St. James Parish

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday **9:00-12:30 & 1:00-3:00pm**
***Closed** 12:30-1pm for Lunch**
***Closed 3rd Friday** of the Month*

St. James Church

338060 – 32nd St. East
(*Street Address only*)
Okotoks

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov. 11th, 2018

SCHEDULE FOR ST. JAMES CHURCH (for the week of Nov 11 to NOV 17):

Mass Times:
Sun: 11:00am & 5:30pm
Tues: 7:00pm
Thurs: 9:30am
Sat: 5:30pm

Reconciliation Schedule:
Sunday, 4-5pm,
Tuesday after Mass, 7:30-8:30pm,
Saturday, 4-5pm

Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday following Mass 7:30-8:30pm
➔**Weekday Adoration: *6-9am** & **5-7pm***, sign up sheet is in the chapel

SCHEDULE FOR ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH:

Mass Times:
Sun: 9:00am
Wed: 9:00am
Fri: 9:00am

Reconciliation Schedule:
After *weekday* Mass ***Friday*** **only.**

Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday following 9:00am Mass

St. Michael's Church

402 Government Road
(Street address only)
Black Diamond

Building and Sustaining One Parish

FORMED Parish code **TPWN47**.
https://formed.org/

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

We're Adding More Masses!

BEGINNING DEC. 2ND!
SUNDAY @ 7:30AM
WEDNESDAY @ 7:30AM
FRIDAY @ 7:30AM
ST. JAMES CHURCH
~ OKOTOKS ~

St. James Catholic Women's League (CWL)

- Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13th beginning with mass at 7:00 pm and meeting to follow in the St. Raphael Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a friend.
- Our Annual Christmas Bake and Craft Sale will be held after mass on Saturday, November 24th and Sunday, November 25th. Be sure to mark your calendars.
- Memberships for 2019 are now available and can be dropped off at the parish office. The fee is $25.00. New members are welcome. If you would like more information about CWL, call Vi Lake at 403-938-2369

LIVING NATIVITY

Looking for a way to help or participate in the Living Nativity this year? Contact Lea at lmfoy@shaw.ca or # 780-826-8753.

Next Sunday, November 18th, St. Mary's school will be selling Christmas Cards and Nativity Scenes after the 11am Mass and they would love your support!

"Rivers of Living Water"

St. James, Charismatic Prayer Group
THURSDAYS
7:00 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Drop in & join us for music, prayer, scripture & fellowship.
"He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water'."
(John 7:38)

Second Annual St. James Wine Survivor Fundraiser

All proceeds support the Live Nativity

Participation is easy!

1. Create a team with 5 friends
2. Each team member purchases one bottle of wine *($15 minimum, no homemade wine please)* **and** *contributes $20.*
3. Collect $20 cash + bottle of wine from each team member
4. Give your Wine Team Info + Wine/$100 to:

Jayme Crawford: 403-863-5631
Jennifer Rorke: 403-464-3246
Odile Wilson: 403-874-6913
Tara Epp: 403-880-4953
Andrew Gustafson: 403-889-6536
Church Office: 403-938-3122

5. All participants will be notified on each of the 4 draw dates.
   ***The last 4 players standing will win wine for the entire team!**
   Deadline to enter: November 30, 2018 @ 6 p.m.

*Amount to be won depends on # of teams
First team eliminated will win
1 bottle of wine each!

1st place: 40% of the wine
2nd place: 30% of the wine
3rd place: 20% of the wine
4th place: 10% of the wine

