

St. Rita Catholic Church

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 11, 2024

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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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He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. - Mk 1:44-45b

We are a people called to be Christ for one another through Prayer, Eucharist, Community Involvement and Social Justice.

Parish Updates

WOMEN'S GUILD

It's Ladies Night Out!! The St. Rita Women's Guild is holding their first ever Galentine's Party on Monday, February 12 at 6:30PM. All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend. Please join us for a light supper, fun and fellowship in the REC behind the church. Evelyn Johnson 559-786-2199.

ST. RITA RUMMAGE SALE: JUNE 7 AND 8

We're having another rummage sale this year and this time we WILL be taking your donations! We'll take items that are in good condition (things that a consignment-type place would accept) - vintage, tchotchkes, tools, books, furniture in good condition that's not super dated, kitchen items, art, craft supplies, etc. (please no clothing, bedding, electronics, appliances, mattresses - if in doubt, ask!). Please email Ann Ezell at ann.ezell@icloud.com if you'd like to donate or if you have any questions. All money raised will go to the next renovation project by the Women's Guild: the bathrooms in the Parish Hall!

SENIOR RITAS

The next luncheon is: February 15, 2024. Cadillac Café 503-287-47501801 NE Broadway St Portland OR 97232.

Senior Rita's 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 for reservations.

ST.VINCENT de PAUL

This weekend is our regular St. Vincent de Paul food collection weekend. This month, we can use **Dish soap**, **coffee or tea**, **cookies**, **condiments**, **granola bars and chips**. 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.

Faith Formation

BAPTISM PREPARATIONS

Baptisms at St. Rita Parish are generally celebrated at the fourth Sunday of the month during the Sunday Masses. For inquiries on the baptism classes and other procedures, contact Barbara Stanton at bstanton@archdpdx.org.

BIBLE STUDY – ONLINE!

Join us for weekly bible study held on Zoom every Tuesday. The current topic is Job. November 28th we will start our study on the book of Job. Please call **Greg Ennis** for more information: (503)803-4829



LENT 2024

Ash Wednesday February 14!

<u>Masses:</u> 7:45am(English) 7:00pm (Bilingual)

Stations of the cross (Lenten Fridays) 6:00pm English 7:00pm Spanish

TET | VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR

Join the Vietnamese Community in celebrating the Lunar New Year on Sunday, February 18th! Mass at 10AM. Reception at 1PM in the parish hall.

CATHOLIC FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The Catholic Friendship Group is for single Catholics ages 40 to 60 throughout the Archdiocese of Portland who are looking to grow in faith and fellowship! Gatherings are held every other week from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Birgitta Parish (11820 NW St. Helens Rd.) Planned topics include: Feb 16th Fr. Joshua Clifton will cover Lenten Practices followed by discussion and social. And on March 1st we'll view and discuss C.S. Lewis' "Mere Christianity" video. For details and more info visit www.catholicfriendshipgroup.com!

NOW HIRING!

Position: Coordinator of Music Ministry

Position is part-time. Complete job description is found in the parish website: stritapdx.org. Anyone interested, kindly contact Fr. Tetzel Umingli at tumingli@archdpdx.org.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside. This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, "If you will it, you can make me clean." At this, just before the healing, Jesus was "moved with compassion." The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to "his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love." In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it feels like to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will feel what we are feeling, and thereby heal us.

-Father John Muir

11 de febrero de 2024 6º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En la actualidad, a pesar del avance de la medicina, existen enfermedades incurables. ¿Cuáles son las enfermedades incurables ahora? ¿De qué padecemos? ¿Quiénes son los leprosos actuales? ¿Qué personas son las expulsadas de la ciudad y de la sociedad? En tiempo de Jesús, era la lepra; los enfermos, al adquirir está enfermedad, eran expulsados de la ciudad y no podían acercarse a las personas sanas. Hoy, Jesús sigue haciendo milagros de todo tipo, sigue curando, tocando y alivianando a los necesitados. Acercarse al pobre significa luchar y comprometerse con su persona para que salga de su pobreza y enfermedad. ¿Cómo tocamos y ayudamos a los que sufren en la sociedad actual? La curación del leproso del Evangelio nos dice que Jesús toco al leproso sin temor a contagiarse. Su compasión se muestra con el diálogo entre ambos: «Se le acercó un leproso, que se arrodilló ante él y le suplicó: "Si quieres, puedes limpiarme". Sintiendo compasión, Jesús extendió la mano y lo tocó diciendo: "Quiero, queda limpio" » (Marcos 1, 40-41). Jesús rompe las reglas al tocar el leproso, lo importante en este caso era la empatía, la compasión, el ser uno con el otro. Lo que hizo Jesús le traerá consecuencias fatales, romper la ley no era aceptable. El acercamiento con respeto a los enfermos significa una muestra de amor grande para ellos. Salgamos de nuestra burbuja, busquemos a los que sufren, que, con seguridad, están en la familia y amigos. ¡No seamos indiferentes a su sufrimiento!

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Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

Readings for the week of February 11, 2024

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1/Mk 1:40-45

<u>Monday</u>: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13 <u>Tuesday</u>: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21

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

<u>Thursday</u>: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25 <u>Friday</u>: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15 <u>Saturday</u>: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Observances for the week of February 11, 2024

Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day

Monday: Tuesday:

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Valentine's Day

<u>Thursday:</u> Friday:

Saturday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent







William "Bill" Dietzler Frances Gasca Sergio Aguilera Charlotte Benfiet Iennifer Benfiet *Io Betich* Ken Dobos Dottie Griffin Gary & Liz Heckman Barbara Nisbet Skue Porter Charlene Steier Felisa & Domingo Umingli Antonio B. Gonzales Daniel Lopez Andrea Storm Kelle Wilhelm Don Wilhelm Jeff Heller Lydia Manibusan Manglona



We pray for the eternal repose of the soul of **Christine England and Curt Gefre**. May they now rest in the eternal peace of God's Kingdom in heaven.

THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun. Feb 11: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mardi Grass Parish Appreciation Party 1pm Parish

Hall LWC | FF 11am

Mon. Feb.12: No Mass

Women's Guild Galentines Party 6:30pm REC Tue. Feb.13: Confirmation Class 6:30pm REC

Wed. Feb.14: ASH WEDNESDAY:

7:45AM MASS 7:00PM MASS BILINGUAL

Food pantry 3pm-5pm

Thur. Feb.15: Vicariate Mtg REC 12pm-2pm

Fri. Feb.16: Stations of the Cross 6pm (Eng), 7pm (Spa)

Sat. Feb.17: Food pantry 10am-12pm

Sun. Feb.18: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vietnamese New Year 10am Mass & reception in Parish

Hall 1pm LWC | FF 11am



Feb. 13, Tues Mary Stuckart

Feb. 14, Wed

7:45am +Henry Baudino 7:00pm For the People Feb. 15, Thu George J. Krantz

(birthday)

Feb. 16, Fri +Maria

Feb. 17, Saturday, 5:30pm

The Dang Family

Feb. 18, Sunday

7:30am Thanksgiving of what we have

10:00am Souls in Purgatory **12:00pm** For the People

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to have Mass offered for your intention.

Stewardship

Offertory Update F.Y. 2023-24:

ActualBudgetNovember\$21,182.17\$21,200.00December\$31,673.26\$21,200.00January\$18,910.39\$21,200.00

<u>Actual</u> <u>Budget</u>

Jul'23-Jan'24 \$156,615.56 \$148,400.00

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.

Thank you for your generosity toward the second collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect millions with Christ.

As a parish, we have raised \$1,077.53.