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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

My dear parishioners and visitors.

We come together on this Easter Sunday, joyfully celebrating the greatest and oldest feast: The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Easter is the feast of the feasts, the solemnity of solemnities, the great Sunday. The Resurrection of Christ is the crowning truth of faith in Christ (CCC#631-658). St. Paul clearly teaches that "if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and your faith is in vain" (1 Cor. 15:14).

I prayerfully wish you all a blessed Easter.

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad" (Psalm 118).

Together in thanksgiving prayers for God's abundant blessings.
Happy Easter.

Fr. Peter Hoan Nguyen

EASTER SUNDAY—THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 20, 2025

Notes/Reminder

- April 19—**Blessings of Easter Basket**—St James—10:30
- April 27—Divine Mercy Sunday (see details)
- April 30—Knights of Columbus presentation—OLOV at 7pm (details will be on next Bulletin)
- May 01—Fill the Valley—OLOV at 6-7 pm
- May 04—1st Sunday of the month—Food for the Poor
- May 04—KofC 4949—Pancake Breakfast
- May 12—Vernon Pro-Life Scholarship deadline
- May 17—KofC 12202—Yard Sale at OLOV
- May 25—First Holy Communion
- May 30-31 - Women's Retreat (detail will be posted as it becomes available)

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Closed Wednesday

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	Mon—Thursday	9 am—9 pm
@ St Benedict	1st Friday	10 am
4 Mysteries of the Rosary	1st Saturday	7:30-8:40 am

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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MASS INTENTIONS—April 21-27

April 21	Mon	8 am SJ	Margaret & George Hodgkinson	INT
April 22	Tues	8 am SJ	Lucille M. Haines	RIP
April 23	Wed	8 am SJ	Private Intentions	INT
April 24	Thurs	8 am SJ	Patrick Kennedy	RIP
April 25	Fri	8 am SJ	Jack Shore	RIP
April 26	Sat	9 am SJ	Larry O. Kennedy	RIP
		5 pm SJ	Mike & Eva Fedyniak	RIP
April 27	Sun	8:30 am SJ	SJ Parish Families	INT
		10:30 am OLOV	OLOV Parish Families	INT
		7:00 pm SJ	Eva Siska	INT

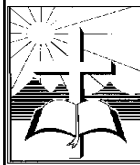
PARISH MINISTRIES

CWL (St James)	
CWL (OLOV)	11:00 am 1st Sat (Feb, April, June Sept & Nov)
KOC (St James)	Council 4949: www.facebook.com/kofc4949
KOC (OLOV)	St Teresa Council 12202: www.kofc12202.ca
Finance Committee (St James)	Alex Dantzer, Randi Patterman, Jim Allaway Justin Sharma, Carmen Riguedell
Finance Committee (OLOV)	Gord Adams, James Lockwood, Ewen Pitt
Parish Pastoral Council (St James)	David Evans, Deanna Johnstone, Michael Flahiff Eric Hoffbauer, Lorena Clowes Email:
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Parish Pastoral Care Ministry	Contact the Parish Office Email: stjamesvernon@rcdk.org

Funeral/Prayer Services

Ann Jubenvill—Prayer, April 25 @ 6pm—OLOV
Funeral, April 26 @ 11 am—OLOV

Frank Flasch—Funeral, May 05 @ 1 pm—St. James



Next Sunday's Readings:

April 27, 2025

Acts 5.12-16

Ps 118.2-4, 22-24, 25-27a (R.1)

Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

John 20.19-31



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Holy Hour—for Vocations

15. I strongly recommend that each of us make a resolution, no matter how much the decision may cost us, to make a holy hour before the Blessed Sacrament once a week. (Fr. John Hardon)

Quote from St. John Vianney

"He who, in repenting of his sins, thinks only of God, has the truest contrition."



Sunday Offertory - April 13

St James \$ 3,019

OLOV \$ 4,921

St Benedict \$ 340

Thank you for your generosity.



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.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April

For the use of the technology—Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Parish Pastoral Care Ministry—Congratulations!

Ready to Serve After Intensive Training

We are thrilled to announce that the Parish Pastoral Care Ministry has successfully completed a comprehensive 9-week training program with the Diocese of Victoria. This marks a significant milestone in our commitment to providing compassionate and dedicated care to our parish community.

With this newly acquired knowledge and experience, some of our members are excited to apply these lessons personally, enhancing their own spiritual journey. Others are now fully prepared to serve the parish community bringing their dedication and compassion to those who seek assistance.

If you or someone you know could benefit from the services of the Parish Pastoral Care Ministry, please do not hesitate to reach out. We are here to offer support, guidance, and comfort in times of need.

Insert the 7 more graduates that weren't able to attend in person.



Mini—Pilgrimage Gratitude

A heartfelt thank you to the Filipino Community

Last Saturday, our pilgrimage was a delightful success, and we owe a great deal of gratitude to the Filipino Community for the incredible food. The meal they prepared and served was nothing short of delectable, and it truly added a special touch to our gathering.

