



St. Rita Catholic Church

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 2, 2026

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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

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OFFICE HOURS

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

PARISH UPDATES

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Annual Christmas in July collection last weekend. Your generosity ensures that our neighbors in need receive a nutritious meal for Christmas Week. Our Christmas Food Box delivery takes place the last Saturday before Christmas (Dec. 19th). And if you were unable to bring your tax-deductible donation last week, it's not too late.

Just put your contribution in an envelop marked "Christmas in July" and place it in the collection or mail it to the parish office. Thank you for your support.

This month, we can use **cookies, canned soup, ramen noodles, toothpaste, shampoo, 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. We are also in need of volunteers who could work in the pantry on Wednesday mornings from 8:30 – 9:30 unloading and stocking our Oregon Food Bank order. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Wini Samson (503-254-7822) or Roger Rossman (503-256-6236 or Rossman@me.com). 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.

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 **August 10, 2026** at 6:30pm in the REC (in the back of the church)



IGLESIA CATOLICA DE SANTA RITA
10029 NE PRESCOTT ST. PORTLAND, OR 97220

SEMINARIO DE VIDA EN EL ESPIRITU
Renovación Carismática Católica Portland, OR

LEMA: "Todos quedaron llenos del espíritu santo" (Hechos 2,2-5)

Una experiencia que toca el alma. Permite que el Espíritu Santo transforme tu vida

Ver Espíritu Santo

8 de agosto
8am-5pm

9 de agosto
10:30am-5pm
Santa Misa 12:30pm

P.Rita Guzman, MSPS Diacono Jose Gutierrez Diacono Eduardo Ramos Hermano Agustin Gomez

DONACION \$5
COMIDA GRATIS
NO HABRA CUIDADO DE NIÑOS

PARA MAS INFORMACION O REGISTRARSE LLAME
(503) 252-3403 Y (503) 422-9682

Guiados por el Espíritu Santo Renovados por su presencia.

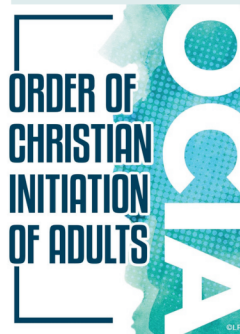
FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Registration 2026-2027 is now open. Please Register in the Parish Office.

Our Classes include:

Kindergarten & First Grade
Baptism for Children over 7 years of age
First Communion Class (Grade 2-5)
Those who already received First Communion (Grade 3-5)
Year 1 Confirmation Class (Grade 6-12)
Year 2 Confirmation (Grade 7-12)

We are also in NEED of catechists and Aides for our Faith Formation ministry. Pray and let us know if you are interested.



Do you know of 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 thought 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.

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



GRUPO DE ORACION y FORMACION EN ESPAÑOL

Acompañanos cada Viernes de 7:00pm - 8:30pm en los salones de atras de la Iglesia.

BAPTISM PREPARATIONS

Baptisms at St. Rita are generally celebrated on the **last Sunday of the month and within Mass**. For inquiries on the baptism classes and other procedures, please contact the parish office at 503-252-3403.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training



All current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and all Homebound Ministers and anyone interested in joining this ministry is invited to attend a refresher training session Sunday, Aug. 9 at 8:45 AM

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In his song, "Lose Yourself," the artist Eminem raps, "the mood all changed."

We all know that moment when the mood changes, when life turns from lighthearted to deadly serious. That happens in today's Gospel. Jesus has just heard that John the Baptist, his cousin, forerunner, and friend, has been murdered. As Matthew tells us, **"When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself."** Until now, he had been teaching in parables and healing quietly. But John's death signals a new phase. The shadow of the Cross begins to fall. Evil shows its teeth.

And how does Jesus respond? Not with rage or despair. He goes to a lonely place to go into deep communion with his Father. From that silence comes action. He feeds the multitude. Out of grief comes generosity. Out of sorrow, life.

This is the rhythm of every disciple's life. When tragedy or violence breaks our hearts, we face a choice. We can react, or we can retreat into prayer — like and with Christ. This is the hidden place where pain becomes compassion and compassion becomes self-gift. Lord Jesus, when life intensifies, draw me into Your quiet strength. In that hidden place with You and the Father, turn my heartbreak into the bread of love for the world. Amen.

— Father John Muir

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

XVIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Cuando Jesús se entera de la muerte de Juan el Bautista, decide embarcarse él solo y retirarse a lejos. Sintió un profundo dolor por aquella muerte injusta. Sin embargo, el Evangelio nos narra que la gente salió de los pueblos y se fueron a pie por la orilla para esperarlo cuando Él llegara. El texto nos sigue narrando que Jesús sintió misericordia por todas aquellas personas y las acogió, curó y atendió, porque Él no quiere que nadie pase necesidad. Al llegar la tarde, sus discípulos querían que despidiera a la gente para que fueran a buscar alimento. A esto Jesús responde: *"No tienen por qué irse; denles ustedes de comer"* (Mateo 14:16). A raíz de esta pregunta surge el milagro de la multiplicación de los panes.

