January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time





GATHER WORSHIP SERVE RENEW

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30 pm (Bilingual), 5:00pm

DAILY MASSES

Monday - Friday 6:25am, 5:30pm Saturday 8:00am

HOLY DAYS

See website for more information

ADORATION

Thursday following 5:30pm Mass, ending at 7:00pm

CONFESSION

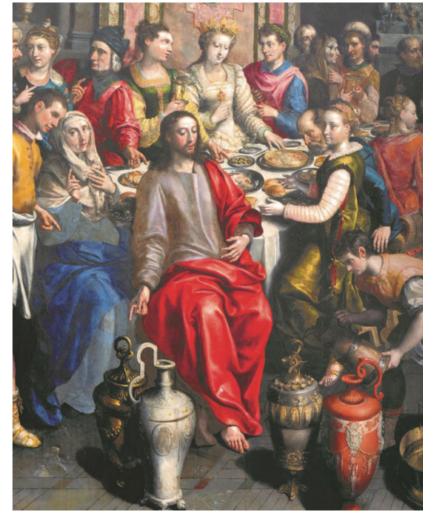
Thursday 6:30pm, Saturday 9:00am

ST. RITA PRAYER PROJECT

Monday - Friday Morning Prayer 7:00am Rosary 7:20am Evening Prayer (Vespers) 5:10pm Thursdays Parents' Rosary 8:00am

Until The Prayer Project resumes, we encourage you to participate in these daily prayers from home.

When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." -Jn 2:3



Como llegara a faltar el vino, María le dijo a Jesús: "Ya no tienen vino". –Jn 2,3

The point here is simple: Jesus makes everything better. Among the profounder things one can glean from the miracle at Cana, this is the simpler lesson I most often remember. If you invite Jesus to the party, he'll only make it better. Better wine, better joy. almost like heaven.

And it's a good lesson to remember. In the bustle of our lives, distracted by our schedules and screens, it's often Jesus who's left out. Not on purpose, of course, almost by accident we forget to include Jesus in our lives as they slowly become prayerless, churchless, and soon, joyless. It's what Martin Luther King. Jr. called "practical atheism," when the "world, even the church, is filled up with people who pay lip service to God and not life service."

And it's the simple invitation which Christ offers in the gospel today. When Christ was present at the wedding, when the human welcomed the divine in celebration, it was a miracle, a "sign" John called it. With Christ present, Cana became an image of the kingdom of heaven, something nearer God, farther from this valley of tears.

So, will you invite him? That's the question. After Christmas and Epiphany, will you welcome this Christ into your life, into your wedding at Cana? Trust me, he makes everything better. You just need to welcome him. I promise he'll show up.

Have a blessed week!

pax.

Fr. Joshua





The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. There is one Mass at 9:00am on Monday, January 17th.

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For information on our parish's Safe Environment process, please contact Susan Podkrash at spodkrash@stritaparish.net.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Eucharist for the sick, shut-ins and requests for hospital visitors, please contact 972-934-8388.

MATRIMONY: In celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Rita, couples should first register in the parish and become members of the worshipping community for at least three <u>months</u>. After this period of time, they should contact the Pastor's Administrative Assistant at least months prior to the date of their least <u>eight months</u> prior to the date of their wedding. For information, contact Susan Podkrash at 972-934-8388 x6514.

BAPTISM: Regular in person baptism classes are not scheduled at this time due to COVID -19. If you want more information about baptism classes and online information, contact the Parish Office at 972-934-8388. (Note: Classes may be taken before the baby is born) born)

REQUIREMENTS:

<u>Classes:</u> In order to have your child baptized, the parents must attend a baptism class. We can offer **to parishioners only** an online option to fulfill the requirements of the class. Please contact Susan Podkrash at 972-934-8388 x6514 for instructions on how to proceed with an online class option an online class option.

Godparents

- Godparents
 Godparents are not expected to attend a class, but are invited to do so.
 Godparents must be married in the Catholic Church or single. Additionally, he or she must be at least sixteen-years-old and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

An appointment needs to be made for your child to be baptized. Please call the Parish Office at 214-451-6514 to set a date.

Baptisms are held at 2:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Visit the link below or our WeShare page to donate online to this special collection scheduled for Jan. 22-23.



