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appointment or for more information Call 1-800-RED-CROSS Or visit www.redcrossblood.org Sponsor code: MollaComm

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

January 30, 12:00pm Rite of Acceptance (RCIA) February 17, 11:00am Red Cross Blood Letting January 30, 6:00pm El Ungido February 13, 6:00pm The Chosen March 2, Ash Wednesday Masses are at 9:00am (English) 7:00pm (Spanish) 12:00pm (only imposition of ashes)

Parish Mission and Vision

We are a Christian community from varied roots, united by God, guided by St. James the Greater, worshiping, evangelizing and helping each other toward holiness. Somos una comunidad Cristian de raíces variadas, unidas por Dios, guiada

por Santiago el mayor, adorando, evangelizándo 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 server a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad por medio de la fe.

> In your justice rescue me, and deliver me; incline your ear to me, and save me. Ps 71:2

JANUARY 30, 2022 - FEBRUARY 5, 2022 **Celebrate Catholic Schools Week**



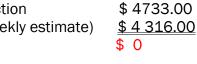
The annual celebration of Catholic education in the United

States. Schools typically observe the week with Masses, assemblies and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members to celebrate and congratulate the great work and good news of Catholic schools.

Help us continue to deliver church services to all our parishioners by supporting our financial stability. Please donate online. Paypal is another way to donate. You can donate using Paypal stiames2donate@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity.

Collection Update for January 22-23, 2022

General Collection Expenses (weekly estimate) Deficit



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.



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MASS SCHEDULE

M to F at 9:00AM Sat at 5:30PM (Eng) Sat at 7:00PM (Span) Sun at 8:00AM and 10:00AM (English) and 12:0PM (Spanish)

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

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

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tion particularly sets apart the Gospel. and hope in life everlasting? mission?

Jesús y esperanza en la vida eterna? sión?

This year's parish auction team has revved up paring for this year's Annual Parish Dinner and / tion. Check in the Narthex its details and tickets are pre-selling. Thank you very much! St. James Catholic Church AUCTION 2022 pre-Auc-s that





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Fr. Cit's Column The Liturgy of the Word. Continuing from the previous issue. we suggested that the Liturgy of the Word is a dialogue between the people and God. God speaks, the people listen, and then people respond to God's word. Note that in the dialogue between God and the people, a certain gesture or posture is applied. The people sit at attention during the first and second reading, and Responsorial Psalm, and stand at attention singing the alleluia and the verse and while listening to the Gospel proclaimed by the minister. The difference of the posture signifying atten-

Why do we stand when the Gospel is proclaimed? We stand at attention before the flag for nationalism. We stand at attention to salute the ranking officer for respect and obedience. Would it be not apt to stand before the Word-made-flesh, the reason for our faith in Jesus

Standing at attention at the proclamation of the Gospel is more than just respect. It is a profession of faith in Jesus, the Word, and a statement of readiness to be sent. For what else is there in listening to the Word of God proclaimed if not being sent by Jesus to do

We are ready to be sent. That is our vocation. The Word should stir us to an activism. Well, let me use activism here to refer to the desire to be engaged in the life of Christ and to be actually involved in the work of God. That is primarily the intent to do what the Gospel says. Listening and obedience are truly important to us baptized Christians.

Standing at attention listening to the Gospel is more than just a posture. We should all realize that we are affirming God's power who sends us to be true disciples and witnesses of Christ. Today, after listening to God, after discerning God's message to me personally, what may be God's commission to me? Or where is God sending me to do his work?-30-La Liturgia de la Palabra. Continuando con el número anterior, sugerimos que la Liturgia de la Palabra es un diálogo entre el pueblo y Dios. Dios habla, la gente escucha, y luego la gente responde a la palabra de Dios. Nótese que en el diálogo entre Dios y el pueblo, se aplica un determinado gesto o postura. La gente se sienta atenta durante la primera y segunda lectura, y el Salmo Responsorial, y se para a la atención cantando el aleluya y el verso y mientras escucha el Evangelio proclamado por el ministro. La diferencia de la postura que significa atención distingue particularmente al Evangelio.

¿Por qué estamos de pie cuando se proclama el Evangelio? Estamos atentos ante la bandera del nacionalismo. Estamos atentos para saludar al oficial de rango por respeto y obediencia. ¿No sería apto estar delante de la Palabra hecha carne, la razón de nuestra fe en

Estar atento al anuncio del Evangelio es algo más que respeto. Es una profesión de fe en Jesús, la Palabra, y una declaración de disposición para ser enviado. Porque ¿qué más hay en escuchar la Palabra de Dios proclamada si no es enviado por Jesús para hacer la mi-

Estamos listos para ser enviados. Esa es nuestra vocación. La Palabra debe conmovernos a un activismo. Bueno, permítanme usar el activismo aquí para referirme al deseo de estar involucrado en la vida de Cristo y de estar realmente involucrado en la obra de Dios. Esa es principalmente la intención de hacer lo que dice el Evangelio. La escucha y la obediencia son verdaderamente importantes para nosotros los cristianos bautizados.

