

St. Rita Catholic Church

3rd Sunday of Lent | March 12, 2023

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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

<u>Sacramental Emergency Only</u> <u>After Office Hours:</u>

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 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 at 1pm in the REC

SOLO SENIORS

Are you single and over age 55? SOLO SEN-IORS 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.

† St. Vincent de Paul



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SVDP FOOD COLLECTION

This month, we can use peanut butter, cold cereal/oatmeal, pasta or rice, dish soap, coffee and new or gently used blankets/ sleeping bags. 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. Again this year, BottleDrop is celebrating Earth Day and Earth Week with a "Give Campaign. "Funds raised through Blue Bags or online donations made from Green Bag accounts during the specified periods (April **10-22)** are eligible for a 20% match, up to \$400 per fund raising account. Our parish Food Pantry has an account managed for parishioner Mike Taylor. Please save your returnable bottles and cans for us and bring them in by April 5th so we can earn the match. These funds help us to defray the cost of the fresh produce we buy every week for our clients. For more information, contact Mike at mandktaylor@comcast.net or by calling 503-880-8260.

Thank you for your support of our efforts.

Faith Formation

WHAT IS A SCRUTINY? A Scrutiny is a prayer where all of us,

those baptized and those preparing for baptism, take a close look at their lives. We ask, "Have we failed to be the person God is calling us to be? Where is the sin in our lives?" We pray for healing and forgiveness. We pray that God's grace will overcome sin and evil in our lives. Our Elect will celebrate a Scrutiny on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent.

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



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:30PM Lenten Fridays

ST. RITA PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Stretching Our Hearts

Monday, March 27th at 6:30pm Living in God's Grace

Tuesday, March 28th at 6:30pm

SAVE THE DATE:

Parish Picnic September 10, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

Every morning when I wake up, I go through my daily routine. I wake up and take a deep breath. Sometimes I open the blinds to allow the light of day to hit my eyes. I switch the light on in the bathroom, and turn on the faucet as I begin to brush my teeth.

If I am honest with myself, in the span of literally just a few minutes, there are several things that I take for granted: there is air to breathe in; the sun is shining even if behind some gloomy clouds; the electricity works; and I have clean running water. It is so easy to take these things for granted. Each one has become a habit, rote, expected, and even mechanical.

This third Sunday of Lent, we encounter Christ Jesus, the living water. It is He, Christ Jesus, who gives us life, sustenance, and refreshment. Not too unlike the woman at the well, I too take for granted the living water of Christ. Like the flick of a switch or the turn of a knob, I forget that it is the life of Christ that pervades and dwells within me!

Yes, Christ is the living water, and it should not come as a surprise that Christ uses this image of water to describe himself. Water, after all, is primal. It is fundamental to all of life. It is essential in order to live. Christ clearly wanted his apostles and followers, including the woman at the well, to recognize that God is primal, fundamental, and essential to all life. It is in God that we find life and it is the life of God which pervades us, fills us and dwells within us.

As we approach Easter, we journey with our Elect—women and men and children who will become Christian disciples at the Easter Vigil. They will be baptized with water, a reminder that it is Christ who gives them life. For each of us, but in a special way for the Elect, we are called to remember that Christ is the air we breathe, light by which we see, energy which fill us, and yes, the living water!

It is our hope that as they continue their Lenten journey and as they become baptized Christians, their experience of Christ will never become rote and routine, expected or mechanical. If only we knew the gift of God, we would never allow ourselves to take it for granted. May each of us come to know and realize this gift of life and living water, Christ Jesus.

In Christ,

Fr. Tetzel Umingli

Readings for the week of March 12, 2023

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

<u>Tuesday</u>: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

<u>Thursday</u>: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)

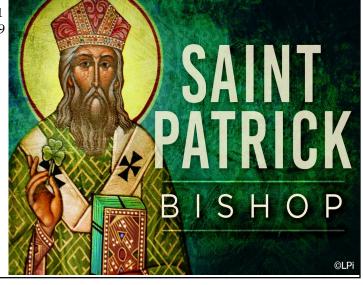
Observances for the week of March 12, 2023

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

Monday: St. Christina of Persia Tuesday: St. Matilda of Ringelheim Wednesday: St. Louise de Marillac Thursday: St Julian of Anazarbus

<u>Friday</u>: St. Patrick, Bishop, (St. Patrick's Day)

<u>Saturday</u>: St. Cyril of Jerusalem *Next Sunday*: 4th Sunday of Lent





William "Bill" Dietzler Erica Storm Frances Gasca Sergio Aguilera Charlotte Benfiet Jennifer Benfiet *Io Betich* Ken Dobos Malcolm Fulan Curt Gefre Dottie Griffin Gary & Liz Heckman Patty LeCount Eunice Monsrud Barbara Nisbet Skye Porter Charlene Steier Susie Yager Domingo Umingli Cynthia Bjore

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



THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun., March 12: 3rd Sunday of Lent

LWC 10am, FF 11am

Coffee and Donuts 11am

Mon., March 13: No Mass

Women's Guild 1pm REC

Tue., March 14:

Wed., March 15:

Thu., March 16:

Fri., March 17: St. Patrick's Day

Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Sat., March 18:

Sun., March 19: 4th Sunday of Lent

Mass

March 14, Tues +Tim Warga

March 15, Wed All Unborn Children

March 16, Thu Mark Krantz

March 17, Fri +Rodolfo & Aida Lewis

March 18, Saturday

5:30pm +Wililah Mosbrucker

March 19, Sunday

7:30am

+Theresa M. Huyen & Maria M. Hanh Nguyen

10:00am For the People **12:00pm** +Danilo Motas

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>
December	\$27,262.17	\$21,200.00
January	\$22,884.69	\$21,200.00
February	\$23,023.41	\$21,200.00

 Actual
 Budget

 July-Feb'23
 \$167,343.56
 \$169,600.00

 Over/Under
 Percentage

 \$2,256.44
 98.67%

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