MASS INTENTIONS

*living intention / + deceased intention *intención en vida / + intención por difuntos

The Mass schedule is subject to change. If our Priests cannot offer the Mass you have scheduled on the day you originally requested, be assured that your Mass intention will be said at another time.

Sat. Jan. 15

8:00 am — Jeanette Manning+ 5:00 pm — John Sherman+ Sun. Jan. 16 7:30 am – John & Angeline Gepfert+ 9:00 am – Jerry Wuller+ 10:45 am — People of the Parish 12:30 pm – Becket Grimmett, Sr.+ 5:00 pm – Mary Caroline Litwin* Mon. Jan. 17 9:00 am — The Robinson Family* Tues. Jan. 18 6:25 am - Melba "Butch" Bowen+ 5:30 pm – John Sherman+ Wed. Jan. 19 6:25 am — John Soria+ 5:30 pm — Special Intention Thur. Jan. 20 6:25 am — Carolyn Loughman+ 5:30 pm — Clara Grace Ellis* Fri. Jan. 21 6:25 am — Marianne Hinton+ 5:30 pm – Andrew Litwin* <u>Sat. Jan. 22</u> 8:00 am — Janet Hutchins+ 5:00 pm — Edward Thomas Gramling* Sun. Jan. 23 7:30 am — People of the Parish 9:00 am - Richard Ellingwood+ 10:45 am — Raymond Cuneo+ 12:30 pm — Cesar Chavez Arevalo+ 5:00 pm – Allie Burns+



WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE VOLUNTEERS to USHER at Mass!

If you are willing to volunteer or if you have questions of what is involved please contact James Peacock at

JamesPeacockSr@gmail.com

Thank you to all those who are currently serving as ushers. The more people that we have, the better we can distribute the assignments across the weekends!

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

IT'S A NEW YEAR!

Make a New Year's Resolution to Get Involved!



Pick up a booklet from the church pew or from the literature racks in the Narthex. It's our New Year's Resolution to Help You Connect!



Scan to watch a short video about our new St. Rita Connections Ministry



Pursue Your Spouse with Courtship Conversations

Couple's Night Out

Tues, Feb 8 @ 7pm // St. Rita Commons

Married couples of all stages welcome to join us for this informative, entertaining, and interactive marriage enrichment presentation that will bless your relationship. Discover what is crucial in nurturing and sustaining connection, love, and intimacy.





With Speaker, Dana Nygaard Catholic psychotherapist, speaker and author

For more information, contact the Mother's Ministry at stritamothers@gmail.com

Adult Faith Formation



ST. RITA MEN'S CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP GROUP

The St. Rita Men's Christian Leadership Group provides an environment for men to build relationships and discuss how our Catholic faith impacts our roles as husbands, fathers, and leaders in the community.

The group meets on Thursday mornings (Sept. -May) from 5:45 - 7:15am in the Parish Dining Hall. A virtual option is available for those unable to attend in person. The group is open to all men regardless of parish or faith.

> Questions? Contact, Bill Dowd at 972-467-8953, bill.dowd@dowdcommercial.com or Matt Molash at 214-704-7912, matt.molash@svlandlaw.com.

ST. RITA YOUNG ADULTS

Open to all young adults (20's & 30's)



Join us for Thursday Nights at St. Rita! 5:30 pm: Mass 6:00 pm: Reconciliation & Adoration (in Church)

7:00 pm: Fellowship & Monthly Events in the Parish Commons & Coffee Lounge

VISIT STRITAPARISH.NET/YOUNGADULTS FOR DETAILS ON THE UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING EVENTS.



Monthly Meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month from 7pm-8:30pm

facebook.com/groups/stritamothers, or email us at stritamothers@gmail.com, for more information.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BIBLE STUDIES Please contact study leaders for information on each bible study.

Tuesday Morning: 9:45—11:00am — MEETING VIRTUALLY

The new study for the Fall will be Little Rock's "Galatians and Romans." We would be delighted to have you join us. We meet from 9:45 AM to 11:00 AM online. If interested, please contact Becky Goldenbaum, Gldenbaum@aol.com or 214-533-1795 or Suzanne Taitte, staitte@aol.com or 214-336-3316.

