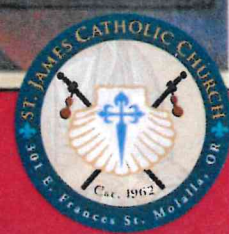


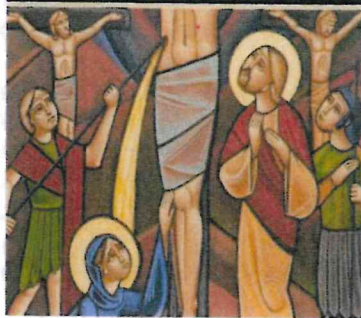
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HOLY WEEK



Fr. Cit's Column

The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross. Already depleted by the infamous Via Crucis (Way of the Cross), Jesus hung on the cross fragile and expiring. Still, he has the strength to pray and be connected to those around him and to the Father. There are seven (7) words agreed to be his last spoken prayers.

These prayers he said on the cross allow for profound reflection on how Jesus was God's charity and mercy.

One of those words he said expressed so much love for those he left behind. He said to Mary, "Woman, here is your son." And to John, "Here is your mother." The Mother of God is the Mother of the Church. Entrusting John, the beloved disciple to his Mother and vice versa allude to the relationship of the Blessed Mother of God to the Church. It is a beautiful relationship of love and care between the Mother of God and the people of God.

Around the world, there are renowned apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary exemplifying that motherly care the Blessed Virgin Mary has to God's people. And in return, these communities gave the Blessed Virgin Mary and Jesus honor and homage.

"I thirst" may have only two words but its depth tells God longs for his people's love. As Jesus spread his hands on the cross, willingly, God's thirst for his people was revealed. He allowed that His only begotten Son redeem all humanity so that they may go back to His Kingdom.

Do we thirst for the living God? To see the Christ crucified through the eyes of faith is to see God's love He only desires for our good. In that embrace, He welcomes us wide open to His Kingdom as heirs. Our dignity is restored because Christ bought it for us through his death. "It is finished!" Yes, Jesus was obedient to the end. Jesus said, since he and the Father and one, he only did what the Father commands. That bond and unity facilitated the revelation that the Father only sought to restore all to the heavens.>

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Las Siete Últimas Palabras de Jesús en la Cruz. Ya agotado por el infame Vía Crucis, Jesús colgó en la cruz frágil y expirando. Aún así, Él tiene la fuerza para orar y estar conectado con aquellos a su alrededor y con el Padre. Hay siete (7) palabras acordadas para ser sus últimas oraciones habladas.

Estas oraciones, dijo en la cruz, permiten una profunda reflexión sobre cómo Jesús fue la caridad y misericordia de Dios.

Una de esas palabras que dijo expresó tanto amor por aquellos que dejó atrás. Dijo a María: Mujer, aquí está tu hijo. Y a Juan: "Aquí está tu madre". La Madre de Dios es la Madre de la Iglesia. Confiando a Juan, el discípulo amado a su Madre y viceversa aluden a la relación de la Santísima Madre de Dios con la Iglesia. Es una hermosa relación de amor y cuidado entre la Madre de Dios y el Pueblo de Dios.

En todo el mundo, hay apariciones reconocidas de la Santísima Virgen María que ejemplifican ese cuidado maternal que la Santísima Virgen María tiene hacia el pueblo de Dios. Y a cambio, estas comunidades dieron honor y homenaje a la Santísima Virgen María y a Jesús. "Tengo sed" puede tener solo dos palabras, pero su profundidad dice que Dios anhela el amor de su pueblo. Cuando Jesús extendió las manos sobre la cruz, voluntariamente, se reveló la sed de Dios por su pueblo. Permitted que su Hijo unigénito redimiera a toda la humanidad para que pudieran regresar a Su Reino.

¿Tenemos sed del Dios vivo? Ver al Cristo crucificado a través de los ojos de la fe es ver el amor de Dios que Él solo desea para nuestro bien. En ese abrazo, Él nos acoge abiertos a Su Reino como herederos. Nuestra dignidad es restaurada porque Cristo la compró por nosotros a través de su muerte.

"¡Está terminado!" Sí, Jesús fue obediente hasta el final. Jesús dijo, ya que él, el Padre y uno, solo hizo lo que el Padre manda. Ese vínculo y unidad facilitaron la revelación de que el Padre solo buscaba restaurar todo a los cielos.>

MASS INTENTIONS:
MARCH-APRIL

St. James Parish
Benigno Gomez Suazo +

For the whole Church
For the Holy Land

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



St James Catholic Church Molalla
Annual Auction April 25th, 2026
Doors Open at 4:30 PM

