



# St. Rita Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent | April 3, 2022

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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

## Sacramental Emergency Only

### After Office Hours:

Call 503-908-4659



## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

- Jn 8:6b-7

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

## Parish Updates

### Holy Week Schedule:

April 11-13, Holy Monday to Wednesday –  
7:45 AM Mass

April 14, Holy Thursday – 7:00PM Mass

April 15, Good Friday – 12PM Stations of the  
Cross, 7PM Passion Service

April 16, Easter Vigil – 8:30PM

### Boiler Project Update:

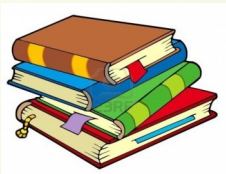
Total Project Cost: \$67,937.00

Raised as of 3/23/22: \$60,131.5

**Need: \$7,805.5**

We are almost nearing our goal. Thank you so much! You are still very much welcome to donate. You can donate to our safe online donation portal through our parish website: [stritapdx.org](http://stritapdx.org). Thank you so much.

**St. Vincent De Paul:** Next weekend, April 9-10, is our monthly St. Vincent de Paul food collection weekend. This month, the Good Pantry needs the following items: coffee, laundry and/or dish soap, brownie/cake mixes, saltine crackers, and toilet paper. Bags with lists of needed items are on the table by the baptismal font. Please take a bag, fill it and bring it back next week. We and our clients are most grateful for your continuing support. Thank you and God bless.



### ST. RITA ANNUAL BOOK SALE June 17, 18, 19

We accept donations of gently used books, CDs, DVDs, and puzzles in good condition. We accept all kinds of books: fiction, non-fiction, hardbound, paperback, and children's books. You can drop them off at the parish office Monday-Thursday from 9am-2pm or drop them off in the church vestibule when you come for Mass.

## Faith Formation

Faith Formation Sessions resume this  
Sunday, April 3rd.

### New Baptisms

Congratulations to our newly baptized last weekend: Sebastian Marsh, Quincy Resendez-Strader, Uneek Resendez-Strader, and Isaiah Resendez.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Continue to pray for Kevin, Dayanara, and Aaron as they continue their journey on becoming Catholics. They will receive the Sacraments of Initiation this Easter Vigil.

### Confirmation

Mark your calendars for **May 18 at 6:30PM for the Confirmation Mass** with Archbishop Sample at the St. Therese Church. Six youth from our parish will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.



### Ave Maria Chorus

a ministry of the

Sisters and Donnes of Reparation

Founded by Mother Mary Rose Therese Sisters of Reparation of the Sacred Wounds of Jesus and now under the Direction of Mother Mary of the Angels, SR.

### 2022 Paschal Performance

The Grotto | Sunday, April 3rd  
4:00 PM in the Chapel of Mary

This musical presentation is designed to assist your Lenten spiritual journey. Please consider joining us.  
For more information: 503-236-4207



## **GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

**April 3, 2022 - 5th Sunday of Lent**

We love to make examples out of those who have erred and done wrong. Publicly punishing others serves as a means of demonstrating the consequences for what is deemed inappropriate or wrongful behavior. While this may appear an effective way of achieving conformity to established rules, it runs the real risk of distorting motivation. Obviously, we want people to do what is right and pursue healthy, virtuous behaviors and ideals. But is fear of punishment ever the best motivation for avoiding one action in favor of another?

Doing something out of fear is never healthy. Focusing exclusively on our behavior and what others expect or think, leads to living life with a self-focused superficiality. We become more concerned about protecting ourselves from something negative and unpleasant, than investing ourselves in the freedom, wonder and awe of being human! We can still find our way to the unacceptable or inappropriate behavior as long as we do not get caught! Being a whole, focused, and God-centered human being requires more. It demands an investment of the heart. Virtuous, moral, and mature lifestyles reflective of the Gospel necessitate love.

When we experience and recognize love, God's unconditional love, in the depth of our soul, we fall in love with what we have found. We then find ourselves leaving destructive and sinful actions behind in search of something more holy, dignified, true, integral, and loving. This is really "mercy realized." God's tremendous, loving, eternal forgiveness and willingness to bring us back to something more real and tender is transformational. The respect for myself that I receive from God is so life changing that it causes me to run quickly away from anything sinful and self-destructive to things that are whole and holy.

There are many people who want nothing more than to judge or criticize us. What would actually stoning the woman caught in adultery really accomplish? Nothing more than the inflation of the already self-righteous egos of a few men who think they have power. They have no power because they are sinners too, just like everyone else. What all of us have is the humble ability to express sorrow for pursuing destructive thoughts and actions and receive the power of God's mercy. Then, Jesus' request to "go and sin no more" will be one we proudly heed and follow. ©LPi

### **Readings for the week of April 3, 2022**

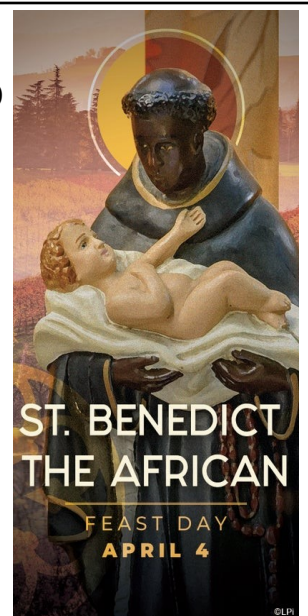
Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11  
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/Jn 8:12-20  
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30  
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42  
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59  
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42  
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56  
Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/  
Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

### **Observances for the week of April 3, 2022**

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent  
Monday: St. Benedict the African  
Tuesday: St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest  
Wednesday:  
Thursday:  
Friday:  
Saturday:

**Next Sunday: Holy Week begins; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

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## Pray For...

Joyce Murphy  
 Kathy & Ken Fuglee  
 Jeff Heller  
 Pat Marcum  
 Lori Burmester  
 Jim Dufresne  
 Bill Hilands  
 Charlotte Benfiet  
 Jennifer Benfiet  
 Jo Betich  
 Carlos Chavez  
 Maria Chavez  
 Jerry Ciraulo  
 Ken Dobos  
 Anita Fazio  
 Malcolm Fylan  
 Curt Gefre  
 Dottie Griffin  
 Gary & Liz Heckman  
 Patty LeCount  
 Eunice Monsrud  
 Barbara Nisbet  
 Skye Porter  
 Pat Shanahan  
 Peggy Smith  
 Rodney Smith  
 Charlene Steier  
 Casey 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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**April 5, Tues** Good Health of Therese Bae

**April 6, Wed** +Bob & Barbara Taylor

**April 7, Thurs** +Jonathan Taylor

**April 8, Fri** +Rosario Hong

**April 9, Saturday Vigil**

**5:30pm** +Hilario

**April 10, Palm Sunday**

**7:30am** For the People

**10:00am** +Robert J. Gorger

**12:00pm** +Fr. Joseph Thanh Ngoc Tran

*Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to have Mass offered for your intention.*

*Suggested donation is \$10.*

## Stewardship

### Offertory Update F.Y. 2021-22:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
December	\$26,573.26	\$21,000.00
January	\$18,408.12	\$21,000.00
February	\$20,945.70	\$21,000.00

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Jul'21-Feb'22	\$165,647.45	\$168,000.00

<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
\$2,352.55	98.6%

**Online Giving:** Thank you so much for your financial support to St. Rita Parish. To donate online, go to our parish website [stritapdx.org](http://stritapdx.org) and click the *Donate* button to access our safe online giving portal.

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