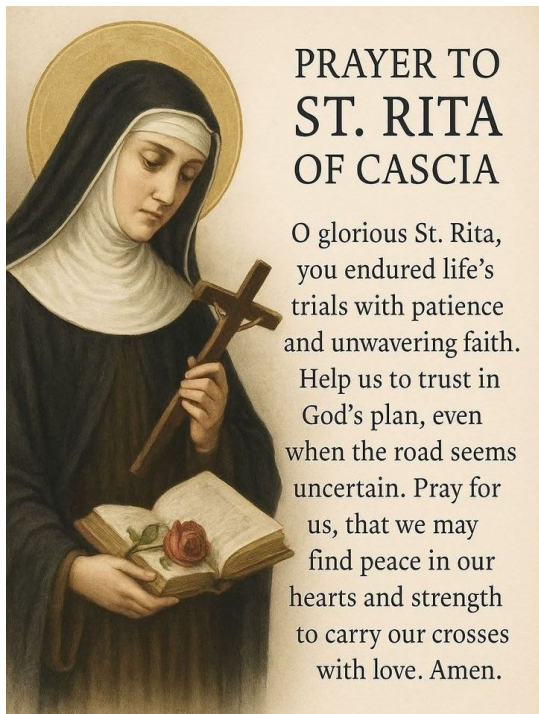


Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ,
wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within Your wounds hide me.
Separated from You let me
never be.
From the evil one protect me.
At the hour of my death, call me;
and close to You bid me.
That with Your saints and angels,
I may be praising You forever
and ever. Amen.
- St. Ignatius of Loyola



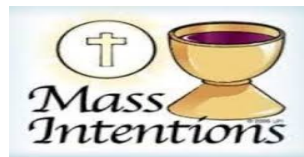
PRAYER TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

O glorious St. Rita,
you endured life's
trials with patience
and unwavering faith.
Help us to trust in
God's plan, even
when the road seems
uncertain. Pray for
us, that we may
find peace in our
hearts and strength
to carry our crosses
with love. Amen.



DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

EVERY FRIDAY
AFTER
MORNING MASS



Rachel Chong Kee—7-03

Mike & Violet Pszyk—7/04

Lolly Silva—7/08

Nathan Perreira—7/11

Johansen Ventura—7/14

Shane Ventura—7/15

Cheyenne Yap—7/16

Abel & Irene Gouveia—7/18

Manuel Lopes III—7/23

Mikie Pszyk—7/25

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

James Gonzalez-Wesley
Debbie Faborito
Rachel Cravalho
Robert Robello
Melissa Prince
Stanley Lee
Fr. Chacko Muthoottil
Winona Martinez
Rachel Chong Kee
Clarita Pimentel
Felicia Gonzalez
Rosaline DeMello
Gosha Jasowicz
Annette Palamino
Bob Garza
Theresa Honokaupu
Sandy Silva
Cheryl Tabaco

Join Us to Pray the
*Litany of St. Rita, Holy Rosary
and Guardian Angel Prayer*
Tuesday thru Friday
after morning mass
*Saturday before Mass at
4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am*



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*You are created by God
to love Him, know Him
and to serve Him.*



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Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 12, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 55:10-11 / Romans 8:18-23 / Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



Leaving Room for the Unexpected

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The Father is the reckless Sower. He sows not only in the good soil, where a harvest might be anticipated, but also in the difficult soil, where nothing seems to take root. He sows with abandon, seemingly wasting good seed, for no other reason than to experience the joy of creation and the endless possibilities of expecting to be surprised.

There is nothing wrong with well-laid-out plans and careful, methodical use of the resources available. However, planning should not exclude the possibility of the creative manifestation of the power of God in an unanticipated manner. Our planning should not restrict and constrict but rather enable and encourage. We have all experienced the unexpected flower that somehow lives surrounded by pavement. Or the hardy tree that clings to the side of the mountain. They should not be there. It should not be possible. Nothing can grow there. Yet, there they are, doing the impossible and proclaiming the improbable.

Thankfully, we serve a God who sees more than we are ever able to see. Who imagines for us more than we have ever dreamed possible. Who not only sows but also tends and waters, enabling stupendous growth, until it is time for the abundant harvest. ●

Reflect

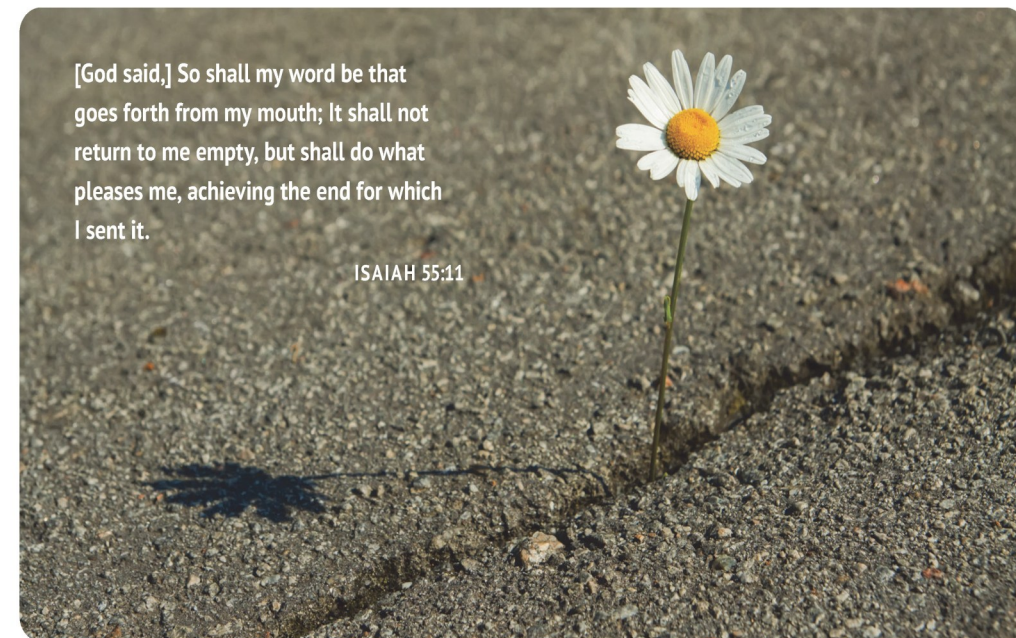
Have you ever been surprised by grace? Could you have missed it?