Masses For The Week	Activities For The Week
Sunday - Nov 11 **9:00am - St. Michael's** Charles & Kelly Briere **11:00am - St. James** ✞ Patrick Joseph Magee **5:30pm - St. James** People of the Parish	♦ **Remembrance Day** ♦ Coffee Sunday after 9am Mass, St. Michael's Church ♦ Pancake Breakfast after 11am Mass, St. James Church Hall **Hey Kids! Check out www.thekidsbulletin.com**
Monday - Nov 12 **NO MASS**	♦ **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED — In Honour of Remembrance Day** ♦ Christian Yoga Ministry 6pm, St. James Church, St. Raphael Room ♦ 2nd Sunday Choir Practice 7-8pm, St. Michael's Church
Tuesday - Nov 13 **7:00pm - St. James** ✞ Nestor Laquibla	♦ Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 9:30-11:30am, St. James, St. Kateri Room ♦ CWL Meeting 7-9pm. St. James Church, St. Raphael Room ♦ RCIA 7-9pm, St. James Church, St. Bro. Andre Room ♦ RCIT 7-9pm, St. James Church, St. Joseph Room ♦ Senior High Youth Gathering 7:30pm-9pm, St. James Parish Hall
Wednesday - Nov 14 **9:00am - St. Michael's** ✞ Muriel Moore	
Thursday - Nov 15 **9:30am - St. James** ✞ Bill Murphy	♦ Jr. High Youth 7-8:30pm, St. James Church Hall ♦ "Rivers of Living Water" Prayer Group - 7pm, St. James Church, St. Br. Andre Room. Drop in & join us for music, prayer, scripture & fellowship. ♦ HIS Choir Practice 7:30-10pm, St. James Church
Friday - Nov 16 **9:00am - St. Michael's** Lucie & Bill Jennings	
Saturday - Nov 17 **5:30pm - St. James** Dan & Bonnie Hertz	♦ First Reconciliation Retreat 9am-12pm, St. James Church and Hall
Sunday - Nov 18 **9:00am - St. Michael's** ✞ George Martin **11:00am - St. James** ✞ Shane Mortimer **5:30pm - St. James** People of the Parish	♦ **Grocery Gift Cards for Sale after Mass ~ St. James Church** ♦ KofC Breakfast after 9am Mass, St. Michael's Church ♦ Coffee Sunday after 11am Mass, St. James Church Hall *** Low Gluten Eucharist is available at every Mass Located Center aisle behind the Priest.**

Anyone who will be attending Sunday mass at 7:30am is invited to sign up for a ministry. Please let Leanne know if you're interested.

St. James Parish - Sacramental Preparation - 2018-2019

Registration available at the Parish office & on the Website

Please note: If your child has not received any sacraments at St. James or St. Michael's Church, a copy of their baptismal certificate must be given at the time of registration.

First Reconciliation 2018

NEW! For students in Grades 2 & 3 and up. **ALL CLASSES WILL BE MONDAYS 6:30pm-8pm.** Parent & student to attend each session. Cost $30.

Retreat:

- Saturday, Nov 17th @ 9am-12pm

1st Reconciliation Penitential Service

- Wednesday, Nov 21st @ 7pm

First Communion 2019

For students in Grade 2 & up who have completed their First Reconciliation. **ALL CLASSES WILL BE MONDAYS 6:30pm-8pm.** Parent and student are to attend each session and retreat. Cost $30.

Session #1: Monday, April 29th
Blessing at Mass : Sat. May 11th @ 5:30pm
Session #2: Monday, May 13th
Session #3: Monday, May 27th
Session #4: Monday, June 10th

Retreat & Rehearsal:

- Saturday, June 15 @ 9am-12:30pm

1st Communion Sacramental Mass:

- Saturday & Sunday, June 22nd & 23rd, 2019 (at all Masses)

**Extra Registration Date: Mon. Mar 25th @3pm-8pm, St. James Church*

Confirmation 2019

For students in Grade 6 and up. **ALL CLASSES WILL BE MONDAYS 6:30pm-8pm.** Parent & student to attend each session. Cost $40.

Session #1: Monday, January 14th
Blessing at Mass : Sat. Jan 26th @ 5:30pm
Session #2: Monday, January 28th
Session #3: Monday, February 11th
Session #4: Monday, March 4th
Session #5: Monday, March 18th
Session #6: Monday, April 1st
Session #7: Monday, April 15th

Service Day/ Retreat & Rehearsal:

- TBD

Celebration of Confirmation with Bishop William McGrattan:

- Saturday, May 25th, 2019 @ 11:00am

Baptism Preparation

Registration takes place at the Parish Office before the session. A Baptism Preparation session is required for the baptism of your first child. (Baptisms take place the 2nd and 4th Saturdays & Sundays of each month after the 5:30pm and 11am mass in Okotoks, and at the 9am Mass in Black Diamond. **Cost is $20.00.**

Sessions:

Wed, December 12th, 2018 @7pm
Sat, January 26th, 2019 @ 1pm
Wed, March 13th, 2019 @ 7pm
Wed, May 1st, 2019 @ 7pm
Wed, June 12th, 2019 @ 7pm

Documents required:

*Birth Certificate of child
*Baptism Certificate of parent(s)
*Annotated Baptismal Certificate of Godparent(s) This is a baptism certificate that shows date of Confirmation as well.

