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ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Iglesia Católica
 de Santiago Apostol

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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 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

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

ST. JAMES ANNUAL AUCTION
 1ST OF MARCH 2025
 Oral and Silent Auction
 with prime rib dinner.
 Doors open at 5:00PM

We are still in need of items for auction, such as baskets, gift cards, wine and scratch off tickets. Contact Carol Freeman with any questions 503-329-0928.



PILGRIMS OF HOPE

OFFICIAL PILGRIM SITES IN ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND
 St. Mary's Cathedral, Portland; The Grotto, Portland; Holy Rosary, Portland; Our Lady of Lavang, Happy Valley; St. Paul, St. Paul; St. Vincent de Paul, Salem; St. Alice, Springfield; Shepherd of the Valley, Central Point; Sacred Heart, Newport and St. Monica, Coosbay.

Collection Update for Jan. 11-12, 2025

General Collection	\$ 3 425.00
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 300.00
Deficit	\$ 875.00

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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JANUARY 19, 2025

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Jesus preached and taught with authority. Did everybody, who heard his message, believe?

No. Just plain no. Immediately Jesus was opposed. They thought he was a lunatic, a belligerent radical, a delinquent social activist. They kept an eye on him watching that he might do something to accuse him. And they did.

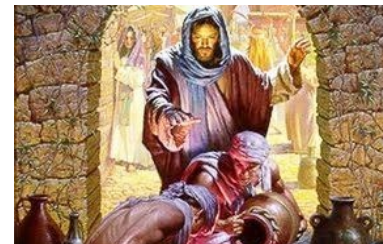
If only everybody were to believe...that must be heaven, right? No pun intended. But the true nature of revelation is a challenge to men. Again, no pun intended. They say, our mind can also grasp so little very often things that are beyond us are the hardest to adhere to. In this age, we obviously see that what is measurable, verifiable, and tested can be categorized as truth. The things of God are not true because they cannot be verified by the exact science.

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The astrologers followed a star. From what they believed to be a revelation of a long-foretold virgin birth, they saw a star on its rising and they followed it. The star stood still where the baby was born. They found his mother and father too. The angels were singing praises to the glory of God. They prostrated before the newborn King and gifted him gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The previous week, the faithful of Manila, Philippines showed a great testament to faith. Every 9th of January, devotees to the Black Nazarene gather in a situation that can be likened to a packed can of sardines where, this year, some eight (8) million people joined the procession. Each devotee, motivated by a prayer request from the miraculous image of the Black Nazarene, braved the throng of devotees however the danger there was at the procession. For them, one thing was certain: they have been blessed with answered prayers through the miraculous Black Nazarene.

Most of us do not see what they see. Jesus told his disciples, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see, for many prophets and kings desired to see what you see but did not see it" (Mt 13:16).-30-



Jesús predicó y enseñó con autoridad. ¿Creyeron todos los que escucharon su mensaje? No. Simplemente no. Inmediatamente Jesús se opuso. Pensaban que era un lunático, un radical beligerante, un activista social delincuente. Ellos lo vigilaron viendo que podía hacer algo para acusarlo. Y lo hicieron.

Si solo todos creyeran... eso debe ser el cielo, ¿verdad? Ningún juego de palabras. Pero la verdadera naturaleza de la revelación es un desafío para los hombres. De nuevo, no es un juego de palabras. Dicen que nuestra mente también puede captar tan poco que muy a menudo las cosas que están más allá de nosotros son las más difíciles de cumplir. En esta era, obviamente vemos que lo que es medible, verificable y probado puede ser categorizado como verdad. Las cosas de Dios no son verdaderas porque no pueden ser verificadas por la ciencia exacta.

Los astrólogos seguían a una estrella. A partir de lo que creían que era una revelación de un nacimiento virginal predicho desde hacía mucho tiempo, vieron una estrella en su salida y la siguieron. La estrella se detuvo en el lugar donde nació el bebé. También encontraron a su madre y a su padre. Los ángeles cantaban alabanzas para la gloria de Dios. Se postraron ante el rey recién nacido y le regalaron oro, incienso y mirra.

La semana anterior, los fieles de Manila (Filipinas) mostraron un gran testimonio de fe. Cada 9 de enero, los devotos del Nazareno Negro se reúnen en una situación que se puede comparar con una lata de sardinas repleta donde, este año, unos ocho (8) millones de personas se unieron a la procesión.

Cada devoto, motivado por una petición de oración de la milagrosa imagen del Nazareno Negro, desafió a la multitud de devotos, sin importar el peligro que había en la procesión. Para ellos, una cosa era segura: habían sido bendecidos con oraciones contestadas a través del milagroso Nazareno Negro.-30-

MASS INTENTIONS:

St. James Parish



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

ADULT ED PROGRAM RESUMES 2 FEBRUARY (SUNDAY) AFTER 9:00 LITURGY

After Mass on Sunday, the 2nd of February, grab your doughnut and coffee and drop into Classroom 1 for the first in a 7 part series on "The Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church." With presentation and discussion, we'll look at questions like, "Is the Church suddenly teaching socialism?" or "Is social teaching the same as the Church entering politics?" You'll see that the Church's social teaching cuts through both issues with a very different "take." Please join in for an interesting topic relevant to our own times.

Your ministry's bulletin item can inform our people about your work. You are encouraged to let the whole parish know any of your work. Photo-stories are highly encouraged. The bulletin is normally printed on Thursdays. Get your story in on a Wednesday at stjamesmolalla957@gmail.com



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Spirituality of Grief Group Starts January 24th, 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 24th, 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 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.

Join us January 25, 2025 as we Walk for the littlest among us at the 21st Annual Walk for Life West Coast.

This year we have an outstanding group of speakers, and as always, there are lots of fun and faith-filled activities surrounding the Walk. Please visit our speakers and event page to learn more. Want to share your Pro-Life message? Visit our Info Faire page. Pro-Babies, Pro-Women, Pro-Families, Pro-Life!

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 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 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.

46TH ANNUAL SPPS DINNER DANCE & AUCTION

FEBRUARY 1ST, 2025
ST. PAUL CITY HALL

Derby Days

Join us as we support the Kids and Race for the Roses!!



Auction

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00

LIVE AUCTION

BEGINS AT 12:30

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION

THUR 01/30 @ 2:00PM - SUN 02/02 @ 2:00PM

Dinner Dance

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00

LIVE MUSIC, CASINO GAMES,
DINNER & DRINKS

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