



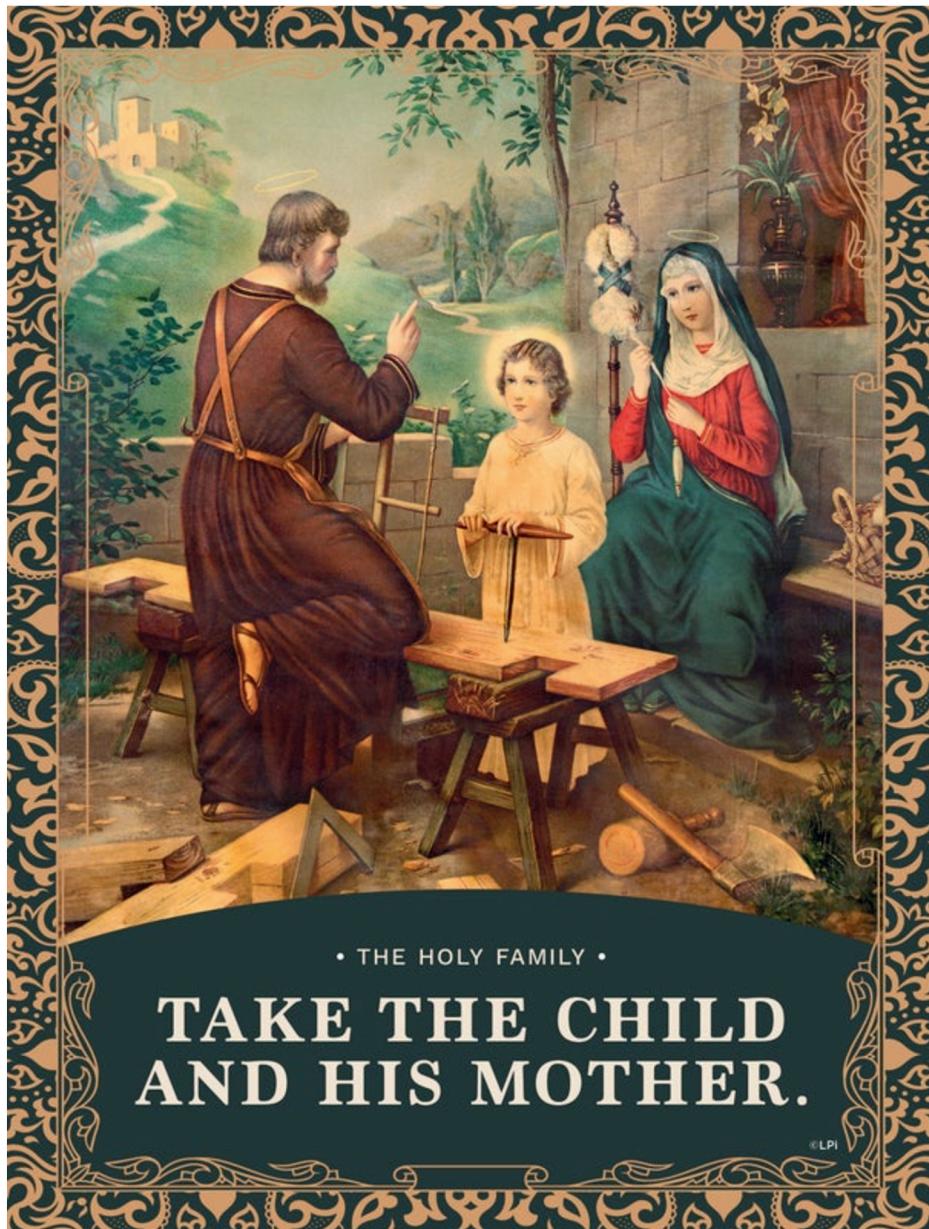
# St. Rita Catholic Church

## Feast of The Holy Family | Dec. 28, 2025

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### OUR MISSION

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



### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30PM

Rosary 30 min before Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 10:00AM

Rosary 30 min before Mass

12:30PM Spanish

Rosario a las 11:45AM

### WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday-Friday 7:45AM

Rosary at 7:15am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 4:00pm- 5:00pm  
or by appointment

