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

Rev. Marsianus Leu, MSSCC Parochial Vicar

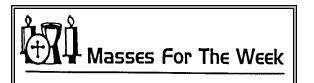
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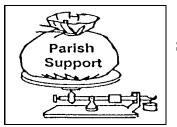
Email-bsites@hbgdiocese.org or maryrita256@comcast.net Parish Office Address-256 Tract Road, Fairfield, Pa. 17320

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	3/1	9:00am 4:30pm	Ints. of Rod Vogler †Rick Marinchak	
Sunday	3/2	8:30am 11:00am	People of the Parish Ints. of the Welshko Family	
Monday	3/3	9:00am	†Vera Vogler	
Tuesday	3/4	9:00am	†Peter DiTomasso	
Wednesday	3/5	9:00am	†Louella Grace Sappington	
		6:30pm	Ints. of the O'Toole Family	
Thursday	3/6	9:00am	†Theresa Parkanzky	
Friday	3/7	9:00am	†Ernest Parkanzky	
Saturday	3/8	9:00am	Ints. of the O'Toole Family	
		4:30pm	Ints. of the O'Toole Family	
Sunday	3/9	8:30am	People of the Parish	
		11:00am	†Carole Wiegand	



Sunday Collection: \$3,200.80

<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 Cruttenden, Carol Schorn, Joy Brown, Irene & Bernard Zaborowski, Gordon & Mary Ann Shuman, Mike Bunch, Rick & Paulette Nidel, Fr. Mike, Anthony Venzin, Rose Crespo, Richard Storm, Philip Ulzheimer, Larry

Weikert, Blaine Beatty, Michele Maturo Piper, Teresa Rodgers, Joan Deyo, Donald & Jakie 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, Francis Poslosky, Brandon Sites, Pete Crawford, Lilah Zepp, Ian Skoch, Johnny Parkolay, Gene Rosensteel, Adalyn Clark, Nick, Joyce Speelman, Steve Weiblinger, Tina, Jordan & Justin Hankey, 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 Gene Pecher, Ranee Miller, Diane Ward, Marie Becker, Wilbur Martin, Jane Eyler, Kevin Bilder, Hoffman, Freesland, Becky Hallas, Becky Buffington, Jadyn, Lisa Baker, Maureen Welshko, Steve, Zach, James Campbell, Robert and LaVerne Hondal, Mary Catherine Nagengast, Beth Saba, Katharina Brewer, Ann O'Toole, Paisley Topper, Joe Sass, Bruce Carr, Laura Shank, Noah Trimmer, Gary Flickinger and Bill Devlin. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Daniel Moritz.

<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.

DATE	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	MONEY COUNTERS
3/8 4:30pm	A. Sanders	A. Shepard	Volunteers	3/9 A. Hauryski 3/16 F. Ganoe
3/9 8:30am	J. Crawford/D. Fawks	T. LaFrance	Volunteers	3/23 M. Lawrence 3/30 J. Kenney
3/9 11:00am	L. Crawford/S. Sappington	P. Crawford	Volunteers	4/6 A. Hauryski

<u>Second Collection</u> today is for the repairs and maintenance to our Church property. Thank you for your generosity.

<u>Lent begins</u> with Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Masses will be 9AM and 6:30PM. During Lent there will be no Wednesday evening Masses at St. Rita's.

Lenten Simple Suppers at St. Mary's will begin on March 5th Ash Wednesday. The meals will be served after the 6:30PM Mass. The meals will be soup, bread, and fruit. Along with the meal we will be showing the "Glorious Mysteries". This presentation is the third in the "Rosaries Series" produced by TMIY and Wild Goose ministries.

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6:30PM during Lent except for Good Friday. They will be at noon.

Join us at St. Rita's this Lent as we reorient our minds and hearts using the book "Return" by Fr. John Burns. We will meet on Thursday mornings at 10 am for the 5-week book/video series beginning March 12/13. Please see the flyer in the vestibules for more information and to register by February 23rd. Contact Jan Dilulio at 563-940-4907.

<u>Time Change</u> Spring forward don't forget to turn your clocks ahead 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday March 8th.

DAC-Diocesan Annual Campaign 2025 Living Our Faith Pilgrims of Hope begins on the weekend of **March 9/10.** There will be In Pew Envelopes if you did not receive one in the mail or you forgot yours. You can fill these out and put them in the collection basket anytime. You don't need to wait until March 9/10. Our goal this year is \$23,879. and all contributions exceeding our goal come back to the parish.

St. Rita's Ladies Society Meeting next meeting will be Wednesday, March 12th, at 10:00AM in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

<u>Parish Pastoral Council Meeting</u> There will be a meeting Thursday, March 13th, at 7PM in the parish hall. All members please attend.

<u>Penance Service at St. Rita's</u> for both St. Rita's & St. Mary's parishioners at 11am on Saturday, March 22. All are welcome.

Flowers in the Sanctuary are in honor of Louelle Grace Sappington donated by her husband Sid.

Were you married in 1975? Celebrate your Golden Jubilee with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Sunday, June 22nd at Good Shepherd Church. Please contact your parish office with your name and address if you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary this year by March 28th.

<u>Did You Know?</u> There was a 182% Increase in the US Catholic population from 1944-2023? Source: *Official Catholic Directory* Pray for vocations. Your Vocation Ministry

Masses: We are in need of week day 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. Thank you

Eucharistic Moments for March: Eucharistic Lord Jesus, may you receive from all your unworthy creatures all our love, adoration and reverence that you rightly deserve.

Lenten Guidelines

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 each expectant mother considering abortion: May the Lord provide for her needs and give her the grace and resolve to choose life for her child.