Marriage Preparation

Phone the Parish Office at least ***6 months before marriage and make an appointment***. Marriage preparation sessions are mandatory for those preparing for marriage. **Cost is $150.00 per couple.**

Sessions run Friday @ 7-9pm and continue Saturday @ 9am-4pm on the following dates:

February 8th & 9th, 2019
April 26th & 27th, 2019

Follow up meetings with a Sponsor couple take place after the weekend on your own time.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC)

This program is designed for all children age 7 and older (grades 2 to 6) who desire to receive the Catholic Sacraments they have missed or who wish to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. **All sessions will be monthly on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8pm** at St. James Church beginning Oct. 3rd.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Teens (RCIT)

This program is designed for all youth from grades 7 -12 who desire to receive the Catholic Sacraments they have missed or who wish to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. **Sessions will take place bi-weekly on Tuesdays from 7-9pm** at St. James Church beginning September 25th, 2018.

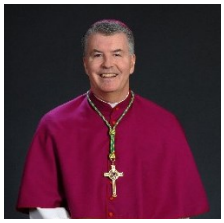
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Registration is ongoing for all Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. Inquirers are instructed in the Catholic Faith and introduced to the life of the Church. **Sessions will take place Tuesdays from 7-9pm** at St. James Church beginning September 25th, 2018.

Contact **Leanne Plamondon**, our Religious Education Coordinator, at the Parish Office for more information about the sacraments .
By Phone: 403-938-3122 or by email: **religiousedu@stjamesparishrc.com**

Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre
For Nov 11th, 2018 | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



ORDINATION TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE
Join us as we welcome two permanent deacons on **Friday, Nov. 17,** 7:30 pm, at St. Mary's Cathedral. Dale Laing and Joseph Gingo have gone through the permanent diaconate program preparation for service to the local Church. They will be ordained permanent deacons at St. Mary's Cathedral by Bishop William McGrattan. All are welcome to attend.

MISSION MEXICO | DEC. 12
Dec. 12 (Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe) is designated as "Mission Mexico Day" in the Diocese of Calgary. For nineteen years the people of our diocese have given their support and faith in sharing with the struggles of our brothers and sisters in southern Mexico. You may give your financial donation through your parish's second collection on Dec. 8/9 or at participating Catholic schools on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

#REDWEDNESDAY | NOV. 21
A pontifical charity, *Aid to the Church in Need,* has designated **Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018** as **Red Wednesday**: A day dedicated to drawing attention to persecuted Christians throughout the world. It is hoped that each parish in the Diocese will consider organising an event for Red Wednesday. Here is a link to some suggestions of how you can commemorate that day from **wearing red** to saying a prayer. Visit http://blog.calgarydiocese.ca/redwednesday

MIKE MACDONALD VISITS CALGARY
Mike MacDonald, Mission Mexico representative, will share about the good work that is being done through the support offered to Mission Mexico. He will be at St. Mary's, Cochrane at all Masses on **Nov 17 & 18.** For more information, contact Sr. Rita Kim at 403-218-5513 | www.missionmexico.com

BRIDGING BORDERS
Meet Fr. Nawras Sammour SJ from Aleppo, Syria (Regional Director of Jesuit Refugee Service – Middle East) and get an update on the situation in Syria and in neighbouring countries. When: **Friday, Nov. 23,** from 7 to 9 pm. Where: St. Stephen Protomartyr Church (4903 45 St. SW, Calgary).

WORLD CRISIS: PATHWAY TO PEACE
Join Fr. Adrian Martens, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, and the Calgary Interfaith Council Dialogue Co-chair, in a dialogue on the state of the world today and the response of religions. The dialogue will cover the topic of problems in society and how religions can address these problems through peaceful means benefiting society at large. When: **Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2018** at 6:30 to 8 pm. Where: Prince of Faith, Lutheran Church (2523 56 St. NE, Calgary). All are welcome!

