

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

He entered Jerusalem riding on an ass. He made a clear statement: He has power but his was unlike the powers of

the world.

Israel was repeatedly subjugated under foreign rule. Some were harsh. Others were somehow lenient allowing them to live maintaining their worship culture and traditions. Due to their distress over their centuries-old unfreedom, they were all out for their liberation, and God was their ultimate recourse. They were waiting for David's root to arrive (Messiah) [while another wing was waiting for the descendant of Judas Maccabee]. David's leadership was the ideal.

In their mind a ruler was a power able to defeat the enemies and bring peace and prosperity in no time. Every Israelite has that painful longing for the restoration of the kingship of David, with the coming of the longed-for Messiah to be realized without delay. The glory of the past. Many civilizations of the past are surely an envy and yet a source of lessons we could use to avoid the same downfall. And best of all, these lessons enable us to realize through reflection that our human powers, despite renewable, are not forever. Our capabilities decay with us. That goes true too that everything will pass away (Mt. 24:35) but not the words of God.

- 13 In each of us, deep in our heart, is the desire to reach the height of success, or grandeur of living. Communally, we want to be a great race, if not to lead, to be part of living a great race. Abraham was called to be the father of all nations. Civilizations have seen many names who propelled a kingdom or civilization. True leaders have taken these king-
- doms and nations to great heights. Unfortunately, true leaders are not always easy to
- 15 find. Sometimes clowns take the reins. If a clown moves into a palace, he does not be-
- 16 come a king. Instead, he makes the palace a circus (Turkish Proverb).-30-
- Entró en Jerusalén montado en un asno. Hizo una declaración clara: Él tiene poder, pero
- el suyo era diferente a los poderes del mundo. Israel fue subyugado repetidamente bajo dominio extranjero. Algunos fueron duros. Otros fueron de alguna manera indulgentes, permitiéndoles vivir, manteniendo su culto, cultura y tradiciones. Debido a su angustia por su falta de libertad de siglos de antigüe-

dad, todos estaban dispuestos a su liberación, y Dios era su último recurso. Estaban esperando que llegara la raíz de David (el Mesías) [mientras otra ala esperaba al descendiente de Judas Macabeo]. El liderazgo de David era el ideal. En su mente, un gobernante era un poder capaz de derrotar a los enemigos y traer la

paz y la prosperidad en poco tiempo. Cada israelita tiene ese doloroso anhelo de que la restauración de la gobernación real de David, con la venida del Mesías anhelado se realice sin demora.

La gloria del pasado. Muchas civilizaciones del pasado son sin duda una envidia y, sin embargo, una fuente de lecciones que podríamos utilizar para evitar la misma caída. Y lo mejor de todo es que estas lecciones nos permiten darnos cuenta a través de la reflexión de que nuestros poderes humanos, a pesar de ser renovables, no son para siempre. Nuestras capacidades decaen con nosotros. Eso también es cierto que todo pasará (Mt. 24:35) pero no las palabras de Dios.

En cada uno de nosotros, en lo profundo de nuestro corazón, está el deseo de alcanzar la altura del éxito, o la grandeza de la vida. Comunitariamente, queremos ser una gran raza, si no liderar, ser parte de vivir una gran carrera. Abraham fue llamado a ser el padre de todas las naciones. Las civilizaciones han visto muchos nombres que impulsaron un reino o civilización. Los verdaderos líderes han llevado a estos reinos y naciones a grandes alturas.

Desafortunadamente, los verdaderos líderes no siempre son fáciles de encontrar. A veces los payasos toman las riendas. Si un payaso se muda a un palacio, no se convierte en rey. En cambio, convierte el palacio en un circo (proverbio Turco).-30-

Please call our emergency number 971.800.2786 only for anointing or last rites. Our office phone number receives calls regarding sacraments and general office inquiries.

