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Iglesia Católica
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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

February 22, Ash Wednesday

Masses with Imposition of Ash

9:00am, 5:30pm, 7:00pm

February 24, 6:30pm, Soup Supper
February 24, 7:30pm, Stations of the Cross
February 26 Rite of Sending, Election RCIA
March 3, 6:30pm, Soup Supper
March 3, 7:30pm, Stations of the Cross

Collection Update for February 11-12, 2023

General Collection \$ 3 410.47
Expenses (weekly estimate) \$ 4 300.00
Deficit \$ 889.53

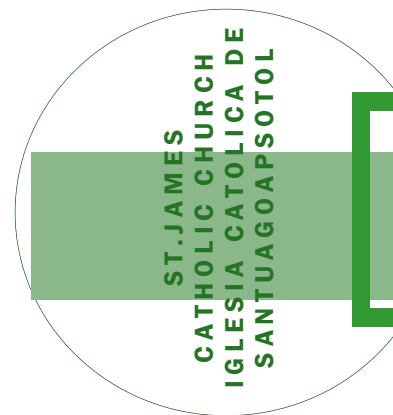
Thank you all for your constant support to the welfare of our parish family. We ask you to continue to help us as our parish is also experiencing financial stretch. If you are not comfortable doing online giving, the envelopes works fairly well. Please consider doing so. God bless you.

St. James would like to expand the Greeter program. We would like to have 3 to 4 people welcoming parishioners to Mass. We are looking for individual, married couples, parents with children and grandparents with grandchildren to help welcoming people to church. The Greeters needs to come to church 20 minutes before Mass. Also the greeters need to wear a smile and say hello. Please contact: Froi Otter with questions I would like to make a schedule for each Mass.



Gender Document
The Archdiocese of Portland recently issued a pastoral guidance for parishes and schools to use to navigate the gender dyspora in the country. To get a copy, see <https://news@archdpdx.org/gender>. If you have questions, clarifications or comments, please send to news@archdpdx.org.

Lenten groups will be available again. If you are interested to join any of the groups, please call the office or wait for further details. We will post them in our website as well as publish here in our bulletin. We also encourage you to use Formed or Hallow to explore other ways.



FEBRUARY 19, 2023

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column Mardi Gras. Of all Tuesdays, this one is the most exciting. I am speaking from the perspective of the general Christian communities. The revelry is too high there is no way partiers don't get wasted. And I mean that word wasted just as it is.

Shrove Tuesday is not a time to waste by partying. It is an important time to prepare for the coming Lenten Season. By Shrove Tuesday's celebration, we practice temperance and prudence. But I see things done against temperance and prudence. Many celebrate Shrove Tuesday as if the world ends tomorrow.

The common attitude is "Get all the joy and happiness as you can before you run out of supply." Revelers haste binging all the joy they can fill their hearts with. It is as if tomorrow, when Lent starts, they will actually cease to indulge.

The Last Supper similarly preempts days of sobriety. Jesus gathered his disciples, his closest and confidants, to share his last days with them. He threw a party. Food and wine and stories and service.

Were they wasted? They were preoccupied by the distressing news: Jesus will be tried, suffer and die on the cross. Sorrow filled their heart. They could not grasp what was to happen. They were perplexed by the events that unfolded.

While they were suffering, we were being prepared to benefit from the greatest work of mercy: salvation. Death becomes life.

The Mass celebrates that life giving death. Through the bread and wine, we recall Jesus' death on the cross, the ultimate sacrifice and none other. When we share this joy of God who gave his Son through death, we don't go wasted. We gain life.-30-

Mardi Gras. De todos los martes, este es el más emocionante. Hablo desde la perspectiva de las comunidades cristianas en general. La juerga es demasiado alta, no hay manera de que los partidistas no se desperdicien. Y quiero decir que esa palabra se desperdició tal como es.

El Martes de Shrove (grasa) no es un tiempo que perder por la fiesta. Es un momento importante para prepararse para la próxima temporada de Cuaresma. Por la celebración del Martes de Shrove, practicamos la templanza y la prudencia. Pero veo cosas hechas contra la templanza y la prudencia. Muchos celebran el Martes de Shrove como si el mundo se acabara mañana.

La actitud común es "obtener toda la alegría y la felicidad como puedas antes de que te quedaras sin suministro". Los juerguistas se apresuran a recibir toda la alegría con la que pueden llenar sus corazones. Es como si mañana, cuando comience la Cuaresma, en realidad dejaran de complacer.

