

APRIL 12, 2026

Second Sunday of Easter

ST. RITA CHURCH



Joyfully living and sharing the Gospel of Jesus, we welcome, worship, inspire, and serve with love.

What is Parish Council? (and how can I help?)

Parish Council is a group of 12-15 representatives of the parish who, along with staff members and the pastor, meet throughout the year to support the mission of the parish.



All are invited to prayerfully consider nominating a parishioner (or yourself!) for the Parish Pastoral Council. Nomination cards will be available in the back of church April 11-May 3.

You can help shape the future of St. Rita Parish!

Please share up to 3 areas or goals you would like to see the Parish Council focus on over the next year.



Use the paper in the pew or submit online here:



*"Last April, Nettie tapped me on the shoulder before Mass and said, "I think you would be a good fit for Parish Council. I'm going to nominate you." At the point I hadn't thought seriously about joining, but I figured maybe this was a sign from the Holy Spirit. **Two months later I was on the Parish Council.** Since then I have worked on various Parish Council initiatives: planning our parish partnership with Rochester Hope, building community by serving at Donut Sunday, and working closely with other Parish Councilors, staff, and ministry leaders to support our ministries.*

Heeding that nudge has allowed me to really serve our parish in unexpected ways."

-Peggy, parishioner for 3 years

Congratulations and Welcome to the newest members of our parish family who were baptized this weekend:



- Murphy Ronald Dowd
- Ethan Michael Kloss
- Colin Matthew Kloss
- Connor James Kloss

Welcome to the Lord's Table!

Congratulations to the children in our community celebrating their First Communion this weekend:

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We are excited to have the young children of the parish celebrating their First Communion right alongside us, their parish family, this year.

Children will be receiving their First Communion at the 5pm and 10:30am Masses from April 18th through May 17th.

Mass itself will be typical Easter services, with only a few changes: the children will join the entrance procession, sit with their families in the front four pews, and come forward for Communion first.

We can also expect a beautifully full church with their guests and loved ones.

Thank you for your welcome and hospitality for our celebrating children and loved ones!



Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 8:00am & 10:30am

Daily Mass Schedule:
Mon., Tues., Fri. at 8:15am & Thurs. at 6:00pm
Communion Service on Wednesdays at 8:15am
Our 8:00am Sunday Mass is live-streamed on Facebook

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All Masses are livestreamed on our website.

MASS INTENTIONS / WEEKLY CALENDAR

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES APRIL 11/12

JOSEPH PELLEGRINO - By Wife & Children
 THOMAS N. DAVIS - By Albertha & Family
 JOANNE WHITE - By Mr. & Mrs. Robert Patti and Family
 DIANE PERTICONE - By St. Rita Staff

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026

4:00PM - 4:30PM Confessions - Church
 4:30PM - 7:00PM Scouting America Pasta Dinner - Gym
 5:00PM Mass
 6:00PM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026

8:00AM Mass
 8:30AM - 10:00AM Breakfast @ St. Rita - Parish Center
 9:00AM & 11:30AM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1
 10:30AM **CL** Mass
 11:30AM Bible Study Session 1 - Rm 1
 11:45AM Confirmation Session

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026

8:15AM MAUREEN TEHAN - By The Tehan Family Mass
 8:45AM - 9:15AM Confessions - Church
 4:30PM Faith Formation
 7:15PM Confirmation Session

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026

8:15AM NORMA HINES - By Jim & Lynne Allis Mass
 9:00AM Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 9:00AM WEROC - Rm 3
 10:15AM Mass at Baywinde - Sage Harbor
 6:45PM RJM Meeting - Rm 1

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

8:15AM Communion Service
 6:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - Rm 3
 7:00PM Bible Study Session 1 - Rm 1

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026

5:30PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 6:00PM Mass
 6:30PM Companions in Grief - Rm 1
 6:45PM Liturgy Committee Meeting - Parish Office

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2026

8:15AM DOUGLAS OWEN - By Mary Ann Mass

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026

10:00AM - 3:00PM Craft & Vendor Sale - Parish Center
 4:00PM - 4:30PM Confessions - Church
 5:00PM Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026 - DONUT SUNDAY!

8:00AM Mass
 10:30AM **F** Mass
 11:30AM Bible Study Session 2 - Rm 1
 4:00PM Youth Group - Rm 1

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES APRIL 18/19

CARMELA LATKOWSKI - By Jean Cray
 PAT PASSERO - By W.E.R.O.C.
 DAVID CHAMBERLAIN - By Matt, Margo, Nate, & Maggie



Our Tabernacle Light will burn
 from April 13th – April 19th in loving
 memory of
 the deceased members of St. Rita Parish.



Sensory Friendly Mass



Children's Liturgy of the Word



Count It All Joy



Incense Used



Family Mass

Reflections on Readings for The Second Sunday of Easter

"As The Father Has Sent Me, So I Send You"

In our readings today, we hear of the events and teachings of the very early days of the Church, both when Jesus was still with His disciples and immediately after His Ascension.



We take this opportunity to celebrate God's boundless love in offering His only begotten Son for the sake of our sins.

