

**St. James the  
Greater  
Catholic Church**

# The Scallop

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**MASS INTENTIONS  
JANUARY**

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## Fr. Cit's Column

Water. Where there is no water, there is no life. Early civilizations were formed around the river. This was possible because around the river, life can be sustained. Agriculture was rich. Economy thrived. People travelled. And all daily needs, including personal hygiene, were delivered sufficiently. When water is scarce, especially potable drinking water, the people suffer a lot. Stories from Africa where potable drinking water is not available, or scarcely available, offers an invitation to people from all parts of the world to do some reflection and conscious effort to be responsible in water consumption.

There's another story concerning water that all of us are warned. According to environmentalists and green earth movement advocates, the earth is heating more due to the sun's rays piercing through a thin layer of defense in the sky. This brings about faster melting of ice on the polar zones and the water level in the oceans are rising to levels that are alarming. The Palau Archipelago, and many other archipelagos in the Pacific, experience this terrible phenomenon. Rising water levels claim their lands, pushing them to higher land levels. But Palau is struggling. There are no more lands to escape to. The rising water level is pushing Palau to leave their nation. It is a sad reality.

In the Bajau habitat, the fear of losing lands for housing is not even a problem. The Bajau settlers, who are partially nomadic, build their houses on water (well, on ocean floors actually). The rising of water levels does not bother them. In fact, to them the water is an advantage. They get their livelihood from the water. They feed on ocean produce.

Are Palauans meant to adapt to the rising water levels? Today, the people in the Pacific region, including Palauans, are advancing talks to advocate peace through prudent stewardships. We are enjoined by these advocacies to protect and conserve our common home. -30-

Agua. Donde no hay agua, no hay vida. Las primeras civilizaciones se formaron alrededor del río. Esto fue posible porque alrededor del río, la vida puede ser sostenida. La agricultura era rica. La economía prosperó. La gente viajó. Y todas las necesidades diarias, incluida la higiene personal, fueron entregadas lo suficiente.

Cuando el agua escasea, especialmente el agua potable, la gente sufre mucho. Historias de Africa donde el agua potable no está disponible, o apenas disponible, ofrece una invitación a personas de todas partes del mundo a hacer algún esfuerzo reflexionario y consciente de ser responsables en el consumo de agua.

Hay otra historia sobre el agua que nos advierte a todos. Según los ambientalistas y defensores del movimiento de tierra verde, la tierra se está calentando más debido a que los rayos del sol penetran a través de una fina capa de defensa en el cielo. Esto provoca un derretimiento más rápido del hielo en las zonas polares y el nivel del agua en los océanos está aumentando a niveles que son alarmantes. El archipiélago del Palau, y muchos otros archipiélagos en el Pacífico, experimentan este terrible fenómeno. El aumento de los niveles de agua reclama sus tierras, empujándolas a niveles más altos de la tierra.

Pero Palau está luchando.

No hay más tierras a las que escapar. El aumento del nivel del agua está presionando a Palau para que abandone su nación. Es una triste realidad.

En el hábitat de Bajau, el miedo a perder tierras por vivienda ni siquiera es un problema. Los colonos de Bajau, que son parcialmente nómadas, construyen sus casas en el agua (bueno, en los pisos del océano en realidad). El aumento de los niveles de agua no les molesta. De hecho, para ellos el agua es una ventaja. Obtienen su sustento del agua. Se alimentan de productos oceánicos.

¿Están destinados los Palauans a adaptarse al aumento del nivel del agua? Hoy en día, la gente de la región del Pacífico, incluidos los palauanes, está promoviendo conversaciones para promover la paz a través de una administración prudente. Estas defensas nos encomiendas para proteger y conservar nuestra casa común. -30-

