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This council advises Fr. Cit regarding pastoral and financial matters of the parish. The Parish Council's regular meeting is every third Tuesday of the Month in the hall at 6:30pm. Parishioners can audit in the meeting.

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.

#### 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.

#### CALENDAR

Veterans Day Friday, November 11th

Collection Update for October 1 & 2, 2022

General Collection \$ 3,059.00 Expenses (weekly estimate) \$ 4300.00 Deficit \$ 1,242.00

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.

Please take advantage of this resource. It is free for parishioners.

A St. Augustine online parish resource. Formed is available for all parishioners of St. James Catholic Church, Molalla To access the resources from FORMED:

https://signup.formed.org/ Enter St. James Catholic Church, Molalla Enter your name and email.

You are signed up. Start browsing and enjoying its contents.

### **FORMED®**

Be a part of the RCIA Team. Volunteer to be a member of the moderator team preparing adults for sacraments. Please talk to Magnus Igbokwe or let the office know of your interest. RCIA meets Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Room 9, St. James Parish Hall.





#### YOUTH PROGRAM

Started in our parish
October 23rd. 4:pm—
7:pm in the Parish Hall.
If you are interested to
join the team, contact
the office or talk to
Magnus Igbokwe.



NOVEMBER

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MASS INTENTIONS:

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### M to F at 9:00AM

Sat at 5:30PM (Eng) and 7:00pm Spanish

Sun at 8:00AM (English), 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.

Adoration on Thursdays 9:30am to 7:45pm

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#### THE SCALLOP

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#### Fr. Cit's Column

The Eucharistic future. I gained. At least a little. In every meet up, food is always served. Always the best kind. Always the choicest portions.

I tried to skip them, but the more I try to skip, all the more food based on rice or meat is prepared All the more I craved for them. I gave the least resistance.

The gatherings were meant to last at least in the memory as a remembrance. And maybe a reflection of the gathering that is to come: full, vibrant, joyous, lasting.

The Kingdom that is to come is often described as a banquet. A wedding banquet to be exact. The guests are Christ's friends, the faithful who persevered in those times of tribulations and trials.

The guests, already satiated with the grace of God, do not need more than what they already have. They already have God's fullness; what more to ask? To describe this fullness, Luke says the children of God, referring to the heirs of the Kingdom, see God as he is for they are like him. And since they have God and his fullness of grace, they do not need anything. They do not marry or given in marriage.

There, in God's heavenly reign, is fullness. There is no cause for emptiness, sadness, incompleteness, or insecurity. Only fullness of life since each child is filled with the grace of God. You cannot add more than what is already full.

While we are journeying towards that future, that Eucharistic future, we are made to experience that fullness through the Mass. The only difference is that here on earth we practice that fullness. At Mass, when we truly believe in Christ's love and mercy shared through the Body and Blood of Christ, we experience that fullness, and we keep longing for that fullness every Sunday util the day when we enter into the heavenly reign of God.

El futuro eucarístico. Gané. Al menos un poco. En cada reunión, siempre se sirve comida. Siempre el mejor tipo. Siempre las porciones más selectas.

Traté de omitirlos, pero cuanto más trato de omitir, más comida a base de arroz o carne se prepara, más anhelaba por ellos. Di la menor resistencia.

Las reuniones estaban destinadas a durar al menos en la memoria como un recuerdo. Y tal vez un reflejo de la reunión que está por venir: plena, vibrante, alegre, duradera.

El Reino que está por venir a menudo se describe como un banquete. Un banquete de bodas para ser exactos. Los invitados son amigos de Cristo, los fieles que perseveraron en aquellos tiempos de tribulaciones y pruebas.

Los invitados, ya saciados con la gracia de Dios, no necesitan más de lo que ya tienen. Ellos ya tienen la plenitud de Dios; ¿qué más pedir? Para describir esta plenitud, Lucas dice que los hijos de Dios, refiriéndose a los herederos del reino, ven a Dios como Él es porque ellos son como Él. Y puesto que tienen a Dios y a Su plenitud de gracia, no necesitan nada. No se casan ni se dan en matrimonio.

Allí, en el reino celestial de Dios, hay plenitud. No hay causa para el vacío, la tristeza, la incompletitud o la inseguridad. Sólo la plenitud de vida, ya que cada niño está lleno de la gracia de Dios. No puede agregar más de lo que ya está lleno.

Mientras estamos viajando hacia ese futuro, ese futuro eucarístico, estamos hechos para experimentar esa plenitud a través de la Misa. La única diferencia es que aquí en la tierra practicamos esa plenitud. En la Misa, cuando verdaderamente creemos en el amor y la misericordia de Cristo compartidos por medio del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo, experimentamos esa plenitud, y seguimos deseando esa plenitud todos los domingos hasta el día en que entramos en el reino celestial de Dios.

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead: to him be glory and power forever and ever. THE SCALLOP NOVEMBER 6, 2022

#### The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary

The prophetic papal encyclical Evangelium vitae (The Gospel of Life) was written by Pope St. John Paul II in 1995 to reaffirm the value and inviolability of every human life and to appeal to all people to respect, protect, love, and serve every human life. The following is a brief overview of this important document.

