

Saint James Church
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Our Lady of the Valley
10102 Middleton Drive
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St. Benedict's
122 Head of the Lake
Rd, Vernon, BC

St Theresa's Church
11365 Westside Road
Vernon, BC

Sacred Heart Church
2202 Park Ave
Lumby, BC V0E 2G0



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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 2026

"The month of September is dedicated to the Our Lady of Sorrow"

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

Pastor	Rev Fr Peter Nguyen	250-542-1276
Parochial Vicar	Fr Paul coung Do	250-547-9070
	Sacred Heart, Lumby and St Benedict/St Theresa	
Permanent Deacon	Deacon Paul Murphy	778-212-2020(call or text)
Diocese Kamloops Office	635A Tranquille Rd Kamloops, BC V2B 3H5	250-376-3351

NOTES/REMINDER

- Sept 12—CWL—OLOV Meeting
- Sept 13—**CHILDREN'S LITURGY—10:30 mass** at OLOV
- Sept 15—**NO MASS**—Priest Study Days
- Sept 15—Burgers With Brothers—OLOV 6pm (see details)
- Sept 16—Mass at 5:00 pm
- Sept 25-26—**WOMEN'S RETREAT** (see details)
- Oct 17—"OOM PA PA" OKTOBERFEST—KofC Council 12202 and 4949 (see detail)

Eucharistic Adoration at St. James Church

Monday to Thursday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm
Come and adore Jesus, who is truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament

Just one hour a week; you choose the hour.
Drop-in visitors also welcome.

We especially need adorers for these hours:
Monday 3-4 p.m., & 4-5 p.m.

Tuesday 2-3 p.m., 3-4 p.m., & 4-5 p.m.

Wed. 2-3 p.m., Thursday 10-11 a.m. & 3-4 p.m.

Contact: adorationstjames@gmail.com or 250-542-1276

INTERAC/E-TRANSFER DONATIONS

St James	givingstjamesvernon@rccv.org
OLOV	givingolov@rccv.org
St Benedict	givingstbenedict@rccv.org



Last Sunday's Offertory

EFT (Aug) Electronic Fund Transfer

PAD (Aug) Pre-Authorized Debit

St James	\$ 3972	\$ 1700	\$ 5996
OLOV	\$ 2722	\$ 1965	\$ 3625
St Benedict	190		

OFFICE

Telephone:	250-542-1276	www.rccv.org
Email:		stjamesvernon@rcdk.org
Office Hrs.	8am—2pm	Mon-Tues-Thurs-Fri
	Closed	Wednesday

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(250) 542-4081
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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 September

For the care of water—Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

MASS INTENTIONS—Sept 14-20

Sept 14	Mon	8 am SJ	Darlene Heaney	INT
Sept 15	Tues	8 am SJ	NO MASS Clergy retreat	
Sept 16	Wed	5 pm SJ	Kay Telford	RIP
Sept 17	Thurs	8 am SJ	CWL St James	INT
Sept 18	Fri	8 am SJ	Iris Brennan	INT
Sept 19	Sat	9 am SJ	Loren Yasinski	RIP
		5 pm SJ	Cecil Schmidt	RIP
Sept 20	Sun	8:30 am SJ	SJ Parish Families	INT
		10:30 am OLOV	OLOV Parish Families	INT
		7 pm SJ	Vincent Czerwonka	RIP

PARISH MINISTRIES

CWL (St James)	7:00 pm (Sept 15 and Nov 10, 2026; Feb 9 and April 13, 2027) Monsignor Miles Hall
CWL (OLOV)	11:00 am 1st Sat (Feb, April, June, Sept & Nov 14)
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 Riguedell
Finance Committee (OLOV)	Gord Adams, James Lockwood, Ewen Pitt
Parish Pastoral Council (St James)	Deanna Johnstone, Allan Clear, Lorena Clowes Email: ppcstjames@gmail.com
Parish Pastoral Council (OLOV)	Maureen Rinn, Ben Allen, Jeff Routley, Judit Spence Email: ppcoulady@gmail.com
Parish Pastoral Care Ministry	Contact the Parish Office Email: stjamesvernon@rcdk.org



Next Sunday's Readings:

September 20, 2026

Isaiah 55.6-9
Ps 145.2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (R.18)
Philippians 1.20-24, 27
Matthew 20.1-16



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Holy Hour—for Vocations

78. If we only knew the value of a Holy Hour we would never miss a single day without making one. Because the Cross is infinite in merit, there is no limit to the value of a holy Hour! ("Letters to a Brother Priest")

Quote from St. John Vianney

"The soul wherein the Holy Spirit dwells exhales a sweet perfume, like the vine when in flower."



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.



Pastoral Care Training Program: Fall 2026 Series

Nine free online sessions to be held via Zoom

Saturdays from 9:30 am—noon PST

Sept 26-Nov 28, 2026 (no session Oct 10)

Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

St James CWL Grocery Receipts

CWL is collecting receipts from Butcher Boy's & Nature's Fare Markets. Please put your receipts in the white "Grocery Receipt Program" box located on the table in the vestibule of the main entrance of St. James Church.

"Burgers with Brothers"

Knights of Columbus Council 12202 invites all men to an evening of food and fellowship on Tuesday, Sept 15 at 6:00 pm at OLOV. There is no cost to attend. RSVP to jameslockwood@hotmail.com or call 250-309-4445.

Readers Needed

More readers for 7pm Mass on Sundays are needed. If you are able to read once a month at the Sunday 7 pm Mass, please call or text Kelly Wilson at 250-241-5285 or email kellypwilson@gmail.com

St. James CWL General Meeting

Tuesday, September 15th at 7pm Monsignor Miles Hall (church basement)

All members and women interested in joining CWL and helping us plan our annual Christmas Tea Room and Bazaar are invited to attend.

