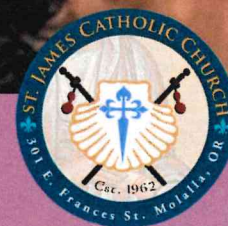


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Fr. Cit's Column

Human formation. Nutrition is to the body, what education is to the intellect, what values and morals are to the heart, and what faith is to the soul. A human person grows and becomes his full potential. That happens through formation. By allowing a person to be nourished and trained, he can attain his full-est.

The human formation is a complex enterprise. There is no one road to make things happen. Certainly, there are acceptable ways by which a culture or a society adopts to guide and mold each individual person. It is a basic right (protected by the laws of humanity and of God) that an individual person must be helped for growth.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) provides for a clear support to the good of the human person, whose image and likeness is God's image. As a human person with dignity, the promotion of the good of each individual must be fundamental. The goal of human formation, as put together and set on its highest importance by the CCC, is to conform to the good intended by God, ultimately geared towards beatitude.

Beatitude is happiness. And happiness is heaven. Only the saints and holy ones are truly happy. If heaven is the ultimate goal of each person, then we should be formed according to the happiness of the inhabitants of heaven.

Our formation must be patterned on the life of the saints. You can name your saint. By reading their life, you can know how you can be formed here on earth to be ready for heaven.

14 There's no limit to knowing how they loved their lives. And no need to be conservative on that part because there's enough resources to go and use. You can go as far as reading the Bible, and the History of the Church, and as much as going through the Library of Names of Saints.

15 Celebrate your saint. The Church remembers all these saints. Throughout the year, a commemoration Mass is celebrated in honor of a saint. >

16 La formación humana. La nutrición es para el cuerpo, la educación es para el intelecto, los valores y la moral es para el corazón, y la fe es para el alma. Una persona humana crece y se convierte en su pleno potencial. Eso sucede a través de la formación. Al permitirle ser alimentado y entrenado, puede alcanzar su plenitud.

17 La formación humana es una empresa compleja. No hay un camino único para hacer que las cosas sucedan. Ciertamente, hay maneras aceptables por las cuales una cultura o una sociedad adopta para guiar y moldear a cada persona individual. Es un derecho básico (protegido por las leyes de la humanidad y de Dios) que una persona individual debe ser ayudada para el crecimiento.

18 El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica (CCC) proporciona un apoyo claro al bien de la persona humana, cuya imagen y semejanza es imagen de Dios. Como persona humana con dignidad, la promoción del bien de cada individuo debe ser fundamental. El objetivo de la formación humana, tal como se ha reunido y puesto en su mayor importancia por el CCC, es conformarse al bien que Dios quiere, orientado en última instancia hacia la bienaventuranza.

19 La bienaventuranza es felicidad. Y la felicidad es el paraíso. Solo los santos y los santos son verdaderamente felices. Si el cielo es el objetivo último de cada persona, entonces debemos formarnos según la felicidad de los habitantes del cielo.

20 Nuestra formación debe basarse en la vida de los santos. Puedes nombrar a tu santo. Al leer su vida, puedes saber cómo puedes formarte aquí en la tierra para estar preparado para el cielo. No hay límite para saber cómo amaban sus vidas. Y no hay necesidad de ser conservador en ese aspecto porque hay suficientes recursos para usar. Puedes llegar hasta leer la Biblia, la Historia de la Iglesia y hasta revisar la Biblioteca de Nombres de Santos. Celebra a tu santo. La Iglesia recuerda a todos estos santos. Durante todo el año, se celebra una misa conmemorativa en honor a un santo.>

MASS INTENTIONS:

MARCH

J.L. +

St. James Parish
Roy and Jeri Ellis intentions
Benigno Gomez Suazo +
Nilo Jimenez Padilla +

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 availa-
ble as needed.

