

#### ST. JAMES PARISH OFFICE

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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, worshiping, 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, evangelizándo 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 olic 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

February 17, 1:00pm Red Cross Blood Letting February 13, 6:00pm The Chosen February 27, Archbishop's Catholic Appeal 2022 March 2, Ash Wednesday Masses are at 9:00am (English) 12:00pm (only imposition of ashes) 7:00pm (Spanish)

Bible Study every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Hall.

The Chosen every First and Third Sunday of the Month at 6:00pm in the Hall.

The Lenten Reflection



### St. James Catholic Church Auction | at the begin-2022

This year's parish auction team has revved up preparing for this year's Annual Parish Dinner and Auction. Check in the Narthex are details and tickets that are pre-selling. Thank you very much. Dinner and Auction is May 7.

groups will start gathering ning of the Lenten Season. Stay tuned for further information.

The Formed is a rich resource for self/family.



On February 17th, 1:00-6:00pmSt. James Parish Hall

To schedule your appointment or for more information

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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 Paypal. Our Paypal account is: stjames2donate@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity.

# Collection Update for February 5-6, 2022

Collection \$ 3 805.00 Church, the RCIA is a venue to learn the Cath- | Estimated Expense for the Week \$ 3 100.00

> 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.

of Marriage World Day

Fr. Cit's Column

February 13, 2022

**VI Ord Time** 

St. James Catholic Church

For a synodal Church

CHURCH

Blessings and woes. Blessings are not fortune. Catholic teaching delineates blessing as God's goodness imparted to all things and persons, not

for prosperity but because God is good. His righteousness is mercy not to the worthy, that is why it is called mercy.

When we seek God's blessing, we do not ask for fortune, although many times, we mistake God's blessing as good luck. When we ask for God's blessing, we know that God is always good He listens to us and provides us the blessing we need for Christian discipleship. Take note, for Christian discipleship, which means, he equips us to be Christ's disciples.

I have done a lot of sacramental blessings to various religious articles and other things. Sacramentals are Church approved blessings to religious items and things we use or have that involve our daily Christian practice of faith and life. Very common are rosaries, crucifixes and Bibles. Other things, very common, are houses and cars. Every now and then, I get surprised by unconventional things that are requested for blessing. If you want to know if there are things we decline to bless, yes, we do not bless things that have connection to the evil work. One time, somebody asked me to bless an earthen jar with various things inside it. I investigated what it was and found out that it was a typical jar made for witchcraft. Odd but true.

Sacramentals, like images, make vivid the blessing of God, as we connect to that blessing through the religious items or things blessed. We easily remember a blessing (material) that happen in our life when we are connected to that sacramental. A blessed candle, for example, represents Christ, the light. Through the candle blessed, say at Easter, we easily make sense of the light of Christ as our perpetual guide, our illumination during confusing times, our light at our darkest time. That, too, allow us to know that Christ is the light that never extinguishes, for his resurrection is our eternal life.

Just to mention, which may not necessarily have impact, most sacramental blessings are requested by non-Anglos. -30-

Bendiciones y aflicciones. Las bendiciones no son fortuna. La enseñanza católica delinea la bendición como la bondad de Dios impartida a todas las cosas y personas, no para la prosperidad sino porque Dios es bueno. Su justicia es misericordia no para los dignos, por eso se llama misericordia. Cuando buscamos la bendición de Dios, no pedimos fortuna, aunque muchas veces, confundimos la bendición de Dios con buena suerte. Cuando pedimos la bendición de Dios, sabemos que Dios siempre es bueno, nos escucha y nos proporciona la bendición que necesitamos para el discipulado cristiano. Tome nota, para el discipulado cristiano, lo que significa que él nos equipa para ser discípulos de Cristo no para nada.

He hecho muchas bendiciones sacramentales a varios artículos religiosos y otras cosas. Los sacramentales son bendiciones aprobadas por la Iglesia para artículos religiosos y cosas que usamos o tenemos que involucran nuestra práctica cristiana diaria de fe y vida. Muy comunes son los rosarios, crucifijos y Biblias. En las cosas, muy comunes son las casas y los coches. De vez en cuando, me sorprenden las cosas poco convencionales que se piden para la bendición. Si quieres saber si hay cosas que nos negamos a bendecir, sí, no bendecimos cosas que tienen conexión con la obra malvada. Una vez, alguien me pidió que bendijera un frasco de tierra con varias cosas en su interior. Investigué qué era y descubrí que era un frasco típico hecho para la brujería. Extraño pero cierto. Los sacramentales, como las imágenes, hacen vívida la bendición de Dios, a medida que nos conectamos con esa bendición a través de los artículos religiosos o las cosas bendecidas. Recordamos fácilmente una bendición (material) que sucede en nuestra vida cuando estamos conectados a ese sacramental. Una vela bendita, por ejemplo, representa a Cristo, la luz. A través de la vela bendita, digamos en Pascua, fácilmente damos sentido a la luz de Cristo como nuestra guía perpetua, nuestra iluminación durante los tiempos confusos, nuestra luz en nuestros momentos más oscuros. Eso también nos permite saber que Cristo es la luz que nunca se apaga, porque su resurrección es nuestra vida eterna.

