St. Rita Catholic Church 13219 Monterey Lane, P O Box 365 Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. 17214 Rev. Peter DiTomasso, MSSCC Pastor

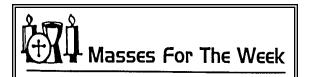
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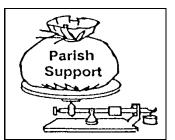
Email-bsites@hbgdiocese.org or maryrita256@comcast.net Parish Office Address-256 Tract Road, Fairfield, Pa. 17320 Mass Schedule Saturday: 4:30PM Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00AM

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



Saturday	2/3	9:00am	†Hildegard Edwards	
		4:30pm	Ints. of Karen & Wells Ridenour	
Sunday	2/4	8:30am	†Gerry King	
		11:00am	People of the Parish	
Monday	2/5	9:00am	Ints. of Fr. Chidi	
Tuesday	2/6	9:00am	†Grace M. Leibold	
Wednesday	2/7	9:00am	Ints. of Stephanie Resetar	
Thursday	2/8	9:00am	Ints. of Roman & Stella Kornilow	
Friday	2/9	9:00am	Ints. of Karen & Wells Ridenhour	
Saturday	2/10	9:00am	Ints. of Jim Lowrie	
		4:30pm	Ints. of Stephanie Resetar	
Sunday	2/11	8:30am	Ints. of Dennis & Toni Ilko 52nd	
			Wedding Anniversary	
		11:00am	People of the Parish	



Sunday Collection: \$2,311.00

<u>Change of Address:</u> 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.

<u>**Bulletin Announcements**</u> must be submitted to the parish office 10 days before the bulletin date.



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, 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, Mary Little, Tracy Bozzonetti, Darlene McCleaf, Lottie Pecher, Ashley Dimartino, Mellissa & John Gilliland, Bill Devlin, Linda Warner, Ron & Doreen Harris, Robert Lewis, Betty Roy, Rich Zula Jr, Shannon Boyle, Mark & Connie Keller Sr., Frank Berry, Beau & Pamela Beatty, John & Sandy Soffe, Marilyn Crawford, Bill Martino, Elaine & Mark MacLellan, Lynn Moody, Charlotte Folkenroth, Dave Gallo, 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, Fiona Hefele, Adalyn Clark, Miriam Barefoot, Harriet Noye, Nick, Melvan Welsh, Pat & Danielle Barb, Joyce Speelman, Michael Farkas, Alicia Poslosky and Monika Stehmer-Moser. Please pray for the repose of the souls of Robert Keller, George Miller and Ronald Maas.

<u>The Sacrament of Baptism:</u> Please call the parish office to schedule.

<u>The Sacrament of Marriage</u>: 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.

DAT	`E	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	MONEY COUNTERS
2/10	4:30pm	J. Lowrie/A. Sanders	B. Lowrie	Volunteers	2/11 M. Lawrence 2/18 J. Kenney
2/11	8:30am	P. Cliber/J. Crawford	J. Hays	Volunteers	2/25 K. Bilder 3/3 F. Ganoe
2/11	11:00am	G. Crawford/K. Reed	J. Orlando	Volunteers	3/10 M. Crawford

Second Collection today is for Propagation of the Faith. We are invited to make a special commitment as missionaries. We are invited to join in a worldwide mission of Jesus by joining the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, reaching out to the people of the world in more than 1,150 mission diocese.

<u>Parish Pastoral Council Meeting</u> There will be a meeting on Thursday, February 8th, at 7:00PM in the parish hall. All members please attend.

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.

<u>Second Collection</u> There will be a second collection next weekend for the Black & Indian Missions.

<u>St. Rita's Ladies Society Meeting</u> next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 14th, at 10:00AM in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

Drink tasty coffee, support scholarships, and help build a Gothic Church Buy a 12-oz bag (or two) of Mystic Monk ground coffee for \$10 each, sold by St. Rita's Women's Society. If interested please call Anne Shepard from St. Rita's at 717-765-0521 or email her at shepardprime@gmail.com

Fr. Peter's Birthday Beginning the weekend of February 3/4 through February 17/18 we will be collecting donations for Father Peter's birthday (February 28). There will be birthday cards to sign and a donation box at both parishes if you'd like to give a gift. There will be no luncheon this year. Questions, please feel free to contact Loretta Crawford (301) 824-2218. Thank you and God Bless.

Ash Wednesday February 14 is the beginning of Lent. Masses on Ash Wednesday will be 9AM & 6:30PM.

Stations of the Cross will be every Friday, during Lent at 6:30pm except for Friday March 29 (Good Friday) they will be at NOON.

<u>Flowers in the Sanctuary</u> are in memory of Ray & Nancy Fierstein donated by Lori & Ray Fierstein.

<u>That Man is You – TMIY</u> 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.

Will you consider sponsoring Altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion. The dates available are for 2024 are May 5 through June 16, there are more. 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 February: "In Holy Communion we are truly with Christ. When that happens we are in heaven, and no matter how unheavenly the rest of our earthly lives may be, we carry heaven with us into the world if we have the faith to the truth of what we have just experienced." Mike Aqulina, Understanding the Mass.

<u>Lenten Guidelines</u> The traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, almsgiving and other forms of self-denial are still required by the Church.

The faithful observance of Lent should manifest itself especially in the imitation of Christ in daily life and in the readiness to sacrifice time and talents whenever possible, in personal, parish and community efforts for those in spiritual or material need. The spiritual hunger of the unchurched locally and in mission lands can be a focus of prayers and charitable giving.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat for those 14 years of age and older. They are also days of fasting for those between 18 and 59 years of age. (Those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals are also permitted, sufficient to maintain strength according to one's needs. Eating between meals is not permitted; but liquids, including milk and fruit juices, are allowed. When health or ability to work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)

All Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence from meat for those 14 years of age or older.



<u>Pro-Life Corner</u> For those suffering after abortion: May they know that the Lord desires to bring healing, and turn to Him for His mercy and peace.