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CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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# THE SCALLOP

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## Fr. Cit's Column

Grace. *Mysterium Tremendum*. St. Paul is always overcome with unworthiness by the grace of God's mercy, despite his murderous past, God forgave him and gave him a mission to spread the God News to all corners of the world. You know the feeling of unworthiness receiving an unmerited gift? Feeling "small" before a great present, one can only praise in awe and reverence the goodness of God!

We receive the same manner of grace when we come to the Sacrament of Confession. Approaching the Sacrament of Confession can actually mortify, for the sense of speaking about one's sins is humbling and takes a lot of courage. But confessing our sins is liberating, that is, through the Sacrament of Confession, God's grace of forgiveness gives a repentant a clean heart and mind, in other words, profound peace and freedom within.

8 Forgiveness is an unmerited gift. But God is mercy, he freely gives the gift of forgiveness to a repentant sinner. Knowing that forgiveness for our confessed sins (repentant heart) demands personal transformation, it is a consistent act of choosing the right and doing the good, we are at the mercy of God. Change does not come  
9 easy. Repeatedly we offend God and others until we finally contain our weaknesses with the help of God's forgiveness. Therefore, never get tired of coming back to God's unending mercy. Or never doubt the effective grace of forgiveness imparted by the priest through the words of absolution.

10 Every time I am forgiven through the Sacrament of Confession, peace overcomes me I feel light. The previous heaviness in my heart is gone, I can sleep peacefully.  
11 Don't delay. Never suspend the benefit of liberation from anything that presses us down because of our sins. Immediately take advantage of the forgiveness of God and be awed by his grace.-30-  
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Gracia. *Mysterium Tremendum*. San Pablo es siempre vencido por la indignidad por la gracia de la misericordia de Dios, a pesar de su pasado asesino, Dios lo perdonó y le dio una misión para difundir la Noticia de Dios a todos los rincones del mundo. ¿Conoces el sentimiento de indignidad recibiendo un regalo inmerecido? Sintiendo "pequeño" ante un gran regalo, ¡uno solo puede alabar con asombro y reverencia la bondad de Dios! La misma forma de gracia que recibimos cuando llegamos al Sacramento de la Confesión.

Acercarse al Sacramento de la Confesión puede realmente mortificar, porque el sentido de hablar de los pecados es humillante y requiere mucho valor. Pero confesar nuestros pecados es liberador, es decir, a través del Sacramento de la Confesión, la gracia de Dios del perdón le da al arrepentido un corazón y una mente limpias, en otras palabras, paz y libertad profundas en su interior.

El perdón es un regalo inmerecido. Pero Dios es misericordia, Él da gratuitamente el don del perdón a un pecador arrepentido. Sabiendo que el perdón por nuestros pecados confesados (corazón arrepentido) exige una transformación personal, que es un acto consistente de elegir lo correcto y hacer el bien, estamos a la misericordia de Dios. El cambio no es fácil. Repetidamente ofendemos a Dios y a otros hasta que finalmente contengamos nuestras debilidades con la ayuda del perdón de Dios. Por lo tanto, nunca te canses de volver a la misericordia interminable de Dios. O nunca dudes de la gracia efectiva del perdón impartido por el sacerdote a través de las palabras de absolución.

Cada vez que soy perdonado a través del Sacramento de la Confesión, la paz me vence, me siento ligero. La pesadez anterior en mi corazón se ha ido, puedo dormir tranquilo. No te demores. Nunca suspendas el beneficio de la liberación de cualquier cosa que nos oprima a causa de nuestros pecados. Aprovechate inmediatamente del perdón de Dios y déjate sorprender por su gracia.-30-

### MASS INTENTIONS:

#### FEBRUARY

Wayne Otter  
Tillie Ferlan  
Zachary Webb  
St. James Parish

Betty Keller +

Kelly Chapman +



### 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 (SUNDAY) AFTER 9:00 LITURGY**

After the English Mass on Sunday, grab your doughnut and coffee and drop into Classroom 1 for the 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

**ADULT ED PROGRAM WITH DIANA GREENE**

Starting 11th of February at 6:30pm in the Church Hall, you are invited to share in the depth of St. Teresa of Avila's life and prayer and discover that *He calls us; we call to each other. Deep Calls to Deep.*

The group will explore the book entitled Mansions of the Heart by Thomas Ashcroft. The book is a extensive work of reflection on the life and prayer of St. Teresa of Avila, the mystic who has attained true intimacy with the Triune God through the stages of spirituality.

The class is open to all.

For questions and inquiries, please call the office 503-829-2080

**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.

# SISTERS OF LIFE

## Oregon Mission Trip

### February 20-23, 2025



Sister Catherine Joy



Sister Israel Rose



Sister Ann Immaculee

**Thursday, February 20: Milwaukie**  
Christ the King Parish Mission Event - **OPEN TO ALL**

- 6:00-6:30 PM: Sisters of Life Talk
- 6:30-7:00 PM: Adoration and Prayer led by the Sisters
- 7:00 PM: Reception

**Friday, February 21: Lake Oswego**  
Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School Mission Event  
Our Lady of the Lake Parish Mission Event - **OPEN TO ALL**

- 6:30-7:00 PM: Sisters of Life Talk
- 7:00-7:30 PM: Adoration and Prayer led by the Sisters
- 7:30 PM: Reception in the Parish Hall  
(Hosted by the OLL Parish Respect Life Committee)

**Saturday, February 22: Portland & Springfield**  
St. Michael the Archangel Parish Mission Event followed by Sidewalk Rosary at Nearby Abortion Facility - **OPEN TO ALL**

- 8:30-9:30 AM: Mass at St. Michael's
- 9:30-10:00 AM: Sisters of Life Talk in the Parish Hall
- 10:30-11:30 AM: Prayer Vigil and Rosary led by the Sisters of Life at Late-Term Abortion Facility, Lilith Clinic


St. Alice Parish Mission Event - **OPEN TO ALL**

- 5:00-6:00 PM: Vigil Mass
- 6:00-7:00 PM: Potluck Dinner
- 7:00 PM: Sisters of Life Talk Followed by Adoration

**Sunday, February 23: Eugene**  
FOCUS Missionaries Visit at University of Oregon Campus

Sisters of Life website: [www.sistersoflife.org](http://www.sistersoflife.org)





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# HOLY LEAGUE


CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

THEHOLYLEAGUE.ORG


**PREPARE FOR BATTLE**

**SATURDAY MARCH 8, 2025 7AM TO 4PM**


ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
1112 SE 41ST AVENUE  
PORTLAND, OR 97214




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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 Kendall	Kent Burtner
Alma Gomez	Roberto Lua
Froi Otter	Norma Amezola
Eneilson Rodas	Marilyn Kendall
Marilyn and Jeff Wilson	
Jorge Lopez	

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**

February 11, 6:30PM, Hall, Adult Catechism with Diana Greene  
 March 1, Parish Auction  
 March 5, Ash Wednesday

**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 February 1-2, 2025**

General Collection	\$ 5 467.75
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 300.00
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 0.0</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.



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/> Key-in St. James Catholic Church, Molalla. Enter your name and email. You are signed up. Start browsing and enjoying its contents.