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ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
Iglesia Católica
de Santiago Apostol

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Parish Council Members

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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.

OCIA If you are an adult, not baptized or baptized other than the Catholic baptism, and would like to join the Catholic Church, the OCIA 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.

C A L E N D A R

February 14 Ash Wednesday
Masses at 9:00am, 5:30pm and 7:00pm
February 16, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
February 16, 6:45pm Soup Supper
February 23, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross

Lenten Confessions available in our parish on March 18-22, 6:00-8:00pm.

The schedule of Penance Services in the Vicariate is as follows:

March 5, 7:00pm, St. Mary, Mt. Angel

March 7, 6:30pm, St. Paul, Silverton

March 12, 6:30pm, St. Luke, Woodburn

March 19, 7:00pm, St. Patrick, Canby

March 20, St. Paul, St. Paul

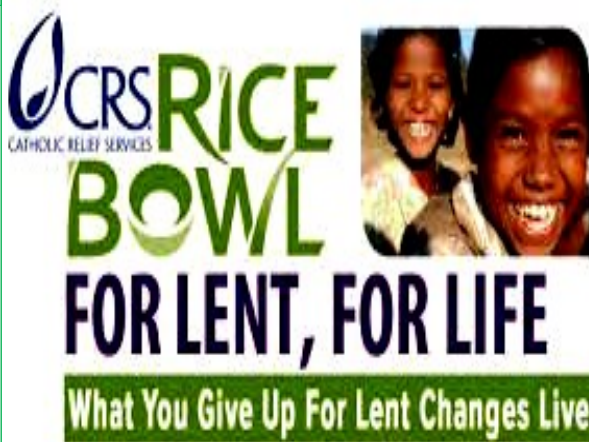
Collection Update for February 3-4, 2024

General Collection \$ 4 305.00
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.



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.



Blood Donation will happen in the parish hall on February 29, 2024, 11:00am to 7:00pm.

This event is hosted by Knights of Columbus, St. James Molalla Council.



FEBRUARY 11, 2024



THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Jesus' healing touch. Jesus healed with his hands. When he healed the leper, he touched him. By touching the impure, it renders both of them impure. By standard synagogue rule, anyone unclean has to be barred from attending the synagogue until all cleansing rituals are complied.

Jesus did not deliberately break the law. He gave it a new meaning. The law is made for man. Therefore, he taught the synagogue how the law should promote life and love and the general good.

Jesus' touch is heaven touching earth, God touching man. In the Sistine Chapel's ceiling, Michael Angelo painted that touch. I have not seen it personally. When I see a reproduction of that art, I feel Michael Angelo's inspiration making that visual piece alive, breathing with life and love and grace. Jesus' healing touch to those he healed is the same touch of life, love and grace.

I am reminded of devotees who throng to a small chapel in a town next to our town. In that chapel is a black image of the crucified Christ. Every Friday, devotees and believers come expecting a miracle to happen to them. The bridge: touch.

Praying before the image of the crucified Christ, the petitioner prays their petitions to God, asking him to spare them a little. Then they cap their prayers with the touch. And the personal touch to the image is enough to keep them believing in the miracle of God.

For Catholics in America, this expression of faith may look and feel absurd and ridiculous. But faith demonstrated by these devotees tell us that popular devotion ignites their faith and builds up their love for God. -30-

El toque curativo de Jesús. Jesús sanó con sus manos. Cuando sanó al leproso, lo tocó. Al tocar lo impuro, hace que ambos sean impuros. Según la regla estándar de la sinagoga, a cualquier impuro se le debe prohibir asistir a la sinagoga hasta que se cumplan todos los rituales de limpieza.

Jesús no quebrantó deliberadamente la ley. Le dio un nuevo significado. La ley está hecha para el hombre. Por lo tanto, enseñó a la sinagoga cómo la ley debe promover la vida, el amor y el bien general.

El toque de Jesús es el cielo tocando la tierra, Dios tocando al hombre. En el techo de la Capilla Sixtina, Miguel Ángel pintó ese toque. No lo he visto personalmente. Cuando veo una reproducción de ese arte, siento la inspiración de Miguel Ángel haciendo que esa pieza visual cobre vida, respirando vida, amor y gracia. El toque sanador de Jesús para aquellos a quienes sanó es el mismo toque de vida, amor y gracia.

