

# St. Rita Catholic Church

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

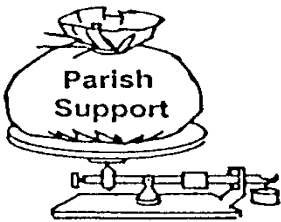
Weekday: 9:00AM Vigil of the Holy Day 6:30PM(except for 12/31 4:30PM) Holy Days 9:00AM & 6:30PM

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



## Masses For The Week

Saturday	11/30	9:00am	Ints. of the O'Toole Family
		4:30pm	†Diane Cruttenden
Sunday	12/1	8:30am	People of the Parish
		11:00am	†Carole Wiegand
Monday	12/2	9:00am	†Patricia Devlin
Tuesday	12/3	9:00am	Ints. of the Campolong Family
Wednesday	12/4	9:00am	Ints. of the O'Toole Family
Thursday	12/5	9:00am	†Paul W. Stafford
Friday	12/6	9:00am	†Arthur Wiegand
Saturday	12/7	9:00am	In Thanksgiving
		4:30pm	Ints. of Craig Cruttenden & Family
Sunday	12/8	8:30am	†Diane Cruttenden
		11:00am	People of the Parish



**Sunday Collection: \$2,366.00**

**Matthew 25: \$1,471.00**

**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.



**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 Cruttenden, Carol Schorn, Joy Brown, Irene & Bernard Zaborowski, Gordon & Mary Ann Shuman, Mike Bunch, Rick & Paulette Nidel, Fr. Mike, Anita Bell, Anthony Venzin, Rose Crespo, Richard Storm, Philip Ulzheimer, Larry Weikert, Blaine Beatty, Michele Maturo Piper, Teresa Rodgers, Joan Deyo, Donald & Jackie Weikert, Mary Jo & Melvin Losovsky, Ok Cha Jones, Mary Conway, Mary Little, Darlene McCleaf, Lottie Pecher, Mellissa & John Gilliland, Bill Devlin, Robert Lewis, Betty Roy, Rich Zula Jr, Shannon Boyle, Connie Keller, Frank & Nancy Berry, Beau & Pamela Beatty, John & Sandy Soffe, Marilyn Crawford, Bill Martino, Lynn Moody, Charlotte Folkenroth, Dave Gallo, Brenda & Dave Pine, Francis Poslosky, Brandon Sites, Pete Crawford, Lilah Zepp, Ian Skoch, Johnny Parkolay, Gene Rosensteel, Clara Macuirles, Fiona Hefe, Adalyn Clark, Nick, Joyce Speelman, Steve Weiblinger, Stephanie Resetar, Tina, Jordan & Justin Hankey, Jason Hoffman, Alicia Poslosky, Taylor England, Ali Freesland, Rick Lapole, Linda Warner, Mel Fero, Phil Burgess, Philip Cole, Lynn Becker, Ron Smith, Mary Ann Eaton, William Walsh, Tom Jackson, Kane Harris, Rachel Ward, Marie Becker, Pauline & Rob Henke, Gene Pecher, Rance Miller, Diane Hoffman, Wilbur Martin, Jane Eyler, Kevin Bilder, Nick Freesland, Kenny Harrington, Becky Hallas, Becky Buffington, Jady, Lisa Baker, Steve, Zach and Maureen Welshko. Please pray for the repose of the souls of Angelo Agosta and Fred Sprinkle.

**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
12/7 4:30pm	A/ Sanders/M. White	A. Shepard	Volunteers	12/8 F. Ganoe 12/15 M. Crawford 12/22 M. Lawrence 12/29 J. Kenney 1/5 A. Haurycki
12/8 8:30am	J. Lowrie/D. Fawks	J. Hays	Volunteers	
12/8 11:00am	G. Crawford/S. Sappington	P. Cliber	Volunteers	

**Second Collection** today is for the repairs and maintenance to our Church property. Thank you for your generosity.

**Hillside Christmas Party:** will be held on Tuesday, Dec 3 at 6:30 pm We will meet at the hall to wrap gifts on Dec 1 at 2:00pm. To help at either event, contact Krista. [Krista.serpi@gmail.com](mailto:Krista.serpi@gmail.com). 717-552-0403

**The Women's Society** will be looking for your delicious donations of baked goods for KringleFest, which is Dec. 7th. Marj Cober will receive your items in saleable portions, on Friday, Dec. 6th, from 4 - 7:30 pm, at St Rita's hall. Please contact Marj Cober at 717-762-4422 for questions. Cookies, cakes, pies, breads, fudge, etc., are welcome.

