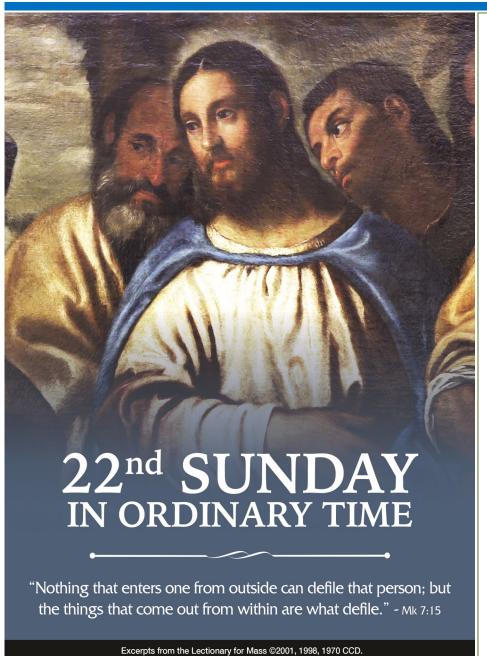


St. Rita Catholic Church

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 1, 2024

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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

<u>Reconciliation</u> Saturday 4:00PM-5:00PM

Saturday 4:00PM-5:00PM (or by appointment)

Parish Staff

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Permanent Deacon

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Karina Montano Larsen Administrative Assistant kmontano@archdpdx.org

Diane Anthony Faith Formation Assistant

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



PARISH PICNIC

Join us, following the 10am
Bilingual Mass on September 8,
behind the office building,
in the Parish Park.
Hamburgers, Hotdogs, and
paper products will be provided.
You bring:

Side Dish, Salad, Drinks or Dessert to share!

Anyone who is interested in getting involved with the picnic, please contact *Karina* through the parish office (503)252-3403.

ST.VINCENT de PAUL NEWS

The Food Pantry Board has made the decision to change the days that the pantry is open. Beginning Sept.1, we will only be open on Saturdays from 10-noon. We hope to expand those hours if we can recruit more volunteers, but for now, the hours will remain the same as they have been. The pantry will no longer be open on Wednesday afternoons. If you are able to volunteer or would like more information, please contact Darlene Rivera at drivera1003@gmail.com or 503-750-2052 or Roger Rossman rrosssman@mac.com or 503-256-6236.

Our pantry needs this month include: canned tuna, crackers, bar soap, mac & cheese and coffee or tea. Bags with lists of needed items are on the table by the baptismal font. Please take a bag, put your donated items in it and return it the the church. And, as always, thank you for all your support.

WOMEN'S GUILD

All women of the parish are invited to join the Women's Guild.

Meetings are the second Monday of every month.

The next meeting is September 9.

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

SENIOR RITAS

The next luncheon is: September 19, 2024.

Baba's Mediterranean Grill

10215 NE Cascades Pkwy.

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 (971) 409-1535 for reservations

Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION IS CURRENTLY ONGOING!

Backpack Blessing on Sunday, Sept 22 at the 10am Mass

CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 29

To register your child online, kindly go to https://stritapdx.org/faith

Currently, our Faith Formation Program comprises the following:

Children's Liturgy of the Word (10am Mass)
Kindergarten & 1st Grade
First Reconciliation/First Eucharist
3rd to 5th Grade
Middle School/ Year 1 Confirmation (starting 6th grade)
Year 2 Confirmation (7th grade & up)
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Adult Confirmation

If you'd like to assist in any of the groups, whether it be as a catechist, aide, or assist with snacks and activities, kindly let our Faith Formation Coordinator know: John

Johnson at john.johnson@archdpdx.org

CONGRATULATIONS!

To the Newly Baptized & family Russell Efren Fajardo Adilene Lopez Ramirez



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 John Johnson at john.johnson@archdpdx.org.

BIBLE STUDY – ONLINE!

Join us for weekly bible study starting in September. It is held on Zoom every Tuesday 6pm—7pm. The current topic is Deuteronomy. For more information, call:

Gregg Ennis (503)803-4829

ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR

The St. Rita Women's Guild is hosting our **Annual Fall Bazaar on November 1 & 2 from 9am to 4pm.** Come and discover the several vendors and their products. For vendors, to reserve a table, or for more information, kindly contact Ann Ezell at 503-989-8147 or ann.ezell@icloud.com.

GOSPEL MEDITATION 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Purity isn't popular at the moment. Or is it? Look at a rack of health magazines or at popular podcasts. You'll see an infinite ocean of regulations and rituals of diets, intermittent fasting, morning sun rituals, intense juice detox practices, lists of dangerous foods, mental

practices, as well as long lists of dos and don'ts for the proper cleaning of clothes, dishes, cars, houses, pets, and children. Like it or not, we long to be pure, clean, and without blemish.

This question of purity haunted people in Jesus' day, too. The Pharisees and scribes (the leading purity authorities of the day) criticize Jesus, asking, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" (Mark 7:5). Jesus responds by saying, "There is nothing outside the person that can defile him if it goes into him; but the things that come out of the person are what defile the person" (Mark 7:15). What does he mean, and how can it help us be pure?

