



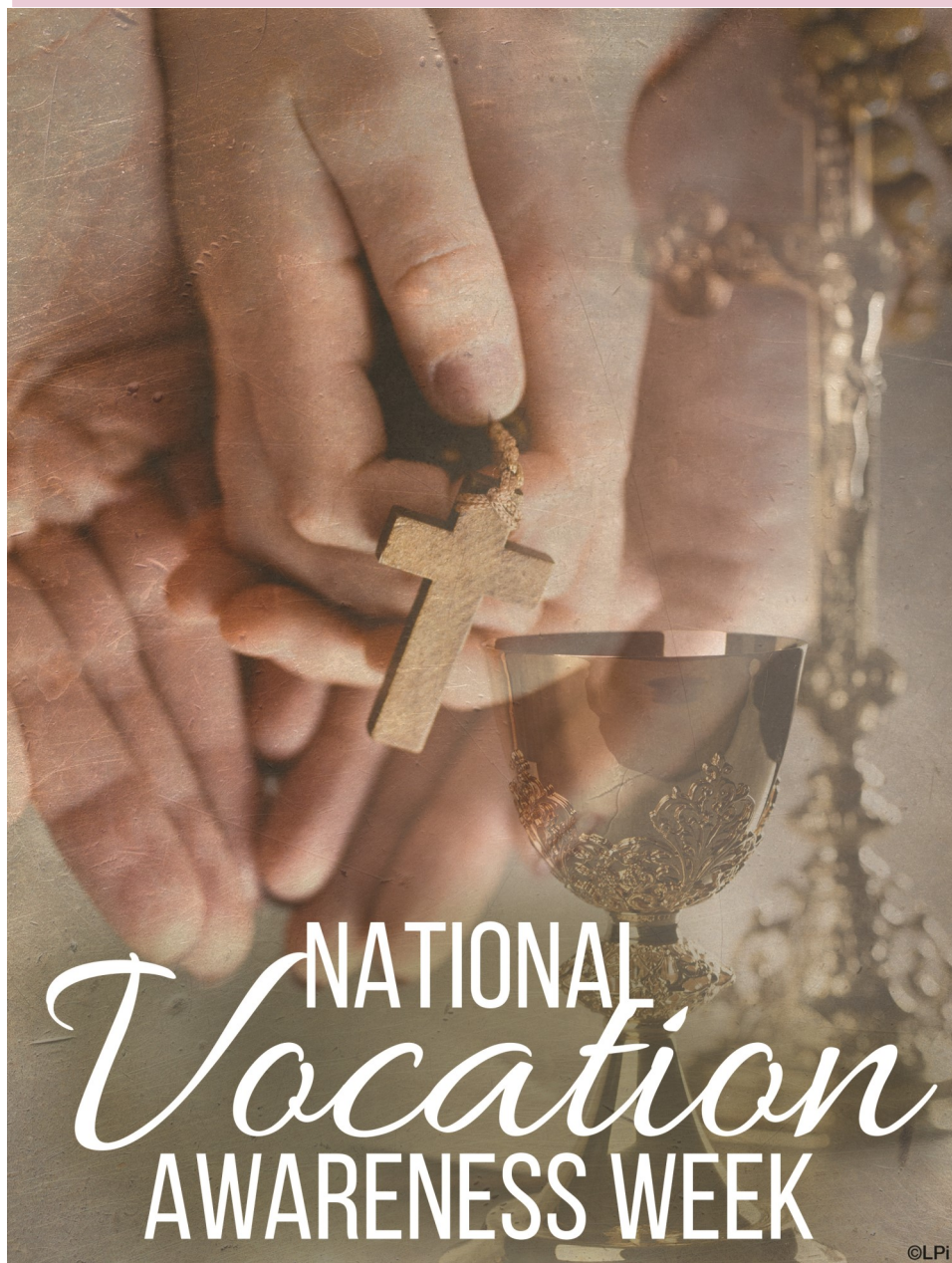
# St. Rita Catholic Church

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 7, 2021

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## Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30PM

Sunday: 7:30AM; 10:00AM

## Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday 7:45AM

## Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00PM-5:00PM

(or by appointment)

