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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.

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, 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.

C A L E N D A R

March 2-3 Food for the Poor Parish Mission
March 8, 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 17-18, 2024

General Collection \$ 3879.00
Expenses (weekly estimate) \$ 4 300.00
\$ 421.00

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.

Easter Egg Hunt—Easter Sunday after the 8am and 12pm masses.

Please donate candies and plastic Easter Eggs now (drop off in office)

Thank you!



MARCH 3, 2024



THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Restrictive. Here is a familiar sphere. I grew up with don'ts being as normal as breathing. Everything is calculated and precisely observed. The consequences are as tough as climbing the freezing Nepalese heights. They say, to brave the challenges successfully is to acquire power, a power that is beyond human capacity and capability.

I believe in that given the right observance and enforcement of the processes involved to assure right success. However, if restrictions are only meant to curtail rather than grow, success will never be the product of that process.

As of this writing, I smile thinking about the reunion I hosted for former students. About 10 of them came. There were many more who expressed their intent to come but due to some unavoidable circumstances, they were prevented to come. But the 10 who came were so much joy. The common denominator was a rather ridiculous predicament any student would handle: failing grade. They received a failing grade in Filipino.

It was a funny retelling of the past that induced a sharp thrust of guilt. I mean, it was addressed back then. The students were given many chances to remedy their failing grade. And it was not only remedying their failing grade but also a chance to meet them where they were.

The idealist in me was led to a realist perspective when I met them outside the classroom. Although at that time, my concern was only about their responsiveness to the required minimum in order to pass the subject, it was never in the back of my mind that a life lesson will be the product of it. The students, I realized, were not just individuals subject for evaluation. They were learners. They were young people needing guidance, love and care, and a lot of understanding.

If don'ts would only restrict, what then are rules for? Rules are made for people, and they are intended to free the unfree. I learned through this experience with my former students that the enforcement of rules should actually serve the true freedom of each person.

Restrictivo. Aquí hay una esfera familiar. Crecí con que lo que no se debe hacer es tan normal como respirar. Todo está calculado y observado con precisión. Las consecuencias son tan duras como escalar las gélidas alturas nepalíes. Dicen que enfrentar los desafíos con éxito es adquirir poder, un poder que está más allá de la capacidad y la capacidad humanas.

Creo en eso si se observan y aplican correctamente los procesos involucrados para asegurar el éxito correcto. Sin embargo, si las restricciones solo están destinadas a reducir en lugar de crecer, el éxito nunca será el producto de ese proceso.

En el momento de escribir este artículo, sonrío pensando en la reunión que organicé para antiguos alumnos. Vinieron unos 10 de ellos. Hubo muchos más que expresaron su intención de venir, pero debido a algunas circunstancias inevitables, se les impidió venir. Pero los 10 que vinieron fueron una gran alegría. El denominador común era un dilema bastante ridículo que cualquier estudiante manejaría: reprobación la calificación. Recibieron una calificación reprobatoria en Filipino.

Fue una divertida narración del pasado lo que indujo un fuerte empuje de culpa. Quiero decir, fue abordado en ese entonces. A los estudiantes se les dieron muchas oportunidades de remediar su calificación deficiente. Y no solo era remediar su calificación de fracaso, sino también una oportunidad de conocerlos donde ellos estaban.

El idealista que hay en mí fue llevado a una perspectiva realista cuando lo conocí fuera del aula. Aunque en ese momento, mi preocupación era solo su capacidad de respuesta al mínimo requerido para aprobar la asignatura, nunca estuvo en el fondo de mi mente que una lección de vida sería el producto de ella. Me di cuenta de que los estudiantes no eran solo individuos sujetos a evaluación. Eran aprendices. Eran jóvenes que necesitaban orientación, amor y cuidado, y mucha comprensión.

Si las "nuncas" solo restringieran, ¿para qué sirven entonces las reglas? Las reglas están hechas para las personas, y están destinadas a liberar a los que no son libres. Aprendí a través de esta experiencia con mis antiguos alumnos que la aplicación de las reglas debe servir a la verdadera libertad de cada persona.



