



St. Rita Catholic Church

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 10, 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

Sacramental Emergency Only

After Office Hours:

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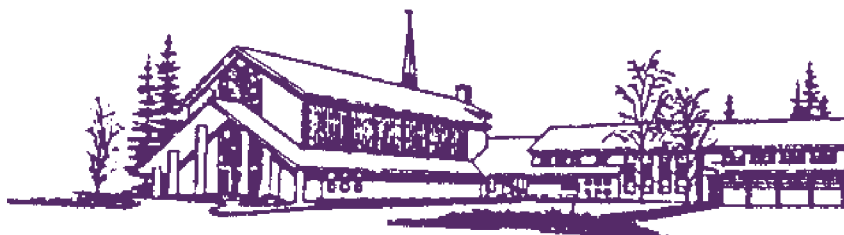
100 YEARS

1923 - 2023



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"For where two or three are gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of them."
Mt 18:20



HAPPY 100TH

ANNIVERSARY

Parish Updates

Parish Picnic



*Join us for the
Parish Picnic after
the 10am Mass
(behind the church)*

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 at 6:30pm

For more information Contact the Guild President:
Evelyn Johnson 559-786-2199.

HEALING THE WHOLE PERSON CONFERENCE

You are invited to attend the Healing the Whole Person Conference this November 30 - December 2, 2023.

Led by renowned speakers and authors Dr. Bob Schuchts, Sr. Miriam James Heidland SOLT, and Bart Schuchts, this uniquely engaging format will help you see and experience God's healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, Adoration, worship, and the Sacraments. This transformative event will be hosted at Our Lady of Lavang Catholic Church. Sacred Heart in Medford, Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Cottage Grove, and Star of the Sea in Brookings will livestream the conference in English, and St. Alice Catholic Church will have a Spanish language livestream in Springfield.

Online registration is required to attend all locations.

This event will sell out fast, so reserve your ticket

now! <https://ow.ly/pvCz50PCHnN>



*Dedication Day of the original St. Rita Catholic
Church, September 9, 1923.*

*100 years later, St. Rita Church continues to worship
God and serve His people.*

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Registration



FAITH FORMATION AND SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Forms for Faith Formation, grades K - 5th; First Eucharist and First Confession, grades 2nd and older, and Confirmation, grades 6 - 12 are currently on our website at stritapdx.org.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING POLICY:

Confirmation Preparation is now a two-year process at St. Rita. Year 1 or Pre-Confirmation Class consists of 6th and 7th grades. Year 2 or Confirmation Class Proper consist of grades 7 to 12. We also require a copy of your child's baptism certificate if he/she was not baptized at St. Rita Church and is preparing for First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist, or Confirmation. If you have children who will be attending Faith Formation sessions or Preparation for First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (Holy Communion) please mark your calendars for the following meeting. You have 2 choices: September 24, 11:15 am or September 28, 6:30 pm. You must attend one of these sessions in order for your child to participate. The required parent and youth meeting for Confirmation will be on Sunday, October 1st, 11:15 am. All meetings take place in the Religious Education Center located behind the church. If you have questions, please contact Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director, 503-252-3403 x 104 bstanton@archdpdx.org.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

The next preparation session for the celebration of Baptism will be held on Saturday, September 16th, 10:00 am, in the Religious Education Center. Baptisms will take place at the 5:30 Mass on Saturday, September 23rd, or the 7:30 am, and 10:00 am Masses on Sunday, September 24th. Baptism is also offered in Spanish at the Sunday 12:00 Noon Mass.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR BAPTISM!

*Ramani Cai Imperial
Jairo Alberto Hernandez*

BIBLE STUDY - ONLINE!

Join us for weekly bible study held on Zoom every Tuesday.

The current topic is Judith.

