



# St. Rita Catholic Church

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 23, 2023

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## 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." - Mt 13:43a

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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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Diane Anthony

*Faith Formation Assistant*

Jose Mario Toscano

*Maintenance*

### 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



### 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS:

#### SEPTEMBER 10th

*Anniversary Mass  
at 10am,*

Archbishop Sample  
presiding

#### PARISH PICNIC

following the 10am Mass on September 10.

Anyone who is interested in getting involved with the picnic, please contact **Diane Anthony** through the parish office.

#### SEPTEMBER 29th, FRIDAY

*Anniversary Dinner*

To assist with the Anniversary Dinner on September 29th, please contact **Kim Vu** through the parish office. (503)252-3403

#### COME SING WITH US AT THE SEPTEMBER 10 ANNIVERSARY MASS!

We are going to put together a choir for the anniversary mass on September 10 and need all willing voices! There will be 3 rehearsals after the 10am mass during the month of August. No music reading skills or prior experience is needed. Just you!

Contact Cynthia Bjore at (360)213-7667  
cbjore@archdpdx.org

#### SENIOR RITA'S LUNCHEON

August 17th, 11:30am

Senior Rita's Luncheon to be held at:  
Petite Provence Boulangerie & Patisserie  
3420 NE Sandy Blvd. Portland, OR

We usually meet on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30am. Any members of St. Rita Parish over 55 are welcome to join us. Please contact Flory Wold a week in advance for reservations. (971)409-1535

#### WOMEN'S GUILD

All women of the parish are invited to join the women's guild. Meetings are the second Monday of every month. (except July and August) The next meeting is September 11 if you can, please join us! If you can't just email Ann Ezell: ann.ezell@icloud.com

## Faith Formation

### BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

The next preparation session for the celebration of Baptism will be held on July 22nd and Baptisms will take place at the 5:30 Mass on Saturday, July 29th, or the 7:30 am, and 10:00 am Masses on Sunday, July 30th. Baptism is also offered in Spanish at the 12:00 Noon Mass. Please contact :

Barbara Stanton for more information  
bstanton@archdpdx.org or 503-252-3403 x104.

### HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BEING A PARISH CATECHIST (TEACHER)?

#### HERE ARE SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER.

- The best way to learn is to teach.
- You become an active participant in one of the essential responsibilities of a Church Community.
- You practice stewardship – giving of your time.
- You become a role model.
- Being a catechist will bring you joy.
- Training, materials, and support are provided.

**For more information or questions please contact**

**Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director,  
to explore God's call to share your faith.  
503-784-1744 (cell) bstanton@archdpdx.org**

### BIBLE STUDY – ONLINE!

Join us for weekly bible study held on Zoom every Tuesday. The current topic is Tobit.

Please call **Greg Ennis** for more information.  
**(503)803-4829**

### ST.VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD BANK

This month, we can use **shampoo, bar soap, feminine hygiene products, small bottles of laundry soap and dish soap, and toilet paper. None of these items can be purchased with food stamps so we depend on donations to provide them** 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. And, as always, thank you to all of you who continue to support our pantry with food items and/or money. We also benefit from the deposit on returnable bottles and cans. That money is used to supplement our fresh produce needs. The pantry is in need of used egg cartons.

Thank you for your support!

If you are interested in volunteering for this important ministry please contact:  
Roger Rossman (503)256-6236 rrossman@me.com  
Patty Espy (503)515-7272 patty.espy@gmail.com



## July 23, 2023 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Patience is rooted in Hope (an image of a bush filled with birds would be great)

Life, like the church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord's parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.

Evil: in Jesus' parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of his patient love. He will finally deal with it, but his love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It's funny that Jesus says his kingdom looks like ... wait for it ... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky. The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives, still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends. Impurities: divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares his kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It's the secret of the Cross. Not how we'd prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: all three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven-free.

— Father John Muir

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### Readings for the week of July 23, 2023

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-27

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52

### Observances for the week of July 23, 2023

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

Tuesday: St. James, Apostle

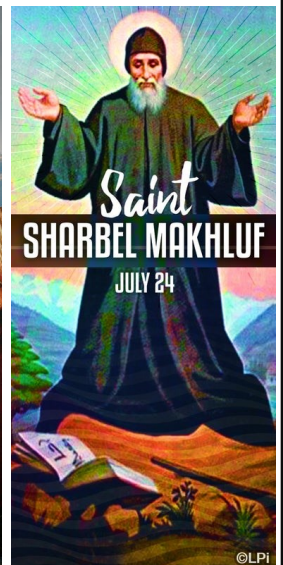
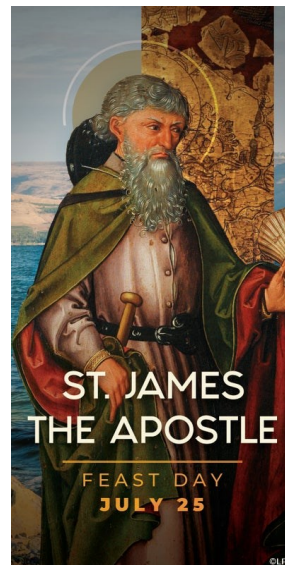
Wednesday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of Virgin Mary

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time





## Pray For...

William "Bill" Dietzler  
 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  
 Felisa & Domingo Umingli  
 Antonio B. Gonzales  
 Daniel Lopez  
 Andrea Storm  
 Kelle Wilhelm  
 Don Wilhelm



We Pray for the repose of the  
 soul of **Charles Best**.  
 May he rest in the eternal peace  
 of God's Kingdom.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

**Sun., July 23:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Mon., July 24:**

**Tue., July 25:**

**Wed., July 26:** SVDP Food Pantry 3pm-5pm

**Thu., July 27:**

**Fri., July 28:**

**Sat., July 29:** SVDP Food Pantry 10am-12pm

**Sun., July 30:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time,



**July 25, Tues**

+Rita Torres

**July 26, Wed**

**For the Birthdays of:**

Taro, Tom & Tina Gnongbantom

Sophia & Jessica Sanchez

**July 27, Thu**

All Souls in Purgatory

**July 28, Fri**

+Joseph Dang V. Hung

**July 29, Saturday, 5:30pm**

+Jacqui Yeo

**July 30, Sunday**

**7:30am**

For the People

**10:00am**

+German Miguel Manuel

**12:00pm**

+Dimas Santos

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>
April	\$24,552.75	\$21,200.00
May	\$22,073.05	\$21,200.00
June	\$20,148.34	\$21,200.00

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
July'22-June'23	\$254,936.98	\$254,400.00

<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
\$536.98	100.21%

**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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Cut and drop it in the offertory basket