MASS INTENTIONS:

	MARCH
St. James Parish	2
No Mass	3
No Mass	4
No Mass	5
No Mass	6
No Mass	7
No Mass	8



MASS SCHEDULE

M to F at 9:00AM
Sat at 5:30PM (Eng) Sun at 8:00AM (English), 10:00AM (English) and 12:0PM (Spanish)
Confession Sat at 4:00-5:00PM but is always available as needed.
Adoration on Thursdays 9:30am to 7:45pm



Blanchet CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

March 3, 2024
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Easter Lilies will be available for dedication to your loved ones; envelopes are available for donation and dedication. The dedication envelopes will be placed in the Easter Lily planters for display. Contact the office for details.

Thank you!

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.

Spirituality of Grief Workshop

St. James is offering a Spirituality of Grief Workshop for anyone who has suffered the loss of a spouse, child, parent or other special person, or suffered loss through divorce or been hit by a career-threatening loss of a job. All of these cause us to experience grief. We each experience grief differently, but there are common themes that run through grief, our workshop aims to address them through the eyes of our faith in Jesus Christ. We will meet every other Saturday for five meetings, starting Saturday, February 24th. We will meet in the parish hall at 3:30pm to 5:00pm (at the latest). Kent Burtner is the facilitator. For information, call him at 503-475-3429.

What is *fasting*?


Fasting consists of having just **one full meal**. One can take **two other small meals** that together do not equal a full meal.



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting.

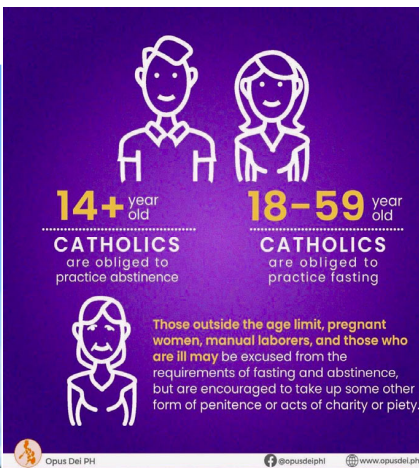
What is *abstinence*?

Abstinence means **not eating meats of mammals and fowls**. Traditionally meat was considered a luxury.



Fish and other seafoods are allowed.

Good Friday and Ash Wednesday are obligatory abstinence days. The Fridays of Lent are abstinence days but in the Philippines, abstinence may be substituted with practices of piety like going to Mass, praying the Rosary, etc. or works of mercy like visiting the sick, donating to the needy, etc.



14+ year old CATHOLICS are obliged to practice abstinence

18-59 year old CATHOLICS are obliged to practice fasting

Those outside the age limit, pregnant women, manual laborers, and those who are ill may be excused from the requirements of fasting and abstinence, but are encouraged to take up some other form of penitence or acts of charity or piety.

40 Cans for Lent



Knights of Columbus, St. James Council, sponsors Can Food Drive to help our local St. Vincent de Paul food share. Please help us help those of our neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet. Our food pantry needs your help with this Food Drive. Especially needed are fruit, tuna and cereal items. Please drop off your items in the barrels in the narthex until Easter. Thank you for your help.



FFTP FOOD FOR THE POOR

"Our mission is to link the church of the First World with the church of the Third World in a manner that helps both the materially poor and the poor in spirit."

<https://www.foodforthe poor.org/>

You can make a difference!

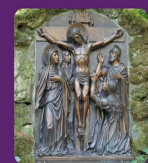
Attend the Lenten Day Retreat at The Grotto with Dina Marie of Faith Moments

Retreat theme: "Behold, the Lamb of God" John 1

Friday, March 15, 2024
9:30am-1:30pm

Retreat Fee: \$15 (lunch optional)

To register and for details: dinamarie.org



Come pray at The Grotto's Outdoor Stations of the Cross



The National Sanctuary of Our Sorrowful Mother (The Grotto) is located at NW 85th and Sandy Blvd in Portland

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.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG
When we fill a small baby bottle with change, cash or checks, we are helping save a life God has purposed specifically for the baby. Your change will change their life. Please pick a baby bottle available in the narthex, fill it up and return the filled bottled by March 24, 2024.