

St. Rita Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule Saturday: 4:30PM Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00AM

Weekday: 9:00AM Vigil of the Holy Day 6:30PM(except for 12/31 4:30PM) Holy Days 9:00AM & 6:30PM

Confessions: Saturday 3:00 to 4:00PM and Tuesday Morning After Mass



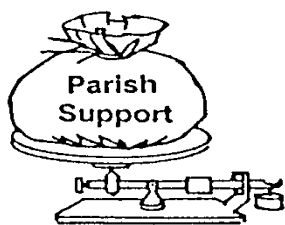
Masses For The Week

Saturday	1/6	9:00am	Ints. of Fr. Peter
		4:30pm	†Kate Havko
Sunday	1/7	8:30am	People of the Parish
		11:00am	Ints. of Pat Cliber
Monday	1/8	9:00am	Ints. of Cynthia Gillard
Tuesday	1/9	9:00am	Ints. of Fr. Peter
Wednesday	1/10	9:00am	†Charles S. Jones
Thursday	1/11	9:00am	†Barbara Reaney
Friday	1/12	9:00am	†Anthony R. Newman
Saturday	1/13	9:00am	†Mountaineer Priests
		4:30pm	In Honor of Gordon & Mary Ann Shuman 50th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday	1/14	8:30am	People of the Parish
		11:00am	†Mountaineer Priests



PRAY for those who are Sick. Help us keep our list current by letting us know when we may remove a name.

Sharon Aanensen, Tom Miller, Avery, Craig & Diane Cruttenden, Carol Schorn, Joy Brown, Irene & Bernard Zaborowski, John Powlen, Gordon & Mary Ann Shuman, Mike Bunch, LJean, Lt. Col. Gerrid Gall & Company, Don Sprankle, Daryl Crunkleton, Mary & Ed Digiulio, Monica Dembrowski, Phyllis Grabowski, Rick & Paulette Nidel, Fr. Mike, Anita Bell, Margy Orner, Anthony Venzin, Rose Crespo, Richard Storm, Chad Sprankle, Fred Sprankle, Janice & Carl Keller, Angelo Agosta, Philip Ulzheimer, Larry Weikert, Blaine Beatty, Michele Maturo Piper, Pat Devlin, Teresa Rodgers, Joan Deyo, Donald Weikert, Mary Jo & Melvin Losovsky, Ok Cha Jones, Mary Conway, Dorothy Drechsler, Paul Topper, Mary Little, Tracy Bozzonetti, Darlene McCleaf, Lottie Pecher, Ashley Dimartino, Mellissa & John Gilliland, Bill Devlin, Linda Warner, Ron & Doreen Harris, Robert Lewis, Betty Roy, Karen Constantine, Rich Zula Jr, Shannon Boyle, Mark & Connie Keller Sr., Frank Berry, Beau & Pamela Beatty, John & Sandy Soffe, Marilyn Crawford, Bill Martino, Elaine MacLellan & Grace, Lynn Moody, Charlotte Folkenroth, Dave Gallo, Ariel Nunez, Brenda & Dave Pine, Francis Poslosky, Brandon Sites, Gene Goetz, Pete Crawford, Karen Ford, Lilah Zepp, Ian Skoch, Johnny Parkolay, Christine Stehmer, Gene Rosensteel, Paul Macuirles, Jim Sites, Fiona Hefe, Adalyn Clark, Miriam Barefoot, Harriet Noye, Nick, Melvan Welsh and Pat & Danielle Barb.



Sunday Collection: \$3,465.25

Christmas Total: \$6,202.11

Change of Address: If you are moving or have a change in your name, address or phone number, or need to register, please contact the Parish Office at 642-8815.

Bulletin Announcements must be submitted to the parish office 10 days before the bulletin date.

The Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the parish office to schedule.

The Sacrament of Marriage: is celebrated throughout the year. Diocesan policy requires that engaged couples begin sacramental preparations with a priest at least nine to twelve months before the desired wedding date. Please call the parish office for details at 717-642-8815.

