



St. Rita Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Advent | December 12, 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

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Office Hours

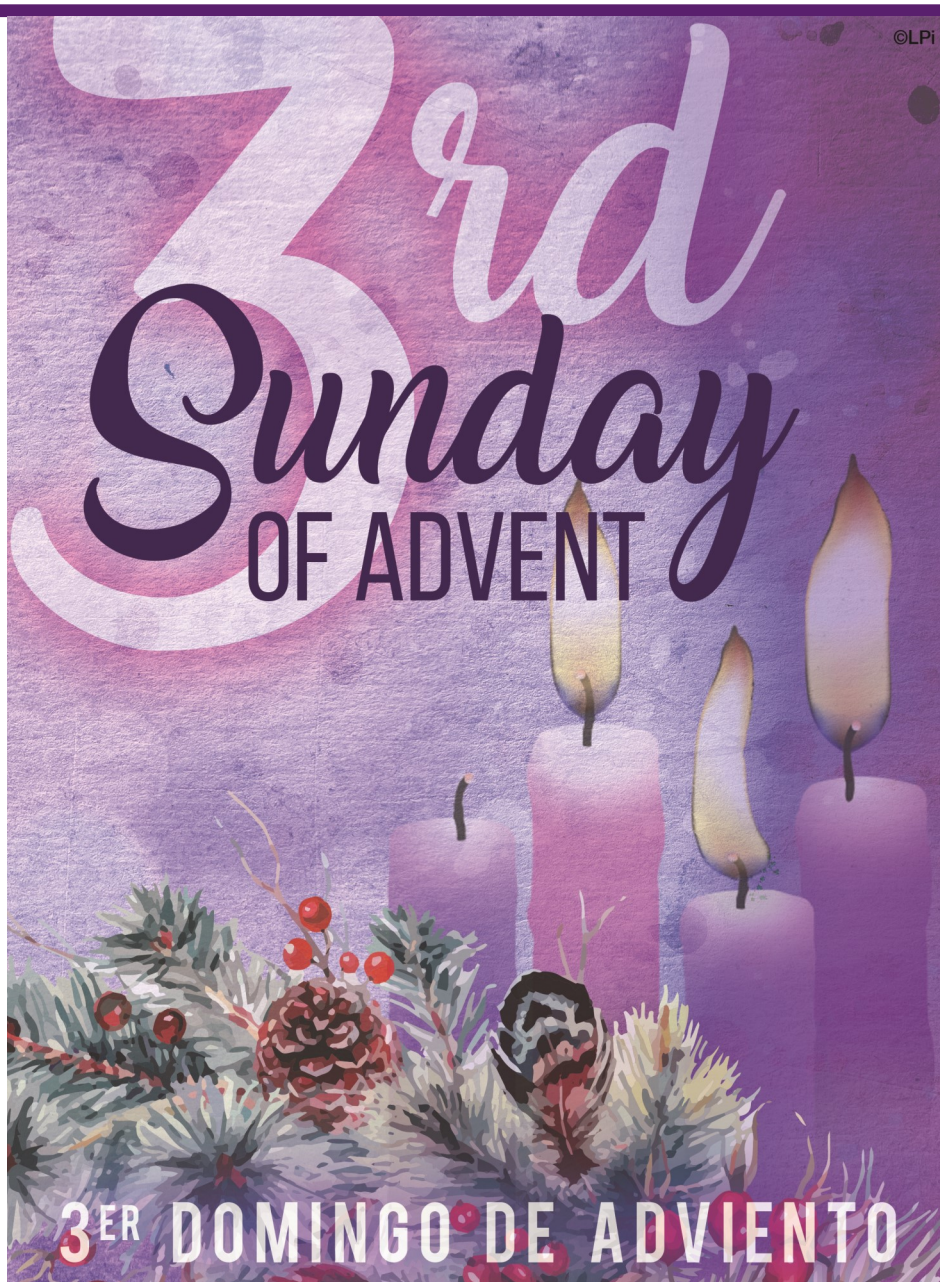
Monday-Thursday

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

YEAR END GIVING

ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH is fully funded on the generosity of our faithful parishioners.

Please remember to include ST. RITA CHURCH in your end of year gifts and donations.

If you are over the age of 70 ½, you can direct your annual distributions or withdrawals from your retirement account to make tax free donations. This provision is known as a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD).

ST. RITA CHURCH is a qualified public charity 501(c)(3) and can therefore receive your Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD).

Please consider an end of year gift to ST. RITA CHURCH. Your gifts and donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Please consult your tax expert and we will send you a tax receipt and/or acknowledgment.

Thank you in advance for considering ST. RITA CHURCH in your financial plans.

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.

FAITH FORMATION

There are **no sessions on December 26 and January 2.**
Sessions will resume on Sunday, January 9, 2022.

