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### ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH Iglesia Catolica de Santiago Apostol

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## **Parish Council Members** Carol Freeman Marilyn Kendoll Edrin Delgado Alma Gomez

Froi Otter **Enedilson Rodas** Marilyn and Jeff Wilson

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

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 March 19, Second Scrutiny (RCIA) March 24, 6:30pm Soup Supper March 24, 7:30pm Stations of the Cross



Collection Update for February 25-26, 2023

**General Collection** Expenses (weekly estimate) Deficit

\$ 3678.60 \$ 4 300.00 621.40

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.

## Building our Greeter ministry



Contact: Froi Otter

eeters to welcome people to Mass. Looking for 3 to 4

people for each Mass Requirements: smile and arrive 20 minutes



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.or/ gender. If you have questions, clarifications

or comments, please

send to

news@archdpdx.org.

Lenten groups will be available again. If you 7:00pm Spanish are interested to join any of the groups, 10:00AM (English) please call the office or wait for further details. We will post them in our 9:30AM to 8:00PM website as well as publish here in our bulletin. We also encourage you to use Formed or Hallow to explore other ways. to 7:45pm

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# MASS INTENTIONS:

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## MASS SCHEDULE

M to F at 9:00AM Sat at 5:30PM (Eng) and Sun at 8:00AM (English), and 12:0PM (Spanish) **Adoration on Thursdays at** Confession Sat at 4:00-5:00PM but is always available as need-

Adoration on Thursdays 9:30am

MARCH 5, 20223



## THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Today, you will be with me in paradise (Lk 23:43). We know the story. A thief, hanging on the cross with Jesus and the

other criminal, rebuked the other criminal for having the audacity to ridicule Jesus. He asked Jesus to remember him. Jesus promised him paradise. Very easily we chime in with the joyous promise of welcome in paradise to a self-confessed criminal.

MARCH There is hope. As all of us need God's mercy, the example of the thief is one to reckon. If he stole heaven by his confession, can we also do so?

Now, there is no way, however, to regard the thief's last-minute deal to be ours. In fact, his example was quickness. Upon knowing Christ, he immediately confessed faith in Jesus. Therefore, delay and or recidivism is never encouraged here.

We must act with immediacy the transformation God asks us to do. Yes, it is a challenging path. There are many setbacks, hindrances, frustrations and even discouragements. Perseverance, patience, consistency are required, but not a holier-than-thou attitude. Saints possibly exist and are walking on earth among us, but definitely they are saints for they have renounced their old sinful wasteful life.

Reconciliation is free but it requires our admission of guilt and active participation in the work of redemption, that is, making amends with our life, doing retribution, making peace with others. When we take responsibility of our actions, we truly want reconciliation. We intently seek heaven here on earth.

A friend is easy on apologizing. She keeps saying sorry. Obviously when she says those apologies, she consented to say the word but her intent was not conforming. She only used the word for the sake of saying sorry and nothing more. -30-

Hoy estarás conmigo en el paraíso (Lc 23, 43). Conocemos la historia. Un ladrón, colgado en la cruz con Jesús y el otro criminal, reprendió al otro criminal por tener la auσ dacia de ridiculizar a Jesús. Le pidió a Jesús que lo recordara. Jesús le prometió el paraíso. Muy fácilmente nos unimos con la alegre promesa de bienvenida en el paraíso a un criminal autoconfesado.

Ahora, sin embargo, no hay manera de considerar que el acuerdo de último minuto del ladrón sea nuestro. De hecho, su ejemplo fue la rapidez. Al conocer a Cristo, inmediatamente confesó la fe en Jesús. Por lo tanto, el retraso y/o la reincidencia nunca se alienta aquí.

Debemos actuar con inmediatez la transformación que Dios nos pide que hagamos. Sí, es un camino desafiante.

Hay muchos contratiempos, obstáculos, frustraciones e incluso desanimos. Se requiere perseverancia, paciencia, consistencia, pero no una actitud más santa que tú. Los santos posiblemente existen y están caminando en la tierra entre nosotros. pero definitivamente son santos porque han renunciado a su vieja vida pecaminosa y despilfarradora.