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

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: The Acting Person in the Moral Theology of Pope St. John Paul II

Sr. Paula Jean, FSE will be doing a presentation on Moral Decision Making at St. Therese Parish on Wednesday, September 20th at 7pm. She will focus on Pope St. John Paul II's "First Person Morality of the Acting Person", to help us understand the challenges of adult moral responsibility in the context of moral confusion brought about by the philosophies of Modernity and Post-modernity in our current culture.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When you want a safe journey, you pray to St. Christopher. And when you need to find your keys, or your phone, you pray to St. Anthony. But it seems that St. Jude, the patron of hopeless cases has someone as a partner. St. Rita is known as the patron saint of the "impossible." While this weekend we don't celebrate the feast of St. Rita, we do celebrate the founding of our parish. 100 years ago, Italian and Irish immigrants did probably what many thought impossible: they built a faith community in Portland, Oregon. And each year, over 100 years, this community has done what many in our world thinks impossible: they worshipped Sunday after Sunday as a community of faith. You see, this community, no matter the hardships it faced, kept doing the impossible. When the Servites departed as pastors of this community, the community did the impossible and pressed forward. When dynamics in the neighborhood began to shift and new people with new languages began showing up at the doors, the community did what seems so impossible in other parts of our world: they welcomed them in. When poverty approached the borders of the parish, instead of turning people away, the parish has done what so many would say is impossible: they opened a food pantry to feed the hungry. Yes, generations have passed through this parish, and the impossible has happened -- at least what seems impossible to others -- is always possible when we place ourselves before the feet of God.

St. Rita is not just the saint of the impossible, but perhaps more positively put, she is a model of determination. In my short few years in this community of faith, I have witnessed this determination in action in our own Church which bears her name. A community determined to serve, to welcome, to feed, and a community determined to worship the living God.

Today we celebrate 100 years, and those 100 years have been made possible by the determined faithful. May each of us continue to be determined in our sharing of our faith in the days ahead.

O powerful St. Rita, rightly called Saint of the Impossible, I come to you with confidence in my great need.

You know well my trials, for you yourself were many times burdened in this life.

Come to my help, speak for me, pray with me, intercede on my behalf before the Father.

I know that God has a most generous heart and that he is a most loving Father.

Join your prayers to mine and obtain for me the grace I desire (Mention your intention here).

You who were so very pleasing to God on earth and are so much so now in heaven, I promise to use this favor, when granted, to better my life, to proclaim God's mercy, and to make you more widely known and loved. Amen.

Fr. Tetzl



The little brown St. Rita Church. Behind is the current St. Rita Church. Photo taken in the 1960s.



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
 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
 souls of Eunice Monsrud,
Dolores Nelson, and Michael
Binder. May they rest in the
 eternal peace of God's Kingdom.

THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun. Sept 10: Centennial Mass at 10am, Bishop
 Peter Smith Presider. Parish Picnic after mass
 ALL ARE WELCOME

Mon. Sept 11: Patriot Day

Tue. Sept 12:

Wed. Sept 13: SVDP Food Pantry 3pm-5pm

Thu. Sept 14:

Fri. Sept 15:

Sat. Sept 16: SVDP Food Pantry 10am-12pm

Sun. Sept 17: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Catechetical Sunday



Sept. 12, Tues All Souls in Purgatory
Sept. 13, Wed +Joseph Dang Bach
Sept. 14, Thu Prayer for Elder Parents
Sept. 15, Fri +Joseph Dang Bach

Sept. 16, Saturday, 5:30pm
 For the People

Sept. 17, Sunday
7:30am +Joseph Dang Bach
10:00am +Ann Mua Doan
12:00pm Moises Santiago

*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. 2023-24:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
July	\$20,203.95	\$21,200.00
August	\$21,120.26	\$21,200.00

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Jul-Aug'23	\$41,324.21	\$42,400.00

<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
\$1,075.79	97.46%

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.

Readings for the week of September 10, 2023

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9 | Rom 13:8-10 | Mt 18:15-20

Monday: Col 1:24 – 2:3 | Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15 | Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11 | Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9 | Phil 2:6-11 | Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 | Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17 | Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30 – 28:7 | Rom 14:7-9 | Mt 18:21-35