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C A L E N D A R

March 6, 10:20am Synod Discernment Session
March 6, 12:00pm Rite of Sending (RICA)
March 6, 7:00pm Rite of Election (Cathedral)
March 9, 6:00pm Synod Discernment Session
March 11, 6:00pm Soup Supper
March 11, 7:00pm Stations of the Cross (Knights)
Marzo 17, 6:00pm Proceso de discernimiento por el Sinodo
March 18, 6:00pm Soup Supper
March 18, 7:00pm Stations of the Cross (Grupo Carismatico)
March 20, 10:20am Synod Discernment Session

**Knights of Columbus
2022 Scholarship
Program**
Knights of Columbus
Molalla Council will
have scholarship appli-
cations out by March
14,2022. We will
award 2 \$1,000.00
scholarships to a Knight
member or relation liv-

RCIA If you are adult, not bap-
tized or baptized other than
Catholic baptism, and think-
ing about joining the Catho-
lic Church, the RCIA is a venue to
know the Catholic Church more and
eventually get initiated or fully accepted
in the Catholic faith. The instruction/
formation approximately runs for a
year (10 months). While formation
starts in September, anyone who is in-
terested to join can come any time and
start the process. Typically initiation
happens at the Easter Vigil. Easter Vigil
is the eve of Easter Sunday.

If you or a friend or family member is
interested, let us know. Call us at 503-
829-2080. Come and see.

ing with Knight members family. This a
one year scholarship, which you may reap-
ply for each year. Application is open to
H.S. seniors graduating during current
year; a full time student attending a 4 year
college, community college, or a trade
school.

*Coffee & Donuts needs your donations of cof-
fee to serve each Sunday. Thank You So
Much for your support!*

Marion Vicariate Schedule of Lenten Penance Service

March 15, 7:00pm St. Paul, Silverton
March 22, 6:00pm St. Patrick, Canby
March 24, 7:00pm Sacred Heart, Gervais
March 29, 7:00pm St. Mary, Mt. Angel
March 31, 7:00pm St. James, Molalla
April 5, 7:00pm St. Paul, St. Paul

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, 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.*

Collection Update for February 26-27, 2022

Maintenance Fund	\$	
General Collections	\$	3 293.00
Estimated Wkly Exp	\$	4 019.00
Deficit	\$	726.00

**Thank you very much for your usual sup-
port to our parish!**
**Please continue to help us in the best way
possible that you can to support our
parish's needs.**
Online giving is the best way to help us.

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1ST SUNDAY LENT
I DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

Mass Schedule

Monday to Friday at 9:00AM

Saturday at 5:30 PM (Eng)
And 7:00PM (Span)
Sunday at 8:00AM and 10:00AM
English: 12:00PM, Spanish

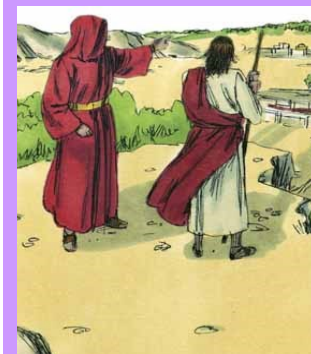
Adoration every Thursday at
10:00AM to 8:00PM

Confession Saturday at 4:00PM
to 5:00PM but always available
when needed.



Mass Intentions

	March
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St. James Parish	7
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Irene & Onnie Burch Family +	9
	10
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THE SCALLOP



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March 6, 2022

Fr. Cit's Column Get away satan! The first time I was called to do an exorcism was my
first few months after ordination. I was clueless. What would I do?
I was new and enthusiastic. I will not turn down anyone. Thus, even if I was afraid, I said yes
to the request. But in the back of my mind, I am not competent. For right information, any
exorcism is done by an exorcist. In the Archdiocese (or diocese as the case may be), an ex-
orcist is assigned, a special ministry by one assigned to do the responsibility. It is not an easy
task. Battling against the enemy is not for the faint heart. It is reserved to the one called to
do this special ministry.