MEMORIAL LITURGY FOR THOSE MOURNING THE LOSS OF A CHILD THROUGH MISCARRIAGE OR STILLBIRTH | When families lose a baby in the womb, the cries of birth go unheard; the grasp of tiny fingers slips away. This profound loss needs articulation. We invite you to gather and to commend our children communally into the embrace of our merciful God and to support those who are grieving the loss of a child. Memorial Liturgy will be held on:
Friday, Nov. 23 at 7 pm, at Sacred Heart Church (1307 14 St SW, Calgary). For more information, call 403-218-5500 | www.miscarriageliturgy.ca
Friday, Nov. 23 at 7 pm, at Assumption Church (All Saints Parish, 2405 12 Ave South, Lethbridge). For more information, call 403-327-8931.

REGISTER FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATION
"For Better & For Ever…" Marriage Preparation is for all couples preparing for marriage. Upcoming sessions: **Nov. 19** (followed by Dec. 7-8) at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary. Contact 403-218-5505 or register online at events.calgarydiocese.ca

MASSES FOR FR. BERNIE BLACK
Masses are going to be offered for the repose of the soul of Fr. Bernie Black on:
Thursday, Nov. 15 at 7 pm | St. Joseph's Church, Calgary. **Friday, Nov. 23** at 7 pm | St. Bernadette's Church, Calgary.

DELIVERING CHRISTMAS HAMPERS | All parish volunteers who are **assigned to deliver or bring** the Christmas Hampers to recipients are reminded that they must have a valid Vulnerable Sector Police Information Check (VSPIC). If you have any questions, contact your Christmas Hamper Ministry Coordinator.

CHRISTMAS GIFT CARD APPEAL
At Feed the Hungry's 5th Annual Christmas Dinner, we invite you to please give our 500+ guests a $10 gift card to a fast food restaurant. Last year, your generosity gave 600 guests a meal. Your gift or money (for us to shop for you) can be dropped off at St. Mary's Cathedral Hall (Sundays only) or the Catholic Pastoral Centre (business hours) **by December 7.** Once again, thank you for your generosity to help us make their Christmas Dinner special. For more information, contact Sartre at feedthehungry@calgarydiocese.ca

LAY ASSOCIATION SEMINAR: CHURCH OF THE POOR | Join Fr. Adrian Martens, Episcopal Vicar for Lay Associations for a seminar and lunch hosted by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for all the registered Lay Associations of the Diocese of Calgary. When: **Saturday, Nov. 24,** from 10 am to 2 pm at St. Anthony's Church (5340 - 4 St. SW, Calgary). All are welcome to join, even if your lay association group has not yet registered. Maximum of 5 persons from each association may attend due to capacity. Register by Nov. 17, call 403-218-5501 or register online at: http://events.calgarydiocese.ca

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
Come to the Mount St. Francis' Annual Christmas Pageant on **Sunday, Dec. 2, at 2 pm** (41160 Retreat Road, Cochrane). There will be live music, bonfire, sleigh ride and an outdoor pageant. Please dress accordingly. Non-perishable food or cash for Cochrane Food Bank will be greatly appreciated.

PRO-LIFE TALK AND SOCIAL AT ST. MICHAEL, CALGARY | St. Michael Catholic Community welcomes everyone to join Cameron Cote from the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform (CCBR) on **Friday, Nov. 16** as he presents on pro-life apologetics from a Catholic perspective.

ADVENT RENEWAL CHALLENGE
St. Paul's Church in Airdrie (1305 Main Street) welcomes everyone to four evenings when we will get help to prepare during Advent to celebrate the birth of our saviour, Jesus. Let's put Christ back into Christmas! When:
Wed., Nov. 29 at 7:30pm – "Why do we need Advent"; **Wed., Dec 5** at 7 pm – "Is Jesus Really Coming Back"; **Mon., Dec 10** at 7 pm – "Do I Know the Way"; **Mon., Dec 17** at 7 pm – "Emmanuel: What is That?" Refreshments will be provided.