Adoration on Thursdays
9:30am to 7:45pm

24-Hour adoration every first
Thursday of the month

Why Fasting and Abstinence Matter in Catholic Tradition (final part)
by Catholic Faith (catholic.us)

...but the real work happens when you go deeper.

- **Discipline:** You wouldn't train for a marathon by eating pizza every day. Lent's about spiritual conditioning.
- **Solidarity:** Fasting connects you to the poor, the hungry, and the saints who fasted before you.
- **Focus:** Hunger sharpens your mind. I've seen people break through spiritual plateaus in Lent because they stopped numbing themselves with food.

Mistake	Fix
Treating it like a diet	Focus on prayer, not calories.
Overcomplicating it	Stick to the basics—you're not earning brownie points.
Giving up something meaningless	If you don't care about chocolate, don't quit it.

Bottom line? The Church's rules are a starting point. I've seen people fast from social media, gossip, or even sarcasm—and those often hit harder than skipping meat. The goal isn't perfection. It's growth. And if you're doing it right, you'll feel the difference by Easter.



Easter Lilies offering. For Easter season intentions, you can write on the envelope for Easter prayers the names of your loved ones. They will be offered during the Easter Masses. The envelopes can be picked up in the narthex counter and returned on or before Palm Sunday (March 29th). Drop it in the collection basket when ready. Thank you.

Easter eggshells and chocolates. Bring your empty eggshells for the Easter egg hunt and chocolate candies. Place them in the container in the narthex until Palm Sunday (March 29th). Thank you.



Marion Vicariate Penance Service
St. Paul, Silverton, March 18 (Wednesday) at 6:30pm
St. Paul, St. Paul, March 19 (Thursday) at 6:30pm

A Lenten Retreat at The Grotto During the Year of Saint Francis with Catholic Speaker Dina Marie Hale
Our Theme:
"Companions of Jesus Carrying the Cross"
Friday, March 20, 2026 | 8:15am-2:30pm



photo taken by Dina Marie Hale



RETREAT LOCATION
The Grotto Conference Center
The National Sanctuary of Our Sorrowful Mother
8840 NE Skidmore St.
Portland, OR. 97220

Retreat leader
Dina Marie Hale



Registration required
dinamarie.org

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE/ HORARIO DE LA SEMANA SANTA
March 28-29

Palm Sunday/ Domingo de Ramos
Masses are as scheduled/Misa así como el Domingo
April 2 at 6:30pm

Holy Thursday of the Last Supper of the Lord
Jueves Santo de la Última Cena del Señor
April 2 at 8:00pm

Procession and Reposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Procesión y reposición y adoración del Santísimo
April 3 at 3:00pm

Live Stations of the Cross (outside the church) Via Crucis en vivo
April 3 at 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross in the church Via Crucis en la Iglesia
April 3 at 7:00pm

Good Friday Celebration of the Passion of Christ
Viernes Santo de la Pasión del Nstro. Señor Jesucristo
April 4 at 8:30pm

Vigil of the Easter Sunday of the Lord
Vigilia de la Pascua de la Resurrección del Nstro Señor Jesucristo

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.

We are on the web!
stjamesmolalla.org

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 de Santiago Apostol

Fr. Cit Pastor
 Scott Scofield Pastoral Associate
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Office is open
 Monday to Thursday, 10:00AM to 2:00PM
 and Friday at 10:00AM to 12:00PM

Pastoral Council	Finance Council
Carol Freeman	Monica Bergmann
Marilyn Kendoll	Kent Burtner
Alma Gomez	Roberto Lua
Froi Otter	Norma Amezola
Enedilson 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, worshiping, 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

March 20, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
 Soup Supper after
 March 27, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross
 Soup Supper after
 March 28-April 5 Holy Week, see schedule
 April 5, Kermes
 April 5, Easter Egg Hunt after the Mass
 April 11-12 Anointing of the Sick
 after each Mass

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 March 7-8, 2026

General Collection	\$ 4 498.00
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
 or send email at stjamesmolall957@gmail.com.