



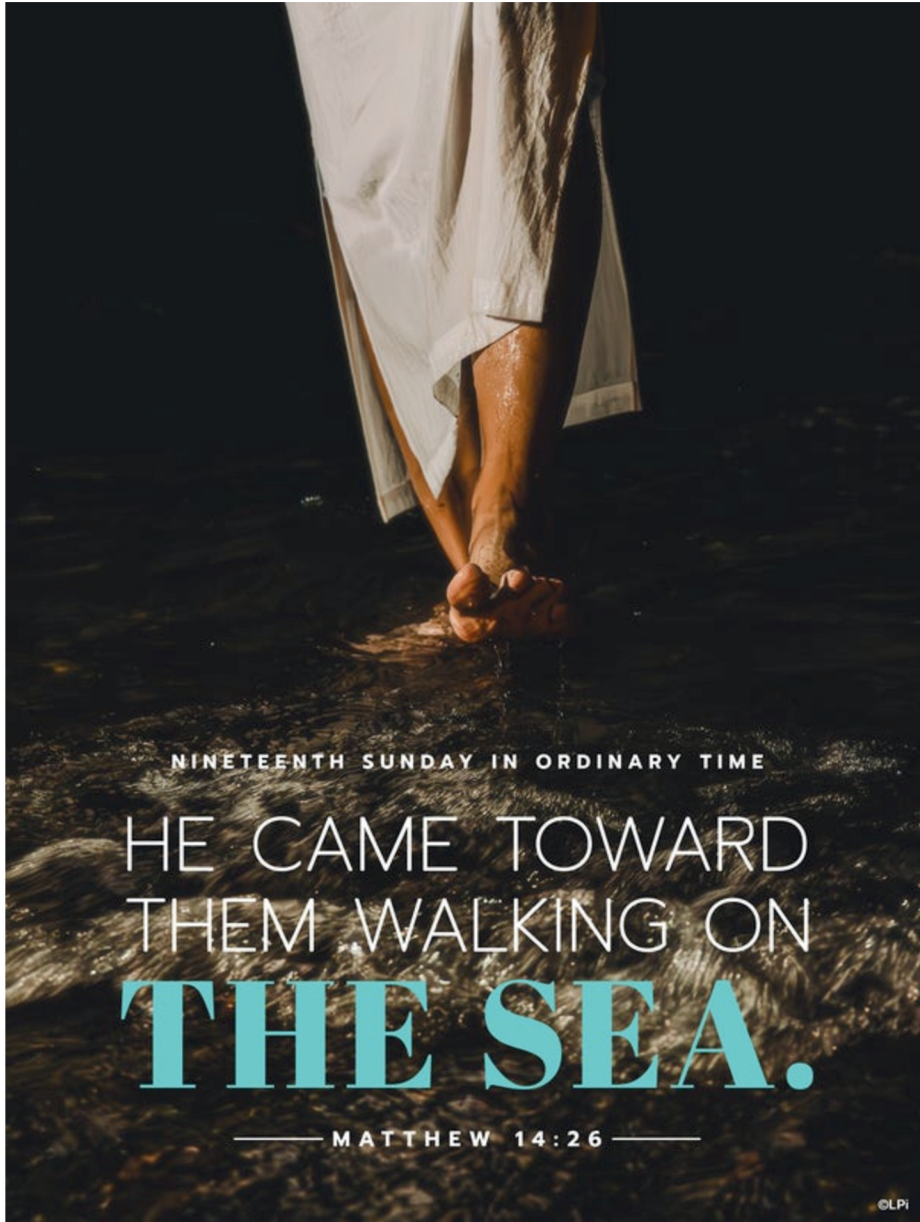
St. Rita Catholic Church

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 9, 2026

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HE CAME TOWARD
THEM WALKING ON
THE SEA.

MATTHEW 14:26

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



PARISH PICNIC

Save the date **September 6**, after the 10am Bilingual Mass. (There won't be 12:30pm Mass.)



50-50 RAFFLE Raffle tickets are only \$1. Proceeds will go to the parish, and the winner gets half! Tickets are sold after each Mass, and at the picnic. The drawing will be during the picnic. You do not need to be present to win.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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)

SENIOR RITAS

Senior Ritass Luncheons are usually held on the THIRD Thursday of every OTHER month, at 11:30am. Next Luncheon is **August 20 at The Observatory, 8115 SE Stark St. Portland, OR 97215**. Any senior members of St. Rita are welcome. Bring a friend. Will carpool to those needing one, up to three people. Meet at the church parking lot at 11am. Call in advance. Please contact **Flory Wold (971) 409-1535**. No meetings in October and September. Resume in November.

GRUPO DE ORACION y FORMACION EN ESPAÑOL

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

FAITH FORMATION



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training this Sunday at 8:45am

All current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Homebound Ministers and anyone interested in joining this ministry is asked to attend this training session.