When I accepted the exorcism request, in the back of my mind was an assurance (or a con-
viction that I was not the right person). Here was the case. A neighboring complex of about
four rooms were disturbed of a sudden death of the resident in apartment letter C. He was
reported to be sick for a long time and was avoided by many. In other words, he was a loner.
No family and friends ever happened to be seen visiting him. The neighbors believed the man
was still living in the apartment despite him laid to rest a couple of weeks before the report
was made. Say, the report was true, I would not be doing the exorcism but would only give
the assessment to the Archdiocese and request for the rightful minister to do the exorcism.
I was literally terrified when I went in the apartment. It was empty but the remaining things
left by the deceased were all cluttered. The neighbors showed me the room where he was
found dead lying on the floor. It was eerie. Then the neighbors left me. I composed myself
and started to pray. I prayed prayers to ward off the place from evil and villainy.
I did not report the case to the Archdiocesan exorcist for the case did not merit it. But I
prayed that the neighborhood would have their peace. Well, I did not get another call from
them.-30-

¡Aléjate satanás! La primera vez que me llamaron para hacer un exorcismo fueron mis pri-
meros meses después de la ordenación. No tenía ni idea. ¿Qué haría?
Era nuevo y entusiasta. No voy a dar la vuelta a nadie. Por lo tanto, incluso si tenía miedo,
dije sí a la petición. Pero en el fondo de mi mente, no soy competente. Para la información
correcta, cualquier exorcismo es hecho por un exorcista. En la Arquidiócesis (o diócesis co-
mo sea el caso), se asigna un exorcista, un ministerio especial por uno asignado para hacer la
responsabilidad. No es una tarea fácil.
Luchar contra el enemigo no es para los débiles corazones. Está reservado al llamado a hacer
este ministerio especial.
Cuando acepté la petición del exorcismo, en el fondo de mi mente era una seguridad (o una
convicción de que yo no era la persona correcta). Aquí estaba el caso. Un complejo vecino
de unas cuatro habitaciones se vio perturbado por la muerte repentina del residente en la
carta de apartamento C. Se informó de que estuvo enfermo durante mucho tiempo y fue
evitado por muchos. En otras palabras, él era más solitario. Ninguna familia y amigos nunca se
vieron visitándolo. Los vecinos creían que el hombre seguía viviendo en el apartamento a pe-
sar de que estaba sentado a descansar un par de semanas antes de que se presentara el in-
forme. Decir, el informe era cierto, yo no estaría haciendo el exorcismo, sino que sólo daría
la evaluación a la Arquidiócesis y pedir que el ministro legítimo haga el exorcismo.
Estaba literalmente aterrorizada cuando fui al apartamento. Estaba vacío, pero las cosas
restantes dejadas por el difunto estaban todas desordenadas. Los vecinos me mostraron la
habitación donde fue encontrado muerto, en el suelo, tumbado. Era inquietante. Entonces los
vecinos me dejaron. Me compuso y comencé a orar. Oré oraciones para alejar el lugar del
mal y la villanía.
No denuncié el caso al exorcista arquidiocesano porque el caso no lo merecía. Pero oré para
que el vecindario tuviera su paz. Bueno, no recibí otra llamada de ellos.-30-



Seminarian in Focus

Mr. Joey Canepa
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“One day my brother handed me the book that converted him to Catholicism: *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas à Kempis. The opening words pierced me to the soul. “He who follows Me, says the Lord, will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” John 8:12”

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

40 CANS OF FOOD FOR 40 DAYS OF LENT

food drive will begin Ash Wednesday March 2 until Easter Sunday April 17. This is sponsored by our Knights of Columbus to help St. Vincent de Paul in Molalla. We are asking for non-perishable food items. Barrels will be out in the Narthex for your convenience. Thank You for helping St. Vincent de Paul support families in need in Molalla.



PRAYER



FASTING



ALMSGIVING



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.