## Parish Staff

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## Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

9:00AM to 2:00PM

Closed Fridays

## Urgent Sacramental Needs

### After Office Hours:

Please 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

### Saint Vincent de Paul

Between now and December 10th, the Food Pantry is asking for food donations for our Christmas Food Box Program. Now, because of your generosity we have all the pancake mix we need. Other items we are looking for include canned olives, canned green beans, cream of mushroom soup, syrup, peanut butter, jam/jelly and hot chocolate mix. For those of you who shop at Costco, between Oct. 27 and Nov. 21, Costco has 50 count Swiss Miss Hot Chocolate mix for \$2.00 off. You can bring your donations to Mass and leave them in the vestibule by the SVdP barrel, or bring them directly to the pantry on Wednesday afternoon or Saturday morning. And don't forget, between Nov. 15 and Dec. 1, we can earn a 20% bonus on returnable cans and bottles. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Starting Sunday, November 7, we will start celebrating Spanish Mass at St. Rita at 12:00pm.

You are welcome to write names of your deceased loved ones on the pieces of paper provided in the vestibule and put them in the basket in front of the altar. They will be included in our Mass intentions at all Masses this month of November.

You are also welcome to bring pictures of your deceased loved ones and put them on the table in the corner beside the ambo. We remember and pray for them throughout this month.

### OFFERTORY UPDATE F.Y. 2021-22

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>		
August	\$18,958.78	\$21,000.00		
September	\$24,793.15	\$21,000.00		
October	\$16,775.62	\$21,000.00		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
Jul-Oct'21	\$76,430.38	\$84,000.00	-\$7,569.62	91%



Tue.	Nov. 09~7:45 am	+Thomas Choi
Wed.	Nov. 10~7:45 am	+Charls & Theresa Sung
Thu.	Nov. 11~7:45 am	+Betty Dimmit
Fri.	Nov. 12~7:45 am	Therese Bae
Sat.	Nov. 13~5:30 pm	+Lai Nguyen
Sun.	Nov. 14~7:30 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	For the people +Don Gorger

## FAITH FORMATION

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

The Advent Fair will be held on Sunday, November 28, 11:00 am, in the Parish Hall.

We will begin with a meal followed by activities for everyone. Families will be able to make an Advent wreath to take home; children will be able to decorate cookies along with other crafts to use during the Advent season to help prepare for the celebration of Christmas.

We will also need fresh greens to make the Advent wreathes. If you have clippings available, please put them in a garbage bag and place them by the doors at the bottom of the steps that lead to the parish hall.

### VOLUNTEERS FOR THE ADVENT FAIR

We are in need of volunteers to work at the different craft tables. We need two per table. If you'd like to help or have questions, please contact Barbara Stanton at 503-784-1744 or [barbaraestan@gmail.com](mailto:barbaraestan@gmail.com) or [bstanton@archdpdx.org](mailto:bstanton@archdpdx.org).

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

### Readings for the week of November 7, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44  
 Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6  
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22  
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19  
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25  
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37  
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8  
 Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

### Observances for the week of November 7, 2021

**Sunday:** 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time Ends  
**Monday:** none; **Tuesday:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica; **Wednesday:** St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church; **Thursday:** St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day; **Friday:** St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr; **Saturday:** St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin; **Next Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Time flies so fast! It's already been four months since I got here. Once again, I thank you for your welcome and your patience with me as the "new kid on the block".

As with many priests on new assignments, I hesitated to embark on new parish projects on my first year. However, in my first month as your new pastor, it became clear to me that there are some projects that needed to be done or at least started this year. Allow me to report to you some projects that were finished, those that are on-going, and those that are planned for the next year.

**Finished Project.** Removal of majority of the 1957 carpet in the rectory and putting in new laminated flooring, and painting of the walls. The rectory is my living space and the old carpet was not really helping my allergy to dust mites. Removing the carpet helped clear my throat and headaches. Because the parish does not have a lot of money, this project was fully funded with my personal savings, donations from Filipino friends and free volunteer labor from friends from Our Lady of LaVang parish.