### Pastor/Parroco

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### OFFICE HOURS

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

### SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY ONLY AFTER OFFICE HOURS

Call 503-908-4659

## PARISH UPDATES



**Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God  
January 1, 2026  
9:00am Mass**

**The Parish Office will be closed  
January 1st**

### **LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS**

Kindly update the parish office if you moved to a new address or have a new contact information. We will be mailing out the annual contribution reports for your tax purposes.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Food Pantry volunteers and Board would like to express our deepest appreciation to everyone who helped us with our Annual Christmas Food Box Delivery project this year. To every one who donated food, money, time, energy and ideas, THANK YOU SO MUCH. We represent our St. Rita Community and without you, we can do very little to alleviate the suffering of our brothers and sisters without food. We want you to know how appreciative they are for the Food Boxes. You are truly a gift of hope for them, and for us as well. Please continue to keep us all in your prayers.

***St. Vincent Opens January 3rd, 2026***

### **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 **January 12, 2026 at 6:30pm in the REC** (in the back of the church)

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Next Meeting will be on Wednesday, **January 21**, in the parish hall. Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. Starting at 5:30pm for Officers and general meeting at 6:30pm till 7:00pm



## FAITH FORMATION

**NO FAITH FORMATION SESSION TODAY  
NO CONFIRMATION YEAR 2 SESSION DEC. 30**

Faith Formation Sessions will resume Sunday, January 4. There will also be a Parent Meeting on January 4.

**All our Catechists and Aides wish you all a Blessed and Merry Christmas & New Year!**

### **ROSARY MINISTRY**

***All are invited to join in praying the Rosary before Mass. If you would like to lead the Rosary, please contact Therese Wolfe: (402) 981-5675***

### **BIBLE STUDY—ONLINE!**

***Join us for a weekly Bible Study held on Zoom every Tuesday 6pm—7pm. The current topic is Isaiah. For more information, call: Greg Ennis (503)803-4829***



## YEAR END GIVING

Please BE GENEROUS this Christmas! ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH is fully funded on the generosity of our faithful parishioners. Please consider an end-of-year gift to ST. RITA CHURCH and help our parish meet budget this Fiscal Year! Your gifts and donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

***Thank you so much for your generosity!***

## Christmas Day: Enter Wonder

Today the waiting ends, and the promise of Advent takes flesh among us. The Word has become flesh. God has entered our world not with thunder or display, but with the soft breath of an infant resting in a manger. On this holy day, heaven bends close to earth, and love becomes visible, touchable, and real.

The Gospel tells us of angels filling the sky with song and shepherds rushing to Bethlehem in awe. Yet the heart of this day unfolds in utter simplicity: a child, a mother, a quiet husband, and a stable. The very ordinariness of the scene reveals a mystery beyond measure: the God who created the universe has chosen vulnerability. God does not demand we climb to heaven. Instead, He lowers Himself into the fragile rhythms of human life and into hunger, cold, need, and hope.

God saves us not by overpowering us, but by drawing near in love.

Christmas teaches us that God's love looks like belonging. The Christ Child is laid in a manger—a feeding trough—because He comes as nourishment for the world. The angels announce peace because God's presence restores what fear has broken. The shepherds rejoice because God chooses the overlooked and the uncertain. The light of Christmas shines into every shadow, reminding us that nothing in our lives is too small, too poor, or too broken for Christ to enter.

As we celebrate the beauty and wonder of this holy day, may our joy go deeper than sentiment and become a way of living: receiving Christ, revealing Christ, and sharing His love with the world.

