Office Hours: Mon.- Fri.: 8:30am - 3:00pm
 Sunday Mass: Saturday (anticipated) @ 4:30pm
 Sundays 9:00am, 11:00am 16:30pm
 Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday @ 8:00am
 Sat. & Public Holidays @ 9:00am
 Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Sunday Masses
 15 minutes before weekday Masses
School Confessions:
 Fridays @ 9:20am
 Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office
 Marriages: Contact the Pastor at least six months
 prior to setting the wedding date.
 Communion/
 Visiting the Sick Please contact the Parish Office
 Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Fridays @ 11:00 am
 Eucharistic Adoration Monday-Thursday: 7:00-8:00am
 Fridays @ *:30-11:00am
School Adoration & Rosary:
 Fridays @ 9:20am

Welcome to St. James Community

A warm welcome to all, especially those who have recently moved to this area. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Ashley; he will be glad to meet you. Kindly register in the parish so that we may serve you more efficiently (registration forms in the foyer or on website). Thank you!



**St. James, Pray for us!
 Protomartyr of the Apostles,
 Pray for us!**

Parish Groups & Contacts:

Adult Faith Formation	Deacon Alan Cavin (604.996.7042) & Hazelle Schenk	Men's Group	Russ Bouwman (604.856.3812)
Altar Servers	Matthew Arendt (604.765.1264) & Brandon Kealey (604.376.2610)	Music Ministry	Corinne McCarthy, Bob Buckham, Mark Sweeney, Daniel Ancil, Agnes Krammer.
Altar Guild	Cecilia Tsang (604.864.8800)	Parish Council	Monica Roddis (604-853-7985)
Catholic Women's League (CWL)	Sheila Hall (604.859-8684)	Pilipino Ministry/Hospitality	Rosalina Cole (604.859.8465)
Children's Liturgy	Heidi Calzavara (604.859.9199)	Prison Ministry	Bob Buckham (604.852.9311)
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Knights of Columbus	Walter Dona (604.852.2589)	Stewardship Committee	Monica Roddis (604.853.7985)

Educational Programmes:

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) Connie Slomski (604.613.5665, slomski@telus.net)
 Lifeteen youthministry.stjames@gmail.com
 Alpha/RCIA Alan Cavin, Jacques Braconnier, Bob Buckham
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 St. James & St. Ann's Elementary School Principal: Terri Sask (604.852.1788)
 St. John Brebeuf Regional High School Principal: Gianni Bittante (604.855.0571)

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

Sunday, September 9, 2018

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (16th Sunday after Pentecost)

9 a.m. ♦ Int: — Missa pro populo

11 a.m. ♦ Int: — RIP † Crystal Ratvay

6.30 p.m. ♦ Int: —

Monday, September 10, 2018

8 a.m. ♦ Int: —

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

8 a.m. St Deiniol, Bishop ♦ Int: —RIP † Nick vanTunen

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

8 a.m. Holy Name of Mary ♦ Int: —

Thursday, September 13, 2018

8 a.m. St John Chrysostom ♦ Int: RIP † Fr. Ray McLeod

Friday, September 14, 2018

8 a.m. Exaltation of the Holy Cross ♦ Int: —

Saturday, September 15, 2018

9 a.m. Our Lady of Sorrows ♦ Int: —RIP † George Isbister

4.30 p.m. Anticipated Mass - 24rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (17th Sunday after Pentecost)

♦ Intention: —

Sunday, September 16, 2018

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (17th Sunday after Pentecost)

9 a.m. ♦ Int: —Missa pro populo

11 a.m. ♦ Int: —Christina Dona

9 a.m. ♦ Int: —

BECOMING A CATHOLIC...What is the Truth about our Faith? RCIA: the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. You are invited to join us on Tuesdays from September to April 7pm to 8:15pm at St. James. For more info contact Deacon Alan acavin@rcav.org or call the church office 604-864-8800.