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

[God said,] So shall my word be that
goes forth from my mouth; It shall not
return to me empty, but shall do what
pleases me, achieving the end for which
I sent it.

ISAIAH 55:11



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July is dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Christ, a significant devotion in the Catholic Church.

This month serves as a time for reflection, gratitude, and adoration of the sacrifice made by Jesus on the cross for humanity's redemption.

Dear Padre

July 12, 2026

I look at what's going on in our world today, and I start to lose faith. How can I keep my faith strong in a time that seems faithless?

Evil isn't a new phenomenon. The Book of Judges, for example, presents a faithless time that may rival what's happening in our world today. Judges' twenty-one chapters are so full of vandalism and war, murder and assassination, fratricide and suicide, that it makes a grim statement on the worst of humanity. Judges reminds us of humanity's need for salvation. In *A Catholic Guide to the Bible*, author Oscar Lukefahr writes, "Left to itself, humanity degenerates into a frightful caricature of what we ought to be. We see such lessons repeated in recent history.... In the Book of Judges, we see our need for God." It's easy to lose faith when our focus is on how bad the world is rather than on how we can do our part to make it holy. Pope St. John Paul II wrote in *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, "Awareness of our own sinfulness, including that which is inherited, is the first condition for salvation; the next is the confession of this sin before God, who desires only to receive this confession so that he can save man. To save means to embrace and lift up with redemptive love, with love that is always greater than any sin." Don't lose Christian hope! While Christ already triumphed over sin and death, the reality of evil remains until God's kingdom is fully realized on earth as it is in heaven. (See 1 John 5:18-20.) ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen."

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.

MONDAY

July 13

Weekday

Is 1:10-17

Mt 10:34-11:1

TUESDAY

July 14

St. Kateri

Tekakwitha, Virgin

Is 7:1-9

Mt 11:20-24

WEDNESDAY

July 15

St. Bonaventure,

Bishop and Doctor

of the Church

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16

Mt 11:25-27

THURSDAY

July 16

Weekday

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19

Mt 11:28-30

FRIDAY

July 17

Weekday

Is 38:1-6, 21-22,

7-8

Mt 12:1-8

SATURDAY

July 18

Weekday

Mi 2:1-5

Mt 12:14-21

SUNDAY

July 19

Sixteenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19

Rom 8:26-27

Mt 13:24-3 or

13:24-30

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewards Bear Fruit



"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." - MATTHEW 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are stewardship virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away.

What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well.

St. Rita	INCOME July 5, 2026	St. Gabriel
\$1,430.00 \$40.00	Collection Online	\$161.00
\$50.00	Candles/Shep Care	\$20.00
\$623.00	Holy Father/Peter Pence	
\$140.00	Mass Intentions	
\$217.15	Thrift Store/R & M	\$297.00
\$2,500.15	TOTAL Mahalo for your generosity!	\$478.00



**ST. RITA CHURCH
ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE**

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Online giving powered by:
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Please kindly consider online giving during your summer vacation. This will help with the operation expenses of the church. Mahalo!

Fr. Paul will be out of town from Friday, July 17 thru Friday, July 24th.

Weekend masses remains the same.

There will be no morning mass Friday, July 17th. and Tuesday, July 21st thru Friday, July 24th.

We will have morning prayers Tuesday, July 22nd and Thursday, July 24th at 7:00am.

You may use neighboring parishes for reconciliation.

If any need arises, please call the parish office 808-575-2601, Esther will assist you. Mahalo for your understanding.

This week's second collection:



Shepherd's Care

Next week's second collection:

Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

St. Rita Thrift Store

Tuesday 8am—12pm
Sunday 9:45am—12pm



**CLOTHES, HOME DÉCOR,
BEDDING, DISHES &
MORE**



Memorial Tiles

If you are interested in purchasing Memorial Tiles, forms are available at the entrance of our Church. \$175.00 each tile.



Thank you Yard Maintenance crew:
Lot & Lisa Kaluau
Wayne Freitas
Duane Nakahashi

Thank you Church Cleaners:
Alejandro Bonilla, Annette Scognamillo,
Agnes Groff, Oklim Yamashita, & Barsina's Ohana.
We still need help in December.
Please sign up on bulletin board.

