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**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.

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

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

*Formamos a nuestros jóvenes, adultos y familias para desarrollar valores cristianos, que todos pueden server a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad.*



**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 on Easter Sunday. Call 503-829-2080 for more information. Come and see.

**C A L E N D A R**

Office is closed December 27-31.  
We will be back on January 3, 2022  
January 1, 9:00am BVM Mother of God  
Enero 1, 11:00am BVM Madre de Dios  
January 15, Archbishop Sample's Visit

**Schedule for the Archbishop's Visit**  
January 15, 2021

2:00pm Meet with parish Staff and Parish Council  
2:30pm Town Hall Meeting with parishioners with snacks  
5:00pm Preparation for Mass  
5:30pm Mass  
7:00pm Andrew Dinner

We are engendering excitement among parishioners for this very special visit. Mark your calendar. If you would like to help in the preparation for the visit, we need you.



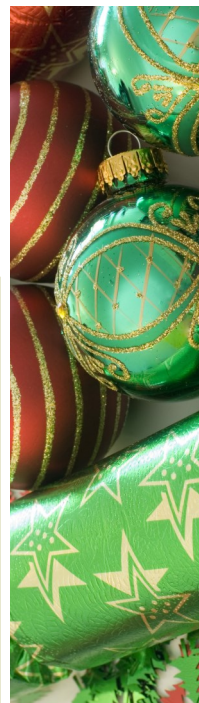
As a parish, first, our task is to pray pleading to God grace so that we may be inspired by the Holy Spirit in our participation in the Synod. When we are required to join the discussions next year, we may have the courage to do so.

Adorations on Thursdays are dedicated to our participation in the Synod.

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**Collection Update for December 18-19, 2021**

Collection \$ 5 032.40  
Estimated Expense for the Week \$ 3 100.00  
**Deficit 0**

Thank you all for your constant support to the welfare of our parish family. Please continue to help us in the best way possible that you can.

Show your love to our parish. Be generous of your time, talent and treasure. For volunteers and donations, contact the office 5038292080.

December 26, 2021

**Holy Family**



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**Fr. Cit's Column**

Christmas is a joyous time for families. At least that is how I knew Christmas from the past. Everybody comes home to celebrate with family. And for the increasingly technological landscape we enjoy, coming home means something else. This time of the pandemic, while we are prevented to do the exact usual ways we are accustomed doing, Face Time works just as effective as travelling home for the Christmas celebrations.

Virtual party. One is joining from Australia, another from Italy, and another from Singapore. Besides the interruptions from lags in internet service, the party is fantastic. The food is great. The eyes are as satisfied as the stomach. The mix of music is fantastic though somehow overbearing for there is upbeat music and sweet ones as well playing at the same time. The laughter from each group is exceptional the bother is not so much about the noise but the joy that overflows from the hearts of each person in the virtual party.

The joy is central the gathering should find a new form defying all obstacles present. This year is the third Christmas celebration under the pandemic. Despite the present danger, it did not dampen the spirit of Christmas. The celebrations remain outstanding.

I look forward to our Christmas celebrations. I am excited to see all the members of my family, their sweetest smiles, their loud noise, the growing nephews and nieces, including their antic of asking from Uncle priest a gift.

I feel all of you have your own plans of celebrating this Christmas joy. In this joy, may we always remember that our family celebrations must always put Christ the reason for our celebration. Seek, too, that our family may be blessed through the year 2022 with special graces to keep us faithful and prudent disciples of God.-30-

La Navidad es un momento alegre para las familias. Al menos así es como conocí la Navidad del pasado. Todos llegan a casa para celebrar con la familia. Y para el panorama cada vez más tecnológico que disfrutamos, volver a casa significa otra cosa. En este momento de la pandemia, si bien se nos impide hacer exactamente lo habitual que estamos acostumbrados a hacer, Face Time funciona tan efectivo como viajar a casa para las celebraciones navideñas.

Fiesta virtual. Uno se une desde Australia, otro desde Italia y otro desde Singapur. Además de las interrupciones de los retrasos en el servicio de Internet, la fiesta es fantástica. La comida es excelente. Los ojos están tan satisfechos como el estómago. La mezcla de música es fantástica, aunque de alguna manera dominante, ya que hay música optimista y dulces que también se tocan al mismo tiempo. Las risas de cada grupo son excepcionales, la molestia no es tanto por el ruido sino por la alegría que se desborda de los corazones de cada persona en la fiesta virtual.

La alegría es central, la reunión debe encontrar una nueva forma que desafíe todos los obstáculos presentes. Este año es la tercera celebración navideña bajo la pandemia. A pesar del peligro actual, no amortiguó el espíritu de la Navidad. Las celebraciones siguen siendo sobresalientes. Espero con ansias nuestras celebraciones navideñas. Estoy emocionado de ver a todos los miembros de mi familia, sus sonrisas más dulces, su ruido fuerte, los sobrinos y sobrinas en crecimiento, incluida su antigüedad de pedirle al tío sacerdote un regalo.