Small Groups...A PLACE TO BELONG AND GROW

Come and experience your faith in a new and exciting way by joining the faith study group starting on **Thursday September 27th** for 6 weeks. Rediscover the essence of your faith and a personal relationship with God. Learn simple but powerful tools to help you share your faith with others. Our next study is GROWTH: This study explores the living out of a commitment to Christ. It explains the essential components of the Christian life through prayer, scripture, sacraments, fellowship, service and witness. **Watch for signup Sundays September 16th and 23rd after Mass.** For info contact Deacon Alan at acavin@rcav.org

Stewardship Reflection

“Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?” (James 2:5)

What is more important for a Steward – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society teaches us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first in all things and realize that material things really don't matter and that it's more important to share with those who have less.

WELCOME BACK BBQ The Knights of Columbus would like to invite all parishioners to the “Welcome Back BBQ” on Saturday September 22. Doors will open after the end of the 4:30 Mass, with dinner to be served at 6:30. Dinner will consist of a choice of Hamburgers or Hotdogs and assorted sides, and refreshments. Dinner will be by Donation.

**Special Events
MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

SEPT. 10 (MON) KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Meeting @7pm

SEPT. 14 (FRI) Elementary School Carnival @ 4:30pm

SEPT. 20 (THU) CWL General Meeting @ 7pm

SEPT. 22 (SAT) Welcome Back BBQ after the 4:30pm Mass

SEPT. 30 (SUN) BELLE VOCI CONCERT @ 2:00pm

OCT 5 (FRI) MASSOF ST. FAUSTINA (Divine Mercy)

OCT. 10-12 (WED-FRI) 40 HOURS DEVOTION

OCT. 28 (SUN) INSTALLATION OF FR. ASHLEY AS NEW PASTOR by HIS GRACE ARCHBISHOP MILLER @ the9am Mass

NOV. 17 (SAT) 25TH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER

@ St. Ann's Parish Centre. More details to come

DEC. 13 (THURS) HANDEL'S MESSIAH Come and enjoy the combined forces of the Chilliwack Symphony Orchestra, The Chilliwack Children's Choir and the Belle Voci Choir as they perform “Handel's Messiah” at St. James Parish.

DEC. 15-19 (SAT-WED) ADVENT PARISH MISSION

To be preached by Fr Emmerich Vogt, OP.

Please Pray For Healing of our Sick Parishioners

Bill Hireen, Liam McCarthy, Mirella Cervo, Rev. Anthony Boniface, Luka Volentier, James Hargrave, Roger Loiselle, Ian MacDougall, Julie Miller, Joyce Walker.

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

For confidential and compassionate text: “HOPE” to 393939 or “onlinecare.ca”

Eucharistic Adoration: Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration in St. James Church *Monday–Thursday* from 7-8 am before the 8 am Mass. Spend an hour adoring, praising and glorifying the Lord in the quietness of the morning.



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We welcome by baptism today
(Victoria Claire Chapman)
Welcome to the Family of God!

KERALA FLOOD SUPPORT You might have heard about the devastating floods in Kerala in August this year. It was the biggest flooding in 120 years. Twelve out of fourteen districts of the Province were flooded, hundreds died, infrastructure and property worth billions of dollars were destroyed. Fr. George, previous pastor OF St. James and now pastor at St. Joseph's Parish, Mission, BC, had attended a life transforming Retreat in January this year at the Divine Retreat Centre at Muringoor, Kerala. This is the largest residential retreat centre in the world. Situated on the banks of Chalakudi River, it suffered extensive damage. The youtube video shows the damages of this hallowed place.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sTybdNN-vm4>

Fr. George is gathering funds to help its rebuilding. If you wish to donate, cheques can be made out *St. Joseph's Parish* and mailed to Fr. George at *St. Joseph's Parish, 32550- 7th Ave. Mission, BC V2V 2B9* (Phone: 604-756-1963) or put in the St. James collection clearly labelled, "St. Joseph's Parish, Flood Relief" and all monies collected will be forwarded to Fr. George. He thanks you in advance for your generosity.