DATE	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	MONEY COUNTERS
1/13 4:30pm	M. White/A. Sanders	B. Lowrie	Volunteers	1/14 J. Kenney 1/21 K. Bilder 1/28 F. Ganoe 2/4 M. Crawford 2/11 M. Lawrence
1/14 8:30am	E. Luttrell/D. Fawks	M. Luttrell	Volunteers	
1/14 11:00am	P. & L. Crawford	P. Cliber	Volunteers	

Second Collection today will be for the repairs and maintenance of our Church property. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank you to all of you that helped to decorate the church. We truly appreciated everyone's contribution! **Church UNdecorating** will take place **Thursday, January 11th from 6 to 8PM**. Many hands make light work and your time is greatly appreciated.

Second Collection next weekend is for Central & Eastern Europe. Thank you for your generosity.

Donuts There will be donuts after the morning Masses on Sunday, January 14th in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend. This social is sponsored by the Parish Pastoral Council.

WRONG DATE LAST BULLETIN: **Sunday Eucharistic Prayer Group, St. Mary's in Fairfield 2:15-3:45PM January 14th. Music & Eucharistic Adoration, Marian Remarks, Devotion & Consecration, Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet, Spiritual Communion & Healing Prayers!**

Masses: **We are in need of week day and weekend Masses.** The cost is \$10, just email the parish office or give to the priest, or put envelope with the money in the collection and mark **MASSES**. Please mark the envelope with who the Mass is for, if living or deceased and also put your name and phone number on it, incase I have any questions. Thank you.

GIVING TREE: Thank you for the generous donations! For 3 local families, we were able to provide 2 gift cards for each child along with another \$100-150 in cards for groceries or other needs (depending on family size). Your donations provided each of 40 Hillside residents with a fresh new pillow and pillowcase. They LOVED the music from the band and the party food, as well! They were so appreciative and joyful. One resident gave us a thank you card wishing "Blessings for Christmas and a Faith-filled 2024" to the congregation. Finally, we donated the remaining \$85 to group that provides quarterly birthday activities and bingo throughout the year.

Tax Statements Anyone wanting tax statements for 2023 please call the parish office between the hours of 8:30AM & 1:00PM or email the parish office at maryrita256@comcast.net Thanks

Please Notify the Parish Office when a member of the parish is in the hospital or if someone is unable to attend Church and wishes to receive Holy Communion or Confession at home.

That Man is You – TMIY Starting January 13th. We meet on Saturday mornings at St. Mary's with breakfast beginning at 6:15am. At 6:45am we have a 30-minute video of spiritual content by several different virtuous presenters. A 30-minute open discussion of the video concludes at 7:45am.

St. Rita's Book Club: All adults are welcomed to join in our book club! Our next book club meeting will be **Tuesday, January 23rd at 10am OR 6:00pm** (you pick the time that works best for you).. We will be discussing the book, **From Afar by Roger Thomas**. If you need a book or have any questions, please email dianerobertson77@yahoo.com

Gettysburg Soup Kitchen Ministry: Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Gettysburg Soup Kitchen Food Drive in December! St Rita's collected a new record **total of \$1,860**, including **\$952 in food supplies, \$708 in Webstaurant & Amazon food orders, PLUS \$200 in direct financial contributions!** Also, for the first time, St Rita's was able to purchase items to build gift boxes for each of the 51 people who were served a Christmas meal on Christmas day! Wow - thank you to everyone for the incredible impact made to this important ministry. Our next support date will be in June -- more to follow in the bulletin. Thank you again to everyone - Chris Manning

SAVE THE DATE: A Eucharistic Revival Week will be held June 2 – 8, 2024, throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg. Local, regional and Diocesan events to bring us closer to Christ in the Holy Eucharist are being planned. Look for more details in early 2024.

Will you consider sponsoring Altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion. The dates available are for 2024. Cost for the 2 altar vases is \$50 - Donation may be placed in an envelope marked flowers with your intention and preferred date. Please call the parish office or email maryrita256@comcast.net to confirm date.

Eucharistic Moments for January Were the elements of Eucharist simply symbols, inventions of our own spiritual creativity and desire, they would pose no threat. Since they are the power and presence of God, they will change the one who consumes them. When we say "AMEN" as we receive the proffered host and chalice, we better be prepared to live an eternal life. We need to be careful when we approach the Eucharist. From Bishop Robert Baron, **THIS IS MY BODY**

St. Rita's Ladies Society no meeting in January, next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 14th, at 10:00AM in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited.



Pro-Life Corner On this Feast of the Epiphany, may we be given the grace to always see in others the face of Christ our Savior.