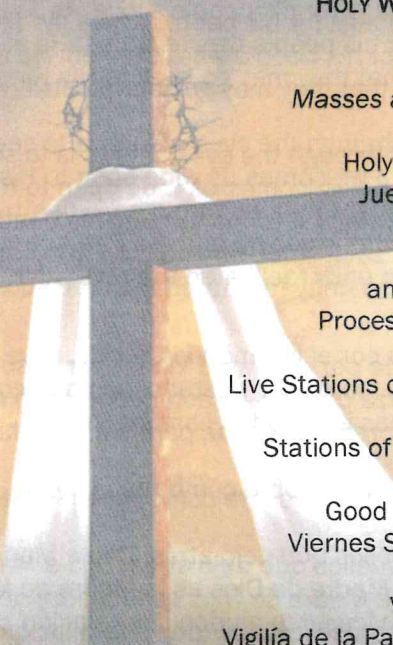
Growing in Peace with GOD

Early Bird Tickets \$45.00 purchased by April 12th
Starting April 13th the tickets are \$50.00
Oral Auction items need to be turned in by April 12th
Silent Auction items need to be turned in by April 19th

Please donate the following items as able:

1. Bottles of Wine
2. Gift Cards
3. Lottery Tickets
4. Scratch off Tickets

Contact Carol Freeman with questions or donations.

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 Pasion 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



Easter Egg hunting after Mass on our campus lawn. Everyone is invited to join!
Easter Egg hunting después de la misa en el jardín del campus. ¡Todos están invitados a unirse!



KERMÉS MEXICANA
 April 5, 2026
 St. James Parish
 Join us in this fun event of food, games, and socials.

A Simple Guide to Holy Week (Excerpt)

By Heidi Busse (OSV News) 3.23.2026

The week between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, Holy Week, is the most sacred time of year. During this special time, we enter into the passion of Christ — his crucifixion, death and resurrection — through liturgical celebration and personal conversion.

The three days of the Triduum are counted as the Hebrews counted their days, from dusk to dusk. Lent officially ends and the Triduum begins at dusk on Holy Thursday and continues through dusk on Easter Sunday.

Holy Thursday

The evening Mass on Holy Thursday begins the sacred Triduum. On this night, we remember the Last Supper and celebrate the institution of the Eucharist and the sacrament of holy orders. At the end of the liturgy, the sanctuary is stripped clean in preparation for the most somber of feasts, Good Friday.

The spirituality of the Triduum is centered on the accounts of the Paschal mystery in the Gospel of John. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper is not the Passover meal; rather, Jesus is crucified at the same time the lambs are being slaughtered for Passover, as a sign that he is the Lamb of God, sacrificed for all of humanity. The last meal Jesus shares with his apostles in the Gospel of John is marked by the washing of feet. Jesus gets down in the dirt and washes the feet of his disciples and in this way connects the holy Eucharist with service to others.

Good Friday

Good Friday is a somber remembrance of Jesus's crucifixion and death on the cross. It is a day of fasting and penance and a time to examine all of the places in our lives where we fail to follow Christ and fall into sin. Good Friday is not only a commemoration of a historical event; rather, Christ's sacrificial death on the cross, along with his glorious resurrection, comprise the heart of the Christian faith.

The church is bare on Good Friday, the altar stripped of ornamentation and the tabernacle left open and empty. Good Friday is a day of mourning. Traditionally, there is no music (other than chanting) on this day, and the prayer of consecration is also omitted from the service as a sign of what Christ's sacrifice on the cross truly means. Good Friday is not a Mass; the holy Communion that is given out has been consecrated on Holy Thursday and kept in the tabernacle for adoration.

The service is divided into reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross and reception of the Eucharist. Christ's passion is read from the Gospel of John and concludes with the prayers of the faithful, offered for the unity of the universal Church. The veneration of the cross is a time for the faithful to individually revere the cross and ponder the enormity of Christ's salvific act. Holy Communion is then distributed, and the priest, along with the entire congregation, departs in silence.

Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil is the restoration of the early Church's tradition as the great celebration of adult baptism and confirmation. It is the high point in the Church liturgical year. The Vigil begins in darkness (usually outside), and the long procession of candlelight that enlivens the church reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world who has conquered all darkness and death. The Paschal candle that is lit at the Easter Vigil will remain in the church throughout the year as a sign of Christ's death and resurrection.

Those who are coming into full communion with the Church receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil, and we, as the community of believers, participate in this initiation by renewing our own baptismal promises. We recommit ourselves to Christ by once again rejecting sin and accepting the freedom that comes from living as children of God. We pray and welcome the newly initiated as they receive the oil of chrism and "share in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit" at confirmation. The white garments given to the newly initiated represent Christ's everlasting victory over death.

The Vigil concludes with reception of the Eucharist. As the newly confirmed receive the final sacrament of initiation, the body and blood of Jesus, we are ready to celebrate Easter. The tomb is empty. There is light in the darkness. Alleluia, Christ has risen!

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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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, 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 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
 April 25 Parish Auction and Dinner
 Office is closed on Holy Week March 30-April 3
 May 3 First Communion
 May 6 Confirmation

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.



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.

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 21-22, 2026

General Collection	\$ 3 568.00
Expenses (weekly estimate)	\$ 4 300.00
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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.
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 or send email at stjamesmolall957@gmail.com.