



St. Rita Catholic Church

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 1, 2021

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18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the bread of God is that which comes down from
heaven and gives life to the world.” - Jn 6:33

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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. Tetzl Umingli, *Pastor*
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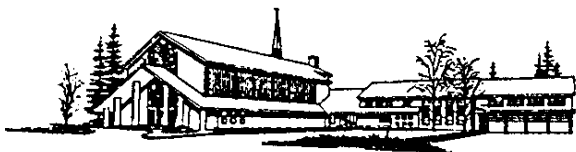
Tony Rimmer, *Maintenance*

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.*

PARISH UPDATES

Join us next **Sunday August 8 at 10AM** for the Installation Mass of Fr. Tetzl Umingli as the new pastor of St. Rita parish. Reception will follow after Mass at the basement hall.

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

There will be a **Women's Guild meeting on Monday, September 13 at 1PM** in the RE Center big room.

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**September 12, 2021
11AM - 2PM**

Questions?
Contact Diane Anthony, 503-703-0236

Our Parish Choir is recruiting for members. If you are interested, let us know by emailing our parish musician, Cynthia Bjore at stritchpdx@stritchpdx.org. Thank you for interest in this important ministry.

BREAD

"For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

JOHN 6:33

Help us add more pages to our bulletin by advertising your business on our bulletin. Contact the number at the back for advertising instructions. Thank you so much for your support.



Tue. August 3~7:45 am +Rosario Hong
Wed. August 4~7:45 am Sebastian & Sophia Wang
Thu. August 5~7:45 am Sebastian & Sophia Wang
Fri. August 6~7:45 am In thanksgiving for the Wang family
Sat. August 7~5:30 pm For all parishioners
Sun. August 8~7:30 am +Geoff Crawford
10:00 am +Urette Marie Worley

Readings for the week of August 1, 2021

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/J/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
Saturday: Dn 6:4-13/Mk 17:14-20
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Observances for the week of August 1, 2021

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest



We are in need of volunteer catechists and aides. If you are interested to be a part of this important ministry, please contact our Faith Formation Director, Barbara Stanton at bstanton@stritchpdx.org for more information.

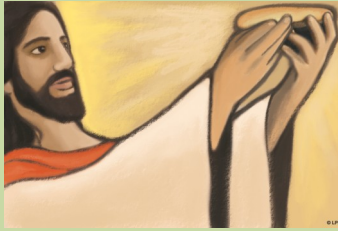
Now Hiring

St. Rita Parish is now hiring for a **part time Parish Secretary**. Contact the parish office for more information or go to our website at

<https://28229.sites.ecatholic.com/job-openings>. To apply, email cover and resumé to Fr. Tetzl Umingli at tumingli@archdpdx.org.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"You cannot see the forest for the trees" is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don't like, want, and don't want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don't move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before. We like it when the "now" time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

Prayer REQUESTS

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.
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