

St. Rita Catholic Church

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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



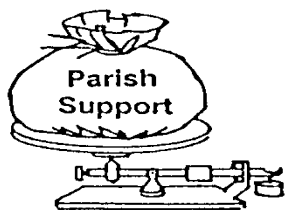
Masses For The Week

Saturday	12/21	9:00am	Special Intentions
		4:30pm	†Paul W. Stafford
Sunday	12/22	8:30am	People of the Parish
		11:00am	†Carole Wiegand
Monday	12/23	9:00am	†Phyllis Hudak
Tuesday	12/24	9:00am	Ints. of Robert & LaVerne Hondal
		4:30pm	†Carole Wiegand
		10:00pm	†Charles S. Jones
Wednesday	12/25	10:00am	†Joe Lowrie
Thursday	12/26	9:00am	†Mr. & Mrs. C. W. Jones
Friday	12/27	9:00am	The Kim Family
Saturday	12/28	9:00am	†Stephanie Resetar
		4:30pm	†Paul W. Stafford
Sunday	12/29	8:30am	People of the Parish
		11:00am	†William, Josie, Katie Kearns



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, Melissa & 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, 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, 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, Rane Miller, Diane Hoffman, Wilbur Martin, Jane Eyler, Kevin Bilder, Nick Freesland, Kenny Harrington, Becky Hallas, Becky Buffington, Jady, Lisa Baker, Maureen Welshko, Steve, Zach, James Campbell, Robert and LaVerne Hondal., Mary Catherine Nagengast and Beth Saba.



Sunday Collection: \$3,010.00

Christmas Flowers: \$988.00

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.

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
12/28 4:30pm	M. White/A. Sanders	A. Shepard	Volunteers	12/29 J. Kenney 1/5 A. Hauryski
12/29 8:30am	J. Lowrie	J. Crawford	Volunteers	1/12 F. Ganoe 1/19 M. Crawford
12/29 11:00am	P. & L. Crawford	J. Orlando	Volunteers	1/26 M. Lawrence

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to All From Fr. Peter, Fr. Marsi and the staff of both parishes.

Christmas Decorating will be done after the 11AM Mass on **Sunday, December 22nd**. If you can help we would appreciate it. Thank you!

Flower Envelope Please drop in collection anytime before December 22nd. 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.

Parish Office will be closed Tuesday, December 24th, Wednesday, December 25th and Thursday, December 26th and Wednesday, January 1st. Thank you.

St. Rita's Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve Tuesday, December 24, 4:30PM & 10PM

Christmas Day Wednesday December 25, 10:00AM

Weekend Masses Saturday, December 28, 4:30PM
Sunday, December 29, 8:30 & 11:00AM

Solemnity of Mary Tuesday, Vigil 4:30PM
Wednesday, January 1, 9:00AM
Holy Day of Obligation

OPENING OF THE 2025 JUBILEE YEAR
December 29, 2024 @ 3:00 PM CATHEDRAL
PARISH OF SAINT PATRICK HARRISBURG
The Diocese of Harrisburg will hold a special opening Mass at the Cathedral Parish of Saint Patrick. Attendees will gather at Saint Lawrence Chapel and process to the Cathedral for the Mass.

Christmas Undecorating will be done after the 11AM Mass on **Sunday, January 5th**. If you can help we would appreciate it. Thank you.

The Women's Society would like to thank everyone for supporting KringleFest and donating baked goods, Christmas Past items and greens. Wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas and an amazing New Year!!! THANKS!

The Women's Society is excited to announce that KringleFest, 2025, will be moving to the Blue Ridge Summit, Fire Hall. This will enable us to expand our areas, as well as add many additional vendors!!! So save the date, Dec. 6, 2025! Thank you for your

A sincere thanks to St. Rita's Parish for supporting the fundraising efforts of the Women's Society throughout this year. Your support enabled us to provide the Following donations: 6 Scholarships to our students that attend St. Andrews School \$375 each, \$50 Blue Ridge Summit Library, \$200 Catocin Pregnancy Center, \$300 Human Services, Waynesboro, \$300 New Hope Shelter, \$300 The Help Hotline, \$200 Pregnancy Ministries, Waynesboro, \$300 Gettysburg Soup Kitchen. We wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and Happy, healthy New Year!!!

A Vocation Ministry has been formed for St. Mary and St. Rita Parishes. The goal of the ministry is to increase the number of young people who are discerning vocations to the priesthood, the consecrated life and sacramental marriage. The first request from this ministry is to ask all parishioners to pray for an increase in vocations especially in the Diocese of Harrisburg. The ministry will be putting "Did You Know?" info in the bulletins to help parishioners understand the growing need for young people to answer God's call. Please add prayers for those called by God to your daily prayers.

Legion of Mary: We will pray the Legion Rosary every Sunday morning at St. Mary's at 7:30am prior to Mass. If interested contact Bryce 717-640-1971.

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.

Will you consider sponsoring Altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion. Dates available are January 19th, February 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, March 2nd. 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.

Tax Statements Anyone wanting tax statements for 2024 please call the parish office between the hours of 8:30AM & 1:00PM or email the parish office at maryrita256@comcast.net Thanks

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: For all Christians: May the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ awaken in our hearts wonder at the precious gift of every child.