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Mass Times
5:00 pm Saturday
8:30 am Sunday
7:00 pm Sunday

Mass Times
10:30 am Sunday

Mass Times
12:00 pm Sunday
1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday

Mass Times
12:00 pm Sunday
2nd & 4th Sunday

Mass Times
5:30 pm Saturday
9:30 am Sunday

2nd Sunday in Ordinary time

January 18, 2026

THE MONTH OF JANUARY IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Pastor	Rev Fr Peter Nguyen	250-542-1276
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NOTES/REMINDER

- 2026 ENVELOPES - please pickup your envelope as soon as possible. Envelopes will be at the church until end of the month
- Income Receipt for your donations—available soon
- Jan 18-25—Prayer for the Christian Unity
- Jan 25—Sunday of the Word of God
- CWL General Meeting—Feb 03 Monsignor Miles Hall at 7pm

St James

Daily Mass	Mon-Fri	8:00 am
	Saturday	9:00 am
Reconciliation	Saturday	9:30-10:30 am
		4:00-4:45 pm
Eucharistic Adoration @ St Benedict	Mon -Thursday	9 am—9 pm
	1st Friday	10 am
4 Mysteries of the Rosary	1st Saturday	7:30-8:40 am

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OFFICE

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Closed Wednesday

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office [at least 6 WEEKS prior](#) to your requested date to ensure time for your preparation.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

In preparation for your marriage celebration at the Catholic Church, please contact the office [at least 6 MONTHS prior](#) to your requested wedding date.

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Mission Statement: United in the Eucharist to love and serve.

Vision Statement: Inspired by the Spirit to:
 -know our faith and vocation
 -serve the needs of others
 -welcome new parishioners into our faith community
 -share our excitement about Jesus

Pope's Prayer Intention for the month of January

For Prayer with the Word of God—Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church

MASS INTENTIONS—Jan 19-25

Jan 19	Mon	8 am SJ	Dale Haeber	RIP
Jan 20	Tues	8 am SJ	Fr. Amil Sasges	RIP
Jan 21	Wed	8 am SJ	Anne Kopp	RIP
Jan 22	Thurs	8 am SJ	Bernhard Schiebel	RIP
Jan 23	Fri	8 am SJ	Heinz Niedballa	INT
Jan 24	Sat	9 am SJ	Marie Horvath	RIP
		5 pm SJ	Stephania Koladazny	INT
Jan 25	Sun	8:30 am SJ	SJ Parish Families	INT
		10:30 am OLOV	OLOV Parish Families	INT
		7:00 pm SJ	Marie Horvath	RIP

PARISH MINISTRIES

CWL (St James)	7:00 pm 1st Tuesday of the month (Feb, Apr, Sept, Nov) Monsignor Miles Hall
CWL (OLOV)	11:00 am 1st Sat (Feb, April, June Sept & Nov)
KofC (St James)	Council 4949: www.facebook.com/kofc4949
KofC (OLOV)	St Teresa Council 12202: www.kofc12202.ca
Finance Committee (St James)	Alex Dantzer, Randi Patterman, Jim Allaway Justin Sharma, Carmen Riguadell
Finance Committee (OLOV)	Gord Adams, James Lockwood, Ewen Pitt
Parish Pastoral Council (St James)	David Evans, Deanna Johnstone, Allan Clear, Lorena Clowes Email: ppcstjames@gmail.com
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Parish Pastoral Care Ministry	Contact the Parish Office Email: stjamesvernon@rcdk.org



Next Sunday's Readings:

January 25, 2026

Isaiah 9:1-4
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 (**R. 1a**)
1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17-18
Matthew 4:12-23



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Holy Hour—for Vocations

48. We should build the whole edifice of our spiritual life around Adoration. We should not hesitate to ask Him to work miracles, now, as He did in Palestine. (Fr. John Hardon)

Quote from St. John Vianney

"We must love while we suffer, and we must suffer if we love."

	Last Sunday's Offertory	EFT (Dec) Electronic Fund Transfer	PAD (Jan) Pre-Authorized Debit
St James	\$ 3043	\$ 6030	\$ 5775
OLOV	\$ 1805	\$ 1695	\$ 4043
St Benedict	\$	\$ 20	



Pastoral Care Ministry

If you are in the hospital, in the homes, please phone the office at 250-542-1276 or email at stjamesvernon@rcdk.org for Pastoral Care.



Faith In Action Campaign 35 "Pilgrims of Hope"



	Assessment	Actual
St James	\$ 41546	\$ 54,965
OLOV	\$ 24520	\$ 40,003
St Benedict's	\$ 1887	\$ 4,300

Catholic Book Club

On January 21, 2026 we will continue the discussion of **He Leadeth Me** by **Fr. Walter Ciszek** chapters 5-8. Meet at 9 am in the Monsignor Miles Hall. All are welcome



Welcome to Kindergarten

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We are now taking names and contact information for Kindergarten registrations in 2026-2027!

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Ready Set Learn—Thurs. Feb 5, 2026 9:00—10:30 am—Ages 3-5

Please contact office@stjamesvernon.com and/or 250-542-4080 for more information..

