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Chapel
 Chats with
 Archbishop
 Sample

Fridays at 6 p.m.

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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 in the Catholic faith. The instruction/formation runs about a year (10 months). If you are interested, join us anytime. Normally, initiation happens at Easter Vigil. Easter Vigil is on the eve of Easter Sunday. Call 503-829-2080 for more information. Come and see.



CALENDAR

September 9, Blood Drive
 September 12, Parish Picnic
 September 19, Religious Education,
 Sacraments Prep start

Parish Mission and Vision

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.

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

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

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

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Help us continue to deliver church services to all our parishioners by supporting our financial stability. Please donate online. You can donate using Paypalstjames2donate@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity.

Collection Update for August 28-29, 2021

General Collection	\$ 3 749.00
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 316.00
Deficit	\$ 567.00

Thank you all for your constant support to the welfare of our parish family. We ask you to continue to help us as our parish is also experiencing financial stretch. If you are not comfortable doing online giving, the envelopes works fairly well. Please consider doing so. God bless you.

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021



Year of
ST. JOSEPH

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Transformation. The barren shall be fertile. The scarlet will become as white as snow. Israel will be espoused and she will be

God's apple of the eye.

Transformation is key in God's Kingdom. The old is replaced by new. Newness is special.

What's wrong with the old?

Here we are not talking about material quality but spiritual status. In religious terms, we call this transformation the "ontological change". What is seen from the outside is the same man, but inside that man is the new created being espoused by the power or the grace of the sacrament, as in baptism or confirmation or ordination.

In the work of Christ, the change was primarily done tangibly: for example, the deaf-mute is opened enabling him to hear and speak, or the lame being unlocked from being shackled to being able to stand, walk and do things as would a normal person. So too this physical change was obviously tangible in the ways the transformed lived their lives, that is, the new man became a disciple of Christ. Now that's the key. The beauty of newness is that the new man is disciple of Christ. That too means he always confessed Christ as his savior everywhere.

Be opened. Be transformed. As Christians, it is expected that our lives are a testament to the person who transformed us.

Is transformation gradual? Yes. It is a process. Israel's conversion was grace. God journeyed with Israel for 40 years. From disorder to order, God was with Israel. In the transformation of Israel, God's hands were guiding, leading, protecting, and molding. Never did God abandon Israel.

He is with us in our conversion. Be opened. Openness seems way up there. But it is practical. Openness to God's grace is the ability to let go of pride, our mindset that prevents us to see the wisdom of Church teachings, values and traditions. Faith moves mountains. -30-

Transformación. Los estériles serán fértiles. El escarlata se volverá tan blanco como la nieve. Israel será propugnado y ella será la niña de los ojos de Dios.

La transformación es clave en el Reino de Dios. Lo viejo es reemplazado por lo nuevo. La novedad es especial. ¿Qué tiene de malo lo viejo?

Aquí no estamos hablando de calidad material sino de estado espiritual. En términos religiosos, llamamos a esta transformación el "cambio ontológico". Lo que se ve desde el exterior es el mismo hombre, pero dentro de ese hombre es el nuevo ser creado abrazado por el poder o la gracia del sacramento, como en el bautismo o confirmación o ordenación.

En la obra de Cristo, el cambio se hizo principalmente de manera tangible: Por ejemplo, el sordo-mudo se abre permitiéndole oír y hablar, o el cojo que está siendo desbloqueado de ser encadenado a ser capaz de pararse, caminar y hacer cosas como una persona normal. Así también este cambio físico fue obviamente tangible en las formas en que los transformados vivieron sus vidas, es decir, el nuevo hombre se convirtió en discípulo de Cristo. Esa es la clave. La belleza de la novedad es que el hombre nuevo es discípulo de Cristo. Eso también significa que siempre confesó a Cristo como su salvador en todas partes.

Ser abierto. Ser transformado. Como cristianos, se espera que nuestras vidas sean un testimonio de la persona que nos transformó.

