



St. Rita Catholic Church

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 4, 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 2022 Parish Picnic is Next Week!

September 11, 2022. 11:00am – 2:00pm

We'll provide hamburgers, hot dogs, paper products and drinks. You bring salad and/or desert to share. There will be a 'sweet walk', games for kids, and other activities. The 50/50 raffle will be drawn at the Picnic, you do not need to be present to win.



2022 Annual Bazaar

The St. Rita 2022 Annual Bazaar will be November 4th & 5th. If you have any questions, would like to be involved, or if you or someone you know would be interested in renting a table please contact:

Sande Wilhelm: (503)730-4509
dswilhelm@comcast.net

St. Vincent De Paul:

During the month of September, the Food Pantry is conducting a hygiene drive to re-supply our shelves with needed items. We are asking for donations of: **shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, laundry or dish soap, razors and toilet paper**. Bags with lists of needed items are available on the table by the Baptismal Font. Please take a bag, fill and return it the next time you come to Mass. As always, we thank you for your continuing generosity.

Catholic Friendship Group

Singles, ages 40-60. Eucharistic Adoration followed by a talk and discussion led by Fr. Joshua Clifton. Next topic: Mary in the Scriptures – Part II. Our group continues to grow! Come join us for our next gathering. Friday, September 9th, 7:00pm-8:30pm. Visit www.catholicfriendshipgroup.com for more details. Location: St. Birgitta Catholic Church, 11820 NW St. Helens Rd, Portland. CatholicFrienshipGroup@outlook.com

Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation, Confirmation, First Eucharist and First Confession continue this weekend in the back of the church. If you have a child preparing for a sacrament, please bring a copy of their baptism certificate (only if they were not baptized at St. Rita Parish).

It is not necessary to pay at this time.

If you have questions, please contact:

Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director,
503-252-3403 x 104 or bstanton@archdpdx.org.

Faith Formation

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Beginning in October, Liturgy of the Word with Children (LWC) takes place most Sundays at the 10:00 am Mass. Children from Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate. Younger children can participate with a parent or older sibling. Through LWC, children in our parish are able to hear the readings in language adapted for their level of understanding.

We are in need of adults willing to be leaders and aides for LWC. Training, support, and materials are provided. If you've wanted to Volunteer on a Sunday that doesn't take up too much time, this is for YOU. Because it takes place at the 10:00 am Mass, you're not missing Mass by volunteering. We are asking you to commit to one Sunday a month either as a leader or aide.

For more information:

Barbara Stanton

bstanton@archdpdx.org or (503)252-3403 x104.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - September 4, 2022 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

What virtue is the cornerstone of discipleship? Love. Jesus preached about it, lived it, and summarized his greatest commandment featuring it. Love is in our DNA. To follow Jesus, then, is to follow the path of love. While this may appear to be an attractive and easy option, it most assuredly is not. Authentic love always comes with sacrifice. It is the complete giving of oneself to another. The sacrificial character of love always requires that we leave something aside and pursue something else. This is at the heart of self-denial. Love asks us to make choices that are often difficult.

There is a reason Jesus asks that the love of God come first. “Charity is the right attitude of mind which prefers nothing to the knowledge of God. If a man possesses any strong attachment to the things of this earth, he cannot possess true charity (St. Maximus the Confessor).” “If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.” A devoted disciple must be single-minded in her quest for God. She cannot allow anyone or anything to have more power over her soul than God. When any earthly attachments become more important than Love, we can get ourselves into trouble.

The Gospel calls us to walk boldly into the darkness, confusion, and emptiness of the world clothed in the mantle of love. We are asked to walk with others on their journey, offering a supportive, healing, challenging, and faithful presence. Ours is not to judge. To walk this sacrificial journey means that I must put myself aside and focus on the needs of others. “A sacrifice to be real must cost, must hurt and must empty ourselves (St. Teresa of Calcutta).” Love helps us walk straight and focus to see things more clearly and help others to do so as well. Many folks struggle to find joy and meaning in life. People may simply need someone with the freedom to sit with them in their pain, so they don’t feel so alone. Through acts of kindness, gestures of acceptance, and words of compassion, burdens can be lightened. Believe in God’s love and seek it above all other things!

Readings for the week of September 4, 2022

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Observances for the week of September 4, 2022

Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Rosalia

Monday: Labor Day; St. Lawrence Justinian

Tuesday: St. Eleutherius

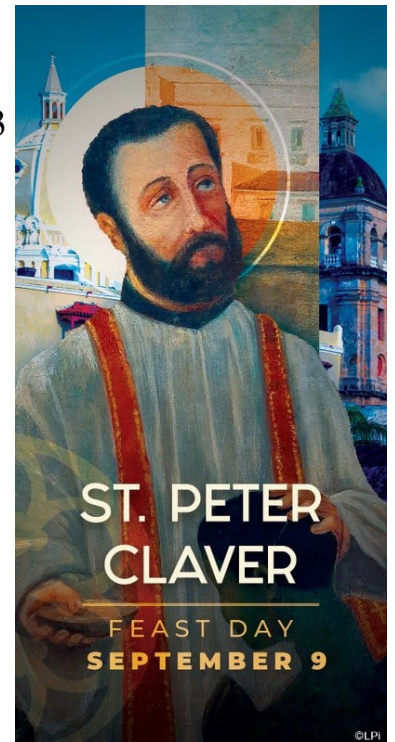
Wednesday: St. Cloud; St. Regina

Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St. Peter Claver; St. Gorgonius

Saturday: St. Pulcheria; St. Nicholas of Tolentino

Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents’ Day





Mary (Panowicz) Redd
 Frances Gasca
 Sergio Aguilera
 Charlotte Benfiet
 Jennifer Benfiet
 Jo Betich
 Ken Dobos
 Malcolm Fylan
 Curt Gefre
 Dottie Griffin
 Gary & Liz Heckman
 Patty LeCount
 Eunice Monsrud
 Barbara Nisbet
 Skye Porter
 Pat Shanahan
 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.



THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun., Sept.4: 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
Mon., Sept.5: No Mass, Office Closed
Tue., Sept.6:
Wed., Sept.7:
Thu., Sept.8:
Fri., Sept. 9:
Sat., Sept.10: Baptism (Ngo) 5:30pm
Sun., Sept.11: 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 One Mass ONLY (Bilingual) – 10am
Parish Picnic 11am-2pm



September 6, Tues +Thomas Choi
 +Soledad Juco
September 7, Wed Good health of
 Matthew & Carol Lee
September 8, Thu Good health of
 Sebastian & Sophia Whang
September 9, Fri Good health of
 Francisco & Lugalda Whang
September 10, Sat 5:30
 +Rosario Hong
 Birthday of Karen Katigbak
September 11, Sunday
7:30am +Lai Nguyen
10:00am +Mary Tran Thi Gai
12:00pm For the People

*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. 2022-23:

| | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> |
|------|---------------|---------------|
| May | \$22,011.89 | \$21,000.00 |
| June | \$21,178.91 | \$21,000.00 |
| July | \$19,250.37 | \$21,200.00 |

| | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> |
|----------|---------------|---------------|
| July '22 | \$19,250.37 | \$21,200.00 |

| <u>Over/Under</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| \$1,949.63 | 90.8% |

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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Email: _____

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