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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 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 servir a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad por medio de la fe.

C A L E N D A R

- March 4, 6:30pm Penance Service
- March 6, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
Soup Supper after
- March 13, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
Soup Supper after
- March 20, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
Soup Supper after
- March 27, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
Soup Supper after

Meals on Wheels donation for Molalla Senior Center .
 To give generously, pick a purple envelope. You can fill it with your change, cash or check. Return it to the office before Lent ends (April 1, 2026) Also you can drop it in the collection basket.



SAVE THE DATE
Parish Auction and Dinner
April 25, 2026

Please call the emergency number 971.206.4991 only for anointing or last rites. Our office phone number receives calls regarding sacraments and general office inquiries.

Llame al número de emergencia 971.206.4991 solo para la unción o los últimos ritos.

Collection Update for February 21-22, 2026

General Collection	\$ 4 427.25
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 300.00
Deficit	\$ 00.00



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 work fairly well. Please consider doing so. God bless you.

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
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MARCH 1, 2026

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
 IGLESIA CATOLICA DE SANTIAGO APOSTOL

THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Call to conversion. Abraham was changed. Isaac was changed. Jacob was changed. Moses was changed. From the old man, they became new. Their heart of stone was replaced with a heart made of grace. Abraham became father of all nations. People from east to west, from north to south all gathered to form the one nation called by God as his people. God continues to call people to his grace transforming their heart, making their heart shine the Kingdom of God.

John the Baptizer called disciples to a baptism of conversion. And then Jesus continued to call disciples to a rebirth, a life that ends no more to be in communion with God and the holy ones.

Lent makes room for that call to conversion more emphasized as the Church embarks on a mode of remembering the mighty acts of God, liberating his beloved sons and daughters from the poison of the devil.

But conversion is also ongoing. Baptism cleanses original sin and opens the gates of the Kingdom. But baptism is not the yet the final stop. It initiates one man to the whole journey of conversion. The *munera* is to be faithful to the baptismal call (vocation) by persevering in conversion.

Ongoing conversion involves mind for understanding, heart and soul for profession of faith and the whole self for action. There is no conversion without putting in practice what was understood and professed as faith.

Thus, if one says he is a believer, it should be visible that he reflects God through his thoughts, words and actions. >

2 Llamada a la conversión. Abraham fue cambiado. Isaac fue cambiado. Jacob fue cambiado. Moisés fue cambiado. Del viejo, se hicieron nuevos. Su corazón de piedra fue reemplazado por un corazón hecho de gracia. Abraham llegó a ser padre de todas las naciones. La gente de este a oeste, de norte a sur se reunió para formar la única nación llamada por Dios como su pueblo.

5 Dios sigue llamando a las personas a su gracia, transformando su corazón y haciendo que su corazón brille el Reino de Dios.

Juan el Bautista llamó a los discípulos a un bautismo de conversión. Y entonces Jesús siguió llamando a los discípulos a un renacimiento, una vida que ya no termina y que esté en comunión con Dios y los santos.

La Cuaresma enfatiza aún más ese llamado a la conversión mientras la Iglesia emprende un modo de recordar los grandes actos de Dios, liberando a sus amados hijos e hijas del veneno del diablo.

Pero la conversión también está en marcha. El bautismo limpia el pecado original y abre las puertas del Reino. Pero el bautismo aún no es la parada final. Inicia a un hombre en todo el camino de la conversión. La *munera* es ser fiel al llamado bautismal perseverando en la conversión.

La conversión continua implica la mente para la comprensión, el corazón y el alma para la profesión de la fe y el yo completo para la acción. No hay conversión sin poner en práctica lo que se entendía y profesaba como fe.

Por lo tanto, si uno dice que es un creyente, debe ser visible que refleja a Dios a través de sus pensamientos, palabras y acciones.>

MASS INTENTIONS:

FEBRUARY-MARCH

- Ed Grinstead + **28**
- St. James Parish **1**
- Ed Grinstead +
- Isabel Dow +
- Mendoza Family for status
- Arnulfo Mendoza bday
- Pedro Navarro Ibarra +
- Alberta Aguiar Cueva +
- Margarito Arellano +

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**

5 Ways to Deepen Your Prayer Life During Lent (first part)

by Catholic Faith (catholic.us)

Lent's not just about giving up chocolate or social media—though those are fine starts. I've seen too many Catholics treat it like a diet, counting days until Easter without ever deepening their relationship with God. If you're serious about spiritual growth, here's how to actually make Lent matter.

1. Pray the Liturgy of the Hours

Most Catholics stick to the rosary or a quick morning prayer. But the Liturgy of the Hours? That's where the real transformation happens. It's the Church's official prayer, structured around the day's psalms and Scripture. Start with Morning Prayer and Compline (night prayer). Apps like Universalis make it easy. In my experience, committing to just two hours a day changes everything.

Morning Prayer: 6-9 AM (adjust to your schedule)

Evening Prayer: 6-9 PM

Compline: Before bed (5-10 minutes)

2. Add a Daily Examen

Ignatius of Loyola's Examen is a 15-minute reflection on your day. It's not about guilt—it's about noticing where God was present. Here's how:

Gratitude: Thank God for three things. *Review:* Walk through your day, moment by moment.

Repentance: Acknowledge where you fell short. *Resolve:* Ask for grace to do better tomorrow. *Surrender:* End with a prayer of trust.

Do this at night. I've seen people who skip it struggle with Lent's purpose. Those who commit? They finish Easter feeling lighter.

3. Fast from Noise, Not Just Food

Giving up social media or news for a day a week? That's better than skipping dessert. Silence creates space for God. Try:

Day	Fast
Monday	No Social Media
Wednesday	No news or podcasts
Friday	No music (except hymns)

It's hard at first, but the clarity you gain? Worth it.



Marion Vicariate Penance Service

- St. Mary. Mt. Angel, March 3 (Tuesday) at 7:00pm
- St. Patrick, Canby, March 3 (Tuesday) at 6:00pm
- St. James, Molalla, March 4 (Wednesday) at 6:30pm
- St. Luke, Woodburn, March 10 (Tuesday) at 6:30pm
- St. Paul, Silverton, March 18 (Wednesday) at 6:30pm
- St. Paul, St. Paul, March 19 (Thursday) at 6:30pm

Join St. Francis Church, Sherwood For A Lenten Retreat

During the Year of Saint Francis

Sat., March 7, 2026 | 8:30am-Noon
with Catholic Speaker Dina Marie Hale



Your retreat leader
Dina Marie Hale



dinamarie.org

RETREAT LOCATION

St. Francis Catholic Church
15651 SW Oregon Street
Sherwood, OR 97140

- 8:30am Healing Mass
- 9:00am Continental breakfast
- 9:30am - Noon Retreat
- A free will offering taken
- All ages invited



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I CAN, YOU CAN, WE CAN

40 CANS FOR LENT



40 Cans of Food for 40 Days of Lent.

The Knights of Columbus (St. James, Molalla Council) is again sponsoring this year's can food drive to help those of our neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet. Our St. Vincent de Paul pantry needs help with supplies during Lent. Especially needed are fruit, tuna, & cereal items. Drop items off in the barrels in the Narthex until Easter Sunday.

Thank you for your Help.

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.