We also extend our deepest thanks to Nella and Marilyn, who took meticulous care of the drinks, ensuring that everyone stayed refreshed throughout the event. Their efforts were essential in making the day enjoyable for all participants.

Additionally, we are profoundly grateful to all the wonderful people who helped with the setup and take down. Your dedication and hard work did not go unnoticed, and it contributed significantly to the smooth flow of the event.

Thank you once again to everyone involved for making this pilgrimage a memorable and cherished experience.

Thank You Note

Appreciation for Easter Celebration Efforts

To our Choir, Acolytes, Ushers, Servers, and to those who helped with the flower arrangements and to all who gave their time and effort to clean the Church for the Easter celebration, thank you.

Your dedication and hard work have made this celebration truly special and memorable. Your contributions have not gone unnoticed, and I am deeply grateful for each one of you.

Thank you once again.
Fr. Peter

St James School—Saloon Night 19+Event

Saturday, May 3rd from 6:30—11 pm at the Parish Centre

Join us for an exciting 19+event where all proceeds will go towards support St. James programming and field trips!

Tickets are \$25.00; variety of items will be available to bid on Silent Auction; Food and drinks available for purchase; Western attire is encouraged; Enjoy live music by the Brother Down band.

Come out and enjoy a great evening while contributing to a worthy cause. We look forward to seeing you there!

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. James Church (9am—9pm Mon-Thurs)

Enhance your life by committing one hour a week as an adorers. We especially need adorers for these hours.

Tues 3-4 pm and 4-5 pm Wed. 12-1, 2-3pm and 6-7 pm
Thurs 12-1pm

For anyone interested in reaping the tremendous benefits of Holy Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Amy and Bruce Bernhardt (250) 308-9612 or adorationstjames@gmail.com.

A CONFIRMATION RALLY “A PILGRIM OF HOPE”

April 26, 2025 10:00 am to 4:30 pm

OLPH Parish Centre—635 Tranquille Road, Kamloops, BC

Kamloops Catholic Youth Group invites the candidates for confirmation to A Confirmation Rally.

To register or for more information please email Andy Cyr at kcyg@redk.org



COME CELEBRATE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 27, 2025 St James Church, Vernon

Schedule:

ADORATION/CONFESSION	1:30—2:45 PM
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET	2:45—3:00 PM
HOLY MASS	3:00 PM

This mass serves as your Sunday obligations.

Jesus asked that this Feast of Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. April 18. Novena pamphlets are available in churches.

“The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened”.

Please go to confession a day or more before Divine Mercy Sunday is possible..

What is Easter Sunday?

Easter Sunday is the day we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection. It is the most important day in history.

The whole world changed on Easter Sunday. It was an earth-shattering, life-changing, history event, and the ultimate proof that Jesus truly is God. Catholics have been celebrating Easter Sunday for over 2,000 years.

How to Celebrate Easter

Easter is not just one-day celebration; it's an entire season! The time of celebration begins on Easter Sunday and goes all the way through to Pentecost.

As Catholics, the one thing we do more than anything else is celebrate. We celebrate life, death, new life, and eternal life. We celebrate education, innovation, discovery, love, truth, beauty, goodness, forgiveness, reconciliation, unity, family, and new life. We are a People of celebration. And there's the thing—you become what you celebrate. If you celebrate death and destruction, you will become death and destruction. If you celebrate life and creativity, you will become life and creativity. The Church's constant invitation is to celebrate the right things with great vigor, enthusiasm, and regularly.

There are so many ways to celebrate Easter. The world celebrates with chocolate eggs, the Easter Bunny, and parties. While Catholics might join in on these festivities, that's not where the celebration ends. First and foremost, Catholics celebrate Easter by attending Mass on Easter Sunday or the Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday. Another great way to celebrate is to read the accounts of the Resurrection in the Gospels and spend time in prayer, meditating on the scenes. How would you respond to the empty tomb? Who's the first person you would tell? Third, reflect on how God is inviting you to bring new life into your relationships, your faith, and your community this Easter Season.

A Prayer for Easter Sunday

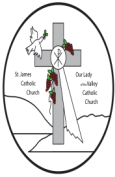
What is it in your life that needs to be resurrected this Easter? Perhaps it's a relationship, maybe it's your personal finances, perhaps it's your health, or maybe it's your career or spirituality. Bring it all to Jesus in prayer on Easter and you'll be amazed at how he fills you with new life!

Jesus, Unleash the power of the Resurrection in my life today. Resurrect the area of my life that needs it today. Help me to stop resisting your grace, stay out of your way, and let your work in me and through me in whatever ways you want. Jesus, you have conquered death and hatred with love. Teach me to do the same in some small way in my own life. Give me the courage to love when I feel rejected, ignored, unappreciated, forgotten, and taken for granted.

Thank you, Jesus. I pray I never let a day pass without these words crossing my lips. Jesus, on this Easter we pray for all those who have lost faith in you, and for anyone who has never encountered you in a way that allowed them to embrace you.

May the power of your Resurrection reignite faith in my life, in the lives of all those I love, and in the lives of the entire Church. Amen

Source: Dynamic Catholic



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