The Gospel of Life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world. Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him. For this reason, direct attacks on human life, such as abortion and euthanasia, are always unacceptable. Yet, sadly we see new and expanding threats to human life emerging on an alarming scale. These new threats to life are often justified, protected, and even promoted by our laws and

Not only must human life not be taken, but it must be protected with loving concern. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world. God made the human person with the capacity to love and reason and share in a relationship with the Creator. The human person bears an indelible imprint of God and is the pinnacle of all creation. The source of our dignity is not only linked to our creation by God, but to our final end and destiny to spend eternity with the Father. By accepting Christ as our Savior, despite our sinfulness, we can begin to share in eternal life even now.

Knights of Columbus annual Sausage and Sauerkraut dinner will be on Saturday November 5th—3:pm to 7:pm. Dine in and take out meals. Tickets are \$14.00. The menu is: Our original sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes & gravy, string beans, dinner roll plus a drink and dessert. Thank you for your support.

#### Register Now for World Youth Day

All young adults ages 18-35 and youth ages 15-17 with a guardian are invited to join Archbishop Sample at WYD '23 in Lisbon, Portugal. Email WYD23@archdpdx.org if you have any questions about World Youth Day '23.





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The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary (cont'd)

Despite the grave threats to human life in the modern world, we, as the People of God, are called to place our faith in Jesus, the "Word of life" (1 Jn 1:1). As Christians, we have received the full truth about human life as proclaimed by the very person of Jesus. In sharing in the lowliest and most vulnerable conditions of human life—even death on a cross—Jesus shows us that life is always good. The true meaning of our lives is found in giving and receiving love. It is only through this understanding of a sincere gift of self that human sexuality and procreation reach their true and full significance.

ings that we may bear. Despite the mystery which surrounds suffering and death, they can become saving events as we unite them with Christ's sacrifice. Truly great must be the value of human life if the Son of God has made it the instrument of our salvation.

While the roots of violence against life go all the way back to Genesis, when Cain took the life of his brother Abel, our modern world is suffering under a culture of death. Scientific and technological advances and an increasingly secularized world have led to an eclipse of the value of human life. However, respect for life requires that science and technology should always be at the service of the human person and his integral development. We must reject systems of structuralized sin which value efficiency and productivity over human persons.

Governments and international institutions promote abortion and euthanasia as marks of progress and freedom. But this is a false and perverse understanding in which freedom is equated with absolute individualism. True freedom is inherently relational, recognizing that God has entrusted us to one another. As cultures and societies fail to recognize these objective truths, everything becomes relative and all principles are called into question—even the fundamental right to life. However, the blood of Christ's sacrifice remains our constant hope. Christ's gift of himself on the cross reveals how precious life truly is and gives us the strength to commit ourselves to building a culture of life. Christ's blood, shed for us, promises that in God's plan death will be no more, and life will be victorious.

Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life. Our lives are a gift from God and ultimately belong to him. He has sole authority over life and death. We are therefore called to reverence and love every human person, loving our neighbors as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us.

Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society. In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ.

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#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

- Visiting the Homebound: Making visits to people who cannot get to Mass is a special ministry. It involves a social time for many and a chance to pray with and for the needs of that person. There is also a short rite used when the Holy Eucharist is given. If you would like to be a part of this team, call the office 503-829-2080.
- Youth Ministry: This important ministry is in need of an energetic and charismatic leader with a great crew of volunteers to organize a program attractive to young people in building their faith. Contact the office (503-829-2080) if you can help in organizing this ministry.
- God holds the lives of all people in his gentle and loving care, giving meaning and value to any sufferthe Catholic Faith and to prepare them for receiving the Sacraments. No formal training is needed but some in-house training will be given. If interested, but unsure, at least think about becoming a teacher's aide. You will get a lot out of this ministry - it's fun and enlightening. Contact Miguel Serrano at 503-829-2880.
  - Adoration: Every Thursday, starting with 9:00am Mass and ending with Benediction at 8:00pm. You are welcome whenever it's convenient for you or volunteer for a specific time to spend one hour with Our Lord. Call the office 503-829-2080 if you would like to be a volunteer.
  - Altar Society: The Altar Society oversees the reverent care of the altar as well as maintaining the plants and flower arrangements that grace the sides of the tabernacle. The Altar Society also sponsors fundraising events as well as community gathering events. We meet each month on the 1st Tuesday at 10:30am and the 1st Thursday at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. All the ladies of the church are members and invited to come!
  - Knights of Columbus: Is a national fraternity group of men who share with others in the parish. We have activities and events throughout the year. We are involved in the parish and community. For more information contact Jim Casey 503-730-1900.
  - St. Vincent de Paul: Is a food distribution to those families in need. Distribution is once a month on the 3rd Tuesday of the month in the parish hall. Volunteers set up on the previous Monday night. For more information call Roy Salvetti at 503-568-2636.
  - Music: We always need people to join our choirs. They practice on Wednesday nights at 6:00pm. Call Steve or Claire Ferlan 503-829-9402 or Jim or Janell Casey 503-730-1900 for more information.
  - Weeding, pruning, mowing or planting: The Church grounds (the Campus) are always in need of help. You can choose a portion of the campus to do your thing in. Or, if you have equipment you can help maintain the larger grassy areas. Call the office (503-829-2080) to discuss the seasonal needs.
  - The Auction: We always need a good leader and a strong auction committee. But there are almost a hundred other volunteers needed to help prepare and serve the meal, to prepare hors d'oeuvres, to help with registrations, to collect donations, to set up displays and many more tasks. Call Carol Freeman at 503-329-0928 for more information.
  - The 4th of July Chicken Barbecue: This fun event can always use volunteers. Our Knights of Columbus men are in charge of cooking but they can always use help with serving and selling meals. Contact Jim Currie (971-226-3949) for more information.