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ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
Iglesia Católica
de Santiago Apostol

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Parish Council Members

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Eneilson Rodas
Marilyn and Jeff Wilson
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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 server a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad por medio de la fe.

C A L E N D A R

Reconciliation available 18 Mar–22 Mar
6:00pm to 8:00pm
15 Mar–Stations of the Cross 6:00pm
23/24 Mar Palm Sunday
28 Mar–Holy Thursday Mass 6:30 pm

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 March 9-15 , 2024

General Collection \$ 2,749.00
Expenses (weekly estimate) \$ 4 300.00
\$ 1,551.00

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.

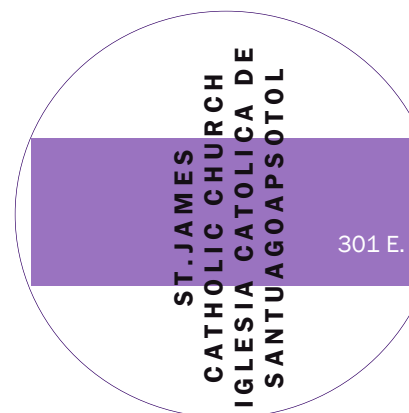


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Easter Egg Hunt—Easter Sunday after the 8am and 12pm masses.

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

Thank you!



MARCH 17, 2024



THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column Sacrifice. As of this writing, I am preparing to head back to US. Many things fill my mind. But what dominates it is the sad thought of leaving. The longer I am away from my origin, the more eager I am to come home. I still cannot deny that my true home is my nation of origin despite realizing that Oregon is home. The bottom line is I have to be home.

I am going home and live my responsibilities. I am leaving behind the comfort that I wanted. God strengthens me to make my full resolve to serve him without trepidation.

I look back fourteen (14) years ago when I decided to study for the Archdiocese of Portland. It was very clear back then that I will be leaving behind all the important things in my life. I was very solid in my resolve: I am going to US and I mean to stay.

It is funny and at the same time nagging to be asked: "When are you are staying in the Philippines? Are you going to be relocated (Philippines)? Can you be assigned in a parish (in the Philippines)? My answer was: "How I wish!"

I have noticed that every time I visit the Philippines, it is harder to fly back to the US. But I have to do it. And when I go and fly back to the US, the more I learn and understand the virtue of sacrifice, of letting go, and of doing the will of God.

"If you love mother or father more than you love me, you cannot belong to me." (Mt 10:37) It is quite a tough challenge, and for this I understand why I continue to be called to faithfulness.

Love is the key. Jesus Christ loved the Father and all that the Father has given him. Whenever we love ourselves alone, our wants and our goals, we detach ourselves from God and we are tempted severely by the lure of the devil.

Sacrificio. Al momento de escribir esto, me estoy preparando para regresar a nosotros. Muchas cosas llenan mi mente. Pero lo que lo domina es la triste idea de irse. Cuanto más tiempo estoy lejos de mi origen, más ansioso estoy de volver a casa. Todavía no puedo negar que mi verdadero hogar es mi nación de origen a pesar de darme cuenta de que Oregon es el hogar. La conclusión es que tengo que estar en casa.

Me voy a casa y cumplo con mis responsabilidades. Estoy dejando atrás la comodidad que quería. Dios me fortalece para que tome la plena resolución de servirle sin trepidación.

Miro hacia atrás hace catorce (14) años cuando decidí estudiar para la Arquidiócesis de Portland. Estaba muy claro en ese entonces que voy a dejar atrás todas las cosas importantes en mi vida. Fui muy sólido en mi determinación: Voy a Estados Unidos y quiero quedarme.

Es gracioso y al mismo tiempo molesto que se le pregunte: "¿Cuándo te vas a quedar en Filipinas? ¿Vas a ser reubicado (Filipinas)? ¿Puede ser asignado en una parroquia (en Filipinas)? Mi respuesta fue: "¿Cómo deseo!"

He notado que cada vez que visito Filipinas, es más difícil volar de regreso a los Estados Unidos. Pero tengo que hacerlo. Y cuando voy y vuelo de regreso a los Estados Unidos, más aprendo y entiendo la virtud del sacrificio, de dejar ir y de hacer la voluntad de Dios.

"Si amas a mamá o a papá más de lo que me amas a mí, no puedes pertenecerme". (Mateo 10:37) Es un reto bastante difícil, y por eso entiendo por qué sigo siendo llamado a la fidelidad.

El amor es la clave. Jesucristo amó al Padre y a todo lo que el Padre le ha dado. Cada vez que nos amamos solos, nuestros deseos y nuestras metas, nos separamos de Dios y somos tentados severamente por el atractivo del diablo.



MASS INTENTIONS:

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St. James Parish	17
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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

CRS RICE BOWL FOR LENT, FOR LIFE
 CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
 What You Give Up For Lent Changes Lives



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.

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.



Catholic Charities

Providing Help, Creating Hope

PRAY FAST GIVE

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.

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.

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.