ADVENT RETREAT | SISTERS OF DIVINE MERCY.
The Sisters of Divine Mercy invites you to enter into Sacred Silence in which God speaks to the heart. Retreat includes: confession, Mass, Conference, Adoration, Silent Prayer and Meditation (Lectio Divina). When: **Saturday, Dec. 15** at 10:30 am to 4 pm at the Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Rd. 262, Calgary T3P-1A7). For more information contact 587-755-1019 | www.sistersofdivinemercy.org (150 Ambrose Cir SW, Calgary).

Youth News

St. James JH Youth Gathering

LET'S JOURNEY TOGETHER

Thursdays from 7-8:30pm

Magic of Christmas

The Magic of Christmas will be doing visits again this year in the Foothills Region. Our visit date is December 15th. If you would like to nominate a family or individual who you think would benefit from a visit please contact **Donna Cameron @ 403-938-5800 or donabert@telus.net, Angie Steciw @ 403-803-3085 or asteciw@telus.net**. If you would like to volunteer please contact **Jennifer Weisgerber @403-921-0588 or jenweisgerber@gmail.com.** If you would like to make a donation drop boxes are located at Village Lane Dental, Monkey Mountain Toys, Fountain Tire and ATB. Thank you for your support!

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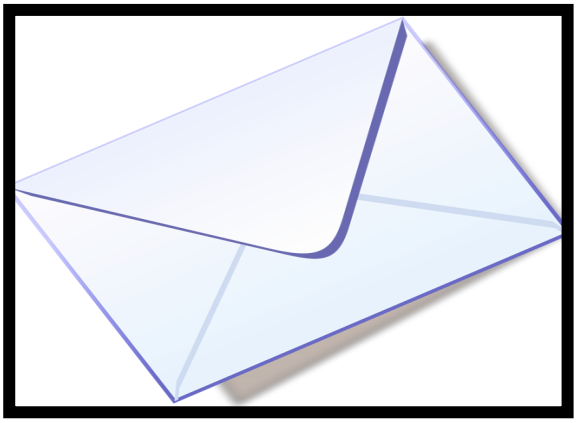
ST. JAMES FINANCIAL CORNER

Sunday Collections

October 28, 2018		November 4, 2018	
Collections:	$7,383.15	Collections:	$8,570.70
Preauthorized:	$1,795.15	Preauthorized:	$1,795.15
Total:	$9,178.30	Total:	$10,365.85
Goal:	$9,538.00	Goal:	$9,538.00



Building Fund

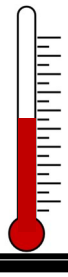
November 4, 2018	$1,777.00
Month to date:	$1,777.00
Monthly Payment:	$7,289.00

Mortgage Balance: $483,962.85

Together in Action

Weekly Goal:	$882.00
Collections:	$1,355.00
YTD:	$26,551.00

2018 Goal
$45,854



Children's Collection

Alberta's Children's HOSPITAL

Week: $113.41
Year to date: $5,229.47
To be donated December 2018.

Safeway/Sobeys & Save-On Foods Gift Cards

Oct 1 - Oct 31, 2018	$5,900.00
Year to date Sold	$55,010.00
Proceeds to the Parish	$4,125.75

BOTTLES FOR ALTAR SERVERS

Bring your empties to the church the last weekend of each month to help raise money for the Altar Servers. There will be a truck in the NE corner of the parking lot that they can be loaded on to. Thank You!

SENIORS GROUP

Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays after daily Mass!

Come Join Us!

SAVE THE DATE !!

Sat. Dec. 15th
Living Nativity
St. James Church, Okotoks

Pancake Breakfast This Weekend!

Hosted By: The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, November 11th after the 11:00 a.m. mass and selling Charities Appeal Tickets ($5 each). Appeal tickets will be available on Sundays after 11:00 a.m. masses while tickets last!

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Stewardship Reflection

Nov 11, 2018 - 32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living." MARK 12:43-44

Jesus gets right to the point – we are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over"?

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PRAY DAILY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL YOUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Lord, we pray for those whose names are written in the Book of Remembrance this month, for our family, relatives and friends and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ who died and now lives, may they rejoice in your kingdom where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2019

If you are interested in joining our Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, May 30 - June 14, 2019, or would like more information,

PLEASE CONTACT: Angie Steciw - 403-803-3085, or Bernadette Levandosky - 403-938-3727.

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