"Vivir la comunión con Cristo es algo muy distinto de permanecer pasivos y ajenos a la vida cotidiana; por el contrario, nos introduce cada vez más en la relación con los hombres y mujeres de nuestro tiempo, para ofrecerles un signo concreto de la misericordia y de la atención de Cristo. Mientras nos nutre de Cristo, la Eucaristía que celebramos nos transforma poco a poco también a nosotros en Cuerpo de Cristo y en alimento espiritual para los hermanos. Jesús quiere llegar a todos, para llevar a todos el amor de Dios" (Papa Francisco, 17-08-2016). ¿Qué nos dice Jesús hoy, a ti y a mí? ¿Qué debemos hacer para atender las necesidades de los demás? El reto es confiar en la Palabra de Dios y poner nuestros propios panes y peces al servicio de quien lo necesite.

Readings for the week of August 2, 2026

Sunday: Is 55:1-3 | Rom 8:35, 37-39 | Mt 14:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17 | Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 | Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7 | Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 | Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 | Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 | Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 | Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4 | Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a | Rom 9:1-5 | Mt 14:22-33

Observances for the week of August 2, 2026

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. John Vianney, Priest

Wednesday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Thursday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Friday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

Saturday: St. Dominic, Priest

Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. TRISTAN

Fr. Tristan will be leading two different bible studies this summer, one at St. Rita and one at St. Therese. All parishioners are invited to both groups.

Letters of Paul: The origin of faith



We meet at the St. Therese Parish Social Center on Tuesdays at 6:30-7:30pm. Paul's writings make up a significant portion of the New Testament, but they are some of the hardest parts of the Bible to understand. Each week Fr. Tristan will explore a different letter's context and themes with a deep dive into a specific passage. Bring your Bibles!

July 21
1 Thessalonians

July 28
Galatians

August 4
No Meeting

August 11
Philippians 1

August 18
Corinthians

August 25
2 Corinthians

September 1
Romans



The Eucharist: Do we really eat Jesus?

We meet at the St. Rita Religious Education Center on Thursdays at 6:30-7:30pm. Using the book "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist" by Brant Pitre, Fr. Tristan will share how Jesus' actions at the last supper would have been understood in the Jewish culture of the time in order to deepen our own faith in him today.

July 23
Messiah

July 30
Passover

August 6
No meeting

August 13
Manna

August 20
Bread of the Presence

August 27
2 Corinthians



Pray For

Ana Mabeti Mateaki
 Don Wilhelm
 Kelle Wilhelm
 Terry Carr-Wilson
 Frances Gasca
 Sergio Aguilera
 Jo Betich
 Dottie Griffin
 Gary & Liz Heckman
 Felisa & Domingo Umingli
 Antonio B. Gonzales
 Daniel Lopez
 Cinda Soliz
 Monica Brandt
 Keith Parker
 Ken Dobos
 Clementina Garcia
 Gustavo Adolfo Urieta Gomez
 Cynthia Bjore
 Bretton Pierce
 Efren Quintero Garcia
 Melanie Quintero
 Ben

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



THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

Sun. August 2: **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Mon. August 3: NO MASS

Tues. August 4: Mass 7:45am

Wed. August 5: Mass 7:45am

Thurs. August 6: Mass 7:45am

No Bible study with Fr. Tristan

Fri. August 7: Mass 7:45am

Sat. August 8: Food Pantry 10am-12pm

Retiro 8am-5pm - salon parroquial

Confessions at 4pm

Sun. August 9: **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Retiro 10:30am - 5pm - salon parroquial

Mass Intentions



August 4, Tues +Julian Galman

August 5, Wed +Apolino Eusebio

August 6, Thurs +Rodolfo Eusebio

August 7, Fri The Dang family

August 8, Saturday
 5:30 PM +Joseph Dang Thap

August 9, Sunday
 7:30 AM *For the people*
 10:00 AM +Mary Medak
 12:30 PM +Modesta Lopez
 +Souls in purgatory

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

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Update F.Y. 2025-2026:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
March	\$29,435.47	\$22,500.00
April	\$24,060.41	\$22,500.00
May	\$24,411.40	\$22,500.00
Jul'25-May'26	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
	\$273,969.62	\$247,500.00
	<u>Over/Under</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
	\$26,469.62	110.69%

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.

TRANSFIGURATION

