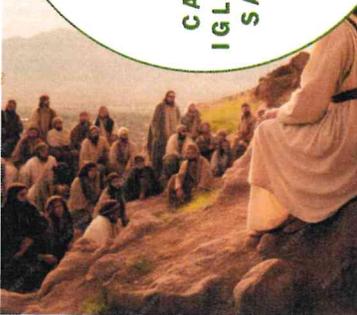




ST. JAMES  
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# THE SCALLOP

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## Fr. Cit's Column

**Blessings.** The Catholic Church has a collection of blessings for persons, things (liturgical implements and sacramentals), places and undertakings. To impart blessings is to sanctify (as well as to set apart) that thing brought to the church invoking the name of God through a rite (of prayer/s) by an authorized minister of the church.

The blessing is meant to lead the faithful to a profound act of worship, obviously to praise God's goodness and grace, as also to seek God's grace through the act of faith. That provides for the discipline how we treat the things we ask or receive blessings for. Meaning, the blessings must be used properly not neglected through our recklessness. And to use properly also means to make sure that the things blessed must be cared for as would their being set apart warrants.

Use them properly as you would use a product according to the instructions stated on the label. Or more aptly, use them reverently, sacredly. That also means, if we store our things in a cool, dry place, so must we store the blessed objects in the right place, very particularly in your home altar. If you have no altar at home, try to find a safe and quiet place in your house that would serve as their nook. I believe you have a Bible at home.

Yes, enthrone the Bible and place together with the Bible the blessed objects.

Some of these blessed things we use all the time or carry with us always. A medallion you wear or a car you drive may be some examples. How do you care for them so that they will not be desecrated? Those objects that are used for devotion must actually be used in prayers. A car blessed must be used for its purpose trusting in the Lord's protection and guide for those who use it as well as those around it.

Proper disposal for worn-out or spoiled blessed items must be properly done too. Burying the item in the ground is the most accepted procedure. If you are not sure, bring it to the parish. The pastor will do it for you.>

**Bendiciones.** La Iglesia Católica tiene una colección de bendiciones para personas, cosas (utensilios litúrgicos y sacramentales), lugares y empresas. Impartir bendiciones es santificar (así como apartar) aquello que se lleva a la iglesia invocando el nombre de Dios mediante un rito (de oración) por un ministro autorizado de la iglesia.

La bendición está destinada a guiar a los fieles a un acto profundo de adoración, obviamente para alabar la bondad y gracia de Dios, así como para buscar la gracia de Dios a través del acto de fe. Eso proporciona la disciplina de cómo tratamos las cosas que pedimos o por las que recibimos bendiciones. Es decir, las bendiciones deben usarse correctamente, no descuidarlas por nuestra imprudencia. Y usarlo correctamente también significa asegurarse de que las cosas bendecidas deben ser cuidadas, tal y como lo justifica su apartado. Úsalos correctamente como usarías un producto según las instrucciones indicadas en la etiqueta. O más bien, úsalos con reverencia, sagrado. Eso también significa que, si guardamos nuestras cosas en un lugar fresco y seco, también debemos guardar los objetos benditos en su lugar correcto, muy especialmente en el altar de tu casa. Si no tienes altar en casa, intenta encontrar un lugar seguro y tranquilo que sirva como su rincón. Creo que tienes una Biblia en casa. Sí, entroniza la Biblia y coloca junto a la Biblia los objetos bendecidos.

Algunas de estas cosas bendecidas las usamos todo el tiempo o las llevamos siempre consigo. Un medallón que llevas o un coche que conduces pueden ser algunos ejemplos.

¿Cómo los cuidas para que no sean profanados? Los objetos que se usan para la devoción deben usarse realmente en oraciones. Un coche bendecido debe ser utilizado para su propósito, confiando en la protección y guía del Señor tanto para quienes lo usan como para quienes lo rodean.