La reconciliación es gratuita, pero requiere nuestra admisión de la culpa y nuestra participación activa en la obra de la redención, es decir, hacer las paces con nuestra vida, hacer retribuciones, hacer las paces con los demás. Cuando asumimos la responsabilidad de nuestras acciones, realmente queremos la reconciliación. Buscamos intensamente el cielo aquí en la tierra.

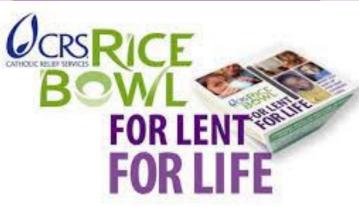
Un amigo es fácil de disculparse. Ella sigue diciendo lo siento. Obviamente, cuando ella dice esas disculpas, consintió en decir la palabra, pero su intención no era conforme. Ella solo usó la palabra para decir perdón y nada más. - 30Page 2

THE SCALLOP

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

# 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. Thank you for your generosity.



# FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY March 24th-26th 5:00 p.m. Friday - 11:00 a.m. Sunday St. Benedict Lodge 6630 N Bank Road | McKenzie Bridge, OR 97413 RETERAT HIGHLIGHT. Personal testimonies of men and women who have found freedom from a variety of addictions, compulsions and unhealthy attachments Multiple Catholic in Recovery meetings Multiple Catholic in Recovery REGISTER ONLINE www.catholiciprecopery.com/events



# **Wells of Salvation**

**Lenten Outreach** 

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

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.

## St Louis Parish Drive-Thru BBO CHICKEN DINNER

Sunday, March 12th 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

BBQ chicken dinner(\$15) includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert.

A la carte: 1/2 BBQ chicken, coleslaw quart available

At the Sacred Heart School Hall 515-7th St Gervais

Any questions or pre-orders of 10 or more, Contact Joan #503-951-1000

## 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



Fr. Theodore Lange
Theme:
Loving the Heart of Jesus



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

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

Our Lady of Peace Retreat

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# JOURNEY TO THE FOOT OF THE CROSS: BISHOP RICKEN OFFERS 10 THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR LENT (in two parts)

Bishop David L. Ricken of Green Bay, Wisconsin, former chairman of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), offers "10 Things to Remember for Lent":

- 1. Remember the formula. The Church does a good job capturing certain truths with easy-to-remember lists and formulas: 10 Commandments, 7 sacraments, 3 persons in the Trinity. For Lent, the Church gives us almost a slogan—Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving—as the three things we need to work on during the season.
- 2. It's a time of prayer. Lent is essentially an act of prayer spread out over 40 days. As we pray, we go on a journey, one that hopefully brings us closer to Christ and leaves us changed by the encounter with him.
- 3. It's a time to fast. With the fasts of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, meatless Fridays, and our personal disciplines interspersed, Lent is the only time many Catholics these days actually fast. And maybe that's why it gets all the attention. "What are you giving up for Lent? Hot dogs? Beer? Jelly beans?" It's almost a game for some of us, but fasting is actually a form of penance, which helps us turn away from sin and toward Christ.
- 4. It's a time to work on discipline. The 40 days of Lent are also a good, set time to work on personal discipline in general. Instead of giving something up, it can be doing something positive. "I'm going to exercise more. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to be nicer to my family, friends, and coworkers."
- 5. It's about dying to yourself. The more serious side of Lenten discipline is that it's about more than self-control—it's about finding aspects of yourself that are less than Christ-like and letting them die. The suffering and death of Christ are foremost on our minds during Lent, and we join in these mysteries by suffering, dying with Christ and being resurrected in a purified form. 6.Don't do too much. It's tempting to make Lent some ambitious period of personal reinvention, but it's best to keep it simple and focused. There's a reason the Church works on these mysteries year after year. We spend our entire lives growing closer to God. Don't try to cram it all in one Lent. That's a recipe for failure.

From USCCB

## **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 10:00am and the 1st Thursday at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. All the ladies of the church are members and invited to come!
- <u>Knights of Columbus:</u> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.
- <u>The Auction:</u> 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.