 **Claire Mickelson**—RIP—December 15, 2025
(funeral service will be in Saskatchewan)
Linda M. Fedyniak—**Prayer vigil**—Fri. Jan 16 at 7pm—St James
Funeral—Sat. Jan 17 at 1pm—St. James

Reading and Studying the Bible

continue from last week...

Core Catholic Teachings on the Scriptures and Tradition

The Catholic Church teaches:

- Christ promised to send the Holy Spirit to his closest; followers, the Apostles, after he physically left them to ascend into heaven: “When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth” (Jn 16:13). The Holy Spirit helped the Apostles to remember and understand all that Jesus did and taught. These truths about Jesus and his teachings are therefore called the Apostolic Tradition, or sometimes just the Tradition.
- Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Apostles handed on everything they knew about Jesus to the first Christians and to the generation of leaders that followed them.
- The Holy Spirit inspired people in the early Church to create written documents explaining what the Apostles had handed down about Jesus.
- The Scriptures and Tradition are two sources of Revelation. They are closely connected and together form a single sacred deposit of truth under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. They can never be in conflict, and each one helps us to understand the other.
- The Church looks to God’s Revelation in the Scriptures and Tradition as the only authentic and complete source for knowledge about God and God’s will for the whole human race. It is the responsibility of the Church, through her teaching, her worship, and her ministries, to transmit to every new generation all that God has revealed.
- As the successors of the Apostles, it is the particular and exclusive responsibility of the bishops in union with the Pope—the Magisterium—to faithfully teach, interpret, and preserve the Scriptures and Tradition for all believers until Christ returns in glory.

“(Christ) is the image of the invisible God.” - Col 1:15

Source: *The Catholic Youth Bible*

Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18-25

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25, which are also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. However, there has also been a long-standing practice by a number of communities to celebrate the Week of Prayer on optional dates, in order to include two Sundays.

This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires.

The importance of unity among Christians and the responsibility of the people of each parish to work for this unity should be emphasized throughout the week. All members of the parish should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism.

A resource kit containing program materials for the Week of Prayer, adapted for the Canadian context, may be purchased from the Canadian Council of Churches’ website, www.councilofchurches.ca

The texts of the Masses “For the Unity of Christians” in The *Roman Missal*, pp. 1261-1267 may be adapted for use during this week and celebrated on ferial days as a votive Mass.

Appropriate readings from Sacred Scripture are available in *Lectionary: Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, Masses for the Dead* in the section “For the Holy Church: For the Unity of Christians” nos. 867-871, pp. 461-479. In addition, the Gospel passages are found in the Book of Gospels pp. 653-660.

Source: *ORDO Liturgical Calendar 2025-2026*

Pope Leo XIV proclaims Franciscan Jubilee Year

Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a “Special Year of St. Francis” to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the saint’s death. During this time of grace, which will extend until January 2027, the faithful are granted the opportunity to obtain a **plenary indulgence**.

This Franciscan Jubilee Year, considered a gift for the entire Church and an occasion for authentic spiritual renewal, was inaugurated on Jan. 10 with a **decree** issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See.

Until Jan. 10 of next year, the faithful can obtain this grace under the usual conditions—sacramental confession, Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the pope—by making a pilgrimage to any Franciscan conventual church or place of worship dedicated to St. Francis anywhere in the world.

Furthermore, the elderly, the sick, and those who, for serious reasons, cannot leave their homes can obtain the plenary indulgence by spiritually joining in the jubilee celebrations and offering their prayers, pains, or sufferings to God.

In a world where “the virtual takes over the real, disagreements and social violence are part of everyday life, and peace becomes more insecure and distant everyday, this Year of St. Francis spurs all of us, each according to our possibilities, to imitate the poor man of Assisi, to form ourselves as far as possible on the model of Christ,” the decree states.

For the **Order of Friars Minor**, this time is also an opportunity for the faithful to become “models of holiness of life and constant witnesses of peace.”

On the occasion of this anniversary, Pope Leo XIV addressed a **letter** to the ministries general of the Franciscan Family Conference in which he emphasized that “in this era, marked by so many seemingly endless wars, by internal and social divisions that create distrust and fear, he continues to speak. Not because he offers technical solutions, but because his life points to the authentic source of peace.”

In this regard, he highlighted that St. Francis reminds us that “peace with God, peace among people, and peace with creation are inseparable dimensions of a single call to universal reconciliation.”

By Almudena Martinez-Bordiu

Source: *Catholic News Agency January 12, 2026*

Theology Class on the Eucharist

Our Lady of the Valley—7:00 pm
(5 Wednesdays) Jan 14th, 21st, 28th, Feb 4th and 11th

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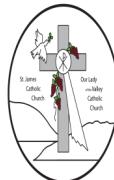
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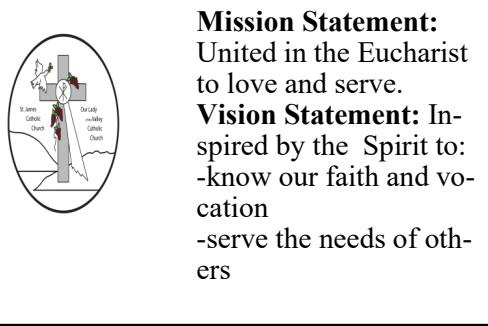


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