



St. Rita Catholic Church

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 17, 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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24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

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HAPPY 100TH



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Parish Updates



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

A huge thank you to everyone who helped to make our Centennial celebration and Parish Picnic such a wonderful day! Thank you to everyone who cooked the hamburgers and hot dogs, those who brought food, who helped with the games, those who set-up, and those who cleaned up at the end. It was a beautiful celebration in every way. THANK YOU!

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.

SENIOR RITAS

The next luncheon is: September 21, 2023
Famous Dave's 9911 NE Cascades Pkwy 97220
Senior Ritass Luncheons are usually held on the
THIRD Thursday of each month at 11:30am.
Any members of the St. Rita Parish over 55 are
welcome to join us. Please contact :
Flory Wold by phone (971)409-1535
A week in advance for reservations.

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.

ST.VINCENT de PAUL



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 al-

ways, 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. We currently have more than enough egg cartons and nowhere to store more. Thank you.

Faith Formation

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

Baptisms will take place at the 5:30 Mass on Saturday, Sept. 23, or the 7:30 am, and 10:00 am Masses on Sunday, Sept. 24. Baptism is also offered in Spanish at the 12:00 Noon Mass. Please contact Barbara Stanton for more information at bstanton@archdpdx.org or 503-252-3403 x104 to make an appointment to fill out the application for your child's Baptism and review the policy for having your child baptized at St. Rita. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate

FAITH FORMATION AND SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Forms for Faith Formation, grades K - 5th; First Eucharist and First Confession, grades 2nd and older, and Confirmation, grades 7 - 12 are currently on our website at **stritapdx.org**. Please return the filled out form as soon as possible.

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. Parent and Candidate Meeting on Sunday, Oct. 1, 11:15 am. This meeting is also for adults preparing for Confirmation. We also require a copy of your child's baptism certificate if you were not baptized at St. Rita Church and preparing for First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist, or Confirmation. The certificate must be submitted before your child can start the sacrament programs. If you have questions, please contact :

Barbara Stanton, Faith Formation Director,

503-252-3403 x 104 or bastian@archdpdx.org.



SESIÓN DE PREPARACIÓN PARA EL BAUTISMO

Los bautismos se llevarán a cabo en la Misa de las 5:30 el sábado 23 de septiembre, o en las Misas de las 7:30 am y las 10:00 am el domingo 24 de septiembre. El bautismo también se ofrece en español en la Misa de las 12:00 del mediodía. Comuníquese con Barbara Stanton para obtener más información en bstanton@archdpdx.org o al 503-252-3403 x104 para programar una cita para completar la solicitud para el bautismo de su hijo y revisar la política para bautizar a su hijo en St. Rita.

Por favor traiga una copia del certificado de nacimiento de su hijo.

FORMACIÓN EN LA FE Y PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

Formularios para la formación de la fe, grados K - 5to; La Primera Eucaristía y la Primera Confesión, grados 2.º y mayores, y la Confirmación, grados 7 - 12 se encuentran actualmente en nuestro sitio web en **stritapdx.org**.

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Por favor devuelva el formulario completado lo antes posible.

POR FAVOR LEA LA SIGUIENTE POLÍTICA:

La preparación para la Confirmación es ahora un proceso de dos años en St. Rita. El Año 1 o Clase de Pre-Confirmación consta de 6.º y 7.º grado. El Año 2 o Clase de Confirmación propiamente dicha consta de los grados 7 a 12. Reunión de padres y candidatos el domingo 1 de octubre a las 11:15 am. Esta reunión también es para adultos que se preparan para la Confirmación. También requerimos una copia del certificado de bautismo de su hijo si no fue bautizado en la Iglesia de Santa Rita y no se estaba preparando para la Primera Reconciliación/Primera Eucaristía o la Confirmación. El certificado debe presentarse antes de que su hijo pueda comenzar los programas sacramentales. Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con:

Barbara Stanton, Directora de Formación de Fe,

503-252-3403 x 104 o bstanton@archdpdx.org.

September 17, 2023 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again ... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood.