**On-going Projects.** (1) Transfer of the Tabernacle to the center of the Sanctuary behind the altar and raising of the Crucifix to accommodate the tabernacle. There are two reasons for this: theological and practical. Firstly, the center of our worship is none other than our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ—our Eucharist which is the source and summit of Christian life. The tabernacle houses the specie of the sacred Host (the Eucharist) which we receive during communion. That is why before Vatican II, churches have the tabernacle placed at the center of the sanctuary. A post-conciliar document called *Eucharisticum Mysterium* (Instruction on the Worship of the Eucharist Mystery) that came out after Vatican II did recommend that the tabernacle can be placed in a distinct chapel separate from the main altar especially in places frequently visited due to their artistic or historical value. However it also added that the Blessed Sacrament should be reserved in a solid, inviolable tabernacle in the middle of the main altar or on a side altar, but in a truly prominent place. The location of our current tabernacle is not really prominent as it is hidden behind the ambo. Secondly, it is easier for any presider (or deacon) to get to the tabernacle if it's in the sanctuary. Thanks to a generous donor and help from Schommer & Sons (the company helping us move tabernacle) we might be able to finish this project before Christmas.

(2) **Phase 1 of Boiler Project: New control system for our boiler.** This involves retrofitting the main Air Handler Unit in the basement. This is a project that was begun under Lisa Porter, our former Parish Administrator and that the Admin Council and I see the need to be done. Right now, to be able to heat the church and the office and rectory, one has to go down the boiler room and switch on the boiler and the air handler unit. The church and parish hall are heated through the air ducts while the offices and rectory are heated through the baseboard heaters. There is no option of only heat a particular area without heating the whole building. For example, even if I only need to heat up the rectory at night, but if I switch on the boiler, the whole building will be heated, including the church and offices. Because of this, there are times that our heating bill gets to almost \$4k a month during winter. The new control system will allow for heating one area or a zone without heating the whole building. I anticipate a reduction in our heating bills. I do not know the whole technicalities of the project but the work also include replacing some valves and the ability to schedule heat and control the temperature via an app without needing to go down the basement at 5 in the morning. The company doing the work is Northwest Control Company, Inc. and costs **\$29,672.00**. I am asking for your generous financial help. The work has already started and I am told its completion is before Thanksgiving. I am confident that with everyone's help, we can fully fund this project. You can drop off or mail your donations to the parish office or put them in the offertory basket (just write "boiler" in the memo line) or donate online via our parish website.

**Up-coming Projects.** (1) **Phase II of Boiler project: New Natural gas burner.** Our current burner is more than 25 yrs old and needs to be replaced before it totally "burns" out. Boiler and Combustion Service, Inc., a division of N.C.C. currently working on control system submitted a good proposal which will cost us **\$38,265.00**.

The work of replacing the nat gas burner is scheduled this summer-spring of 2022. Again, we will be doing a fundraiser and I am hoping for your generosity. Let us all work together to take care of our buildings. Also, if you happen to know a grant we can apply to for help, kindly let me know.

(2) Gates toward the back parking lot. This is to deter theft and vandalism in the back area as well as to prevent overnight parking at the back making it safer for me and my dog to go out at night to either throw garbage or let my dog do his thing. The gates there right now are temporary courtesy of Shommer & Sons. Permanent gates will be installed next year. Quote for the gate is \$4,100.00. It is hoped to be partially funded by the Archdiocese's Safety Grant in addition to a proposed fence between the church parking lot and the Chevron gas station, as well as 5 first-aid kits for our buildings, to also be partially funded by said grant.

Yes, it does look quite a lot of projects but they are doable and are part of our stewardship calling. The main projects that we really need to raise funds for are for the boiler. I sincerely thank you for any financial help you can extend and for helping take care of our church property. If you have any questions regarding these projects, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Fr. Tetzl



Lori & Randy Burmester  
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Jan Pomante  
Bill Hilands  
Charlotte Benfiet  
Jennifer Benfiet  
Margaret Bennett,  
Jo Betich,  
Cynthia Bjore,  
Carlos Chavez,  
Maria Chavez,  
Jerry Ciraulo,  
Troy Classen,  
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