¿Es gradual la transformación? Sí. Es un proceso. La conversión de Israel fue gracia. Dios viajó con Israel por 40 años. De desorden a orden, Dios estaba con Israel. En la transformación de Israel, las manos de Dios guiaban, guiaban, protegían y moldeaban. Nunca Dios abandonó a Israel.

Él está con nosotros en nuestra conversión. Ser abierto. La apertura parece estar ahí arriba. Pero es práctico. La apertura a la gracia de Dios es la capacidad de dejar salir del orgullo, nuestra mentalidad que nos impide ver la sabiduría de las enseñanzas, valores y tradiciones de la Iglesia. La fe mueve montañas.-30-

MASS INTENTIONS:

SEPTEMBER

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St. James Parish	6
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Irene, Onie Burch + family	8
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Connie Johnson +	10



MASS SCHEDULE

M to F at 9:00AM

Sat at 5:30PM

**Sun at 8:00AM and
 10:00AM (English) and
 12:00PM (Spanish)**

**Adoration on Thursdays at
 9:30AM to 8:00PM**

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

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Happy Labor Day!

Monday, September 6, 2021

In the Catholic tradition, work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continued participation in God's creative action. We pray for the men and women whose jobs have been impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic.

Patriot Day

Saturday, September 11, 2021

A PEOPLE CHANGED BY 9/11

"The years have gone by, but the memories remain for all who were involved in that one single day and its aftermath that changed the lives of so many and of our nation."

-Monsignor Robert J. Romano

We remember all those who lost their lives in the 2001 attacks. We pray for all victims of violence and terrorism around the world, and for their families, that they may find comfort and peace.



Ancored by Faith/Anclado por la Fe

ST. JAMES ANNUAL AUCTION

October 16, 2021

4:30pm

Ticket

Early birds til 2nd Oct \$ 35.00pp

After Oct 2, \$ 40.00pp

Table for 10

includes two bottles of wine



St. James Hall,
September 9, 12:00PM

Office is closed on Monday, September 5, Labor Day Holiday. We will be back on Tuesday, September 6

ALL RESPECT LIFE PARISH ADVOCATES "RESPECT LIFE" GATHERING

Wednesday, September 8, 2021, 6:30 PM, Our Lady of the Lake Parish

If you cannot make the gathering in person:

Join the Zoom Meeting, click here: [https://archdpdx.zoom.us/j/87254643108?](https://archdpdx.zoom.us/j/87254643108?pwd=R2F5T0NvQ21vSnFoMmxtbnNRbCtMZz09)

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The Meeting ID is 872 5464 3108 and the Passcode is 587120

If you are only able to join us by phone, dial 253-215-8782, and then reference the meeting ID and passcode.

Parish Family Picnic

September 12, 2021

10:00am Bilingual Mass on church ground, north of parish hall (bring your blanket or portable chairs to sit on)

Food is served after Mass. Food from Mexico, US and the Philippines are featured this year. Fun games and entertainment for kids and adults after lunch. Door prizes are up for grabs. Come and join the fun!



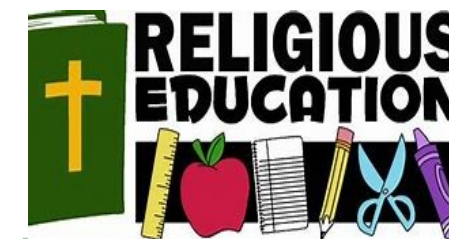
Mark your calendars.

If you have things you want to give away, we accept them and we will give them away as door prizes during the picnic.

Thanks.

Wanted: pianist/
choir director
503-829-2080

Wanted: children/
youth coordinator
503-829-2080



Faith formation and sacraments preparation begins September 19th. Register your children if you have not yet done so. We prepare your children for first communion and confirmation. For children who are 7-up and are not baptized, they will be prepared for Christian Initiation (baptism, eucharist and confirmation). Adult first communion and confirmation are also available. Registration ends the first Sunday of October.

Bible studies for adults will be available in the fall. Please stay tuned for more information.

Please contact Miguel Serrano (503-829-2880) or the office (503-829-2080) for questions.