

St. Rita Catholic Church

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 13, 2025

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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 Rosary at 7:15 am

Reconciliation

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

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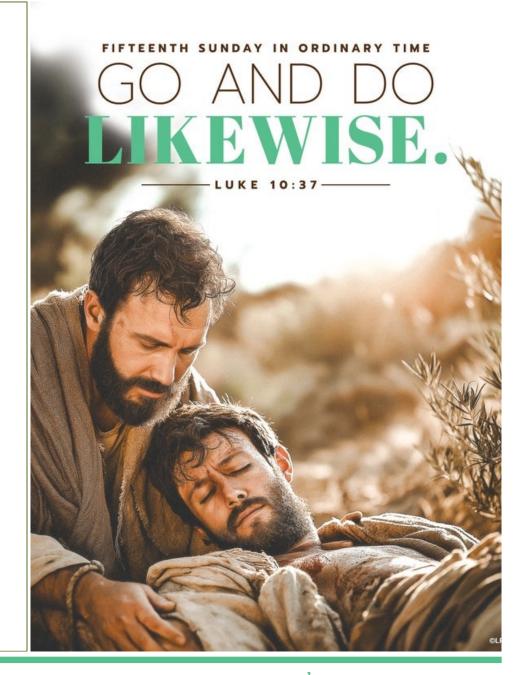
Diane Anthony
Faith Formation Assistant

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00AM to 3:00PM

<u>Sacramental Emergency Only</u> <u>After Office Hours:</u>

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

ANNUAL ST. VINCENT DE PAUL "CHRISTMAS IN JULY"

150 families (more than 500 individuals), depend on your generosity in July for their Christmas meals. On the weekend of July 26-27 your St. Vincent de Paul will be taking up a second collection to help pay for the Christmas food boxes. There will be special red and green envelopes in the pews for your contributions which are tax deductible. Please make your check out to: ": "St. Rita/St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry". The Christmas in July collection is one of two fundraisers St. Vincent de Paul holds to raise the \$6500 needed to fill these boxes. Thank you in advance for your support.

This month, we can use soup, canned tomato sauce, oatmeal, shampoo, dish soap, vegetable oil and coffee. 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. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



All men 18 y/o and older and wanting to be a Knight, join the next meeting on Wednesday, July 23, in the Parish Hall. Meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Officers' meeting at 5:30pm followed by the General Meeting at

6:30pm.

SENIOR RITAS

The next luncheon is July 17st, 2025 Sweet Betty's 543 NW 12th St. Gresham, OR 97030Senior Rita's Luncheons are usually held on the THIRD Thursdays of each month at 11:30am.

Sr. Rita's are for couples and singles over 50 vears old that are members of St. Rita Church. Bring a friend. Please contact: Flory Wold by phone (971)409-1535 in advance for reservations.



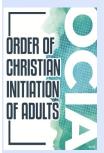
SAVE THE DATE Parish Picnic on September 7, 2025

Beginning August 3, 2025, the Spanish Mass will be moved to 12:30PM

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Registration 2025-2026 is now open Please Register in the Parish Office. Last day to register is August 25, 2025. Our Classes include:

Kindergarten and First grade Baptism for Children over 7 years of age First Communion Class (Grade2-5) Those who already received First Communion (Grade 3-5) **Year 1 Confirmation Class (Grade6-12) Year 2 Confirmation (Grade 7-12)**



Do you know an adult who's never been baptized and would like to be baptized? Do you know an adult who's been baptized in another faith tradition and has though about joining the Catholic Church? If they would like more information about becoming a Catholic, have them contact John Johnson at john.johnson@archdpdx.org or 503-252-3403.

Catechists and Aides Meeting on July 20th in the REC after the 10am Mass.

CONGRATULATIONS!



To the Newly Baptized & Family Alexander Odera Larson Samir De Leon Cabrera Maya Elsa Montes



BIBLE STUDY - ONLINE!

Join us for weekly bible study. It is held on Zoom every Tuesday 6pm—7pm. The current topic is Deuteronomy. Isaiah starts August 12. For more information, call: Greg Ennis (503)803-482

JUBILEE 2025



What is a Jubilee Year? A Jubilee Year is a special time in the Church's tradition encouraging holiness through acts of reconciliation and communion with our brothers and sisters. Jubilee Year 2025 will be marked by special opportunities for grace through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, local pilgrimages and the Jubilee Indulgence. The theme is "Pilgrims of Hope".

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO XV Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

"Vete y haz tú lo mismo" (Lucas 10:37). Esta parábola es muy rica en enseñanza. Si revisamos nuestra propia vida, descubriremos que en diferentes circunstancias actuamos como los personajes representados en ella. ¿Cuántas veces hemos sido como el que



pasó de largo y se hizo el que no vio lo que pasaba? Y lo hacemos con frecuencia en la propia familia: vemos el sufrimiento y pensamos: "Solo les pasa a ellos por no poner cuidado o por tontos." Hoy pongamos atención en el posadero que, al pedido del buen samaritano, cumplió con su trabajo al pie de la letra. En lenguaje actual se llama responsabilidad y cuidado. Pidamos al Señor que nos dé la apertura e iniciativa del samaritano, pero también la responsabilidad del posadero, para que sanara el hombre que fue asaltado.

¿Cuántas veces nosotros damos rodeos para ayudar a alguien en necesidad? ¿Qué podemos aprender hoy de esta enseñanza de Jesús? El hombre no tiene nombre, precisamente, porque nos representa a cualquiera de nosotros que necesita cuidado. Hombre o mujer de cualquier raza o nación está implícito en esta parábola. ¡Es la historia de la humanidad a través de los años! Sin embargo, existe otro pequeño detalle para dar ayuda al que está en apuros: acercarte y escuchar su historia para poder curar sus heridas. A veces nos toca pagar a alguien para que haga el trabajo; otras veces, hacerlo nosotros. Y es ahí donde está el secreto: hacerlo juntos en Cristo.