MASS INTENTIONS:

APRIL

Francisco Campos Cruz + Pedro Navarro Ibarra + Bianca Gomez cumple 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 4:005:00PM but is always available as needed.
Adoration on Thursdays
9:30am to 7:45pm
24-Hour adoration every first

Thursday of the month

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 stiamesmolalla957@gmail.com

ADULT ED PROGRAM (SUNDAY) AFTER 9:00 LITURGY WITH KENT BURTNER "The Historical Development of the Liturgical Calendar." ADULT ED PROGRAM WITH DIANA GREENE EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:30PM "Deep Calls to Deep"

I CAN, YOU CAN, WE CAN



40 CANS FOR LENT FOOD DRIVE

St. James, Molalla, Knights of Columbus sponsors canned food drive to help our St. Vincent de Paul in the Molalla area. Please help us help those of our neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet. Our food pantry needs your help with this Lenten food drive. Especially needed items are fruit, tuna. & cereal. Please drop your food items off in the barrels in the Narthex beginning Ash Wednesday thru Easter Sunday. Thank you for your help!





Easter Lilies: Offer your intentions for the repose of your loved ones' soul.





Please return the filled rice bowl starting this weekend until Good Friday (April 18). You can put it in the collection basket, rice bowl tubs in the narthex and office or hand it to your catechist

April 20, after the Spanish Mass Join us in a festive celebration of culture, food and entertainment.

Sacred Heart Catholic School, Gervais is hiring for the SY 2025-26! We are looking to hire an Administrative Assistant and a 3rd/4th grade teacher who is passionate about Catholic Education where children grow as disciples of Christ through knowledge, virtue and the spiritual life. Join the Sacred Heart

Application and inquiries may be sent to Principal Mariana Hill at principal@shstl.org

MARRIAGE BANNS/AMONESTACIONES MATRIMONIALES





Israel Cortés Cortés Eliana Villegas Arellano

son of Everardo Cortés Sandoval daughter of Ignacio Villegas Sandoval and Silvia Rubi Cortés Cortés and Maria de Jesus Arellano Sandoval of Meadowlane Pl Molalla Oregon of Florencia Zacatecas, Mexico Born on 2 April 1995 Born on 1 December 1992

will contract Holy Sacrament of Matrimony in the Roman Catholic Rite on 26th of April 2025 in the Parish of San Juan Bautista en Teúl de Gonzales, Ortega Mexico.

Anyone who has information of any of the parties' impediments to be wed, please notify the Office of the Pastor of St. James Parish 503.829.2080 or stjamesmolalla957@gmail.com.

April 9, 2025 Join the OSU Newman Center for a lecture featuring Dr. Lawrence Principe, renowned historian of science and chemistry at Johns Hopkins University. In this compelling talk, Dr. Principe will debunk the popular myth that science emerged in opposition to religion, revealing instead how faith helped drive scientific breakthroughs during the Scientific Revolution.



Rummage Sale by the Knights of Columbus Donations will be accepted on May 12-14 in the parish hall from 9:00am to 5:00pm. We cannot accept mattresses, box springs, large appliances, baby carriers. Donations must be in good working condition. For questions or pick up, please contact John Pavik at 5038299471 or Mike Cline at 5038299542. Sale is on May 16 and 17.

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.

We are on the web! stjamesmolalla,org

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH Iglesia Catolica 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

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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, 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.

CALENDAR

April 13-19 Holy Week April 20, Kermes, after the Spanish Mass

Holy Week

Palm Sunday/Domingo de Ramos April 12-13/Abril 12-13
Sunday Masses as scheduled/Horario asi como el Domingo
Chrism Mass/Misa de la Crisma April 14/Abril 14, 7:00PM
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland, Oregon
Mass of the Last Supper/Misa de la Ultima Cena Abril 17/Abril 17
7:00PM in the main Church building/en la Iglesia principal
Procession and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Procession y adoracion del Santisimo April 17/Abril 17 after the Mass/despues de la Santa Misa (adoration in the hall/adoracion en el salon)
Live Stations of the Cross/ Camino de la Cruz en Vivo April 18/Abril 18, 3:00PM on church grounds/afuera de la Iglesia principal
Stations of the Cross/Camino de la Cruz April 18/Abril 18, 6:00PM in the main church/en la Iglesia principal
Liturgy of the Passion of Christ/Liturgia de la Pasion de Cristo
April 18/Abril 18, 6:454PM (in the main church, en la Iglesia principal)

Collection Update for April 5-6, 2025

Easter Vigil/Vigilia Pascual April 19/Abril 19, 8:30PM

General Collection
Expenses (weekly estimate)
Deficit

\$ 4 209.11 \$ 4 300.00 \$ 90.89

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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