Siento que todos ustedes tienen sus propios planes de celebrar esta alegría navideña. En esta alegría, recordemos siempre que nuestras celebraciones familiares deben poner siempre a Cristo el motivo de nuestra celebración. Buscad, también, que nuestra familia pueda ser bendecida a través del año 2022 gracias especiales para mantenernos fieles y prudentes discípulos de Dios.-30-

**MASS INTENTIONS**

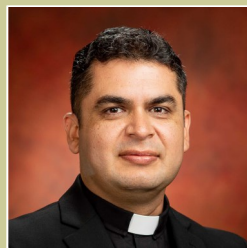
Dec 25, 9:00  
Dec 25, 11:00 Rosa Arias Gonzales +  
Dec 26, 8:00  
Dec 26, 10:00 Katy Zimmerman, Rosa Arias Gonzal  
Dec 26, 12:00 Rosa Arias Gonzales +  
Dec 27, 9:00 Rosa Arias Gonzales +  
Dec 28, 9:00  
Dec 29, 9:00 Irene Burch, Onnie Burch + family  
Dec 30, 9:00  
Dec 31, 9:00

**MASS TIMES**

**M-F 9:00AM (English)  
Sat 5:30PM (Eng),  
7:00PM (Span)  
Sun 8:00AM, 10:00AM, (Eng)  
12:00PM, (Span)  
Adoration 9:30AM-8:00PM  
Confession Sat 4:00-5:00PM but always available as needed**







Seminarian in Focus

**Mr. Beto Montes-Contreras**

Pre-Theology 1  
Mt. Angel Seminary, St. Benedict, OR

*"Most of those times early on, I answered, "I don't think so," or "I've got other plans." Eventually, with the experience I gained through all my active participation and involvement in church activities, as well as much reflecting and intimate prayer time spent with Him, I could no longer resist His invitation. Rather, I began to seriously contemplate the idea that He might be calling me to become a priest."*

**SEMINARIAN APPEAL**

The Seminarian Appeal provides substantial financial support to our Archdiocese seminarians and vocational discernment at all levels. This year's theme is, Remain in Me: Rooting our identity in Christ. We are truly blessed to be so intimately related to Christ through the sacraments administered by His priests. Considering the importance of the priesthood in your own sacramental life, please prayerfully reflect on how you can invest in our future priests. As the Lord has made us and anointed us as His children, let us praise Him through our generosity of the gifts we have received. A personalized commitment card may have arrived in your mail. Please prayerfully consider your gift and mail in your contribution directly to the Archdiocese.

If possible, please refrain from sending cash through the mail. If you did not receive a commitment card, pledge envelopes are available at your parish. You can also visit our website [advance.archdpdx.org](http://advance.archdpdx.org) to securely make your commitment online. You will receive an immediate confirmation via email for your records in addition to an acknowledgement letter in the mail. To join us in support seminarian education in western Oregon in any other way, please contact the Office of Vocations: 503-233-8368 [vocations@archdpdx.org](mailto:vocations@archdpdx.org) [archdpdxvocations.org](http://archdpdxvocations.org)



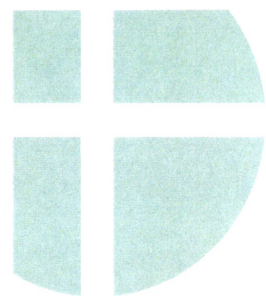
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—Amoris Laetitia, 325



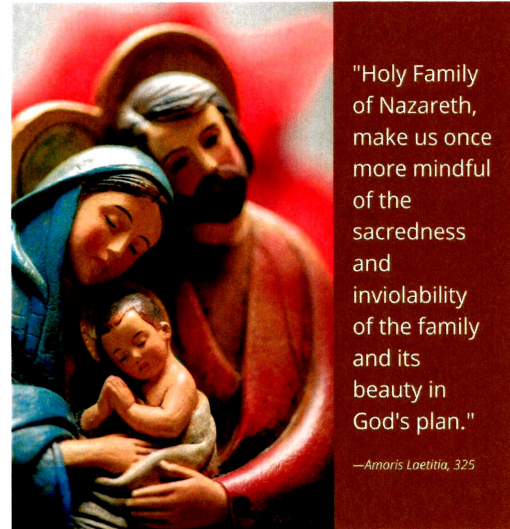
**Santiam Area Fire Relief**

Donations of gloves, stockings and caps are needed for Santiam Area residents who still live in tents. They need some warmth and we can help them through our love donations. Please bring them to church before February 6th. Bins will be available in the narthex to collect your donations. Thank you very much.



**The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

DECEMBER 26, 2021



"Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family and its beauty in God's plan."

—Amoris Laetitia, 325

We celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on the first Sunday after Christmas! This feast day is a reminder to us of the example Mary and Joseph set for all of us in welcoming Jesus into their lives. The Holy Family serves as a model for us all in which to live in faith and simplicity.

**Prayer for Family Commitment**

Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world.

Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love.

Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor.

In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us—spouses, parents, and children— share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.



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# ANDREW DINNER

HOSTED BY **ST. JAMES PARISH**

**SATURDAY JAN. 15, 2022**

**Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m.** followed by dinner with Archbishop Sample and priests of the vicariate at 6:30 pm.

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**THE ANDREW DINNERS** provide young men ages 16-30 the opportunity for prayer, conversation and discussion about vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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Please join us the evening of Tuesday, January 12, 2022 at 7 pm in the Retreat House Chapel for **TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST**

A live Drama by Saint Luke Productions Hosted by the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows at Our Lady of Peace Retreat in Beaverton. For more information phone 503-649-7127 or visit [www.olpretreat.org](http://www.olpretreat.org) A free offering will be taken.