Our parish's Table Discussion Schedule

Parish Discernment Sessions

- March 6th, 10:20am Hall (Eng)
- Marzo 6, 1:30pm Salon (Span)
- March 9th, 6:00pm Church (Eng)
- Marzo 17, 6:00pm Iglesia (Span)
- March 20th, 10:20am Hall (Eng)
- Marzo 20, 1:30pm Salon (Span)



St Louis Parish Drive-Thru BBQ CHICKEN DINNER

Sunday, March 13th, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Sacred Heart School Hall, 515-7th St Gervais
BBQ chicken dinner(\$13) includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert. A la carte: 1/2 BBQ chicken (\$8), coleslaw quart (\$5)

Any questions or pre-orders of 10 or more, Contact Joan #503-951-1000

IDEAS FOR PRAYER from the Divine Worship Newsletter Chapter 28 February 2022

Dom Hubert van Zeller

What our Lord said about shutting one's door and praying in secret suggests that it is often better, in avoiding vainglory, to hide oneself when praying than to pray in public. The desire to be seen at prayer is the most tiresome as well as the most harmful of all distractions. Though wrong motives of this sort can never be wholly eliminated, it is worth one's while disassociating the intention from vanity. There are enough hazards about prayer as it is without introducing the disqualification of pride. Pride, in one or other form and however indeliberate, must inevitably offer a lure to souls who are launched upon the spiritual life. We like being thought holy by others, we like to think God finds us holy, and we like to see signs of holiness in ourselves. Though all this is stupid, and if consented to would alter the direction of our effort, it is in most people so involuntary as to be harmless. A more serious danger is that of concluding from the discovery of our low motives that it would be better not to go on with the thing at all. Rather than be guilty of offending God in a good work, we choose to give him nothing. Thus by playing safe we play into the hands of the devil, whose object it is to prevent us from giving to God. Temptations are not always what they seem at first sight. If in avoiding the temptation to pride we give up practicing the spiritual life we are surrendering to a different temptation altogether. Again a temptation which appears to be attacking faith or purity may in fact constitute a much greater threat to confidence in God. The man who refuses to meet people on the grounds that he will offend against charity is already offending against charity. It is important to get the scale of temptations right, and not to neglect the greater and certain good because of the lesser and uncertain evil. In spite of all that is written about it, a pure intention is not an easy thing to develop. There is this consolation—that to see in ourselves the lack of it is better for us in the long run. If we were to know that we were acting purely for God we would spoil the work by being proud of ourselves. Conscious of our selfishness we are kept from wallowing in our virtuous endeavor. How can we lay claim to holiness if we become pleasurable excited every time we are caught on our knees or performing a penance or giving alms? The evidence of vanity is evidence of our nothingness. Self is bearing witness to self. It seems that God would rather have us reduced to nothing in our own eyes by our weaknesses than elated by a sense of achievement. If self-esteem is the chief obstacle to holiness, then our weaknesses and imperfect motives serve a purpose. If the shadow of human respect lies behind every virtue but does not necessarily darken every virtue, the shadow of distraction lies behind every prayer but in the same way need not affect every prayer. Distractions can loom too large upon our horizon, becoming more important than the prayers which they distract. Distractions are on the negative side of prayer but they are not a negation of prayer. Prayer has something better to do than merely beat off distractions. Our minds may not be aware of it at the time, indeed they are far more aware of the immediate distraction, but if the will has chosen to praise God it does praise God. The intention goes on, regardless of unwanted interruption, for just so long as the will does not substitute another intention. Provided we do not consciously stop thinking of God and make

room for other thoughts, we maintain the direction and are therefore in a state of prayer. So when people accuse themselves in the confessional of “distractions in prayer” they are hardly ever mentioning a sin. Almost always their distractions have been mental wanderings over which they have had no control. The momentum of their prayer may have been slowed down by these meanderings, but who except God is to know the momentum of a soul's prayer? In any case momentum or intensity is not the requirement. The soul should rather be at rest in God, calmly considering the object of desire. ‘Be still,’ says the psalmist, ‘and see that I am God.’ But we shall have more to say about this later on.

Dom Hubert van Zeller (1905-1984) was a Benedictine monk of Downside Abbey in England and a well-known spiritual director. He was the author of more than 50 books of devotion, biography, scripture and fiction. He was in addition a sculptor and sketch cartoonist. van Zeller has often been referred to as a “one-man renaissance.” In the



St. James Catholic Church Auction 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.

preface to his book *Ideas for Prayer*, van Zeller tells his readers that the book is “designed for those who are not yet attracted to formal meditation but who yet feel the need of some ready-made consideration to start them off.” We plan to offer some thoughts of Dom Hubert on prayer taken from this book in each *Divine Worship* Newsletter.

