



St. Rita Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Advent | December 5, 2021

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Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30PM

Sunday: 7:30AM; 10:00AM

12:00PM Spanish

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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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

Thank you!

Last Sunday's Advent Fair went really well thanks to all your support. Many many thanks to our volunteers who manned our activity tables. Thank you also to those who brought greens for our advent wreaths. May Christ's advent truly bless you and keep you always.

PART-TIME ADMIN ASSISTANT NEEDED

We are still looking to hire a part-time 18hrs/week Parish Administrative Assistant (aka Parish Secretary). Kindly spread the word. To those interested, send your cover letter and resume to Fr. Tetzl Umingli @ tumingli@archdpdx.org. See the parish website for the full job description.

Calling for Choir Members

Our parish could use more member in our choir. If you are interested, please talk to Cynthia Bjore, our parish musician, after Saturday/Sunday Mass or contact her at cbjore@archdpdx.org.

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.

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	\$16,690.00	\$21,000.00		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
Jul-Oct'21	\$76,430.38	\$84,000.00	-\$7,654.62	90.89%



Tue.	Dec. 07~7:45 am	Sebastian & Sophia Hwang
Wed.	Dec. 08~7:45 am 7:00 pm	+Rev. Joseph Carbone, OSM For all parishioners
Thu.	Dec. 09~7:45 am	+Darryol Anthony de Rego
Fri.	Dec. 10~7:45 am	+Dominic
Sat.	Dec. 11~5:30 pm	+Lai Nguyen
Sun.	Dec. 12 ~ 7:30 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	For the people +Don Gorger For all parishioners



Masses at St. Rita
7:45AM & 7:00PM

A reminder that this day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Christmas Masses at St. Rita Parish

December 24

5:30PM "Family Mass"
7:30PM Spanish

December 25

12AM Midnight Mass
10:00AM English
12:00PM Spanish

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I write this letter, it is Cyber Monday, and a few days earlier was Black Friday – two days known for being catalysts for a healthy economy. But as I write this letter, I also have to reflect on that very statement: a healthy economy requires us to spend money on material possessions, sometimes things we don't even need.

I was recently listening to a speaker who suggested we cut back on 25% our spending on material possessions. Doing this would not only help us save money, it would help the environment. He advocated a new type of "materialism." Not one where we long for the newest "this" or the best "that." Rather, a materialism where we appreciate what we already have and use it well.

Advent is tied intricately to Christmas. And Christmas isn't simply a religious holy day. It is a cultural holiday, and one that is tied to consumerism. It's an interesting intersection of religion, society, and economy.

As disciples of Jesus, our focus is on the God who chooses to be among us. Don't get me wrong. I'm no Grinch! I love receiving a gift. I also love Christmas cookies. I don't own any "ugly sweaters" though. All that being said, as we enter into this "holiday" and "holy day" it may be wise to allow ourselves the chance to reflect on what we are focusing our energy and our attention on. No amount of money can buy the greatest gift of all: Our God comes to be one among us.

A Blessed and Happy Advent!
Fr. Tetzl



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

Readings for the week of December 5, 2021

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9 | Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 | Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Is 35:1-10 | Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11 | Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 | Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 | Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Is 41:13-20 | Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19 | Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 | Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a | Phil 4:4-7 | Lk 3:10-18

Observances for the week of December 5, 2021

Monday: St. Nicholas, Bishop

Tuesday: St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Friday: Our Lady of Loreto

Saturday: St. Damasus I, Pope



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Jennifer Benfiet
Margaret Bennett
Jo Betich
Cynthia Bjore
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Dottie Griffin
Teri Hayes
Gary & Liz Heckman
Patty LeCount
Eunice Monsrud
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