



# THE SCALLOP

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**Fr. Cit's Column** The anatomy of a saint. A halo. Hands folded in prayer. A saint's garb. An image of the Bible, or church or the Christ. In simple terms, a saint is an image of holiness!

I am positive that every day we meet a saint. Either that saint is one closest to you or a stranger, there is always that one person who will make us experience the presence of God through their love, through their beautiful values (character).

When the church was born, a cult that remembers the life of a faithful Christian makes a saint. People gather in honor of the Christian hero. The cult around the saint grows and becomes acclaimed locally and then later more extensively until it becomes a universally celebrated feast.

I mean, people who knew the virtues of the saint are essentially the basis why a saint is known. In this case, we (the Church) elevate a Christian hero to sainthood through the process of canonization.

We never have a scarcity. There are many who are saints. No, I am not referring to the image anymore, but the real saint in action. They are the ones who actually live the Christian virtues perseveringly and faithfully.

A mother of adults, she always prays for her children, especially those she wishes to be attending Church regularly. She is concerned that her married children are not actively living their faith, her grandchildren included. One time, she asked me if she can ask her grandchildren to be baptized. Aware of the spiritual needs of her grandchildren being left out by their parents, she wants to take the matter into her hands. Like St. Monica, to whom she prays for intercession, she does not tire to pray for her children and grandchildren. She is hopeful that one day, they will be doing her favor, or doing themselves a favor by prioritizing their spiritual needs.-30-

La anatomía de un santo. Un halo. Manos cruzadas en oración. Un atuendo de santo. Una imagen de la Biblia, o de la iglesia o del Cristo. En términos simples, ¡un santo es una imagen de santidad!

Estoy seguro de que todos los días nos encontramos con un santo. O el santo es uno más cercano a ti o un extraño, siempre hay una persona que nos hará experimentar la presencia de Dios a través de su amor, a través de sus hermosos valores (carácter).

Cuando nació la iglesia, un culto que recuerda la vida de un cristiano fiel hace un santo. La gente se reúne en honor al héroe cristiano. El culto alrededor del santo crece y se aclama localmente y luego más extensamente hasta que se convierte en una fiesta universalmente celebrada.

Quiero decir, las personas que conocían las virtudes del santo son esencialmente la base por la que se conoce a un santo. En este caso, nosotros (la Iglesia) elevamos a un héroe cristiano a la santidad a través del proceso de canonización.

Nunca tenemos una escasez. Hay muchos de ellos que son santos. No, ya no me refiero a la imagen, sino al verdadero santo en acción. Ellos son los que realmente viven las virtudes cristianas perseverante y fielmente.

Madre de adultos, siempre ora por sus hijos, especialmente por aquellos que desea asistir a la Iglesia regularmente. Le preocupa que sus hijos casados no estén viviendo activamente su fe, incluidos sus nietos. Una vez me preguntó si podía pedirle a sus nietos que se bautizaran. Consciente de las necesidades espirituales de sus nietos dejados fuera por sus padres, ella quiere tomar el asunto en sus manos.

Al igual que Santa Mónica, a quien ora por intercesión, no se cansa de orar por sus hijos y nietos. Ella tiene la esperanza de que un día, ellos estarán haciendo su favor, o haciéndose un favor ellos mismos al priorizar sus necesidades espirituales.-30-

## MASS INTENTIONS:

JANUARY

Eduardo Nuñez Nieves +  
Tara Martin +  
Salud de Andrea Montoya

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## MASS SCHEDULE

M to F at 9:00AM

Sat at 5:30PM (Eng)

Sun at 9:00AM (English)

and 12:30PM (Spanish)

Confession Sat at 4:00-  
5:00PM but is always available as needed.

Adoration on Thursdays  
9:30am to 7:45pm

24-Hour adoration every first  
Thursday of the month



**ANNUAL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHALLENGE**

Friday, January 31, 2025

Location: Holy Rosary Parish - Aquinas Hall

Event Details:

Who: Students in 5th through 12th grades are invited to compete, and all are welcome to attend as spectators.

What: A Jeopardy-style trivia event with questions on Catholic facts, where four-person teams test their knowledge for cash prizes and scholarships.

Why: This event provides a chance for youth to gather with peers, strengthen their faith, and enjoy a lively, educational competition.

