



December 2025

Dearly Beloved St. James Parish Family,

As we continue our Advent journey in the glow and preparation of this holy season, our hearts are filled with gratitude for each of you. Christmas is more than lights, carols, and traditions—it is the celebration of God’s love made visible in the birth of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All through the year, we have shared moments of joy and faced challenges together. Some among us are celebrating new beginnings, while others carry the weight of loss or uncertainty. Please know that in every circumstance, you been held in the prayers of our parish family and we have walked with you.

The manger reminds us that God chose humility and simplicity to enter our world, offering hope, peace, joy and love to all. May this same hope, peace, joy and love fill your homes, strengthen your faith, and inspire acts of kindness in the days ahead and continue to make you your brother’s and sister’s keeper.

Please accept our sincere gratitude for the talents, treasure and time that you have surrounded the church with throughout the year, not only sustaining it but growing its numbers. You are truly the church, the Mystical Body of Christ, the God-Incarnate.

We joyfully invite you to join us for our Christmas liturgies, where we will rejoice together in the gift of Emmanuel—God with us. Let us come as we are, bringing our gratitude, our struggles, and our longing for peace.

On behalf of our parish team, we wish you and your loved ones a blessed Christmas and a New Year filled with grace, joy, sound health and the comforting presence of Christ.

With love, prayers and blessings,

Your leadership team.

Rev. Nash Smith, Parish Priest

Vic Wootton, Priest's Warden

Glenn Clark, People's Warden

Carole Ladouceur, Deputy Warden

Our Christmas Services

Sunday, **December 21, 2025 10:30 a.m.**, Carols and Lessons, Pageant, Christmas Lunch

Wednesday, **December 24, 2025, 7:00 p.m.**, Christmas Eve Eucharist

Sunday, **December 28, 2025 10:30 a.m.**, Christmas I Morning Prayer

There is NO Christmas Day service.