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**Sacred Heart Church**  
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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

## **The Epiphany of the Lord** **January 04, 2026**

**THE MONTH OF JANUARY IF DEDICATED TO THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS**

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev Fr Peter Nguyen	250-542-1276
<b>Parochial Vicar</b>	Fr Henry Nwaimo	250-214-4060
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### **NOTES/REMINDER**

- 2026 ENVELOPES ARE NOW READY TO PICK UP
- Jan 04—Food for the Poor
- Jan 08—Fill the Valley—OLOV—6:00 pm
- Jan 11—Children's Liturgy will resume

<b>St James</b>		
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

### **INTERAC/E-TRANSFER DONATIONS**

St James      givingstjamesvernon@rccv.org  
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### **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.

### **OFFICE**

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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 05-11

Jan 05	Mon	8 am SJ	Inzunza family	INT
Jan 06	Tues	8 am SJ	Catherine L'Heureux	INT
Jan 07	Wed	8 am SJ	Jim O'Friel	RIP
Jan 08	Thurs	8 am SJ	Jackie Niehaus	RIP
Jan 09	Fri	8 am SJ	Dan Danyluk	RIP
Jan 10	Sat	9 am SJ	John Toporchuk	RIP
		5 pm SJ	Cida D'Agosto	RIP
Jan 11	Sun	8:30 am SJ	SJ Parish Families	INT
		10:30 am OLOV	OLOV Parish Families	INT
		7:00 pm SJ	Roseann Renney	RIP

### PARISH MINISTRIES

CWL (St James)	7:00 pm 2nd Tuesday of the month (Jan, Apr, Sept, Nov) Monsignor Miles Hall
CWL (OLOV)	11:00 am 1st Sat (Feb, April, June Sept & Nov)
KofC (St James)	Council 4949: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/kofc4949">www.facebook.com/kofc4949</a>
KofC (OLOV)	St Teresa Council 12202: <a href="http://www.kofc12202.ca">www.kofc12202.ca</a>
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Finance Committee (OLOV)	Gord Adams, James Lockwood, Ewen Pitt
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Parish Pastoral Council (OLOV)	Maureen Rinn, Ben Allen, Jeff Routley, Judit Spence Email: <a href="mailto:ppcoulady@gmail.com">ppcoulady@gmail.com</a>
Parish Pastoral Care Ministry	Contact the Parish Office Email: <a href="mailto:stjamesvernon@rcdk.org">stjamesvernon@rcdk.org</a>



### Next Sunday's Readings: January 11, 2026

Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7  
Ps 29.1-2, 3ac-4, 3b+9c-10 (R. 11b)  
Acts 10.34-38  
Matthew 3.13-17



### SERRA CLUB of KAMLOOPS DIOCESE

*Holy Hour—for Vocations*

46. Jesus revealed to St. Faustina at Adoration that "beneath these rays (from the Eucharist) a heart will be warmed even if it were a lock of ice; or hard as rock..." (St. Faustina)

### Quote from St. John Vianney

"The Wise Men overcame every difficulty and surmounted every obstacle, in order to follow the Star."



### Last Sunday's Offertory

### EFT (Nov) Electronic Fund Transfer

### Christmas Offering

St James	\$ 2916	\$ 685	\$ 7680
OLOV	\$ 2177	\$ 1390	\$ 5544
St Benedict	\$ 230	\$ 40	\$ 220



### 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](mailto:stjamesvernon@rcdk.org) for Pastoral Care.



### 2026 PARISH ENVELOPES/DONATIONS

Envelopes are available for pickup in the churches. Please **DO NOT USE** your old envelope as your number might changed).

If you have registered for PAD (pre-authorized debit) there is a smaller box of Special Collection envelopes for you.

If you need an envelope please contact the office at 250-542-1276

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### Faith In Action Campaign 35 "Pilgrims of Hope"

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

	Assessment	Actual
St James	\$ 41546	\$ 51060
OLOV	\$ 24520	\$ 34261
St Benedict's	\$ 1887	\$ 4300



### Catholic Book Club

On January 07, 2026 we will start our first book of the New Year, **He Leadeth Me** by Fr. Walter Ciszek.

Meet at 9 am in the Monsignor Miles Hall. All are welcome

## Invitation to Join Bible-In-A-Year Study Group

An opportunity to Explore the Bible Together

Are you curious about the Bible and eager to deepen your understanding, but uncertain about where to begin? Many people find the Bible's vast history and varied contexts challenging—especially when it's unclear how everything fits together. That's why we're inviting you to join fellow parishioners in exploring the Bible-In-A-Year (BIY) program led by Fr. Mike Schmitz, presented by Ascension Press.

