



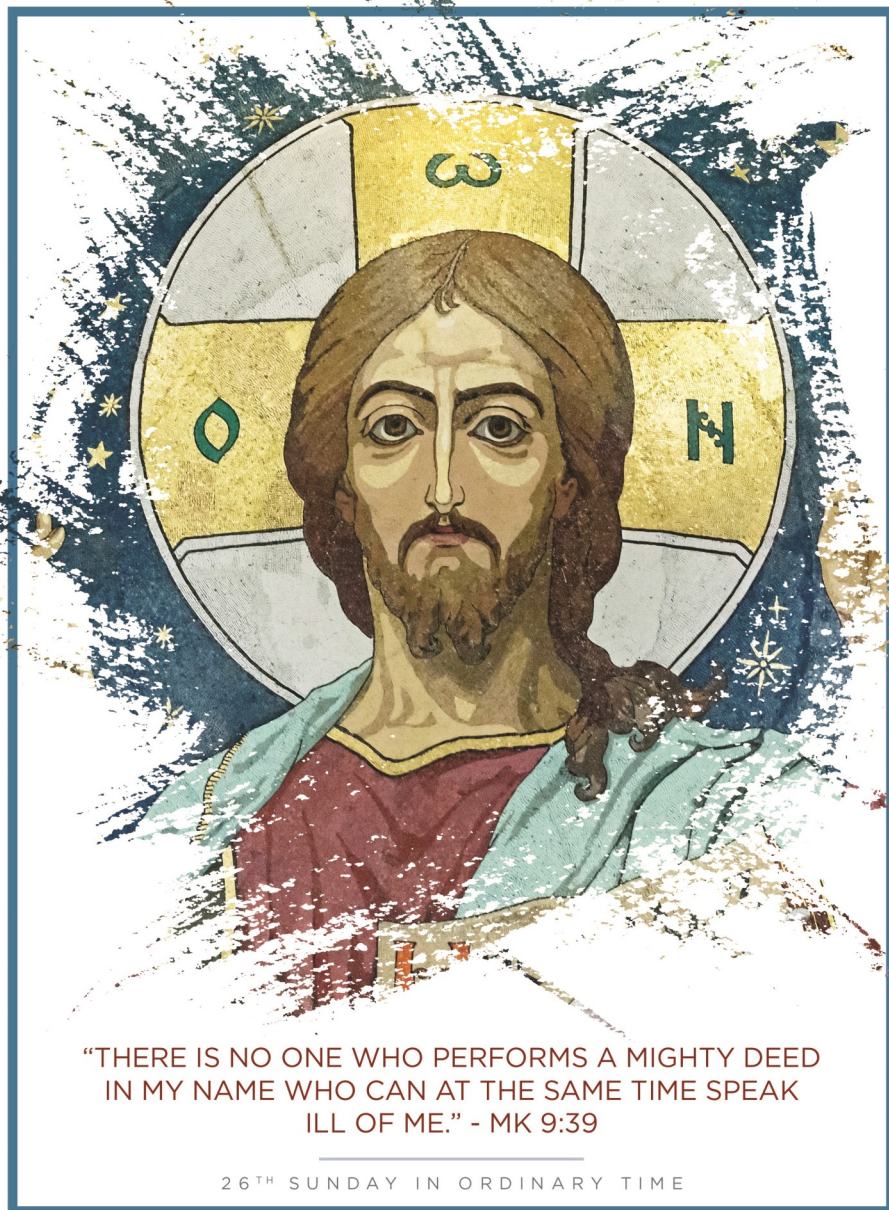
St. Rita Catholic Church

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 26, 2021

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"THERE IS NO ONE WHO PERFORMS A MIGHTY DEED
IN MY NAME WHO CAN AT THE SAME TIME SPEAK
ILL OF ME." - MK 9:39

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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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Faith Formation Director
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Cynthia Bjore, *Musician*

Office Hours

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

Urgent Sacramental Needs After

Office Hours:

Call 503-908-4659



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

PARISH UPDATES



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

Do you know an adult who's never been baptized and would like to be baptized?
Do you know an adult who's been baptized in another faith tradition and has thought about joining the Catholic Church?

Do you have a child seven years or older who is not baptized and would like to be baptized?
If they would like more information about becoming a Catholic Christian have them contact Barbara Stanton, bstanton@stritapdx.org, or call the parish office at 503-252-3403.