## Mass Schedule

**M-F 9:00AM**

**Also on Tuesday 5:30PM**

**Saturday 5:30PM**

**Sunday 8:00AM (Eng)**

**10:30AM (Eng)**

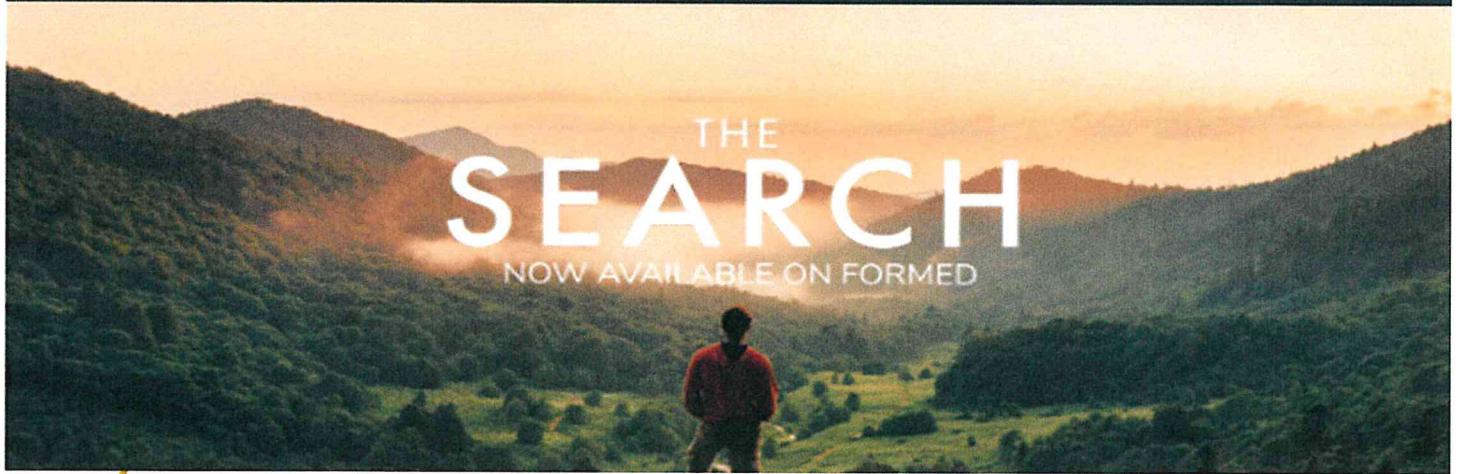
**12:30PM (Esp)**

**Adoration Thursdays**

**9:30AM to 8:00PM**

**Confession Saturday 4:00-5:00PM but is always available as needed.**





## Webinar Registration



[https://augustineinstitute-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_bDDuNnYASZGVGznmWdzlQ](https://augustineinstitute-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bDDuNnYASZGVGznmWdzlQ)

**Topic** Launching The Search in Your Parish: A Plan for Success

**Description** You are invited to "Launching The Search in Your Parish: A Plan for Success."

Learn how one parish launched The Search and drew over 400 parishioners to hear its compelling, kerygmatic message.

The Augustine Institute's Brian Truckenbrod will discuss The Search and what it can mean at the Parish level with Msgr. John John Cihak, Pastor, Christ the King Parish, Milwaukie, OR.

**Wednesday, January 13, 2021**

**12:30 p.m. ET/11:30 a.m. CT/10:30 a.m. MT/9:30 a.m. PT**

Share this email to invite your fellow parish leaders to join, too.  
If you can't attend live, register and we'll send you the recording.

**Register Now**



Monsignor John Cihak is pastor of Christ the King Parish in Milwaukie, Oregon.



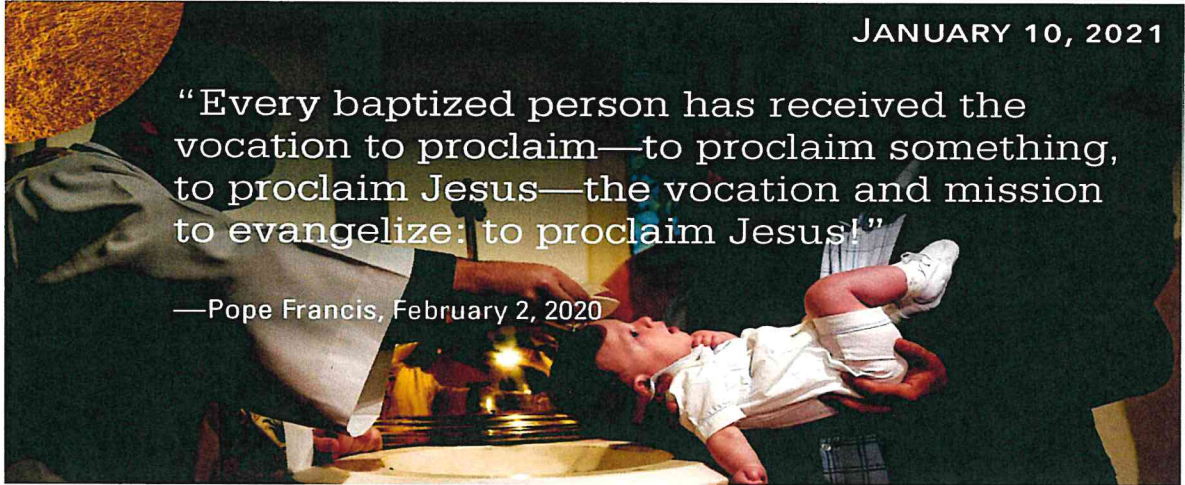
Brian Truckenbrod serves as senior director of Parish and School Channels at the Augustine Institute.