How to Join: Youth should form a team of four, secure a coach, choose a team name, and submit the registration form and fee by the deadline.

Early Bird Deadline: November 29th - \$80

Final Deadline: December 13th - \$100

For registration details, visit [www.RomanCatholicChallenge.com](http://www.RomanCatholicChallenge.com).



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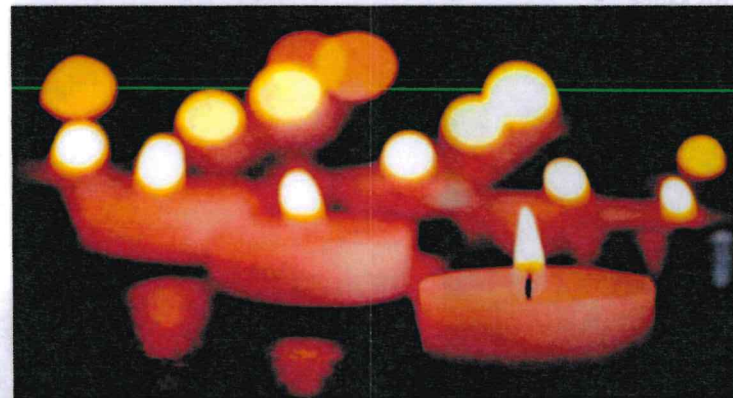
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**Spirituality of Grief Group Starts January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025: 6:30 pm Parish Hall**

Grief comes to us in many forms: the death of a spouse, child, parent or other loved one, or other significant losses, like a job, a marriage or other relationships. While there are many good psychological resources to help deal with the emotional turmoil that these losses let loose inside of us, how might we deal with our spirituality, our understanding of and relationship to God? St. James is offering a series of meetings to learn and reflect on our experiences around the spiritual issues of grief.



Our Spirituality of Grief group will meet for five sessions, every other Friday evening starting on January 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall at St James Catholic Church, Molalla. Each session will last no more than 90 minutes. There is no charge, nor is it necessary to register in advance, but it would be helpful to know in advance how many are coming, so if you think you might like to come, as a courtesy, please call the parish office, or email Scott Scofield at [sscofield@archdpdx.org](mailto:sscofield@archdpdx.org) to let us know. If you have any questions, feel free to call Kent Burtner at (503) 475-3429.

**NATIONAL PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE**

The faithful are invited to observe a nationwide prayer vigil from Thursday, January 23 to Friday, January 24, 2025, and encouraged to pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for all human life in post-Roe America. Bishop Daniel E. Thomas of Toledo, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities invites Catholics from all around the country to join him in-person or virtually, in praying for an end to abortion and building up a culture of life.

The full schedule of the 2025 National Prayer Vigil for Life is listed below. (All times are in Eastern Time.)

Thursday, January 23:

- 4:45 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 5:00 PM Opening Mass with Bishop Thomas
- 7:00 PM Holy Hour for Life

Friday, January 24:

- 8:00 AM Closing Mass with Bishop Brennan

The live television broadcasts on January 23 from 5:00-8:00 PM and on January 24 from 8:00-9:00 AM will be provided by the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) and will be available via live-stream on the Basilica's website.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 10:00am and the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Scott Scofield 262-960-5717.

**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.

**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.



**We are on the web!**  
**stjamesmolalla.org**

**ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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 de Santiago Apostol

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Office is open  
 Monday to Thursday, 10:00AM to 2:00PM  
 and Friday at 10:00AM to 12:00PM

<b>Pastoral Council</b>	<b>Finance Council</b>
Carol Freeman	Monica Bergmann
Marilyn Kendoll	Kent Burtner
Alma Gomez	Roberto Lua
Froi Otter	Norma Amezola
Enedilson Rodas	Marilyn Kendoll
Marilyn and Jeff Wilson	

These councils advise Fr. Cit on pastoral and financial processes of the parish. The Pastoral Council's regular meeting is every third Tuesday and the Finance Council's meeting is First 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 Cristiana 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**

January 24, 6:30pm Spirituality of Grief  
 January 26 Community Breakfast after the Mass

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**Collection Update for Jan. 4-5, 2025**

General Collection	\$ 8 004.00
Expenses (weekly estimate)	<u>\$ 4 300.00</u>
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>

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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