Sólo para mencionar, que no necesariamente tienen impacto, la mayoría de las bendiciones sacramentales son solicitadas por los no anglos.—30-



#### MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 12, 5:30pm Feb 12, 7:30pm

Feb 13, 8:00am

Feb 13, 10:00am

Feb 13, 12:00pm

Maria Luz Hernandez Juarez + Feb 14, 9:00am

Irene Burch, Onnie Burch + family

Feb 15, 9:00am Feb 16, 9:00am

Feb 17, 9:00am

Feb 18, 9:00am

#### **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. Justin Echevarria Theology III North American College, Rome

"There was a moment where I asked the Almighty: 'Lord, do you want me to become a priest?' At that moment my heart was filled with the burning love that could only come

from above and my eyes were filled with tears."

#### **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



We will be holding table sessions in March. Please standby for the announcement of the days and time when we will come together for this purpose. Meanwhile, please continue to pray and reflect about the Synod and take to heart how the For a synodal Church Holy Spirit will guide each of us in this process.

### **SYNOD TIMELINE**

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.



## Men's Silent Retreat March 4-6, 2022

Do this in Memory of Me - Learning from the Mass how to Live the Gospel

- Led by retreat master Fr. Gregory Dick, O.Praem. a Norbertine Father from <u>St. Michael's Abbey</u>
- To register to attend in person call: 503-649-7127
- For details and to register for our LIVE STREAM option visit: www.olpretreat.org



ted by The Franciscan Missionary Sister of Our Lady of Sorrows at **Our Lady of Peace Retreat** 



## Women's Silent Retreat March 11-13, 2022

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Help us



Help others

## 25<sup>th</sup> Annual *Drive-Thru* Charity Crab Dinner Saturday, February 26th, 2022

Dinner and Raffle ticket proceeds will be used to fund local charities, such as Canby St Vincent DePaul Food Bank, Canby Pregnancy Care Center and Canby Share the Warmth. We also support the Religious Education program and High School Scholarships here at St. Patrick.

You select one of 3 food pick-up times when purchasing tickets

4:00 - 5:00 pm 5:00 - 6:00 pm 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Dinners are picked up using the 10th Street entrance to St. Patricks' Church.

Menu: Crab or Chicken Cordon Bleu

Sides: Caesar salad, coleslaw, Spanish & chicken rice pilaf, dinner roll and dessert.

\$40 per Ticket

You can also purchase individual raffle tickets for \$10 or get a great deal by Buying 4 raffle tickets and getting 1 free. If you purchase tickets online, you will receive an email with a copy of your tickets with your name and phone number on them.

- 1st prize is a \$500 gift card to Allison Inn & Spa in Newberg, located in Wine Country. This gift card is perfect for an anniversary, birthday, wedding, or just a fun day with a friend. It can be redeemed for overnight stays, services at The Allison Spa, or dining in Jory Restaurant & Bar.
- 2nd prize is a salmon or steelhead fishing trip on the Nestucca River by professional guide Travis Mattoon of Adrift Angling - value \$450.
- 3rd prize is a Home Security Camera System from Blink (works with Alexa voice control). It includes 4 outdoor cameras and 1 indoor Mini plug-in camera - with no monthly fees; you monitor with messages appearing on your phone - value \$300.

Tickets must be purchased in advance at: <a href="https://canbykccharities.ejoinme.org/2022">https://canbykccharities.ejoinme.org/2022</a> or by contacting Duane Kloser at 503-913-2895 or by scanning the QR code to the right with your smart phone:



### Special appeal donations:

Our appeal this year is for a member of St. Patrick Church. On November 23, a fire started in the garage of Javier and Veronica Ortiz's rental home in Canby. They have three daughters, ages 9-17 still living at home. The blaze spread quickly from the garage to the kitchen, family room, and attic, destroying everything they owned, including Javier's tools and machinery necessary for his lawn care business. The family's two pickup trucks were also destroyed in the blaze. As of today, they are living in a 2-bedroom apartment in Canby. Javier is currently renting tools to continue his lawn care service.

Donations for the family can be made after all the Masses or by going to the website above where you can also purchase dinner and raffle tickets.

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