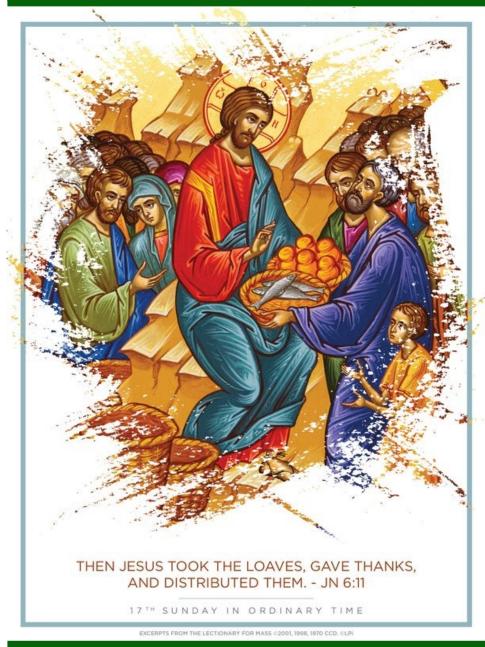


# St. Rita Catholic Church

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 25, 2021

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## **Sunday Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil: 5:30PM Sunday: 7:30AM; 10:00AM

## Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday 7:45AM

### **Holy Days of Obligation**

As Announced

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00PM-5:00PM (or by appointment)

#### **Parish Staff**

Fr. Tetzel Umingli, *Pastor* tumingli@archdpdx.org

Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director bstanton@stritapdx.org

Diane Anthony, Faith Formation Assistant

Laura Dieken, *Bookkeeper* laura@stritapdx.org

Tony Rimmer, Maintenance

Cynthia Bjore, Musician

#### **Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday 9:00AM to 2:00PM

Closed Fridays



We are a people called to be Christ for one another through Prayer, Eucharist, Community Involvement and Social Justice.



Tue. July 27~7:45 am +Rosario Hong

Wed. July 28~7:45 am +Joanna Kung & Moon Chun Lee

Thu. July 29~7:45 am +Teresita Frida Banico

Fri. July 30~7:45 am +Francisco & Jung Whong

Sat. July 31~5:30 pm +Sebastian & Sophia Whang

Sun. August 1~7:30 am

+Joanna Kung &
Moon Chun Lee

10:00 am

For the People

#### THE BOOK SALE IS BACK!



Help support our parish!
Book sale will be on
September 24-25. For donations, please bring your books, puzzles, CDs and DVDs to the parish of-

fice, Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM- 2:00PM.

# FORMATION

We are now preparing and looking forward to our Faith Formation programs to be back on track. Our Faith Formation programs include the weekly sacramental preparation for those who will be receiving their First Confession as well as First Eucharist, Confirmation prep for our youth, the monthly Growing in Faith Together Sundays (GIFTS), as well as our RCIA Program. For this year, we are adding grade level faith formation for those in first grade up to fifth grade. In the future, we hope to have a youth ministry program as well.

To prepare well for our Faith Formation programs this year, we need catechists and aides. Kindly pray about it and if you feel are called to volunteer as a catechist or as aide, let us know as soon as possible by contacting Barbara Stanton at bstanton@stritapdx.org.

Registration forms for First Confession and

Eucharist as well as Confirmation will be available in the next couple of weeks—in the vestibule, parish office and on our parish website.

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Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/ Eph 4:1-6/ Jn 6:1-15 Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/ Mt 13:31-35 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/ Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/ Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/ Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/ Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/ Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

#### Observances for the week of July 25, 2021

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Martha

Friday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the

Church

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Please join us for the <u>Installation Mass</u> of Fr. Tetzel Umingli as Pastor of St. Rita Parish on **Sunday**, **August 8 at 10AM**. Refreshments will be available after Mass at the basement hall.

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# Something to look forward:

In 2023, we will be celebrating our **100 year anniversary** as a parish community!

St. Rita, pray for us!

#### Pray for the eternal repose

Johnny Gamenara Herminia Arias

# GOSPEL MEDITATION 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Oscar Romero said, "We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures

passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces. We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord's grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life's adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God's creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed! Bread and wine transform into Christ's Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that.



#### **LET US PRAY FOR:**

Charlotte Benfiet, Jennifer Benfiet, Margaret Bennett, Jo Betich, Cynthia Bjore, Carlos Chavez, Maria Chavez, Jerry Ciraulo, Troy Classen, Ken Dobos, Bonnie Estes, Anita Fazio, Karen Fitterer, Sergey Fureyster, Malcolm Fylan, Curt Gefre, Bonnie Greeninger, Dottie Griffin, Elaine Haskell, Teri Hayes, Gary & Liz Heckman, Patty LeCount, Bill Lindekugel, Eunice Monsrud, Barbara Nisbet, Betty Jo Noble, Shirley Orr & Family, Joe Panowicz, Jocelyn Park-Gillespie, Eleanor Pine, Skye Porter, Laura Ramirez, Michael Roelle, Pat Shanahan, Peggy Smith, Rodney Smith, Charlene Steier, Jim Swanberg, Leticia Valdefiera, Casey Yager, Susie Yager, Tom Yager, Sharon & Leon Young

Please call or email the office if you would like to add a name to this list. Phone number is: 503-252-3404. Email address is: stritapdx@stritapdx.org

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