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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 servir a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad por medio de la fe.

CALENDAR

- December 11-12 Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe
December 16-24, Posadas
December 24, 5:30pm Christmas Family Mass, Bilingual
December 24, 11:00pm Christmas Midnight Mass. Bilingual
December 25, 8:00am Christmas Day Mass, English
December 25, 10:00am Christmas Day Mass, English
December 25, 12:00pm Misa del Día de Navidad, Español
December 29, Red Cross Blood Drive
December 31 and January 1 Solemnity of the BVM, Mother of God
*Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

Collection Update for Dec. 3-4, 2022

General Collection \$ 5 957.06
Expenses (weekly estimate) \$ 4 300.00
Deficit \$ 0

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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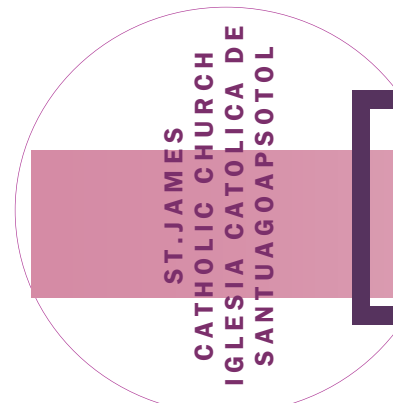
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Vicariate Schedule of Advent Penance Services

- December 13, 7:00pm
St. Mary, Mt. Angel
December 14, 6:30pm
St. Luke, Woodburn
December 15, 7:00pm
St. Paul, St. Paul

Schedule of Masses for the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

- December 7, 5:30pm (English)
December 8, 9:00am (English)
December 8, 7:00pm (Spanish)



DECEMBER 11, 2022

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column The joy of God-encounter. It is good to ask ourselves: what makes us enjoy Mass? No, we are not talking about entertain-

ment value for that is not what the Mass is for. But the benefit of spiritual good, there are things we enjoy about Mass. We keep coming back to celebrate that joy we find through and in the Eucharist.

One faithful Mass goer intimately said she cannot explain how she misses the communion when the daily Mass is not celebrated. The Eucharist is her daily "bread" she is filled daily not in the stomach but within, in her depths. She does not fail to be fed by the sustaining nourishment of the Eucharist.

Another daily Mass goer explains that she always find the Mass an encounter of peace and strength. To begin her day, she comes to Mass to be filled with peace and strength, and they keep her going through the day. She said, she could not think of any other way or place to get her daily dose of peace and strength besides the Mass.

And then another faithful Mass goer said he makes each day an event by making it to Mass, that each day is the Lord's day before all else. More than anything, his heart is full not because he did what he needs to do but he is filled by the satisfying liturgy that he comes in needy and comes out filled with the things of the Lord.

When we come to Mass, do we experience their joy? Are we excited when we go to Mass and feel that in the Eucharist we will be filled.

I know there is a lot of us who do not feel the same way about Mass. In fact, one of the reasons why many do not go to Mass is the wrong motivation that surrounds our needs. For sure if we only want to find the joy that fills our shallow cravings, we better fill it with the instant joy available in our rest and recreation.

The Eucharist provides more than just the instant. It is heavenly and it is an encounter that cannot be explained by the intellect or the Science. -30-

La alegría del encuentro con Dios. Es bueno preguntarnos: ¿Qué nos hace disfrutar de la Misa? No, no estamos hablando de valor de entretenimiento, ya que no es para eso para lo que la Misa es. Pero el beneficio del bien espiritual, hay cosas que disfrutamos de la Misa Seguimos regresando para celebrar el gozo que encontramos a través y en la Eucaristía. Una fiel celebrante de la Misa dijo íntimamente que no puede explicar cómo pierde la comunión cuando no se celebra la Misa diaria. La Eucaristía es su "pan" diario, se llena diariamente no en el estómago sino en su interior, en su profundidad. Ella no deja de ser alimentada por el alimento sostenedor de la Eucaristía.

