



St. Rita Catholic Church

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 14, 2021

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WORD



“Heaven and earth will
pass away, but my words
will not pass away.”

MARK 13:31

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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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

Fr. Tetzl Umingli, *Pastor*
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Barbara Stanton,
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Diane Anthony,
Faith Formation Assistant

Cynthia Bjore, *Musician*

Office Hours

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

Closed Fridays

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

Saint Vincent de Paul Pantry

This year, our Christmas Box Project will prepare and deliver boxes of food to 125-130 families (300-325 individuals) on December 18th. This effort will not be possible if it were not for your generosity. We continue to collect the following food items to fill those boxes. Please bring your donations to Mass between now and December 10th. **Canned cream of mushroom soup, olives, canned green beans, syrup, jam/jelly, hot chocolate mix, peanut butter and Christmas candy.**

If you would like to donate for our homeless clients, we can use small canned hams and/or packages of jerky. Thank you so much.

Our first Spanish Mass on Sundays was attended by 35 individuals. This is projected to increase. We pray that it continues to grow. We do need a musician to play for the Mass. If you or you know someone who is interested to volunteer, please let Fr. Tetzl know.

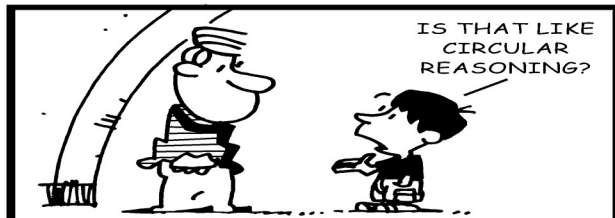


Our prayers for the eternal repose of the soul of longtime parishioner Bonnie Estes. May she now rest in eternal peace in the heavenly kingdom.

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%

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Tue.	Nov. 16~7:45 am	Matthew & Carol Lee
Wed.	Nov. 17~7:45 am	Francis & Jung Hwang
Thu.	Nov. 18~7:45 am	Sebastian & Sopia Hwang
Fri.	Nov. 19~7:45 am	Lu'u Truong
Sat.	Nov. 20~5:30 pm	For the people
Sun.	Nov. 21~7:30 am	Henry & Precy Ngan
	10:00 am	+Bob Roberts
	12:00 pm	

FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION TEAM

Welcome to the newest members of our Faith Formation Team: **Jessica Baltazar and Christopher Douglas**. We are still in need of a few people to act as Catechists or Aides for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children. If you'd be interested in helping on Sundays either as catechist or aide, please contact Barbara Stanton in the parish office. Materials and support will be provided.

We now have 20 children and youth registered in our Faith Formation classes.

ADVENT FAIR

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

We are in need of fresh greens to make Advent wreaths. If you can help out, please call Barbara in the parish office, 503-252-3403 x104. Please put them in garbage bags and place them by the doors at the bottom of the steps that lead to the parish hall. We'll need about 3 black garbage bags full of greens.

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 barbaraeston@gmail.com or bstanton@archdpdx.org.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory." Take a moment to ponder these words from today's Gospel. How does this image make you feel? For people to truly understand the significance of this message, something profound has to happen within. If we find ourselves reacting with a sense of dread or fear, we have to step back and ask why. Our answer will reveal a great deal about our relationship with God. It's hard to fall in love with a God of whom we are afraid. God does not want us to be afraid. Nor does He want us to align our wills to His in order to avoid some kind of horrendous eternal consequence. That sounds like too much of a superficial power play on the part of God who continues to seek out His children in love.

In order for these words to carry any type of significant meaning for us, they have to resonate with and touch us on a deeper level. They have to be able to connect some dots and have meaning for us in order for this promise to change our lives. Sometimes we get preoccupied with the uncertainty of our deaths. Not knowing when or how we will eventually die can be unsettling. But, more so than needing an answer to the "when" of death, the "what" of death answer we provide has more significance. What happens to us when we die? Whether we die during the natural course of our lives or when Christ comes again, the experience is the same. If we believe that we are meant to live in union with God eternally and that death completes and does not diminish us, then it is worth our time and effort to wait in vigilant hope of the Lord's coming in glory. Our journey back to God is something beautiful to be desired, not dreaded or feared.

Sadly, many folks believe that life is no more than a random occurrence without any purposeful direction or meaning. Death is simply death and nothing more. For them, the Second Coming of Christ and God's eternal promise have no meaning. When we understand the truth about who we are, it changes things up. We then can see ourselves as works in progress who have the choice to either resist the inspirations of the Divine Artist or give into the wonderful creativity of His will. Life awaiting the fullness of Christ to come becomes an unfolding of Divine surprises and abundant joy. God is eternally merciful, forgiving, and welcoming. It is only when we directly reject this gift and turn our backs on Love itself that we have anything to fear. ©LPi

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

Readings for the week of November 14, 2021

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44
Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/ Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Mt 14:22-33
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/ Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

Observances for the week of November 14, 2021

Monday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
Wednesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Thursday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles;
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Friday: none: Saturday: BVM
Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



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

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