ANNUAL CARNIVAL-STYLE FUNDRAISER "FUN NIGHT" Friday, September 14th...4:30-7:30pm. St. James & St. Ann's School. Enjoy midway games, climbing wall, inflatables, food, face painting, photo booth, raffles, prizes and much more! Buy a wristband for \$30 (\$15 for 5 & under) and play as much as you want. Come and have fun and help support our parish Catholic Elementary School.

NEW AGE & THE CHRISTIAN Moira Noonan is a former master and teacher of New Age spirituality and occult practices for over 20 years but now converted back to the Catholic faith. She will share her story and wisdom at the Seminary Christ the King in Mission, on Sat. Sept. 22, 10am to 3:15pm, with a lunch break. There will be Mass in the chapel at 9am. For info call 604 826 8975.

VOCATION MASS The SERRA CLUB FRASER VALLEY WEST and IC Delta Parish (88th Ave. & 119th Street) invites you to attend our VOCATIONS MASS at 7pm, THURSDAY September 13. All are welcome. Fr. Rodney Nootebos, Director of Vocations & Seminarians is the anticipated celebrant

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S CHOIR Alexander McCune has been teaching singing to children for more than a decade in Ontario, Alberta and BC. He makes singing fun, using games, challenges and teamwork to teach musical skills and tools. Boys and girls ages 8-14 are welcome. Rehearsals will be on Tuesday evenings at St. James from 6:30-7:45. Registration for Sep– Dec. is \$105. For details or to register alexanderchurchmusic@gmail.com

BELOVED MARRIAGE SERIES St. Ann's Family Group invites you to join us for "Wine and Cheese with your Beloved" this fall at St. Ann's Parish. We will be watching the Beloved: Living Marriage series. It will run for three Friday sessions: September 21st, October 19th and November 16th. Our final night will include dinner. Cost: \$15/per person (includes all 3 sessions). Time: 6:45 p.m. (doors open) 7-9 p.m. (course). For more information and to register, email: stannsfamilygroup@gmail.com.

HEARTS OF HOPE Do you have a child but long for more? Have you lost a baby during pregnancy and are really struggling with the loss? Do you have empty arms and long for a child? Hearts of Hope is a Christian support group for women, and if you answered 'yes' to any of the above questions, you are welcome to join us at our Regular Meeting on Sept 20 at 7:00 pm. info@heartsofhopesupportgroup.ca if you would like to come to the meeting! Our website has more info - www.heartsofhopesupportgroup.ca.

WELCOMING THE ADVENTURE OF MY LIFE This workshop will help you to discover elements of the dynamism of the "Adventure of your Life." We will use Personality and Human Relations (PRH) Analysis benefiting from creative expression, times for being, and photo language. Starting Sept. 29 , 9am to 12pm at Spirit of Formation, Langley. Contact Leah Bittante at 604-613-0023. Prerequisite: Taken at least one PRH workshop or plan to take one during the course of the year. <https://rcav.org/event/welcoming-the-adventure-of-my-life>

Daily Mass Scripture Readings:

Sunday 9	Monday 10	Tuesday 11	Wednesday 12	Thursday 13	Friday 14	Saturday 15	Sunday 16
Is 35: 4-7 Ps 146 James 2: 1-5 Mk 7: 31-37	1Cor 5: 1-8 Ps 5 Lk 6: 6-11	1Cor 6: 1-11 Ps 149 Lk 6: 12-19	1Cor 7: 1-31 Ps 45 Lk 6:20-26	1Cor 8: 7-13 Ps 139 Lk 6: 27-38	Num 21: 4-9 Ps 78 Jn 3: 13-17	Heb 5: 7-9 Ps 31 Lk 2: 33-35	Is 50: 5-9 Ps 116 Jm 2: 14-18Mk 8: 27-35



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