We've probably all heard the somewhat shopworn interpretation that Jesus replaces the ritual, exterior notion of purity with a moral, interior one. Christianity is thus seen as a kind of moral re-tooling, as if religion doesn't make us pure. Good moral intentions do. But this doesn't take the rest of Jesus' ministry seriously enough, nor our obsession with purity. The better reading is that Jesus audaciously offers himself as the ultimate source of human purity — from within each human heart. Both our religious ritual practices and our moral actions are meant to flow from this encounter with Jesus the Lord. When we are in friendship with him, everything becomes pure for us.

— Father John Muir

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES -

Readings for the week of September 1, 2024

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 | Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 | Mk 7:1-

8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5 | Lk 4:16-30 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16 | Lk 4:31-37 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9 | Lk 4:38-44 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23 | Lk 5:1-11 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5 | Lk 5:33-39 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15 | Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a | Jas 2:1-5 | Mk 7:31-37

Observances for the week of September 1, 2024

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day

<u>Tuesday:</u> St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the

Church

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandpar-

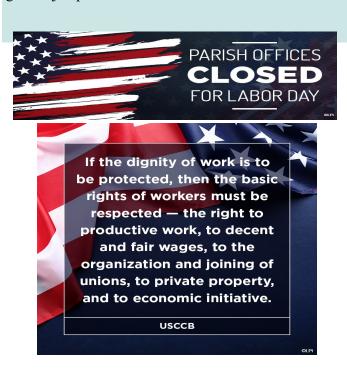
MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO 22° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



Hace un par de domingos, en el capítulo 6 del Evangelio de San Juan, escuchamos el relato sobre la multiplicación de los panes y los peces; y a Jesús que se presenta como Pan de vida que ha bajado del cielo y nos alimenta para nuestra jornada de vida. Hoy, regresamos a Marcos que nos habla sobre

la verdadera pureza del alma y del corazón. Y de cómo Jesús les llamaba la atención a los fariseos y maestros de la Ley que lo retaban con preguntas basadas en la ley: "¿Por qué tus discípulos no respetan la tradición de los ancianos, sino que comen con manos impuras?" Jesús, les responde con lo que Isaías profetizaba: "Este pueblo me honra con los labios, pero su corazón está lejos de mí. El culto que me rinden de nada sirve; las doctrinas que enseñan no son más que mandatos de hombres" (Marcos 7:5-7).

Enseguida de este mensaje, Jesús advierte que nada que entra de fuera mancha al ser humano, sino lo que sale del corazón. Es decir, que todo lo malo se planea desde la mente y el corazón. ¿Cómo puedo aplicar a mi vida el Evangelio de hoy? ¿Cuáles son mis intenciones al relacionarme con mi familia? ¿Son sinceras y honestas? Pidamos al Señor en esta Eucaristía que nos dé un corazón con buenas intenciones y que busquemos hacer solo lo que agrada a Dios. El Salmo nos dice: ¿Quién será grato a los ojos del Señor? Miremos a nuestro alrededor; será quien cumple los mandamientos, quien acepta su Palabra y la pone en práctica; quien promueve la paz, y quien cuida la casa común, por mencionar algunos ejemplos.





Joseph Panowicz Frances Gasca Sergio Aguilera Io Betich Ken Dobos Dottie Griffin *Gary & Liz Heckman* Barbara Nisbet Skue Porter Felisa & Domingo Umingli Antonio B. Gonzales Daniel Lopez Kelle Wilhelm Don Wilhelm Lydia Manibusan Manglona Casey Yager Cinda Soliz

Please call or email the office if you would like to add a name to this list. (503)252-3404. stritaparish@archdpdx.org



We pray for the eternal repose of the soul of **Ernie Haskell.** May he now rest in the eternal peace of God's kingdom in heaven.

THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun. September 1: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary time

Mon.September 2: NO MASS

Tue. September 3: Mass 7:45am

Wed.September 4: Mass 7:45am

Thur.September 5: Mass 7:45am

Fri.September 6: Mass 7:45am

Sat.September 7: Mass 5:30pm

Food pantry 10:00am-12:00pm

Sun.September 8: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary time

Sept. 8: PARISH PICNIC 11am
At the Parish Park behind the Church



September 3, Tues +Peter Dieu

+Pascual Manuel & Juana Miguel

September 4, Wed

+Anna Nau +Pascual Manuel & Juana Miguel

September 5,, Thu

+Soledad Juco

September 6, Fri

+Pascual Manuel & Juana Miguel

+Pascual Manuel & Juana Miguel

The Pham Family

September 7, Saturday

5:30pm

July

+Giuse Tam Nguyen

September 8, Sunday

 7:30am
 +Maria Yeu

 10:00am
 +Maria Ahn

 12:00pm
 For The People

+Jose Garcia

Maria Garcia (health)

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. 2024-25:

<u>Actual</u> <u>Budget</u> \$18,965.48 \$21,666.67

 Over/Under
 Percentage

 \$2,709.19
 87.53%

Offertory Budget for FY 2024-2025: \$260,000.00

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.

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