**St. Rita's KRINGLEFEST is Saturday, Dec. 7th, from 8 am to 2pm.** Fresh wreaths and arrangements, bake sale, Christmas past, Santa's gift shoppe, and 4 vendors. Also serving breakfast sandwiches, pulled pork sandwiches, and hot soft pretzels. Bring your family, friends.

**Thanksgiving Basket FEEDBACK.** St. Rita's has supported this food drive for over 30 consecutive years. We receive family names from the local food bank, Help Hotline. Thirteen families received abundant food supplies. This year \$1061.00 was donated, over and above the many bags of nonperishable food items. The money was used to purchase fresh potatoes, rolls, butter and frozen turkeys. Also, each family received a \$50.00 Save-A-Lot gift card to buy perishable food items. Each family was very grateful for their gifts. GOD Bless you for your caring generosity!

**Christmas Blessings:** A collection box was placed in the back pew of the church. Donations of cash, check or \$25 gift cards (Walmart, Amazon or grocery stores) will be used to help parish and local families this Christmas season. If you know a parish or local family with children (under age 18) who may need help this year, please share the details (names, ages and contact info) with Krista. She will keep the information private but will coordinate the gifts. We hope to provide a gift card for each child along with additional grocery cards to be used by the family for a Christmas meal. Krista Serpi 717-552-0403. [krista.serpi@gmail.com](mailto:krista.serpi@gmail.com)

**The Knights of Columbus** want to express our appreciation to those that so generously contributed to the Baby Bottle Drive in support of the Catoctin Pregnancy Center. We are pleased to report that the total amount donated was over \$6050. St. Mary's total was \$3965 and St. Rita's total was \$2092. Additionally, \$465 in checks made out to the CPC, went directly to them. All Glory to God!

**THANK YOU!** The number of you who completed the Disciple Maker Index survey was spectacular. There's a bowl in the vestibule with a small token of my appreciation for your participation. Anne Shepard

**This Advent... Join us for the prayerful journey of "Adore"** You are warmly invited on a journey to encounter Advent with Mary and Joseph. Advent falls during a busy time of year, we often rush over or even miss the treasures God places before us in the Church. This study, using videos and the book *Adore* by Father John Burns, will lift these gifts up and hold them out to you in a way that deepens your entry into the greatest of mysteries. The cost of the book is \$8.00. If this is a hardship for anyone, please just let us know. For information and to register, please contact Jan DiIulio by phone or text at (563)940-4907 or email at [jandiulio@icloud.com](mailto:jandiulio@icloud.com)

**Flower Envelope** Anytime during the Advent season you may drop your Christmas Flower donation in the collection basket. If you don't get envelopes and would like to give, just use a plain envelope. Please remember to put your name and who you want the flowers in memory of.

**The Annual Retirement Fund for Religious Collection** will be taken the weekend of December 8th. This collection provides qualified religious institutes with financial aid to address retirement necessities. These men and women religious who taught in schools, served in parish ministries and helped provide social services for the Church selflessly devoted their lives to serving others, often for little to no pay. As they age, many religious communities face a significant gap between the cost of care and available resources. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection. For more information and to donate online, visit <https://retiredreligious.org/>.

**St. Rita's Ladies Society Meeting** next meeting will be Wednesday, **December 11th**, at 10:00AM in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

**Parish Pastoral Council** There will be a meeting on Thursday, December 12th at 7PM in the Parish Hall. All members please attend.

**Advent Penance Service** We will have our Advent Penance Service at St. Mary's 11AM on Saturday December 14th. This will be for both parishes. Priests from our deanery will assist in hearing Confessions. Penance Services in our denary are Tuesday, December 10th 630pm Our Lady of Visitation Shippensburg, Sunday December 15th 3pm and Thursday December 19th 630pm Corpus Christi Chambersburg, Monday, December 16th 630pm St. Mark's Greencastle, Wednesday, December 18th 630pm St. Andrew's Waynesboro.

**Eucharistic Moments for December** The night before her first Holy Communion, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton lay awake "burning with desire." How often do we approach the tabernacle or prepare for Mass with our hearts burning with desire?



**Pro-Life Corner** Inspired by the example of the Blessed Mother, may we, like Mary, have the courage to say "yes" to God's gift of human life.