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J. Cesar Delgado

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

November 24, 9:00am Thanksgiving Mass, Blessing of Food November 27 Advent Season begins December 2, 7:00pm Ivan Diaz Advent Concert Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses: December 7 at 5:30pm December 8 at 9:00am Diciembre 8 a las 7:00pm December 9, 7:00pm Advent Penance Service December 11-12 Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Collection Update for Nov 12-13, 2022

General Collection \$ 3 237.00 Expenses (weekly estimate) \$ 4 300.00 \$ 1,063.00

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.

Vicariate Schedule of **Advent Penance** Services

November 29, 7:00pm St. Patrick, Canby

December 1, 7:00pm Sacred Heart, Gervais

December 2, 7:00pm St. Paul, Silverton

December 9, 7:00pm St. James, Molalla

December 13, 7:00pm St. Mary, Mt. Angel

December 14, 6:30pm St. Luke, Woodburn

December 15, 7:00pm St. Paul, St. Paul



parishioners, volunteers, donors, staff, all of you.

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M to F at 9:00AM

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

Sun at 8:00AM (English), 10:00AM (English)

and 12:0PM (Spanish)

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

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

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

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Fr. Cit's Column

The image of the invisible God. We are so lucky, aren't we? In the past, believers can only see nature to grasp the image of

God. In fact, they were prevented to see God's face for it was dangerous (as it would cause death). But God, who was invisible, willed that he be seen not only by a few, but by all. And the Word was made flesh.

Are we not truly lucky that the Lord, who was invisible in the past, was made flesh and is present in our midst?

A lot of times, we still find that insufficient. We have found God wanting. He was not enough. What else do we need from God to make his presence known?

The coming of Christ reveals to us the God who is not distant. We have a God present here and the Church makes that presence always available. If we are challenged to make that presence felt, our faith is not helping us, or we fail our faith (God).

Now is the time to reenergize our faith, to see God as he is here in the signs given to us through the Church. The Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, provides us the locus (place) of encounter. There we will see God, not invisible, but concrete in our eyes.

I can see where we fail in this. In our days, when our faith is instructed to make sense of the signs present in the Church as Christ present in the here and now, that can actually be a challenge. Many Catholics do not see the real presence in the Eucharist anymore. A sad reality and a real challenge for the community of the faithful. It is like as decay that keeps creeping to the deepest bounds of the community. It is as urgent imperative as it is a tough challenge because to instruct the faith is not an easy task. It is quite a personal realization of commitment than it is a work of guidance or teaching. The Holy Spirit has all the power to influence the faithful to see the real presence of God in the Church.-30-

La imagen del Dios invisible. Tenemos tanta suerte, ¿no es así? En el pasado, los creyentes sólo pueden ver la naturaleza para captar la imagen de Dios. De hecho, se les impidió ver el rostro de Dios porque era peligroso (ya que causaría la muerte). Pero Dios, que era invisible, quiso que Él fuera visto no sólo por unos pocos, sino por todos. Y el Verbo se hizo car-

¿No somos verdaderamente afortunados de que el Señor, que era invisible en el pasado, se haya hecho carne y esté presente en medio de nosotros?

Muchas veces, todavía encontramos eso insuficiente. Hemos encontrado que Dios carece. No fue suficiente. ¿Qué más necesitamos de Dios para dar a conocer su presencia? La venida de Cristo nos revela al Dios que no está distante. Tenemos un Dios presente aquí y la Iglesia hace que esa presencia esté siempre disponible. Si somos desafiados a hacer sentir esa presencia, nuestra fe no nos está ayudando, o fallamos nuestra fe (Dios). Ahora es el momento de revitalizar nuestra fe, de ver a Dios como está aquí en las señales que nos han sido dadas a través de la Iglesia. Los Sacramentos, especialmente la Eucaristía, nos proporcionan el lugar del encuentro. Allí veremos a Dios, no invisible, sino concreto a nuestros ojos.

Puedo ver dónde fracasamos en esto. En nuestros días, cuando nuestra fe es instruida para dar sentido a los signos presentes en la Iglesia como Cristo presente en el aquí y ahora, esto puede ser realmente un desafío. Muchos católicos ya no ven la presencia real en la Eucaristía. Una triste realidad y un verdadero desafío para la comunidad de los fieles. Es como el decaimiento del aa que sigue arrastrándose a los límites más profundos de la comunidad. Es un imperativo tan urgente como un desafío difícil porque instruir la fe no es una tarea fácil. Es una realización bastante personal de compromiso que es una obra de orientación o enseñanza. El Espíritu Santo tiene todo el poder de influir en los fieles para ver la presencia real de Dios en la Iglesia. - 30-

Parish Youth Group

The St. James Youth Group will be going to Molalla Pool on December 3rd starting 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Permission forms must be signed by a parent or guardian. Get and return your permission forms from Magnus Igbokwe or Froi Otter. Remember to bring a swimsuit and a towel. We need several parents to volunteer as chaperones at the event.

El Grupo de Jóvenes de St. James irá a Molalla Pool el 3º dia de diciembre a partir de las 7:00pm a las 9:00pm. Los formularios de permiso deben ser firmados por un padre o guardian. Obtenga y devuelva sus formularios de permiso de Magnus Igbokwe o Froi Otter. Recuerde traer un traje de baño y una toalla. Necesitamos que varios padres sean voluntarios como chaperones en el evento.





WORLD YOUTH DAY | SUMMER'23





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.



Saint James Church & Charrito Mexican Restaurant

Advent Reflection/Retiro de Adviento



with/con IVÁN DÍAZ
Friday/Viernes, Dec. 2, 2022
Saint James Church, 301 Frances St., Molalla, Oregon 97038

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St. James has partnered with Hallow this Advent to encourage all parishioners to prepare their heart this season by incorporating prayer into each day. This Advent, we're inviting you to join Hollow's #Pray25 Challenge: Journey through Salvation History feat. the cast of 'The Chosen.'

Hallow is the #1 Catholic app worldwide and includes 1,000 prayer sessions available for free, and over 5,000 audio-guided sessions in an upgraded premium subscription. Hallow is designed to help you grow closer to God and develop a daily habit of prayer, and includes prayers for kids and families, resources for mental health, meditations for sleep, seasonal music,

multiple languages (including Spanish, Portuguese, and Polish!) daily trivia, podcast-style courses to learn more about faith, and more! Register today by scanning the QR code here.



Poinsettias for Christmas. Offer these flowers in honor of your loved ones or your intentions. You may drop your intentions in the collection basket or in the office using the envelopes provided for this purpose. The poinsettias will decorate the sanctuary come yuletide season.

Sacred Heart-St. Louis Parish

485 Seventh St., Gervais, OR 67th Semi-annual BBQ Chicken Dinner Sunday, 4th December 2022 11:00am—2:00pm

Full Dinner \$ 14.00
Dinner includes 1/2 BBQ Chicken, Baked Potato, Coleslaw,
Dinner Roll, Marionberry dessert
A la carte: 1/2 Chicken \$ 8.00
Coleslaw Qt \$ 5.00

November 28, 2022, 6:30 PM - December 28, 2022, 8:00 PM Location: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Rosary and Bilingual Mass for the Little Saints.

For all deceased children, especially those who have died before birth or baptism and for victims of abortion.

Weds. 12/28/22 | 6:30p Rosary, 7:00p Mass

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church 3145 SW 192nd Avenue, Aloha, OR Contact Erin Salter with questions at erinlsalter@yahoo.com



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- <u>Visiting the Homebound:</u> 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.
- Religious Education: We always need good people to teach our children about the 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.