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St. James the Great Parish 509 High Street, Mactier



St. Anne's Mission 1150 Whiteside Rd, Fenn's Point (Bala)

BAPTISM

Parents seeking baptism for their children should approach the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage must meet Fr. Jithin at least one year prior to a desired date.

Celebrate with us

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY: 5PM · St. Anne's Mission SUNDAY: 11AM · St. James the Great Parish

CONFESSIONS

30 minutes prior to Mass



Pastor: Fr. Jithin Jose CMI

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Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

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we want to know who you are	
New to the Parish? Please complete and place this form in the	offertory basket.
Name: Address:	Stewardship: How would you like to contribute to your Parish?
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MT Wednesday, Oct. 29·10AM: No Intentions

MT Thursday, Oct. 30·10AM: No Intentions

PS Friday, Oct. 31·11:30AM Adoration & Confession

12:10PM: No Intentions

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

FP Saturday, Nov. 1 · 5PM: All Souls Day – Missa pro defunctis
PS Sunday, Nov. 2 · 9AM: All Souls Day – Missa pro defunctis
MT Sunday, Nov. 2 · 11 AM: All Souls Day – Missa pro defunctis

St. James the Great - 509 High St. Mactier, ON

St. Anne's Mission - 1150 Whiteside Rd. Fenn's Point (Bala), ON

Our Lady of Mercy - 2590 Honey Harbour Rd. Honey Harbour, ON

St. John the Baptist - 16 Port Severn Rd. N. Port Severn, ON

TODAYS READINGS 1st: Sirach 35:15-22 2nd: 2 Timothy 4:6-18 Gospel: Luke: 18:9-14

Daylight Savings Time
Ends November 1st ~

Don't forget to turn your
clocks back 1 hour before
you go to bed Saturday
Night!

True Humility Opens Heaven ~ Today's readings invite us to examine the attitude of our hearts when we pray. The Gospel parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector teaches that God looks not at our words, but at our humility. Prayer is not about comparing ourselves to others or listing our accomplishments. True prayer flows from recognizing our deep need for God's mercy and grace.

The first reading from Sirach affirms that the "prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds." God has a special love for those who come before Him with honesty, recognizing their weakness — the poor, the lonely, the forgotten. He listens closely to prayers that arise from a humble heart.

Saint Paul, once a proud Pharisee himself, learned this truth through his conversion. In the second reading, he acknowledges that any good he accomplished came only through the grace of God. His life reminds us that holiness is not self-made — it is a gift received.

In the Gospel, Jesus praises the simple and sincere prayer of the tax collector: "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner." His humility opened the door to God's forgiveness, while the Pharisee's pride closed his heart to grace.

We are invited today to set aside our pride — the desire for praise, the tendency to judge, the belief that we are better than others. Instead, let us revive within our hearts the humble spirit of the tax collector. Let our daily prayer include thanksgiving, repentance, surrender, and trust in God's loving will. May our constant prayer be: "Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Fr. Jithin Jose, CMI

WELCOME

We're glad you're here! We believe that every person is on a spiritual journey, and what matters most is not where one is along the way, but the commitment to walk the path of faith. We warmly welcome all—no matter the stage of your spiritual life, your questions, struggles, or failures. We simply invite you to journey with us and remain open to what God is calling you to become. Scan the QR code or give us a call—we'd love to connect with you.

Honouring Our Loved Ones ~ During November, we prayerfully remember our loved ones who have died in the Lord and rest in the hope of eternal life. Throughout this month, the Church offers special prayers for all the faithful departed. You are invited to honour your loved ones by filling out an All Souls Day envelope, available beginning this weekend. The names of your departed loved ones will be remembered at all Masses during November.

A Mention in Your Will ~ You can give St. James the Great & St. Anne's Mission a boost from Heaven! Consider making a gift to the parish in your Last Will and Testament. Your final offering will help provide for the spiritual needs of future generations of Catholics. It becomes an enduring testament to your love for Christ and the Church. Thank you for thinking of us!

Advertise Your Business ~ Looking to grow your business and support the parish at the same time? We have spots left on the back of our Sunday Bulletin! Advertising in our bulletin is a cost-effective way to reach parishioners each week—while helping cover the cost of printing. It's a win-win! For more information or to reserve your space, contact Kristen in the office at office@stjamesmactier.ca

Priest Study Days ~ Fr. Jithin will be away participating in the annual Clergy Retreat from Tuesday Nov 3rd to Thurs Nov 5th - no Mass Wednesday or Thursday.

Bring the Mass Home: St. Joseph Missals ~ The new St. Joseph Sunday Missals will be available for purchase starting next weekend, November 1st and 2nd, from Fr. Jithin after all weekend Masses or at the Parish Office during the week for just \$5 each. These missals are a wonderful resource for parishioners who wish to follow along with the Sunday readings!

Parish Office Closed ~ The parish office will be closed on Thursday, October 30th while Kristen attends the Annual AA/BK Luncheon in Lindsay!

WORSHIP OFFERING for Oct. 19, 2025

Offertory Envelopes 1,131.00
Offertory Loose 160.00
Automatic Giving 85.75
Total Offertory \$1,376.75