### Why Bible-In-A-Year?

The Bible-In-A-Year program is a wonderful, free opportunity to journey through the entire Bible in one year. Guided by Fr. Mike Schmitz, you'll receive daily reading and insightful commentary, making the experience both educational and spiritually enriching. This is a fantastic way to discover God's revelations throughout history and see how they apply to our lives today.

### Group Format & Meeting Schedule

Recognizing that winter weather can be unpredictable and that some parishioners live out of town, our group will meet online three times a month, with one in-person gathering during the fourth week. This flexible format ensures everyone can participate, regardless of location or weather conditions.

- Weekly Online Meetings: Three times per month
- Monthly In-Person Meeting: Fourth week of each month

### How to Get Involved

If you're interested in joining us or would like more information about the Bible-In-A-Year group, please reach out! Whether you are new to Bible study or looking to reconnect, this is a welcoming and supportive environment for all.

Contact: Nathalie Magel

Email: [magelnathalie@gmail.com](mailto:magelnathalie@gmail.com)

We hope you'll consider this opportunity to learn and grow in faith alongside your parish community. We look forward to hearing from you!

## Okanagan Experience Raffle—Results

A heartfelt thank you to everyone for your incredible support of the Okanagan Experiences Raffle by purchasing the tickets, organized by **Knights of Columbus Council 12202**. Your generosity helps fund a variety of projects run by our organization, and we truly appreciate your kindness and continued involvement.

### **The winning ticket numbers are as follows:**

- Christmas at Silver Star: Ticket #177
- 3 Nights at County Cottage: Ticket #239
- Patio Boat Cruise on Kalamalka Lake: Ticket #008
- The Rise Package: Ticket #096

Congratulations to all winners! May God shower you all abundantly with His blessings. Happy New Year!

## St. James School—Kindergarten Registration

Happy New Year! We are pleased to announce that Kindergarten registration for the 2026-2027 year opens on Monday, January 5, 2026. Stop by the office for a registration package. Join us for Ready, Set, learn on Thursday, February 5, 2026 from 9:00—10:30 am to learn more about our Kindergarten program!

Mrs. Melanie Inzunza, Principal St James School

## THANK YOU NOTE

My Dear Parishioners, and Visitors,

I am so grateful for your active participation in our Christmas and New Year's Celebrations. My sincere thanks go out to the choir, the readers, the Eucharistic Ministers, the Altar Servers, the Ushers, and the dedicated team who beautifully decorated our churches.

Your commitment and service to both churches—St. James and Our Lady of the Valley—made our solemn celebrations truly beautiful and meaningful. I am deeply appreciative of your generosity, enthusiasm, and the spirit of collaboration.

Thank you, once again, for making these celebrations so special for our parishes. "May God be gracious to us and bless us and people everywhere." (Psalm 67)

With heartfelt gratitude,  
Fr. Peter

## Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

The feast of the Epiphany which was kept in the East and in certain Western Churches before being observed in Rome, seems to have been originally a feast of the nativity; January 9, for those churches where it was kept, was the equivalent of Christmas (December 25) in the Roman Church. The feast was introduced at Rome in the second half of the sixth century and became the complement and, so to say, the crown of the Christmas festival.

Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is a affirmation of universal salvation. St. Leo brings out this point admirably in a sermon, read at Matins, in which he shows in the adoration of the Magi the beginnings of Christian faith, the time when the great mass of the heathen sets off to follow the star which summons it to seek its Savior.

That is the meaning, too, of the wonderful prophecy from Isaiah which the liturgy appoints to be read in the first nocturn at Matins and at the Epistle of the Mass. The same thought of universal redemption the Church returns to as she sings, in the antiphon to the Magnificat at 2nd Vespers, applying the words to herself, of the union with Christ typified by the wedding feast at Cana, by the baptism of her children foreshadowed by that of Christ in the waters of the Jordan. Formerly the Epiphany was an additional day for solemn baptisms.

*Source: Catholic Cultures*

## 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.  
Drop-in visitor are always welcome.

*We especially need adorers for these hours.*

*Mon 3-4 pm and 4-5 pm Tuesday 3-4 pm*

*Wed. 12-1, 2-3pm and 6-7 pm Thurs 12-1 pm*

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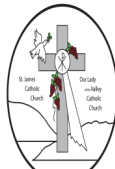
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