There will be a meeting on Sunday, December 19 at 11:15am for all parents preparing their children for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

On Sunday, January 9 at 11am, we will offer our annual *Called to Protect Training* for all children in grades Kindergarten through High School and their parents. This training is mandatory on a yearly basis for children and youth to learn how to develop boundaries to protect themselves, to recognize when their boundaries are being violated, and encourage them to tell a parent or trusted adult when their boundaries are violated. All materials are age appropriate.

Christmas Eve Family Mass 5:30PM

We are in need of children in Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade to be Angels and Shepherd for the Christmas Story. We also need 4th and 5th graders to portray Mary and the 3 Magi. There are no talking parts. If you'd like to child to participate (we have the costumes), please contact Barbara Stanton in the parish office at 503-252-3403 x104 or email at bstanton@archdpdx.org. Costumes will be handed out on December 12 at 12:30pm in the big room in the REC following Faith Formation Session. There will also be a rehearsal on Saturday, December 18 at 10am in the church.

St. Rita Women's Guild

The Women's Guild will have their monthly meeting on Monday, December 13 at 1pm in the RE Center. All women of the parish are invited to join them.





Dear Friends,

Joie. Alegria. Áthas. Gioia. 즐거움. Kagalakan. 喜び.

There are many ways we can say "joy." I could go on, with hundreds of different ways to say, to speak joy.

Gaudete Sunday, the "pink" Sunday we know so well, is the reprieve in the four weeks of our Advent journey. It is a joyous reminder that even amid the work of conversion in this Advent season, our journey is always walked in joy.

In one sense, we cannot use the word "joy" enough during our liturgy today. We say it in every form: joyous, joy, rejoice...

Yet Gaudete Sunday is more than "saying" joy or speaking the word. This day is about learning to live it, and live it fully. We as Christians are called to be joyous journeyers. We as Christians are called to be rejoicing disciples. Joy is not what we say. It is what we do and how we live.

That can be a daunting task in a world that seems to consume joy for its breakfast. It's easy to become overwhelmed, bitter, angry, impatient, afraid. The world we live in, for some reason, values these feelings and qualities more. But Christians are invited into joy.

Pope Francis speaks about joy often. He reminds us that every day, every interaction we have with others is an opportunity to share Christ's joy with others. So say it. Speak it. And live it.

A Blessed and Joyous Advent!

Fr. Tetzl



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HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.

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

Readings for the week of December 12, 2021

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

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a | Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 | Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25 | Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a, and 13b [2a]/Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10 | Mt 1:1-17

Saturday: Jer 23:5-8 | Mt 1:18-25

Next Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a | Heb 10:5-10 | Lk 1:39-45

Observances for the week of December 12, 2021

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Tuesday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: none; Thursday: none; Friday: none

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent



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Pray For...

Pat Marcum
 Lori Burmester
 Jim Dufresne
 Bill Hilands
 Charlotte Benfiet
 Jennifer Benfiet
 Margaret Bennett
 Jo Betich
 Cynthia Bjore
 Carlos Chavez
 Maria Chavez
 Jerry Ciraulo
 Ken Dobos
 Anita Fazio
 Malcolm Fylan
 Curt Gefre
 Dottie Griffin
 Teri Hayes
 Gary & Liz Heckman
 Patty LeCount
 Eunice Monsrud
 Barbara Nisbet
 Skye Porter
 Michael Roelle
 Pat Shanahan
 Peggy Smith
 Rodney Smith
 Charlene Steier
 Casey Yager
 Susie Yager
 Tom Yager
 Sharon & Leon Young
 Domingo Umingli

Please call or email the office if you would like to add a name to this list.

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Dec 14, Tue +Joanna Kong & Moon Chun Lee
Dec 15, Wed +Pat Schwarzkopf
Dec 16, Thu +Cecilia
Dec 17, Fri +Rev. James Nguyen, van Phuong

Dec 18, Sat, 5:30pm For the people
Dec 19, Sun, 7:30am +Joanna Kong & Moon Chun Lee

10:00am +Bob Roberts
12:00pm For all parishioners

CHRISTMAS MASSES

December 24

5:30PM "Family Mass"

7:30PM Spanish

December 25

12AM Midnight Mass

10:00AM English

12:00PM Spanish

OFFERTORY UPDATE F.Y. 2021-22

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
September	\$24,793.15	\$21,000.00
October	\$16,690.00	\$21,000.00
November	\$24,475.98	\$21,000.00
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Jul-Nov'21	\$100,821.36	\$105,000.00
	<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
	-\$4,178.64	96%

Thank you so much for your financial support to St. Rita Parish. To donate online, go to our parish website stritchpdx.com and click the **Donate** button to access our safe online giving portal.