GROWING DEEPER IN SCRITPTURES

Readings for the week of July 13, 2025

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14 | Col 1:15-20 | Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22 | Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a | Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 | Mt 11:25-27 Thursday: Ex 3:13-20 | Mt 11:28-30 Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14 | Mt 12:1-8 Saturday: Ex 12:37-42 | Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a | Col 1:24-28 | Lk 10:38-42

Observances for the week of July 13, 2025

Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Tuesday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the

Church

Wednesday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel Friday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MEDITATION: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Theme: "Who is My Neighbor?"

Today's Gospel contains perhaps the most well-known parable in Scripture: the Good Samaritan. But it's more than a moral tale—it's a challenge to our hearts. Jesus doesn't just tell us to do good; He shows us how to love like God loves. The readings today help us understand that true love is not abstract or optional. It is close to us, written in our hearts, and it becomes real when we respond to the needs of others—especially the unexpected "neighbor." First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10–14

Moses tells the people that God's commandment "is not too mysterious and remote." Rather, "it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." This sets the tone: God's will is not hidden—it is accessible, practical, and intimate. Love, justice, and mercy are not unreachable ideals; they are embedded in the very fabric of our being.

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 - The Good Samaritan

A scholar of the law asks Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus affirms the two great commandments—love of God and love of neighbor. But the scholar, wanting to justify himself, asks, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replies with the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Here, the priest and the Levite—religious professionals—pass by the wounded man, perhaps out of fear, legalism, or indifference. But a Samaritan, a man considered religiously impure and ethnically inferior, stops and shows mercy. He does not ask, "Is this man one of mine?" He simply sees a fellow human being in need.

The Gospel forces us to ask: Do we limit our definition of "neighbor" to those who are like us, who are easy to love? Or do we dare to extend compassion across boundaries?

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

St. Paul gives a majestic vision of Christ: "the image of the invisible God... through whom all things were created." This reading situates the call to love within the cosmic love of Christ, who reconciles "all things" to Himself. Jesus, the eternal Word, became flesh not only to save souls but to show us how to live. The Good Samaritan is an icon of Christ Himself—who saw broken humanity by the roadside and stooped to lift us up at the price of His own suffering.

St. Basil the Great said, "The bread in your cupboard belongs to the hungry; the coat hanging unused in your closet belongs to the one who needs it." True Christianity is not about religious titles, rituals, or orthodoxy alone—but radical love in action.

St. Teresa of Calcutta, our modern Good Samaritan, served the poorest of the poor in Calcutta not because they were Catholic, but because they were Christ. She often reminded us: "If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

Application to Our Lives

Today's readings call us to a radical, uncomfortable, and deeply beautiful truth: Love is not a feeling—it is a decision to act with mercy. God's commandment is not far off—it is already in your heart.

So we ask ourselves:

- · Am I moved by compassion, or paralyzed by indifference?
- · Do I love those who cannot repay me?
- · Who is lying wounded by the roadside of my life?
- · And most importantly: If someone looked at my life, would they recognize the love of the Good Samaritan—or the silence of those who passed by?

Let us pray for the grace to "go and do likewise"—to live not just as people who know the commandments, but as those who embody them, in mercy and love. Amen.

Deacon Paul Pham



Don Wilhelm Kelle Wilhelm Terry Carr-Wilson Joseph Panowicz Frances Gasca Sergio Aguilera *Io Betich* Dottie Griffin Gary & Liz Heckman Barbara Nisbet Felisa & Domingo Umingli Antonio B. Gonzales Daniel Lopez Lydia Manibusan Manglona Casey Yager Cinda Soliz Monica Brandt Keith Parker Ken Dobos Clementina Garcia

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



THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun. July.13: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

50/50 Raffle tickets sale after every Mass

<u>Mon.July.14</u>: No Mass

Tue.July:15: Mass 7:45am

Finance council Meeting

Wed.July.16: Mass 7:45am Thur.July.17: Mass 7:45am

OCIA 6:30pm – 7:30pm in the REC

Fri.July.18: Mass 7:45am

Sat.July.19: Food Pantry 10am – 12pm

Quinceanera for Kyara 1pm

Confessions at 4pm

Mass at 5:30pm

Sun.July.20: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass

July 15, Tues +Patricia Lavelle

+Carlos Juco

July 16, Wed+Pining Katigbak

July 17, Thu Janelle

July 18, Fri +Charlotte Rose Benfiet

July 19, Saturday

5:30pm +Anna

July 20, Sunday

7:30am For the People 10:00am +Augustine 12:00pm +Peter

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to have Mass

Stewardship

Offertory Update F.Y. 2024-25:

<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
\$26,531.70	\$21,666.67
\$21,838.83	\$21,667.67
\$25,846.61	\$21,666.63
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July'24-June'25 <u>Actual</u> <u>Budget</u>

\$278,519.41 \$260,000.00

<u>Over/Under</u> <u>Percentage</u> \$18,519.41 107.12%

Collection for July 5 & 6

Offertory *not yet counted as of bulletin submission

Online Given \$776.00 Parish Improvement \$80.00 St Vincent de Paul \$10.00

Thank you for your generous support of St. Rita Parish. To donate online, go to our parish website stritapdx.org and click the Online Giving button to access our safe online giving portal.

Second Collection coming up

July 27Christmas in July Collection for St. Rita Food Pantry