**Faith Formation Registration 2026-2027 is now open. Please Register in the Parish Office.
Last Day to Register is August 24**

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



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.

On the weekend of August 15th and 16th we will be celebrating the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother into heaven. The Church teaches that she was assumed body and soul into heaven as a consequence and recompense for perfectly conserving the grace given to her at the Immaculate Conception. Although our soul will not be reunited with our body after death until the Final Judgment, we should also strive to conserve the grace of a pure heart which we receive from a holy confession or, for our venial sins, at every Holy Mass.

On this feast, I always think of St. Paul's words to the Philippians and imagine Our Lady saying them as well: *"For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. But if I am to live on in the flesh, this will mean fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose. But I am hard-pressed from both directions, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better; yet to remain on in the flesh is more necessary for your sake. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy in the faith..."* (Phil. 1:21-25) At the time of the Assumption, the Church had expanded to Spain in the west and to India in the East, from Ethiopia in the South to Armenia in the north. Jesus took His (and our) mother to Heaven because He knew she could now do more for us there than from here below.

Let us raise our thoughts and our hearts to heaven on this feast and ask Our Lady to help us keep our hearts pure after confession or Holy Mass. May she give us the awareness that every day God gives me on earth is a day to build up His Kingdom here below, and when I can be of more use to Him in heaven, the Lord may gladly take me! Here is a little prayer that I say at the end of every holy Mass, a consecration which is easy to memorize. We can use it as a novena to prepare for the feast by praying it first thing in the morning and last thing before going to bed:

***Mother, I am yours, now and forever.
Through you and with you I want to belong always
and only to Jesus. Amen!***

El fin de semana del 15 y 16 de agosto celebraremos la solemnidad de la Asunción de nuestra Santísima Madre al cielo. La Iglesia enseña que ella fue asunta al cielo en cuerpo y alma como consecuencia y recompensa por haber conservado perfectamente la gracia que se le concedió en la Inmaculada Concepción. Aunque nuestra alma no se reunirá con nuestro cuerpo tras la muerte hasta el Juicio Final, también debemos esforzarnos por conservar la gracia de un corazón puro que recibimos en la santa confesión o —para nuestros pecados veniales— en cada Santa Misa.

En esta fiesta, siempre pienso en las palabras de San Pablo a los Filipenses e imagino a Nuestra Señora pronunciándolas también: *«Porque para mí, vivir es Cristo y morir es ganancia. Pero si vivir en la carne significa para mí una labor fructífera, no sé qué elegir. Me siento apremiado por ambos lados: tengo el deseo de partir y estar con Cristo, lo cual es mucho mejor; pero permanecer en la carne es más necesario por causa de vosotros. Convencido de esto, sé que permaneceré y continuaré con todos vosotros para vuestro progreso y alegría en la fe...»* (Flp 1, 21-25). En la época de la Asunción, la Iglesia se había extendido hasta España por el oeste y hasta la India por el este, desde Etiopía por el sur hasta Armenia por el norte. Jesús llevó a su Madre (que también es la nuestra) al Cielo porque sabía que allí podría hacer más por nosotros que desde aquí abajo.

Elevemos nuestros pensamientos y corazones al cielo en esta fiesta y pidamos a Nuestra Señora que nos ayude a mantener puro el corazón después de la confesión o de la Santa Misa. ¡Que ella nos haga conscientes de que cada día que Dios me regala en la tierra es un día para edificar su Reino aquí abajo, y que, cuando pueda serle más útil en el cielo, el Señor me lleve gustosamente consigo! Aquí tienen una pequeña oración que rezo al final de cada Santa Misa; es una consagración fácil de memorizar. Podemos utilizarla como novena para prepararnos para la fiesta, rezándola a primera hora de la mañana y a última hora antes de acostarnos:

***Madre, tuyo soy, ahora y siempre.
A través de ti y contigo, quiero siempre pertenecer
enteramente a Jesús. ¡Amén!***



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



Mass Intentions



August 11, Tues +Artemio Sebastian
 August 12, Wed +Judith Francis Martel
 August 13, Thurs +Susana Sebastian
 August 14, Fri +Ruben Sebastian
 August 15, Saturday
 5:30 PM Anthony Santos
 August 16, Sunday
 7:30 AM +Jose Custodio
 10:00 AM *For the people*
 12:30 PM +Maria Emedia Gonzlez
 +Souls in purgatory

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. RITA

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

Mon. August 10: NO MASS

Tues. August 11: Mass 7:45am

Wed. August 12: Mass 7:45am

Thurs. August 13: Mass 7:45am

Bible study with Fr. Tristan 6:30pm in the RE

Fri. August 14: Mass 7:45am

Sat. August 15: Food Pantry 10am-12pm

Confessions at 4pm & Mass at 5:30pm

Sun. August 16: **Solemnity of the Assumption**



ASSUMPTION

