



St. Rita Catholic Church

5th Sunday of Lent | March 17, 2024

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"And when I am lifted up from the earth,
I will draw everyone to myself." - Jn 12:32

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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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Monday-Thursday

9:00AM to 2:00PM

Sacramental Emergency Only

After Office Hours:

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

Parish Updates

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!

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

This month, we can use **toilet paper, dog food, canned soup, dish soap, ramen cups, spam**. Also, we need **egg cartons**. 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. Thank you.



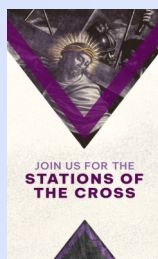
SENIOR RITAS

The next luncheon is: **March 21, 2024. McMenamins Kennedy School**. 5736 NE 33rd Ave, Portland, OR 97211. 503-249-3984. 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.

HIRING FOR FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR!

With our current DRE, Barbara Stanton, retiring by April 7th, we are looking to hire a part-time Faith Formation Coordinator. The general responsibilities of the position include overseeing the whole of the parish's faith formation programs – K-12th, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children, as well as faith formation opportunities for adults and families. The FF Coordinator also assists with the sacramental preparations for Baptism and Confirmation. A more detailed job description is available in our parish website. Please spread the word. Those interested, kindly contact Fr. Tetzl Umingli at tumingli@archdpdx.org.

Faith Formation



Stations of the cross
Lenten Fridays
6:00pm English

Via Crucis
Viernes de Cuaresma
7:00pm Español



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Holy Thursday March 28:
7PM Bilingual

Holy Friday March 29:
6:00PM (English) 7:30PM (Spanish)

Vigil Saturday March 30:
8:30PM Bilingual

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. For more information call: **Gregg Ennis (503)803-4829**

WOMEN'S GUILD

All women of the parish are invited to join the St. Rita Women's Guild. Meetings are the second Monday of every month. The next meeting is **April 8, 2024 at 6:30pm**. For more information Contact the Women's Guild President:
Evelyn Johnson 559-786-2199.

There will be an exemplification for the new members of the Knights of Columbus at St. Therese Church on March 26 at 5:30pm. Men 18y/o and over who are interested to be a Knight for the St. Rita Council, please contact Fr. Tetzl.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

March 17, 2024 5th Sunday of Lent

A middle-aged woman sat on the couch in my parish office and recounted to me a shocking list of terrible calamities in her life: addictions, terminal illnesses, financial loss, broken relationships, and so on. She smiled as she did so. "Please forgive me," I asked, "but you seem to be smiling as you share this." She said, "Father John, I am totally overwhelmed. But I'm smiling because I just can't wait to see what good things God does with this mess." She expected God would manifest His glory when she most needed it.

This week in the Gospel, God speaks from heaven for the third and final time in Jesus' earthly ministry. It's at a tough moment. Gentiles seek Jesus, who announces his terrible suffering, and then boldly prays, "Father, glorify your name!" John then writes: Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." Was the task of drawing the whole non-Jewish world to himself overwhelming? Or was it the terrible specter of crucifixion? Whatever it was, the crushing weight triggers his turning to the Father with an unshakeable expectation of divine glory to burst through. And indeed, it did on Easter Sunday. In our burdens, our greatest strength is to turn to God and boldly ask Him for His glory.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to list out everything which is a burden to you. Write it down. Then add these words: "Father, glorify Your name in all these things!" Put that paper in your pocket or purse when you come to Holy Week liturgies next week. You might smile at the most unlikely times.

-Father John Muir

17 de marzo de 2024 5º Domingo de la Cuaresma

Todos, sin duda, durante nuestra vida, llevamos sobre nuestras espaldas diferentes clases de cruces. Enfermedades, problemas económicos, falta de vivienda, status migratorio, por mencionar algunas situaciones. Hoy, la Liturgia nos lleva a ver que Dios no está solamente para resolver problemas inmediatos o de emergencia. Él está presente siempre en cada circunstancia que estemos viviendo. Nuestro deber es buscarlo todos los días. "Ven, Señor, en nuestra ayuda, para que podamos vivir y actuar siempre con aquel amor que impulsó a tu Hijo a entregarse por nosotros" (Oración colecta). Algunas veces tenemos miedo en lo que vivimos, nos sentimos solos y hasta desesperados, no sabemos a quién acudir. ¿Qué hacer?

Jesús nos da prueba de ello en este V Domingo de Cuaresma. «Ahora mi alma está turbada. ¿Y qué diré? "¿Padre, líbrame de esta hora"? ¿Si precisamente he llegado a esta hora para enfrentarme con todo esto! Padre, ¡da gloria a tu Nombre! Entonces se oyó una voz que venía del cielo: "Lo he glorificado y lo volveré a glorificar"» (Juan 12, 27-28). ¿De qué forma damos gloria a Dios? ¿Cómo nos libramos de los momentos de soledad e incertidumbre? Es bueno tener un plan para afrontar con valentía como Jesús lo hizo en su tiempo. ¡Acudió a su Padre del cielo! Con su Muerte y Resurrección, Jesús afirma el Reino del amor. Llevando nuestra cruz diaria con dignidad, también afirmamos ese reino de unidad y paz que tanto necesitamos. ¡Que nadie Señor haga callar la victoria de tu Cruz, que es mi victoria!



Readings for the week of March 17, 2024

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34 | Heb 5:7-9 | Jn 12:20-33

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-6 | Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 | Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 | Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 | Is 50:4-7 | Phil 2:6-11 | Mk 14:1-15:4

Observances for the week of March 17, 2024

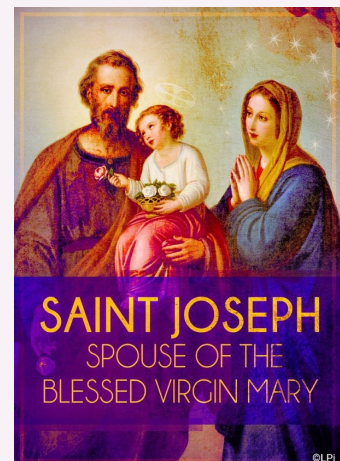
Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins





Pray For...

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



Please call or email the office if you would like to add a name to this list.
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Mass INTENTIONS

March.19, Tues

March.20, Wed

March.21, Thu

Larry and Joani Petrijanos
 (55th wedding Anniversary)
 Save travel of Kim Vu

March.22, Fri

March.23, Saturday, 5:30pm

For the People

March.24, Sunday

7:30am

10:00am

12:00pm

Souls in Purgatory
 +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>
December	\$31,673.26	\$21,200.00
January	\$18,905.39	\$21,200.00
February	\$18,108.23	\$21,200.00

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Jul'23-Feb'24	\$174,718.79	\$169,600.00

<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
\$5,118.79	103.02%

Online Giving: Thank you so much for your financial support to St. Rita Parish.
 To donate online, go to our parish website stritchpdx.org and click the **Donate** button to access our safe online giving portal.

THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun. March 17: 5th Sunday of Lent

LWC | FF 11am St. Patrick Day

Mon. March .18:

Tue. March.19: Confirmation Class 6:30pm
REC

Wed. March.20: Food pantry 3pm-5pm

Thur. March.21:

Fri. March.22:

Stations of the Cross 6pm (Eng), 7pm (Spa)

Sat. March.23: Food pantry 10am-12pm

Sun. March.24: Palm Sunday- Holy Week Begins
LWC | FF 11am

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Cut and drop it in the offertory basket