That childhood memory — and the attendant outrage — came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid owed me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us? We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He remembers — and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to — and forgiven by — his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets.

— Father John Muir

17 de septiembre de 2023 - 24° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Perdonemos a los demás como Dios nos perdona. Son palabras muy fáciles pero muy profundas para llevar a cabo. El Evangelio nos habla de la necesidad del perdón. Pedro va al grano y pregunta a Jesús por una solución rápida y hasta es matemático, habla de números. ¿Cómo dar solución a los celos, envidia, infidelidad, y tensiones por mencionar algo? ¿En síntesis, cuantas veces debo perdonar al que me ofende? La respuesta de Jesús a Pedro y a nosotros ahora es la misma: "No te digo siete, sino setenta veces siete" (Mateo 18:22). Perdonar siempre. La Oración Colecta ayuda a que reflexionemos en la misericordia de Dios y nos ayude a perdonar: "Señor Dios, creador soberano de todas las cosas, vuelve a nosotros tus ojos y concede que te sirvamos de todo corazón, para que experimentemos los efectos de tu misericordia".

¿No debías tú también tener compasión como yo tuve de ti? Compasión y misericordia son las palabras claves del mensaje de Jesús. No tiene sentido llevar cuentas del perdón, tiene más sentido ver la bondad de Dios hacia nosotros y que siempre nos perdona. "Perdono, pero no olvido". Demuestra que no se es capaz de perdonar desde el fondo del corazón. ¿Has experimentado el perdón de Dios? ¿Cómo ves a la familia, comunidad y sociedad en general en cuestión de perdonar? ¿Puedes ser tú instrumento de Dios para llevar el perdón donde se necesite? No olvides que: "El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso" (Salmo 102).

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Readings for the week of September 17, 2023

Sunday: Sir 27:30 – 28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)/

Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Observances for the week of September 17, 2023

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

Monday:

Tuesday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

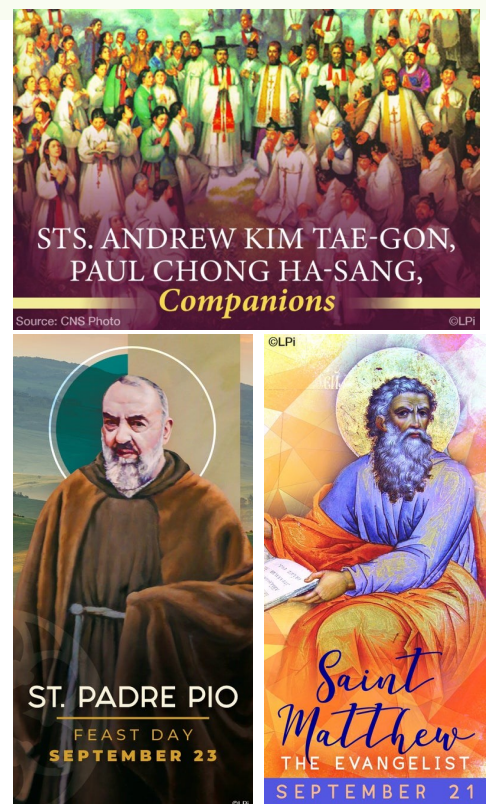
Wednesday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang

Thursday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Friday:

Saturday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday





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 17: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Catechetical Sunday
Mon. Sept 18:
Tue. Sept 19:
Wed. Sept 20: SVDP Food Pantry 3pm-5pm
Thu. Sept 21:
Fri. Sept 22:
Sat. Sept 23: SVDP Food Pantry 10am-12pm
 RCIA retreat 9am-11:30am REC
Sun. Sept 24: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sept. 19, Tues +John Dhulst
 +Kathy Suckart
Sept. 20, Wed +Michael Tiep Le
Sept. 21, Thu +Maria Tu Bui
Sept. 22, Fri +Peter Uy Nguyen

Sept. 23, Saturday, 5:30pm
 For the People

Sept. 24, Sunday
7:30am For the People
10:00am +Dolores Nelson
12:00pm +All Souls in Purgatory

*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.

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Cut and drop it in the offertory basket