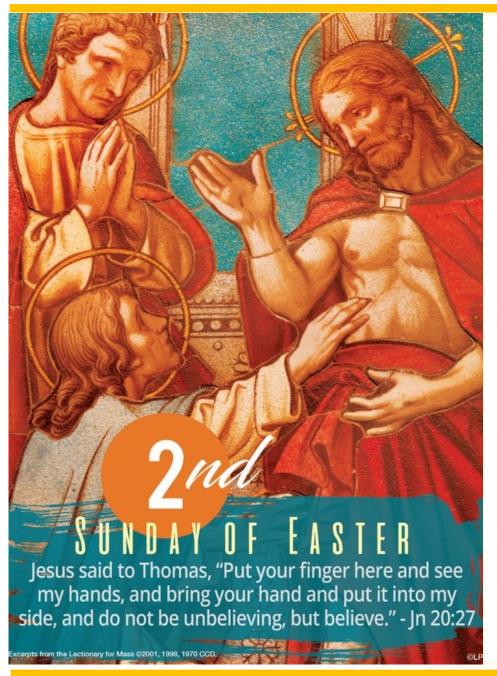


St. Rita Catholic Church

Divine Mercy Sunday | April 24, 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



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

Parish Updates

St. Rita Parish Centennial Celebration:

Next year, 2023, is our parish's 100-year anniversary. We still yet to form a committee to plan our centennial celebration. If you have any ideas, or are interested in the committee, please let Fr. Tetzel know.

Boiler Project Update:

Total Project Cost: \$67,937.00 Raised as of 4/12/22: \$60,376.5

Need: \$6,260.5

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*.
Thank you so much.

Knights of Columbus:

We are hoping to form a council here at St. Rita parish. Men who are interested to be a knight, please let Fr. Tetzel know.

St. Vincent De Paul:

This month, the Food 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 CDs,
DVDs, and puzzles in good condition, and
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

Sessions resume today April 24th, following the 10am Mass.

Baptism For Children Under the Age of Seven Congratulations to the newest member of our church, *Kian Samountry*, the son of Randy Samountry and Hang Nguyen, baptized on Easter Sunday at the 10am Mass.

The next baptism will be held on the weekend Masses of May 28-29. Preparation session will be on May 14th at 12:30pm. For more information or to schedule a baptism, please contact Barbara Stanton in the parish office.

Upcoming Sacramental Celebrations

Confirmation: May 18 @ 6pm

St. Therese Catholic Church

Alondra Sanchez Caro, Christina Caro, Jayden Do, Celine Do, Brian Plancarte, Evelin Plancarte.

<u>First Eucharist:</u> May 22 @ 10am Sunday Mass Adrian Caro-Ramos, Cameron Do, Samuel Roberts, Salvador Sanchez, Alondra Sanchez Caro, Christina Caro, Andres Sanchez.

Thank you!

Many thanks to everyone who helped make our Easter Triduum solemn celebrations: altar servers, EMHCs, lectors, sacristans, those who prepared the liturgical environment (banners, flowers, liturgical colors of the cloths), those who helped beautify the outside of our church. Much gratitude to all of you.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE April 24, 2022

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!" ©LPi

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of April 24, 2022

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20 **Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15 **Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21 **Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15 **Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19

Observances for the week of April 24, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

Monday: St. Mark, Evangelist

Tuesday:

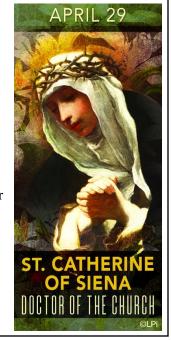
Wednesday: Administrative Professionals' Day

Thursday: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

Friday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church; Arbor Day

Saturday: St. Pius V, Pope

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker





Sergio Aguilera Joyce Murphy Kathy & Ken Fuglee Jeff Heller Pat Marcum Lori Burmester Jim Dufresne Bill Hilands Charlotte Benfiet Jennifer Benfiet *Io 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. Phone number: 503-252-3404. Email address: stritaparish@archdpdx.org



Mass

April 26, Tues	For the good health of Sebastian & Sopia Whang
April 27, Wed	+Anthony Sang Vu
April 28, Thu	+Anthony Sang Vu
April 29, Fri	+Teresa Ung Le
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April 30, Saturday

5:30 For the People

May 1, Sunday

7:30am Francisco Whang & Family

10:00am +Teresa Ung Le

12:00pm +Maria

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>
January February	\$18,408.12 \$20,945.70	\$21,000.00 \$21,000.00
March	\$21,405.72 <u>Actual</u>	\$21,000.00 <u>Budget</u>
Jul'21-Mar'22	\$187,053.17	\$189,000.00
	Over/Under	<u>Percentage</u>
	\$1,946.83	99%

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

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