Wednesday Morning: 9:15am — MEETING VIRTUALLY

Join us, new members are always welcome! If interested, contact Eumabel Colberg at 972-788-2843 or eumaguti@gmail.com.

Thursday Evening: 6:15pm - 7:15pm – MEETING VIRTUALLY

This study is held the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Contact Lawson Taitte, tlawson876@aol.com or 469-222-2660.

Sunday Morning: 10:45am - noon — Now meeting in-person! (ZOOM option with same topic available on Sunday afternoons.)

The Sunday morning Bible study meets weekly throughout the year (except for holiday weekends). Contact Lawson Taitte, tlawson876@aol.com or 469-222-2660.

Sunday Afternoon: 2:45 pm - 4:45 pm - D247 - START DATE TBD!

When we resume in person, we will start a new study. "Fulfilled: Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism" part 1 is a seven week study designed as a faith-sharing Scripture study to help you share and defend the Catholic faith with the Word of God. Questions? Contact Kali Schnieders: kali@trufflesfromheaven.com or 972-713-9070.

Schedules subject to change.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Learn more about Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Visit www.stritaparish.net/becoming-catholic

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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS





Volunteers needed for our Marriage Preparation Sponsor Couple Program!

Sponsor Couples have been married for at least 3 years and facilitate 4 meetings in their home with newly engaged couples. All you need to bring is your marriage experience - we'll

provide the training!

Scan the QR code to learn

more and sign up!





3rd Wednesday of the Month 7:00 - 9:00 pm Staubach Building Room 247D

Do you like meeting new people while serving the community? Join the St. Theresa Circle every 3rd Wednesday evening of the month for fun and fellowship as we assemble booklets for the children who visit Children's Medical Center.

We love new members and need your help to keep this fun and worthy project going. Come once or come every time, either way, you are welcome!

COMMUNICATIONS

To make a bulletin or other request, visit www.stritaparish.net/communications Complete an online form 10 days in advance of the bulletin date. (see website for changes.) Stay up to date by visiting our website www.stritaparish.net or following us on Facebook and Twitter. @stritadallas, @frjoshTX,@HomilyBites www.facebook.com/stritadallas



PRAYER

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Jack Higgins Stephen Oswald Rosalinda Ramirez Piper Williams

WE PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

LT. Christopher Wolff, USAF SSgt. Travis Jackson, USAF Sgt. Ryan Ovenshire, U.S. Army

Through prayer, we are united as a community of faith. Through prayer, we are comforted and we become stronger in our walk with God.

Please contact communications@stritaparish.net if you would like to include someone on the sick and homebound or armed forces prayer lists.



Eucharistic Adoration will immediately follow the 5:30pm Thursday Mass and will end at 7:00pm.

We Congratulate and Welcome...

George Clifton McKissack Josephine Therese Meyer



..."Who were baptized into Jesus Christ."



In Memoriam

Alexander J. Shelly Sister Denise Alice Thompson

We pray for the souls of all the faithful departed.

Reporting Abuse: If you believe that you or someone you know, is a victim of past or present abuse or sexual abuse, please notify law enforcement. In the event the abuse involves a minor, please also contact the Texas Department of Family and Protective Service through the Texas Abuse Hotline (1-800-252-5400 or <u>www.txabusehotline.org</u>). Finally, if the abuse involves a member of the clergy, a parish employee or diocesan employee, please notify the Diocese of Dallas Victims Assistance Coordinator, Barbara Landregan, at 214-379-2812 or <u>blandregan@cathdal.org</u>

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

IGNITE Middle School Ministry Spring 2022



New Location! 100B in the Commons Same Time: 7:00-8:15pm

> January 5th & 19th May 4th

www.stritaparish.net/ignite

CONFIRMATION

LOOKING FOR: ADULT SMALL GROUP LEADERS

Do you have a heart for service? Are you looking for a home, a ministry within the St. Rita Community? Is God calling you out of your comfort zone? This is for you!!

We are looking for 2 - 3 Safe Environment cleared adults to serve as Small Group Leaders for Confirmation Formation. We meet once a month on Tuesdays beginning in December.