**Merry Christmas!** Christ is born. Come, let us adore Him.

-Fr. Tetzl Umingli

### Readings for the week of December 28, 2025

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 | Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 | Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11 | Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17 | Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21 | Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27 | Gal 4:4-7 | Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28 | Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 | Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6 | Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 | Mt 2:1-12

### Observances for the week of December 28, 2025

Sunday: The Holy Family

Wednesday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve

Thursday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day

Friday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

Saturday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord

## La Sagrada Familia

Jesús y su familia saben lo que es emigrar, cambiar de lugar y moverse con rapidez porque son perseguidos. Ellos vivieron en carne propia los efectos de esta situación. Quizá nosotros tenemos algún familiar o amigo que actualmente sufre las penurias de dejar su hogar, su escuela o su trabajo. José y María huyen por la amenaza de peligro que pesaba sobre ellos: *"Levántate, toma al niño y a su madre, y huye a Egipto. Quédate allí hasta que yo te avise, porque Herodes buscará al niño para matarlo"* (Mateo 2:13). Padre, madre e hijo huyeron hacia donde Dios les indicó, para salvar al niño. Este es un fiel reflejo de lo que representa la Sagrada Familia de Nazaret. Celebrar la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia durante la Navidad debe animarnos con esperanza, deseando que nuestras propias familias sean un lugar donde se respire amor y alegría entre sus miembros. ¿Cómo recibo hoy a las familias de mis hermanos y hermanas? ¿Cómo es mi convivencia con ellos?

*"Ustedes, familias, son la esperanza de la Iglesia y del mundo. Con su testimonio del Evangelio pueden ayudar a Dios a realizar su sueño; pueden contribuir a acercar a todos los hijos de Dios, para que crezcan en la unidad y aprendan qué significa para el mundo entero vivir en paz como una gran familia"* (Papa Francisco). Oremos por nuestras familias, deseando que, en este día dedicado a la Familia de Nazaret, imitemos su esperanza en Dios y su unidad en todo momento.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

### In Memory Of:

Paul Gasca

The Dang Family ancestors

Pham Family ancestors

Pham & Nguyen parents-in-law

Priests and nuns

Ken & Mary Jones

Wayne, Slim, & Chris Jordan

Jo Ann Ulrich

John & Jane Schmidt

### In Honor Of:

The Jordan Children



# Pray For

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

## THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun.December.28: **Solemnity of the Holy Family**  
 No Faith Formation

Mon.De.29: NO MASS

Tues.Dec.30: Mass 7:45am  
 No Confirmation Class Year 2

Wed.Dec.31: Mass 7:45am

Thurs.Jan.1: **Solemnity of Mary Mother of God**  
**Mass 9:00 am**  
**Parish Office Closed**

Fri.Jan.2: Mass 7:45am

Sat.Jan.3: Food Pantry 10am-12pm  
 Confessions at 4pm  
 Mass at 5:30pm

Sun.Jan.4: **Epiphany of the Lord**

# Mass Intentions



|                                                   |                                                                  |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| December 30, Tues                                 | +Aldredo Carlos<br>+Leonora Custodio                             |
| December 31, Wed                                  | +Juan Custodio<br>+Purisima E. Custodio                          |
| January 1, Thurs                                  | +Erlinda Posadas<br>+Albino Blanco                               |
| January 2, Fri<br>9:00am                          | +Eddie Alfaro<br>+Jessie Arrevillaga                             |
| January 3, Saturday<br>5:30PM                     | +Bernardo Sebastian<br>+Pepe Marquez                             |
| January 4, Sunday<br>7:30AM<br>10:00AM<br>12:30PM | +Herminigilda Dasco<br>+Isyang Custodio<br><i>For the people</i> |

If you would like a Mass offering, please contact the Parish Office. The suggested amount is \$10.00

## STEWARSHIP

### Offertory Update F.Y. 2025-2026:

|           | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| September | \$22,126.36   | \$22,500.00   |
| October   | \$21,703.57   | \$22,500.00   |
| November  | \$27,211.97   | \$22,500.00   |

| <u>July'25-Nov'25</u> | <u>Actual</u>     | <u>Budget</u>     |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                       | \$121,248.43      | \$112,500.00      |
|                       | <u>Over/Under</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |

\$8,748.43 107.78%

### Collection for December 13 & 14

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| <u>Offertory</u>          | \$3,611.00 |
| <u>Online Given</u>       | \$1,304.50 |
| <u>Parish Improvement</u> | \$90.00    |
| <u>St Vincent de Paul</u> | \$285.00   |

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