Estar atento escuchando el Evangelio es más que una postura. Todos debemos darnos cuenta de que estamos afirmando el poder de Dios que nos envía a ser verdaderos discípulos y testigos de Cristo. Hoy, después de escuchar a Dios, después de discernir el mensaje de Dios para mí personalmente, ¿cuál puede ser la comisión de Dios para mí? ¿O a dónde me está enviando Dios para hacer su obra?-30-

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Seminarian in Focus

Mr. Matthew Knight Theology III St. Patrick's Seminary Menlo Park, CA

"Lord," I prayed, "I don't know what you have in

store for me, but my life is yours. You can have it all. My plans are nothing compared to the plans you clearly have for me. These past years are proof enough of that. So I surrender it all to you, Lord. Just show me what you want me to do."

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 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 * archdpdxvocations.org



Now until August 15, 2022 – Prayer Phase February and March 2022 - Parish (and other groups) Participation Phase April and May 2022 – Vicariate (regional) Participation Phase

June 2022 – Archdiocesan Discernment Phase

July 2022 – Preparation of Report &

Submission to U.S. Bishops

August 15, 2022 – Conclusion of Local Participation in the Synod For additional Synod information and resources, please visit the Archdiocesan Synod webpage.

Some thoughts from APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION EVANGELII GAUDIUM OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS

1. The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness. With Christ joy is constantly born anew.

10. The Gospel offers us the chance to live life on a higher plane, but with no less intensity: "Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others". When the Church summons Christians to take up the task of evangelization, she is simply pointing to the source of authentic personal fulfilment. For "here we discover a profound law of reality: that life is attained and matures in the measure that it is offered up in order to give life to others. This is certainly what mission means". Consequently, an evangelizer must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral! Let us recover and deepen our enthusiasm, that "delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing, even when it is in tears that we must sow... And may the world of our time, which is searching, sometimes with anguish, sometimes with hope, be enabled to receive the good news not from evangelizers who are dejected, discouraged, impatient or anxious, but from ministers of the Gospel whose lives glow with fervor, who have first received the joy of Christ".

14. Attentive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit who helps us together to read the signs of the times... reaffirmed that the new evangelization is a summons addressed to all and that it is carried out in three principal settings.

In first place, we can mention the area of ordinary pastoral ministry, which is "animated by the fire of the Spirit, so as to inflame the hearts of the faithful who regularly take part in community worship and gather on the Lord's day to be nourished by his word and by the bread of eternal life". In this category we can also include those members of faithful who preserve a deep and sincere faith, expressing it in different ways, but seldom taking part in worship. Ordinary pastoral ministry seeks to help believers to grow spiritually so that they can respond to God's love ever more fully in their lives.

A second area is that of "the baptized whose lives do not reflect the demands of Baptism", who lack a meaningful rela-

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Lastly, we cannot forget that evangelization is first and foremost about preaching the Gospel to those who do not know Jesus Christ or who have always rejected him. Many of them are quietly seeking God, led by a yearning to see his face, even in countries of ancient Christian tradition. All of them have a right to receive the Gospel. Christians have the duty to proclaim the Gospel without excluding anyone. Instead of seeming to impose new obligations, they should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invite others to a delicious banquet. It is not by proselytizing that the Church grows, but "by attraction".

19. Evangelization takes place in obedience to the missionary mandate of Jesus: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Mt 28:19-20). In these verses we see how the risen Christ sent his followers to preach the Gospel in every time and place, so that faith in him might spread to every corner of the earth.

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tionship to the Church and no longer experience the consolation born of faith. The Church, in her maternal concern, tries to help them experience a conversion which will restore the joy of faith to their hearts and inspire a commitment to the Gospel.

20. The word of God constantly shows us how God challenges those who believe

24. The Church which "goes forth" is a community of missionary disciples who take the first step, who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice. An evangelizing community knows that the Lord has taken the initiative, he has loved us first (cf. 1 Jn 4:19), and therefore we can move forward, boldly take the initiative, go out to others, seek those who have fallen away, stand at the crossroads and welcome the outcast. Such a community has an endless desire to show mercy, the fruit of its own experience of the power of the Father's infinite mercy. Let us try a little harder to take the first step and to become involved. Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. The Lord gets involved and he involves his own, as he kneels to wash their feet. He tells his disciples: "You will be blessed if you do this" (Jn 13:17). An evangelizing community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary, and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. Evangelizers thus take on the "smell of the sheep" and the sheep are willing to hear their voice. An evangelizing community is also supportive, standing by people at every step of the way, no matter how difficult or lengthy this may prove to be. It is familiar with patient expectation and apostolic endurance. Evangelization consists mostly of patience and disregard for constraints of time. Faithful to the Lord's gift, it also bears fruit. An evangelizing community is always concerned with fruit, because the Lord wants her to be fruitful. It cares for the grain and does not grow impatient at the weeds. The sower, when he sees weeds sprouting among the grain does not grumble or overreact. He or she finds a way to let the word take flesh in a particular situation and bear fruits of new life, however imperfect or incomplete these may appear. The disciple is ready to put his or her whole life on the line, even to accepting martyrdom, in bearing witness to Jesus Christ, yet the goal is not to make enemies but to see God's word accepted and its capacity for liberation and renewal revealed. Finally an evangelizing community is filled with joy; it knows how to rejoice always. It celebrates every small victory, every step forward in the work of evangelization. Evangelization with joy becomes beauty in the liturgy, as part of our daily concern to spread goodness. The Church evangelizes and is herself evangelized through the beauty of the liturgy, which is both a celebration of the task of evangelization and the source of her renewed self-giving.