Otra misa diaria explica que ella siempre encuentra la misa un encuentro de paz y fuerza. Para comenzar su día, ella viene a la Misa para ser llena de paz y fuerza, y ellos la mantienen a través del día. Ella dijo, ella no podía pensar en ninguna otra manera o lugar para obtener su dosis diaria de paz y fuerza además de la Misa

Y luego otro fiel que celebraba la Misa dijo que él hace de cada día un evento al llegar a la Misa, que cada día es el día del Señor antes que todo lo demás. Más que nada, su corazón está lleno, no porque haya hecho lo que necesita hacer, sino que está lleno por la liturgia satisfactoria de que viene en necesidad y sale lleno de las cosas del Señor.

Cuando venimos a Misa, ¿experimentamos su alegría? ¿Estamos emocionados cuando vamos a Misa y sentimos que en la Eucaristía seremos llenos?

Sé que hay muchos de nosotros que no sentimos lo mismo con respecto a Misa De hecho, una de las razones por las que muchos no van a Misa es la motivación equivocada que rodea nuestras necesidades. Seguro si sólo queremos encontrar la alegría que llena nuestros antojos poco profundos, lo llenamos mejor con la alegría instantánea disponible en nuestro descanso y recreación.

La Eucaristía proporciona algo más que el instante. Es celestial y es un encuentro que no puede ser explicado por el intelecto o la Ciencia.-30-

MASS INTENTIONS: DECEMBER

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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



WORLD YOUTH DAY | SUMMER '23
LISBON | FATIMA | CAMINO DE SANTIAGO | AVILA | MADRID



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.

ANNUAL Priesthood Discernment Retreat

JAN. 6-8, 2023
Our Lady of Peace Retreat Center Beaverton, OR



For single men ages 18-50 who are asking, "Is the Lord calling me?" A weekend of prayer, reflection, and conversation with Archbishop Alexander K. Sample.

REGISTER BY JANUARY 2, 2023
Registration fee: \$50

QUESTIONS?
Contact Your Parish Pastor or Fr. Peter Julia, Vocations Director (503) 233-8368 - Vocations@archdpdx.org



Our Lady of Peace Retreat, Beaverton
A gift idea for your loved one's Christmas stocking!
The Franciscan Missionary Sisters at Our Lady of Peace Retreat in Beaverton will be hosting Our Lady's Luncheon Tea and Silent Auction on Saturday, February 4, 2023. Reserve your seat now! Visit us online at www.olpretreat.org or phone the retreat house at 503-649-7127.



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.

Advent Canned Food Drive

Our Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring the Canned Food Drive for St. Vincent de Paul of St. James Parish. Please help us help our community families in need this Christmas season. We have a great need for cereals, canned tuna and canned fruits. Deadline is one December 25. Thank you.

Giving Tree

St. Vincent de Paul sponsors this year's The Giving Tree for less fortunate families in our community. Please help our community children by giving a new unwrapped Christmas gift. There are tags on the tree, boy or girl, with the recipient's age on the tag. Take a tag. Place under the tree the unwrapped gift with the tag on it. Deadline is December 19.

NATIVITY SCENE

In its present form the custom of displaying figures depicting the birth of Jesus Christ owes its origin to St. Francis of Assisi, who made the Christmas crèche or manger for Christmas Eve of 1223. The blessing of the Christmas manger or nativity scene may take place on the Vigil of Christmas or at another suitable time. When the manger is set up in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another family member. All make the sign of the cross as the leader says: Our help is in the name of the Lord. R/. Who made heaven and earth. One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture, for example, Luke 2:1 (lines 1-8) or Isaiah 7:10 (lines 10-15, the birth of Emmanuel). Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. The leader prays with hands joined: God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you have made manifest your love: when our need for a Savior was great you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love. Lord, bless all who look upon this manger; may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns forever and ever. R/. Amen.



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.

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.