La Última Cena precede igualmente a los días de sobriedad. Jesús reunió a sus discípulos, sus más cercanos y confidentes, para compartir sus últimos días con ellos. Él lanzó una fiesta. La comida y el vino y las historias y el servicio.

¿Fueron desperdiciados? Estaban preocupados por la triste noticia: Jesús será probado, sufrirá y morirá en la cruz. El dolor llenó su corazón. No podían comprender lo que iba a suceder. Estaban perplejos por los acontecimientos que se desarrollaron.

Mientras ellos sufrían, nosotros estábamos siendo preparados para beneficiarnos de la mayor obra de misericordia: la salvación. La muerte se convierte en vida.

La Misa celebra esa vida que da la muerte. A través del pan y el vino, recordamos la muerte de Jesús en la cruz, el sacrificio final y ningún otro. Cuando compartimos este gozo de Dios que dio a su Hijo a través de la muerte, no nos desperdiciamos. Ganamos vida.-30-

MASS INTENTIONS:

FEBRUARY

- 18
- 19 St. James Parish
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- 22 Irene, Onnie Burch & family
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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

Ash Wednesday Day Retreat
Wed., Feb 22nd ~ 9am-2:30pm
at Our Lady of Peace Retreat

Our Retreat Theme:
"The HIGH Way of Love"

Day Retreat Includes:
 Holy Mass, Conferences, time for
 Confession and quiet reflection,
 Rosary and lunch
 \$40 per person

With Retreat Master: Archbishop John Vlazny




Our Lady of Peace Retreat, 3600 SW 170th Ave., Beaverton
 To register call: 503-649-7127 | for details: olpretreat.org

STEBENVILLE NORTHWEST
YOUTH CONFERENCE 2023

Refuge
 MT 11:28

REGISTRATION OPENS FEB 1

SPOKANE, WA
JULY 14th-16th 2023

HOSTED BY SPIRITUS MINISTRIES NORTHWEST

Join youth from the Northwest area celebrating faith and joy. Talk to Fr. Cit for more information.

I CAN, YOU CAN, WE CAN

40 CANS FOR LENT



Knights of Columbus, St. James Council is sponsoring a food drive to help St. Vincent de Paul, Molalla. Let us help our neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet. We need boxes of cereal and canned fruit. Drop you items in the barrels starting Ash Wednesday, February 22nd.

CRS RICE BOWL
 CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES


FOR LENT FOR LIFE



Excerpt from Why Ashes?
 By Fr. Larry Rice
 For centuries, Catholic Christians have marked the beginning of the season of Lent by receiving ash on their foreheads on Ash Wednesday. This tradition has its roots in the Old Testament, where wearing ashes was a common sign of repentance for sins, and a sign of one's humility before God. Since Lent is a season of penitential renewal through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, it's appropriate that this ancient sign marks the beginning of the season.
 The Gospel for Ash Wednesday is a reminder that the real purpose of the season of Lent isn't to make public demonstrations of piety—even the wearing of ashes—but to seek conversion of heart.
Fr. Larry Rice is the former vocations director for the Paulist Fathers

Cross Catholic OUTREACH
 Delivering Food, Shelter and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor

Wells of Salvation
 Lenten Outreach




Donaliya collects water from this contaminated river in the Diocese of Chipata in Zambia. The water is unsafe for drinking or washing, but families have no other choice.

Help Quench Donaliya's Thirst This Lent

With no access to clean water sources, families in Ghana, Malawi and Zambia struggle each day to collect what they need for drinking, cooking and cleaning. When these sources are contaminated — as they often are — those who drink the water are at risk of painful illnesses, and children suffer most.

Together, we can build a brighter future for poor communities. Meaningful devotions and fundraising activities will help you apply your prayers, fasting and almsgiving to transform lives with:

- WATER** With your help, we can fund **two wells** and **25 sanitary latrine toilets in rural Ghana, 12 wells for communities in Malawi, and 55 wells in Zambia.** All communities will receive sanitation and hygiene training that will help improve the health of families.
- EDUCATION** This outreach will also **build three new schools** and **teachers' quarters** for a community that has no other safe school options, and a two-classroom block for an existing school that desperately needs more space. This education will provide hope for a future free from poverty!
- SPIRITUAL OUTREACH** Your support will share the hope of Christ with suffering families and answer their prayers for relief.



When you join us to provide clean water for Donaliya, you will change lives forever.

Your generosity to this Lenten outreach will provide 69 clean water wells in three countries!

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 10:00am 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.