También debe hacerse una buena disposición de los objetos benditos desgastados o estropeados. Enterrar el objeto en la tierra es el procedimiento más aceptado. Si no estás seguro, llévalo a la parroquia. El pastor lo hará por ti.>

## MASS INTENTIONS: JAN. - FEB.

- St. James Parish
- Cabrera-Mares Family Intention
- Margarito Arellano +
- Fabiola Preciado +
- Estela Munguia +
- Melquiades Serrano +
- Elias Serrano +

## 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

**Schedule of Masses and Imposition of Ashes on Ash Wednesday**  
**Horario de las Misas y Imposición de Cenizas en Miércoles de Ceniza**

February 18, 8:00am English Mass with Catholic Family House  
 February 18, 9:00am English Mass  
 February 18, 5:30pm English Mass  
 Febrero 18, 7:00pm Misa en Español

Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent beginning February 20 at 6:00pm and then soup supper at 7:00pm. Everyone is encouraged to give up something during Lent. In this case, you are encouraged to give generously to help build the Molalla Senior Center. Envelopes will be provided. Also, the parish will organize a group of people who will visit patients and elderly living in Senior facilities in the area. Anyone interested must register with Scott Scofield before February 18. Thank you.

The Beatitudes are among the most iconic teachings of Jesus Christ, forming the heart of the Sermon on the Mount, found in the Gospel of Matthew (5:3-12). Through these eight declarations of happiness, Jesus presents a radical path to true joy and holiness, challenging worldly perspectives on wealth, power and success. (from *European Catholics in English*)

Please call the emergency number 971.406.7453 only for anointing or last rites. Our office phone number receives calls regarding sacraments and general office inquiries.  
*Llame al número de emergencia 971.406.7453 solo para la unción o los últimos ritos.*

**ST. PAUL PARISH, SILVERTON, OREGON**  
**NOW HIRING PARISH SECRETARY/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

St. Paul Parish is now seeking a full-time Parish Secretary/Administrative Assistant to manage daily administrative tasks. Bilingual English/Spanish is preferred. The ideal candidate will have strong organizational and communication skills, prior administrative experience and a commitment to the mission of the Catholic Church.

To apply: Submit your resume in person or email:  
 office@stpaulsilverton.com  
 1410 Pine Street, Silverton, OR 97381 503-873-2044

**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 crew of volunteers to sustain a program attractive to young people in building their faith. Contact the office (503-829-2080) if you can help in organizing this ministry. Adriana Mendoza leads the team.

**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. 24-hour Adoration every first Thursday. 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.

## Legatus

### Ambassadors for Christ

Legatus is an international organization of Catholic business leaders and executives committed to study, live and spread the Catholic faith. Legatus provides its members the opportunity to deepen their relationship with God and discover how Catholic truth and values can help them meet the challenges they face on a daily basis. Spouses are full members, providing additional opportunities to enhance marriage and family life. Monthly meetings start with Mass, followed by socializing and fine dining - complemented by dynamic and informative presentations by expert or nationally known speakers.

Chartered in 2001, our Portland Chapter is welcoming new members.

For information, please contact Tom or Julie Heger at [jtheher75@gmail.com](mailto:jtheher75@gmail.com)

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**We are on the web!**  
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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
Eneilson Rodas	Marilyn Kendoll
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, worshipping, evangelizing and helping each other toward holiness.*

*Somos una comunidad Cristiana 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**

1 Febrero Presentacion de los Niños en la Misa  
 February 2, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Mass at 9:00am  
 Children's presentation at Mass  
 February 3, Blessing of Throat at Mass, 9:00am



**Blood Drive**



**American Red Cross**

**February 20**

We are **looking for new Parish Council members.** You may nominate yourself or a parishioner you know who is enthused to represent the community in our conversations/meetings/plannings. You can write up to five (5) names.

Drop your nominations in the collection basket or give to Scott S.

Estamos buscando nuevos miembros para el Consejo Parroquial. Puedes nominarte a ti mismo o a algún feligrés que conozcas y que esté entusiasmado por representar a la comunidad en nuestras conversaciones/reuniones/planificaciones. Puedes escribir hasta cinco (5) nombres. Deja tus nominaciones en la canasta de la colección o dale a Scott S.

**Online giving**

Please consider online giving. It does not take more than 15-minutes to sign-up for online giving. You help lessen paper waste and you do not miss any unfulfilled envelopes.

Please contact Scott Scofield at the business office.

Call 503-829.2080 or send email at stjamesmolall1957@gmail.com.



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,

**Collection Update** for Jan 24-25, 2026

General Collection	\$ 3 705.00
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 300.00
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 595.00</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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