Me acuerdo de los devotos que se agolpan en esa pequeña capilla en un pueblo al lado del nuestro. En esa capilla hay una imagen negra de Cristo crucificado. Todos los viernes, los devotos y creyentes vienen esperando que les suceda un milagro. El puente: el toque.

Orando ante la imagen de Cristo crucificado, el peticionario reza sus peticiones a Dios, pidiéndole que les ahorre un poco. Luego coronan sus oraciones con el toque. Y el toque personal a la imagen es suficiente para mantenerlos creyendo en el milagro de Dios.

Para los católicos en Estados Unidos, esta expresión de fe puede parecer y sentirse absurda y ridícula. Pero la fe demostrada por estos devotos nos dice que la devoción popular enciende su fe y edifica su amor por Dios. -30-

MASS INTENTIONS: FEBRUARY

- Betty Keller + 10
- St. James Parish 11
- Sanctification of all Gene Burch, family + 14
- No Mass 15
- No Mass 16



MASS SCHEDULE

- M to F at 9:00AM
- Sat at 5:30PM (Eng) Sun at 8:00AM (English), 10:00AM (English) and 12:00PM (Spanish)
- Confession Sat at 4:00-5:00PM but is always available as needed.
- Adoration on Thursdays 9:30am to 7:45pm



The **Sisters of Life** invite you to join them for their upcoming events around Oregon in Portland, Springfield, Eugene, and Corvallis!

Thursday, February 15th

Parish Lent Mission at St. Patrick's in Portland.

Friday, February 16th

University of Oregon campus visit.

Parish Lent Mission at St. Alice's in Springfield.

Saturday, February 17th

Oregon State University campus visit.

Oregon 40 Days for Life – Rosary at SW 10th and Washington.

Oregon Life Gala - 6:30 PM Talk by a Sister (more details and tickets available @ <https://archdpdx.org/lifegala>)

Sunday, February 18th

Parish Lent Mission at St. Mary Cathedral in Portland.

Parish Lent Mission at St. Michael's in Portland.

Sisters of Life Vocations Talk at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 1623 NW 19th Ave. 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM. Registration required, please email news@archdpdx.org.

40 Cans for Lent



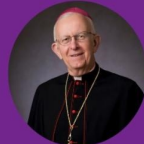
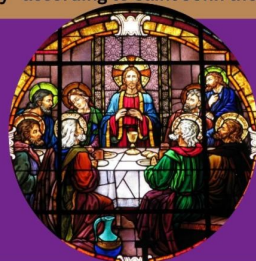
Come to Our Lady of Peace Retreat for the: ASH WEDNESDAY DAY RETREAT

Theme: "God's Love Story" according to Saint John the Apostle and Benedict XVI

Wed Feb 14, 2024
9am-2:30pm

Retreat Fee:
\$50 includes lunch

To register:
olpretreat.org or
503.649.7127



With retreat master
Archbishop
John G. Vlazny



hosted by the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows
3600 SW 170th Ave., Beaverton, OR



Please join us for a Winter OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 4, 12:15-2 PM MARCH 3, 12:15-2 PM
1112 SE 41ST AVE, PORTLAND, OR 97214

The Chesterton Academy of Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati invites all prospective families, current 7th and 8th graders, parents, donors, and supporters to attend its Open House on February 4th and March 3rd! Come and witness the exciting developments at the Academy's new campus at St. Stephen's Catholic Parish in Portland. Meet the faculty, current students, and parents, take a tour of the school, and gain insights into classical Catholic education.

WHAT IS LENT?

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 - Thursday, March 28, 2024

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. Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446). In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

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AUCTION 2024

is coming. The Auction Committee is now accepting donations of gift baskets, lottery tickets, and bottles of wine. Please drop it off in the office. For more information, please talk to Carol Freeman.

LENTEN MISSION

WITH FR. BRIAN MULLADY, OP
February 17 - 22

Please join Fr. Brian Mullady for a Lenten Mission on The Three Ages of the Spiritual Life at Holy Rosary Church, 375 NE Clackamas Street, Portland. Fr. Brian will preach at all the Masses the weekend of February 17 and 18, and will give a talk in the church at 7 PM each night from Monday, February 19 through Thursday, February 22. This event is free to attend and no registration is needed!

On Ash Wednesday, February 14, Catholics in dioceses across the United States are invited to assist their sisters and brothers in war-torn Ukraine and in 27 other post-Communist countries by giving to the U.S. bishops' annual Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

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 Scott Scofield (262-960-5717) for more information.