## The Baptism of the Lord

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“Every baptized person has received the vocation to proclaim—to proclaim something, to proclaim Jesus—the vocation and mission to evangelize: to proclaim Jesus!”

—Pope Francis, February 2, 2020



Cathy Images

### Today, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord!

**The origin and foundation** of Christian Baptism is Jesus. Before starting his public ministry, Jesus submitted himself to the baptism given by John the Baptist. The waters did not purify him; he cleansed the waters. “He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake . . . to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water” (St. Gregory Nazianzen, Liturgy of the Hours, I, 634).

Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will. Jesus did not need to be baptized because he was totally faithful to the will of his Father and free from sin. However, he wanted to show his solidarity with human beings in order to reconcile them to the Father. By commanding his disciples to baptize all nations, he established the means by which people would die to sin—Original and actual—and begin to live a new life with God.



Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, *9 Days for Life*, Thursday, January 21—Friday, January 29. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com)!



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**ST. JAMES THE GREATER CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**IGLESIA CATOLICA DE SANTIAGO APOSTOL**

**Mission:** We are a Christian Community from varied roots, united by God, guided by St. James the Greater, worshipping, evangelizing and helping each other toward holiness.

**Vision:** We form our young, adults, and families to develop Christian values, that all may serve the church and community through faith.

*Mision: Somos una comunidad Cristian de raíces variadas, unidas por Dios, guiada por Santiago el mayor, adorando, evangelizando y guiando mutuamente hacia la santidad.*

*Vision: Formamos a nuestros jóvenes, adultos y familias para desarrollar valores cristianos, que todos pueden server a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad por medio de la fe.*

**RCIA** If you are an adult, not baptized or baptized other than the Catholic baptism, and would like to join the Catholic Church, the RCIA is a venue to learn the Catholic faith more and eventually get initiated or fully accepted into the Catholic church. The instruction/formation runs about a year (10 months). If you are interested, join us any time. Normally, initiation happens at Easter Vigil. Easter vigil is on the eve of Easter Sunday. For more information call us at 503.829.2080.

## CALENDAR

February 17, Ash Wednesday  
 Masses are at 9:00am English, 12:00nn English  
 and 7:00pm Spanish

Ashes will be distributed throughout the day outside Mass. Drive by the Church's front door to receive the ashes.  
*La ceniza será impuesta durante todo el día fuera de Mass. Conduzca a través de la puerta principal de la Iglesia para conseguir la ceniza.*

Please tune-in to our Facebook group and webpage for the link to join us in our livestreamed Masses.



Join our Facebook Group  
 St. James Catholic Church,  
 Molalla, OR

Aid to Honduras Collection:  
 \$ 452.00

### Collection Update

December 24, 2020-January 3, 2021

General Collection	\$ 11, 772.25
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4, 316.00
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$</b>

Thank you all for your constant support for the welfare of our parish family. May God reward you a hundredfold.



Help us continue to deliver church services to all our parishioners by supporting our financial stability. Please donate online using the Church's Paypal account [stjames2donate@gmail.com](mailto:stjames2donate@gmail.com). Thank you for your generosity.

## 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

**PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!**  
**JANUARY 21-29, 2021**

*9 Days for Life* is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.



View and download full novena:

To download novena visit  
<https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>

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