Catholic Book Club

Please join us on Sept 16 at 9 am in the Monsignor Miles Hall for a discussion of The Four Last Things, focusing on the text of Pope Benedict XVI. All are welcome.

Fall Catechism Sign-Up

Families are invited to sign up for the upcoming **FFC Faith Formation for Children** program. Classes will begin at the beginning of October.

Please register your child as soon as possible so we can prepare materials and class lists. Send email; to ffevernon@gmail.com or to stjamesvernon@rcdk.org

More details about the schedule and registration process will be shared soon.

Commentary on the Sunday Mass Readings for the Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

The **First Reading** is taken from the *Book of Sirach* 27:30, 28:7. In the verses ready today, Sirach tells us what we must forgive our neighbor if we want God to forgive us our own sins. We must be merciful if we if we hope to obtain mercy from God. We must not seek revenge on a neighbor lest God should take vengeance on us. If we remember our end in life we will keep God's commandments and we will not be angry with w neighbor who offends us.

The **Second Reading** is from the *St. Paul to the Romans* 14:7-9. In these three verses St. Paul emphasizes the fact that through our baptism we have been made members of Christ's mystical body, we have become brothers of Christ, intimately united with him in his death and resurrection. Whether living or dead we belong to Christ. If was for this purpose, to unite all men closely to himself not only in this life but especially in the next, that Christ became man and "dwelt among us."

The **Gospel** is from *St. Matthew* 18:21-35. On reading or hearing this tory of the merciless servant, each one of us would rightly judge him a mean, low type of man, a heartless man, who puts himself outside the pale of mercy. He throttled his fellow-servant for a paltry debt of ten dollars, and would not listen to the poor man's plea for mercy. When we hear what the king did to his heartless servant we heartily approve and say: "served him right, he got what he richly deserved."

We had better stop and think for a moment today and reflect what we ourselves may be that merciless servant described in the parable. Every time we have sinned mortally we have incurred and unpayable debt to God. Each time we have received absolution we have come out of God's courtroom as free men. A weight greater than a million dollar debt had been lifted from our shoulders. A fate worse than generations of earthly imprisonment—that is, eternal slavery—has been spared us because of God's loving, infinite mercy. How then can it happen that we could be so heartless, mean, and foolish as to refuse to forgive a neighbor for some offense he has committed against us?

Yet is happens, and it may be that there are some among us here today who continue to have enmity in their hearts against neighbors who offended them. In their hard-heartedness they cannot get themselves to forgive and forget. Are these not following in the footsteps of the merciless servant? This will be the fate of all unforgiving Christians; they will meet an unforgiving God when they are called to settle their accounts.

That day has not yet come to us. We still have time to put our affairs in order. We still can forgive all our enemies from our heart. If we do not, we are cutting ourselves off from the possibility of having our own sins and offences forgiven by God. We have the solemn word of our divine Lord for this is the lesson he draws from the parable "So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you (that is, deliver us up to eternal slavery) if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

- Excerpted from the Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

Source: Catholic Culture

Upon This Rock: Adult Faith formation for Catholics and Converts

In September we're launching a new year for **Upon This Rock**: Exploring the Biblical Foundations of the Catholic Church. This class is required for any prospective converts that would like to explore and learn about the Catholic faith with the hope of receiving the Sacraments of Initiation next Easter, but it also serves as an excellent class for life-long Catholics wanting to take their understanding and faith deeper, and to strengthen their relationship with God.

The class runs weekly, from mid-September through to Easter, starting with foundational topics and building to the full scope of church teaching.

Come learn about the faith in a welcoming group environment. Classes are free to attend.

For more information and to register, go to our website at rccv.org and click on **Upon This Rock**.

Women's Retreat—"Embracing God's Plan"

Join Nancy Simms and Christine Mason of **God's Unfinished Works of Art** as they lead us to discover and explored Embracing God's Plan.

All Women are invited!!

Friday, Sept 25th—6:30 pm—9:00 pm
Saturday, Sept 26th—Mass 9:00 am—3:30 pm
Monsignor Miles Hall (St. James Church Basement)
Mass, adoration & Confession
Lunch & coffee breaks included—**Cost \$30.00**

Register by September 14, 2026
Contact Amy Bernhardt 250-308-9612 (text or call)
Email: amybernhardt5@icloud.com

Knights of Columbus Council 12202 (OLOV) Fall and Winter Program

Coats for Kids Program—Help Us Keep Our Children Warm!

- Drop off bins are now available at OLOV Narthex and at St. James front entrance.
- Financial donations to **Knights of Columbus Council #12202**, e-transfer: FSSTC12202@gmail.com Memo: "Coats for Kids" and/or **Cash donation** to drop off at the office. **Donations of \$100 or more are eligible for a tax receipt.**

Giving Tree—OLOV church starting 2nd week of September

Contact: Nicholas Rasquinha at tel. 250-307-6777

Prolife—Annual Flag Day Saturday, September 19th from 9am-4pm

We are asking for families/individuals to comet out and support our cause. We put up hundreds of flags in pink & blue on Hwy 97 next to the ball fields across from the military barracks. Each flag represents 10,000 abortions that take place in Canada each year. We are asking people to come (bring a chair/umbrella, beverages provided) spend one or more hours in silent witness with us in solidarity to help remind people that we need to save our unborn children.

Please come join us. Please call Debbie 236-768-8802 if you have any questions.

"OOM PA PA" OKTOBERFEST Saturday, October 17, 2026 @ 6:30 pm

**\$30 per person—Dinner & Dancing
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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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