



St. Rita Catholic Church

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 19, 2023

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7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those
who persecute you." - Mt 5:44

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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)

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Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

9:00AM to 2:00PM

Sacramental Emergency Only

After Office Hours:

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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

ST RITA WOMEN'S GUILD

The St. Rita's Women's Guild meets on the second Monday of each month. All women of the parish are welcome to attend. Our next meeting will be Monday, March 13th.

SOLO SENIORS

Are you single and over age 55? SOLO SENIORS is a catholic-based social organization, for single men and women over age 55 in the greater Portland area. It primarily provides social and recreational programs in a safe and friendly environment for its members. For more information, a Solo brochure or a copy of our monthly newsletter, call Donna Dubinski at 503 246-6536.



SVDP FOOD COLLECTION

Our pantry needs the following this month of February: new or gently used blankets, dish soap, shampoo, rice, pasta and jam or jelly. Bags with lists of needed items are on the table in the back of the church.

Please take a bag, fill it with needed items and return it next weekend.

Thank you for your continuing support.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

April 14-16, 2023 is for anyone impacted by abortion. The mercy and compassion of God and the group brings healing and restoration in unexpected, unimaginable ways by supporting you to identify and heal from involvement in abortion experiences that have knowingly and unknowingly altered your life and relationships. Lodging, meals, and materials are included for the cost of \$250.

Financial assistance is available!

Contact Project Aurora 541-942-2861 or info@project-aurora.org.
www.ProjectAurora.org

Faith Formation

LENT 2023

Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday

Wednesday, February 22nd!

Masses at 7:45am (English) & 7pm (Bilingual).
Stations of the Cross on Fridays will be at 6:30pm.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

This Sunday we celebrate the Rite of Sending for our Catechumens and Candidate. Next week our Catechumens will celebrate the Rite of Election and our Candidate will celebrate the Call to Continuing Conversion. Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers as they continue their journeys to the Easter Sacraments.

Catechumens:

Angel Mejia Carrillo
Rihanna Marcial
Israel Ramon Munos
Olivia Ramon-Munoz
Cassandra Marcial
Jay Zuniga
Andy Zuniga
Adrianna Lopez

Rosalie Giron-Panosyan
Isabella Giron-Panosyan
Emilee Giron-Panosyan

Candidate:

Armine Giron-Panosyan

ADULT CONFIRMATION

For those 18 years old and over. Baptized and have been regularly attending Mass but NOT yet confirmed? Fr. Tetzl will be conducting sacramental prep sessions for Confirmation during Lent.

Adult Confirmation will be held at the Cathedral some time this coming May.

For more information, contact Fr. Tetzl in the parish office.

February 19, 2023 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: “But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.” An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren’t you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God’s love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can’t be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity – just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That’s why it is so precious and rare. “What is unusual about that?” asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother’s heart, while they were doing it. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It’s stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

— Father John Muir

Readings for the week of February 19, 2023

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Observances for the week of February 19, 2023

Sunday: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, St. Beatus

Monday: Presidents’ Day, St. Peleus of Tyre

Tuesday: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

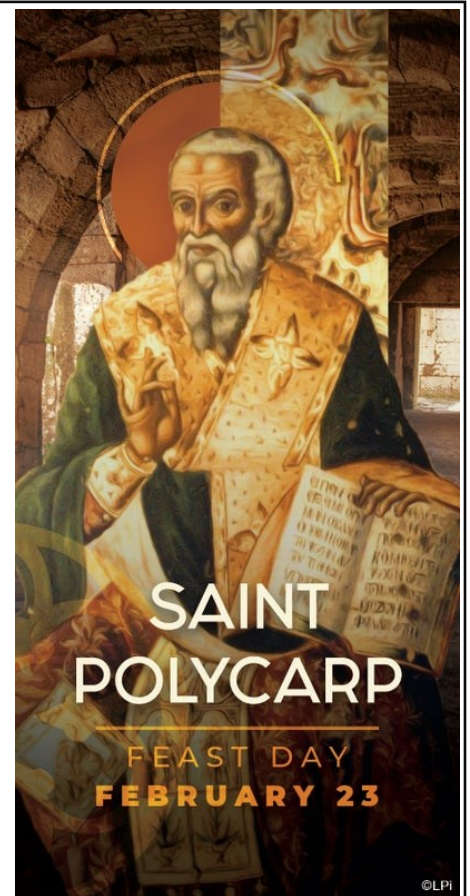
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

Thursday: St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

Friday: St. Matthias the Apostle

Saturday: St. Victorinus of Egypt

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent, St. Andrew of Florence





Pray For...

Erica Storm
 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
 Charlene Steier
 Casey Yager
 Domingo Umingli

Please call or email the office if you would like to add a name to this list. (503)252-3404.
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THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun., Feb.19: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LWC 10am, NO FAITH FORMATION

Mardi Gras & Parish Appreciation

Celebration in the Parish Hall 11am

Mon., Feb.20: No Mass

OFFICE CLOSED (President's Day)

Tue., Feb.21: Mardi Gras

Wed., Feb.22: ASH WEDNESDAY

Thu., Feb.23:

Fri., Feb.24:

Sat., Feb.25: Rite of Election 5:30pm

Sun., Feb.26: 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



February 21, Tues +Rodolfo & Aida Lewis

February 22, Wed +Fr. Joseph Khuat D. Linh S.J.

February 23, Thu +Luca Tuy

February 24, Fri +Rita Torres

February 25, Saturday
5:30pm +Anna Doan Thi Mua

February 26, Sunday
7:30am +Joseph Khanh Pham

10:00am
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>
November	\$18,413.16	\$21,200.00
December	\$27,262.17	\$21,200.00
January	\$22,884.69	\$21,200.00

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
July-Dec'22	\$144,320.15	\$148,400.00

<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
\$4,079.85	97.25%

Online Giving: Thank you so much for your financial support to St. Rita Parish.

To donate online, go to our parish website stritchpdx.org and click the **Donate** button to access our safe online giving portal.

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