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ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
Iglesia Católica
de Santiago Apostol

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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, evangelizando 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 26 Rite of Sending, Election RCIA
- March 3, 6:30pm, Soup Supper
- March 3, 7:30pm, Stations of the Cross
- March 7, 7:00pm, Lenten Penance Service
- March 10, 6:30pm, Soup Supper
- March 10, 7:30pm, Stations of the Cross
- March 12, First Scrutiny (RCIA)
- March 17, 6:30pm, Soup Supper
- March 17, 7:30pm, Stations of the Cross



Collection Update for February 18-19, 2023

General Collection	\$ 2 864.05
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 300.00
Deficit	\$ 1 435.95

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.

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.

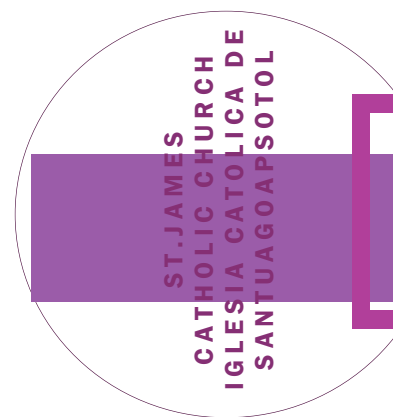
Building our Greeter ministry



Contact: Froi Otter
froiottter@yahoo.com
Greeters to welcome people to Mass.
Looking for 3 to 4 people for each Mass
Requirements:
smile and arrive 20 minutes before Mass



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 26, 2023

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column Forgive them; they know not what they do (Luke 23:34).
God's mercy is a love that is extremely outside boundaries.

No one is like him. To communicate that love, Jesus, the new Adam took sin away, giving humanity new life, restoring to man the dignity that was flawed due to the fall. Forgiveness, despite the evil that was done to him, was his heart's content and desire. The true purpose of the cross was salvation. Through his death, humanity may be reconciled with God and with one another.

I am sure, hanging on the cross but offering forgiveness, he desires to free the world from the darkness of sin and death. Do we share in his desire? Reflecting his words of forgiveness, I just feel insecure. How incompetent and insufficient I am to be a man of forgiveness. I am quick to anger, and I resent hurt. I know I have to forgive. That sounds like a good start. Well, yeah, it means I have some foundation to start with. The realization of what I know and believe to be right must be put into action, and that is the hardest. What naturally comes after getting hurt is the desire to either get even or be vindicated. I hope vindication happens quick. However, it moves so slowly to put matters into my hands becomes the most accessible and easy. Sometimes it is harder to pray "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive..." You know why? I can't forgive just yet. So, I continued the words of the prayer, but my heart was meaning something else. I need him to make the move to reconcile with me, or to make that first move to make amends. Anyway, reparation, they say, is the best form of apology.

And so I make all these rumblings in my mind, trying to validate my reasons for not reconciling first. -30-

Perdónalos; ellos no saben lo que hacen (Lucas 23:34). La misericordia de Dios es extremadamente un amor que está fuera de los límites. Nadie es como él. Para comunicar ese amor, Jesús, el nuevo Adán, quitó el pecado, dando a la humanidad nueva vida, restaurando al hombre la dignidad que fue imperfecta debido a la caída.

El perdón, a pesar del mal que se le hizo, era el contenido y el deseo de su corazón. El verdadero propósito de la cruz era la salvación. A través de su muerte, la humanidad puede reconciliarse con Dios y entre sí.

Estoy seguro de que, colgado en la cruz pero ofreciendo perdón, desea liberar al mundo de la oscuridad del pecado y la muerte. ¿Compartimos su deseo?

Reflejando sus palabras de perdón, me siento inseguro. Qué incompetente e insuficiente soy para ser un hombre de perdón. Soy rápido para enojarme, y me molesta el dolor.

Sé que tengo que perdonar. Eso suena como un buen comienzo. Bueno, sí, significa que tengo alguna base para empezar. La realización de lo que sé y creo que es correcto debe ponerse en acción, y eso es lo más difícil. Lo que naturalmente viene después de lastimarse es el deseo de vengarse o ser reivindicado. Espero que la reivindicación suceda rápido. Sin embargo, se mueve tan lentamente para poner las cosas en mis manos se convierte en lo más accesible y fácil.

A veces es más difícil orar "Perdónanos nuestras ofensas como nosotros perdonamos..." ¿Sabes por qué? No puedo perdonar todavía. Entonces, continúe las palabras de la oración, pero mi corazón estaba significando algo más. Necesito que haga el movimiento para reconciliarse conmigo, o que haga ese primer movimiento para hacer las paces. De todos modos, la reparación, dicen, es la mejor forma de disculpa. Y así hago todos estos rumores en mi mente, tratando de validar mis razones para no reconciliarme primero. -30-

MASS INTENTIONS: FEBRUARY

- 25 In Honor of the Holy Spirit
- 26 St. James Parish
- 27
- 28
- 1 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



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. Thank you for your generosity.



CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY RETREAT

FIND HELP IN OVERCOMING ADDICTIONS & UNHEALTHY ATTACHMENTS ON THIS HEALING RETREAT!

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY

March 24th-26th

5:00 p.m. Friday - 11:00 a.m. Sunday

St. Benedict Lodge

66630 N Bank Road | McKenzie Bridge, OR 97413

EARLY BIRD
price of \$250 is available for those who register by January 31, 2023

RETREAT HIGHLIGHTS

- Personal testimonies of men and women who have found freedom from a variety of addictions, compulsions and unhealthy attachments
- Multiple Catholic in Recovery meetings
- Engaging the Sacraments (Confession, Mass, & Adoration during the weekend)
- Plenty of time for prayer and personal meditation
- Fellowship with fellow Catholics who are active in recovery



REGISTER ONLINE
www.catholicinrecovery.com/events

St. Patrick's Day at St. Michael's Taproom (Mt. Angel)! Join us Friday, March 17, to raise a glass to St. Patrick! We will have specialty foods along with your favorite Benedictine Brewery beers, not to mention a trivia competition from 7 to 8 pm.

Come on Retreat at Our Lady of Peace

2023 Women's and Men's Silent Retreats
Hosted by the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows

Women's Silent Retreat | Men's Silent Retreat
March 10-12th | April 28-30th



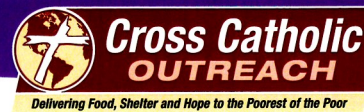
Retreat Master:
Fr. Theodore Lange
Theme:
Loving the Heart of Jesus



Retreat Master:
Fr. Skip Thompson, MSA
Theme:
A Study on Masculine Sacrifice

To register for these retreats call:
503-649-7127

Our Lady of Peace Retreat
A Peaceful Place to Rekindle Your Spirit
3600 SW 170th Ave., Beaverton Or
olpretreat.org



Wells of Salvation Lenten Outreach

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

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ. Source: USCCB

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.