For more information about becoming a Small Group Leader, please contact: Murphey Cohn, Confirmation Coordinator mcohnestritaparish.net



StRita

Christ Caring for People through People

That's the motto of Stephen Ministry. The Stephen Ministry's role is to bring God's love into the lives of people who are going through a difficult time or experiencing a crisis. What do Stephen Ministers do? They listen, care, support, encourage, and pray with and for a person who is hurting. And in the midst of this confidential, one-to-one, caring relationship, God's healing love comes pouring through. If someone you know is facing a crisis -large or smalland could benefit from the caring presence of a Stephen Minister, call 214-451-6503 or stephenministry@stritaparish.net. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for them!

Seton-Grief Ministry Support Group Luncheon

Mourning the loss of a loved one? Come join us for lunch, support & fellowship...



4th Thursday of the Month* 11:45 am - 1 pm Parish Commons *No luncheon in December

NON-PARISH BASED ORGANIZATIONS

WHAT CAN YOU FIND ON FORMED? almost everything!

St. Rita offers all of our parishioners a free subscription to FORMED. You can find ebooks, short videos, podcasts, reflections, family friendly programming, inspirational movies, bible studies...should we



keep going?

FORMED

VISIT "FORMED" UNDER THE "RENEW" TAB AT STRITAPARISH.NET



It's time for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shooting Contest! **Parish Competition** Sunday, January 16 9-11 AM St. Rita School Gymnasium

All boys and girls, ages 9-14, are welcome to participate on January 16. Birth certificates are required to verify age. Parental Consent is required for participation. No need to pre-register.

Parish Winners receive a prize. Only the Parish Winners advance to the District Finals. For more information contact, John Vallala at 972-849-5494.

DALLAS VOCATION GUILD

This is in invitation to all women of the Dallas Diocese to join us in the Dallas Vocation Guild. The Guild meets every third Thursday of every month (September through May) at 11:00 a.m at St. Rita Catholic Church 12521 Inwood Road in the Parish Commons area. We support the retired nuns of the Diocese. The Rosary is prayed, Mass is celebrated by our Chaplain and lunch is served.

For more information contact Shirley Vilfordi at 214-369-7724 or shirleygvilfordi@gmail.com or Mary Marchand at mmarchand@allsaintsdallas.org Our next meeting is January 20th.

"The listing of these events by a permitted Non-Parish Based Organization (NPBO) does not imply the endorsement by St. Rita Catholic Community, or knowledge of the activities of the said group."

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El punto aquí es simple: Jesús hace que todo sea mejor. Entre las cosas más profundas que uno puede extraer del milagro de Caná, esta es la lección más simple que recuerdo con más frecuencia. Si invitas a Jesús a la fiesta, solo la mejorará. El mejor vino, la mejor alegría, casi como el cielo.

Y es una buena lección para recordar. En el ajetreo de nuestras vidas, distraídos por nuestros horarios y pantallas, a menudo es Jesús el que se queda fuera. Por supuesto no es a propósito, casi por accidente nos olvidamos de incluir a Jesús en nuestras vidas a medida que poco a poco se quedan sin oración, sin iglesia y pronto, sin alegría. Es lo que Martin Luther King, Jr. Ilamó "ateísmo práctico", cuando "el mundo, incluso la iglesia, está lleno de personas que rinden homenaje a Dios de labios para afuera y no al servicio de la vida".

Y es la simple invitación que Cristo ofrece en el evangelio de hoy. Cuando Cristo estuvo presente en la boda, cuando lo humano dio la bienvenida a lo divino en la celebración, fue un milagro, Juan lo llamó una "señal". Con Cristo presente, Caná se convirtió en imagen del reino de los cielos, algo más cerca de Dios, lejos de este valle de lágrimas.

Entonces, ¿lo invitarás? Esa es la pregunta. Después de la Navidad y la Epifanía, ¿Recibirás a este Cristo en tu vida, en tu boda en Caná? Créeme, él hace todo mejor. Solo necesitas darle la bienvenida. Te aseguro que el vendrá.

iQue tengan una feliz semana!

paz,

Fr. Joshua





La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada el lunes, 17 de enero en observación del Día de Martin Luther King, Jr. Habrá una Misa a las 9:00 am el lunes, 17 de enero.

