DAILY MASS INTENTIONS: July 5, 2025 - July 13, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. J.	AMES	THE	GREA	TER
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Sunday 07/06 10:30 am: † Deceased Parishioners of St. James

Friday 07/11 11:00 am: † Therese & † Joseph Sirois

<u>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

Sunday 07/13 10:30 am: † Deceased Parishioners of St. James

ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR

Sunday 07/06 8:30 am: † Richard Del Favero, † Bob Charland (18th Ann.) and for the Intentions of

the Maillet Family

Monday 07/07 5:30 pm: † Ed Hartman

Friday 07/11 5:30 pm: † Virginia Holbrook

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Sunday 07/13 8:30 am: † Michael Randall, Sr. (14th Ann.), † Patricia Place and † Helena DeLaBruere

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

Saturday 07/05 4:00 pm: † Margo Maarawi

Sunday 07/06 9:30 am: † Oscar & † Emma Kimball, † Theresa McAvinney and † Martha Darlington

11:00 am: † Lucie Metras & for the Intentions of Brenda Isabelle

Monday 07/07 9:00 am: † Arthur, Sr. & Mary Leontine Belisle

4:00 pm: † Lucienne Ricard

<u>Tuesday</u> 07/08 9:00 am: † James S. Carr (10th Ann.)

4:00 pm: † Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday 07/09 9:00 am: † Dorothy Begin

4:00 pm: Homebound and Nursing Home Parishioners

Thursday 07/10 9:00 am: Healing for those on our Prayer List

4:00 pm: † Arthur, Jr., † Larry & † John Belisle

Friday 07/11 9:00 am: † Carrie Progen

4:00 pm: Intentions of Fr. Scott Gratton on the 10th Anniversary of his Ordination

Saturday 07/12 9:00 am: † Martha Darlington

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Saturday 07/12 4:00 pm: Intentions of the Vocationist Fathers

Sunday 07/13 9:30 am: † Jack Dillon, † Annette Pike and † Annette Deziel

11:00 am: † Anthony Lague and for the Intentions of Francis Leblanc

Prayer for the Sick

Heavenly Father, we place our sick in Your loving care and humbly ask that You bring healing to Your servants and restore them to health. May they experience Your loving care during this difficult time. Above all, grant us all the grace to accept and acknowledge Your will. Amen.

2025 Prayer List



Art Aulis Darrel Ayles Tracy Ashman Kristin & Billie Austin Kris & Betty Barrett Rod Barrup Jayne Bidwell **Betty Blair** Jackie Bowen Raymond Bowen, Sr. Darlene Butler Kevin Charboneau Nancy Clark Ann Collins Steve Comeau Bill Cook Linda Curtis Mark Daignault Tony & Margo Daniels **Delana Daniels Denis Deatte** Brenda Deslandes Marion Deslandes Victoria Devost Jean Diette Katie Dirth Peggy Fedele May Fortin **Brian Fournier** Cindy Fournier Maci Fournier Shirley Fournier Julie Fortin Garland Fr. Charles Gilman OBS **Danny Gratton** Dan Griffin Shirley Hand Mary Ann Hauver **Beverly Hebert** Jeff Hensley Arthur Jenne Elaine Langevin

Aiden Lavigne Mary Lou Lantagne Gary Lebarron Rose Lebeau David LeBlanc Rita Desrochers Leblanc Alister Lepine Roger Lessard Sr. Henrietta Lessard Alicia Letourneau Dolores Letourneau Keith Mandart Anthony Marducci Frank McCarthy **Anthony Moccia Brent Monahan family** Leah Monahan James Morley Margaret Morrill Tom & Helen Mullen Joshua Noble Parishioner with health need Janice Parry Paul Poginy Alicia Pritchard Gary Prive Joe Punk Jennifer Roberge Roger Roberge, Jr. Fr. Shawn Roberson **Brad & Emily Root** Asher Sawyer **David Schmidt** Doug Swanson Denise Taylor Jan Tepe & family Thomas & Laura Dave & Leslie Turner Cheryl Vederber John & Brenda Voyer Cindy Wescom

Wendy Wooden

living

liturgy

How "Like Sheep among Wolves" becomes "As a Mother Comforts her Sons"

In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus sends us out "like sheep among wolves". If you take time to pause on that image, it is frightful. Humanly considered, such a commission is irresponsible. Yet Jesus sends us because He has gone before us, and we can, therefore, win the victory of "the lamb that was slain". Jesus came to humanity defenseless. His protection was the Father who had given Him a mission to accomplish, and until it was accomplished, the Father protected Him from His enemies' attacks. In turn, Jesus protects us. He sends His "laborers who are few" "into the harvest". He sends us to announce the great joy of the coming of the Kingdom of God. Our wish is for peace with everyone, whether people accept Jesus or not. So, when His message is rejected, we messengers are simply to leave and go somewhere else, rather than to try to force God's Kingdom on anyone. We are to share the nearness of the Kingdom to both those who are ready to receive it and those who resist - even when the message is for their own good and there isn't much time left. We are not to rejoice or despair over our success or lack of it. That is because true success lies with serving the Lord - the Lord who gave us the assignment - the Lord who is victorious even over sin and death. We are conscious that the Lamb of God "has triumphed". He is the "lion of the tribe of Judah". All of heaven sings hymns of victory and praise to Him [Revelation 5:5, 9ff]. We whom He sends will find the strength in Him, not in ourselves: the strength to overcome all the "power of the enemy". This gives peace to those He send out. It gives peace "as a mother comforts her son". Here in today's first reading from Genesis, we find the treasure of the Church who nurses us as our mother, and we, according to the first reading, should drink our fill. The Church can give us this nourishment because she receives it from Jesus, who, through His Cross, sends "peace like a river", and we, the Church, are to share it with those we meet.

In the second reading, the Apostle Paul speaks in the name of the Church of Our Lord. Paul's (and our own) defenselessness is shown in our crucifixion. Yet in our apparent defeat comes true victory. The world, which seems to win, will finally be rendered dead and harmless, while we are "crucified to the world"; that is, if we do as Christ tells us, the world has no power over our hearts, and thus is made harmless to us. This is made possible by the power of the Cross of Christ, the only thing that Paul boasts of. That he bears the "marks of Christ in his body" is merely a sign of his close discipleship. It is from the perspective of the Cross that Christ offers us "peace and mercy". This peace and mercy are "based on this rule of life". Our victory over the world is found in Iesus' Cross and its impact on the Church and world.