Please pray for longtime, beloved parishioner Karen Fitterer who died on Friday, September 10th. Please keep her family in your prayers at this difficult time. May she rest in peace.

CATECHISTS AND AIDES FOR ST. RITA PARISH

Thank you to the following people who said "YES" to share their time and talent as Catechists and Aides for our Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation programs and as Leaders and Aides for our Liturgy of the Word with Children.

May God continue to bless them for their generosity in working with our children and youth.

Christina Toscano	Xochitl Toscano
Cheryll Bronzich	Jadwiga Buliavac
Phyllis Yager	Susan Churchill
Sandra Gorger	Rose Estrosa
Abbie Ajifu	Joshua Clark
Mary Perkins	Selam Ghebreigzabiher

OFFERTORY UPDATE

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>		
July	\$15,902.83	\$21,000.00		
August	\$18,958.78	\$21,000.00		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
Jul-Aug'21	\$34,861.61	\$42,000.00	-\$7,138.39	83%



Tue.	Sept. 28~7:45 am	+Bob Roberts
Wed.	Sept. 29~7:45 am	+Anthony Sang Vu
Thu.	Sept. 30~7:45 am	Orbita Family
Fri.	Oct. 01~7:45 am	+Joanna Kong & Moon Chun Lee
Sat.	Oct. 02~5:30 pm	+Paul Stanton
Sun.	Oct. 03~7:30 am	For the people
	10:00 am	Orbita Family

FAITH FORMATION

PARENT MEETINGS

Confirmation: Sunday, September 26 11:00 am REC Building

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Faith Formation Grades K,1,2,3,4,5: Sunday, October 3 11:00 am REC Building

These meetings are mandatory for parents who have youth preparing for Confirmation in grades 8th – 12th; parents who have children preparing for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist, and parents who have children attending Faith Formation Grades K – 5th. If you are preparing a child for any sacrament and they were not baptized at St. Rita, please bring a copy of his/her baptism certificate. If you have any questions or cannot attend, please contact Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director, in the Parish Office.

REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION GR. K – 5, AND SACRAMENT PREPARATION & GIFTS (Growing in Faith Together Sundays)

Registration continues for these programs. Forms may be picked up in the Church vestibule before or after Mass, online, and also at the Parish Office. **Faith Formation begins on Oct. 3rd for all children and youth.** If you have questions please contact Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director, 503-252-3403 x104 or bstanton@stritapdx.org.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 26, 2021

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What are the little ones? They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, those mired in sin, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers and the different ones who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who suffer from abuse and grave injustices and oppression. They are children who want nothing more than to be loved and enjoy celebrating their innocence. These are all the little ones and they are all vulnerable. Life already brings them burdens, we don't need to add to them.

St. Oscar Romero said, "When the church hears the cry of the oppressed it cannot but denounce the social structures that give rise to and perpetuate the misery from which the cry arises." Why are so many people still so gravely hurting? We have the resources and the means to make things better. We choose not to. There are still those things called greed, pride, lust, apathy, jealousy, gluttony, and anger that prevent us from seeing each other and people to be loved and not objects to be used. Is this how God intended things to be?

God loves what is good and upright. It doesn't matter who did it or where it came from. In God's eyes, the end result is always faith, hope, and love. Those will always unite a person with God. We fill our lives with many things that are not good either for ourselves or for others. All of us have to work to discover what it is, exactly, that leads to the world's brokenness. There are people, systems, and ideologies in place that foster oppression and injustice rather than equity and fairness. Sadly, our complacency can be the greatest evil. Turning a blind eye, ignoring the truth, and believing that we are helpless to fix so great a problem, does little to move us closer to the kingdom of God. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot condone anything that keeps people in misery.

As it is said, charity begins at home. Perhaps a good place to start is with our own households and making sure their foundations are properly laid.

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of September 26, 2021

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11[9ab]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Observances for the week of September 26, 2021

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Tuesday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Thursday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: The Holy Guardian Angels

Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday



Charlotte Benfiet
Jennifer Benfiet
Margaret Bennett,
Jo Betich,
Cynthia Bjore,
Carlos Chavez,
Maria Chavez,
Jerry Ciraulo,
Troy Classen,
Ken Dobos,
Bonnie Estes,
Anita Fazio,
Sergey Fureystor,
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

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