¿Interesado en ser católico?

¿Está usted o alguien que conoce interesado en aprender más sobre lo que creen los católicos y en discernir si Dios puede estar llamándolo a abrazar plenamente la fe católica? El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (RICA) en St. Rita está comenzando su proceso para aquellos que deseen convertirse en católicos en 2021 y más allá.

Envíe un correo electrónico a Sammy Argumaniz a sargumaniz@stritaparish.net para obtener más información.

INFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL

- Todos los católicos de nuestra diócesis quedan exentos de la obligación de asistir a Misa los domingos y otros días de obligación.
- Se requieren cubiertas faciales y distanciamiento social en nuestro campus y dentro de la iglesia.
- Quédese en casa aunque sólo se sienta un poco enfermo, si ha estado expuesto a alguien que está enfermo o si cae dentro de las categorías de mayor riesgo del CDC.
- LAS MISAS PÚBLICAS durante LA SEMANA se llevarán a cabo a las 5:30 pm de lunes a viernes. También continuaremos transmitiendo en vivo las misas de 5:30 pm. El 1 de julio, agregaremos una Misa pública a las 6:25 am y a las 8 am el sábado.
- <u>LAS CONFESIONES</u> continúan los jueves a las 6:30 p.m. y los sábados a las 9:00 a.m. Siga estrictamente las señales publicadas en el santuario. Aunque sólo se sienta un poco enfermo, o si cae en la categoría de "mayor riesgo", llámenos para programar una reunión privada.
- Cumpliremos con las estrategias de mitigación descritas por los CDC y el Pastor practicará la discreción que se le otorgue para realizar cambios inmediatos, si es necesario.
- Esté pendiente de su correo electrónico, nuestra página web y las redes sociales para obtener información actualizada y recursos adicionales.

iBienvenidos a Santa Rita!

Usted pertenece aquí, esta es nuestra creencia, nuestra esperanza, y nuestra alegría. Para inscribirse llame a la oficina parroquial al 972-934-8388 con sus preguntas.

<u>16 de enero de 2022</u>



Los voluntarios vicentinos ofrecen asistencia de emergencia a los necesitados que viven dentro del área de nuestra parroquia. Esta ayuda generalmente se necesita para pagar la renta, los servicios o comida.

Si necesita ayuda, por favor deje un mensaje en nuestra línea de ayuda confidencial (972-232-1393) incluyendo su nombre, dirección y número de teléfono. Por favor hable claro y despacio para poder servirle lo más pronto posible. Un voluntario se comunicará con usted en la mayor brevedad.

Sam Vicente de Paúl invita a los feligreses que quieran formar parte de nuestra conferencia y ser miembros de San Vicente de Paul.

Las reuniones son los jueves a las 6pm en el salón D246.



Marcha por la Vida del Norte de Texas Defensores de la Vida en Apoyo de la Mujer

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La Adoración Eucarística seguirá inmediatamente después de la misa del jueves de las 5:30pm y terminará a las 7:00pm.





Confesiones son los jueves a partir de las 6:30 pm y los sábados a las 9:00 am.

INFORMACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

Comunión para los enfermos, los que no pueden salir de sus casas, y para visitas al hospital, por favor llame al Centro Pas-toral al 972-934-8388.

para recibir información sobre ción, comuníquese con Susan como inscribirse, o visite la ofi- Podkrash en 972-934-8388 Ext. cina parroquial para obtener 6514. una tarjeta de inscripción.

MATRIMONIOS: Para celebrar PREPARACIÓN PRE-el Sacramento de Matrimonio BAUTISMAL en Santa Rita, las parejas deben inscribirse en la parroquia y ser miembros que participan en la Misa dominical por los menos están programadas en este mo-tres meses. Después de este mento debido a COVID-19. Si desea NUEVOS FELIGRESES: Llame a la Oficina Parroquial para rocibir información actor con la Asistente del Párroco al menos ocho meses antes de la fecha de la boda. Para informa-

LAS CLASES DE BAUTISMO no más información sobre las clases comuníquese con 972-934-8388. (Se pueden tomar las clases antes de que nazca su bebé)

BAUTIZOS: Favor de llamar al 972-934-8388, para más información.





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