Our first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:42-47), which is the story of the formation and spread of the early Church. In today's passage, we hear how, from the earliest days, the Church came together and *"devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers."* It should be noted that the "breaking of the bread" (Eucharist) was a communal practice from the very beginning of the Church.

Our Epistle reading is from the opening of the First Letter of St. Peter (1 Peter 1:3-9). Peter wrote to the churches in Asia Minor encouraging them to fidelity in spite of their suffering. This is a letter filled with the joy, faith, and hope of the Resurrection. St. Peter's words could never be more true than today, at Easter, *"Although you have not seen Him you love Him; even though you do not see Him now yet believe in Him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy..."*. This is us, this is now!

Our Gospel reading (John 20:19-31) has two distinct messages. One is the institution of the Sacrament of Reconciliation through the priesthood. He said to them, *"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."* The other message is the story of the apostle Thomas, who demanded to touch the wounds of Jesus before he would believe that Jesus has risen. It is a call to faith, which by its very nature is a belief in someone or something we have not yet seen.

During this fifty-day season of Easter until Pentecost Sunday, we get to hear the continuing saga of the formation of the early church. We will hear of Jesus' appearances to His disciples after His resurrection and will hear again some of His final words to His disciples just before His passion and death. The Church gives us this time to reflect and pray on "What just happened" in Christ's death and glorious resurrection. May we take this opportunity to come to know and love Jesus, the person, all the more.

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/041226.cfm



LINEN CLEANING: APRIL 12
DEBBIE WHITEHAIR



Please Remember in Prayer our parishioners and those connected with our parish who have recently died, especially:

Pat Passero
Tom Passero's Father
Patricia Rivera

Churches Offering Meals To Everyone

The next C.O.M.E. Webster Community Dinner at St. Rita is on Wednesday, April 22, 2026
We are again seeking your help with donations.
To sign up, go to the following link:
<https://tinyurl.com/April26COME>
or scan the QR Code:



Items may be dropped off at church the weekend of April 18 and 19 in the totes labeled "C.O.M.E. Dinner" in the greeting area.
Thank you so much for your generosity.

More information: ☎ 585-671-1100 ext. 103 📧 julie.cohn@dor.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - HELP WANTED!

JULY 27TH - 31ST

Registration Opens May 5th!

STUDENTS AGE 4-10 VOLUNTEERS GRADE 7+



Registration opens on Tuesday, May 5th for students and youth volunteers. Join us for a summer week of games, Bible stories, and tons of fun!

Adults, if you're interested in finding out how you can use your gifts to help, please contact Anne Thomas at anne.thomas@dor.org or 671-1100 ext. 110.



KIDS' FAITH PROGRAMS 2026-2027



Families with children in grades K-12 - we're here to support you as your family grows in faith! We're busy planning our 2026-2027 programs and events for you already. Check our website or bulletin for more information on Sacraments and Faith Formation in June! Contact Anne Thomas at anne.thomas@dor.org with any questions.

The following names have been added to our Easter Flower memorial list. Due to the Easter bulletin printing schedule, they were not included last week.

Many of the beautiful flowers throughout the church this Easter season have been donated in loving memory/honor of the following:

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| Carlton R. Beechler, Sr. | Members of the Kochanek family |
| Members of the Bellinger Family | Members of the Leary family |
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| Vera M. Kissinger | |

Many thanks for your generosity!



Spotlight on Vocations

World Day of Prayer for Vocations ~ April 26

We invite you to prayerfully listen to God's call over the next six weeks.

Is it to serve on Parish Council?

Is it to join (or start!) a new ministry?

Is it to learn more about religious life?

The Lord knows us and enlightens our hearts with His loving gaze. Every vocation begins with the awareness and experience of a God who is love.

Only when our surroundings are illumined by living faith, sustained by constant prayer and enriched by fraternal accompaniment can God's call blossom and mature.

~Pope Leo XIV

Loving God, your Son, Jesus, has shown us that an open heart finds the way.

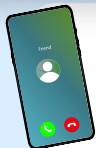
Help me to find my way in this world.

Keep my heart open to following Jesus' way of serving others in love.

Give me the courage to accept the guidance you offer me through my family, my friends, and my parish community.

Through the Holy Spirit, you call me to a particular way of life. Help me to walk it in joyful service to your people.

With you, my God, I know I can find my way. *Amen.*



Where will you hear God calling you this week?

Will you answer?

We have Low Gluten Hosts available at all Masses.

When you arrive for Mass, let the greeter know you would like a low gluten host.

Please come up the center right hand aisle any time during Communion.



Companions in Grief

Thursday, April 16th at 6:30pm
in Room 1

Join us for this informal meeting with others who are experiencing the loss of someone they love.

We do not offer counseling; we offer support to one another.

For more information, contact Julie Cohn, our Pastoral Minister at julie.cohn@dor.org or 671-1100 ext:103.



Catholic Social Teaching Care for God's Creation

Last month, we heard Fr. Tim speak about Solidarity. Coming soon, we'll hear about *Care for God's Creation*.

Simply put, God calls us to take care of the earth because the earth takes care of us. As stewards of creation, it is our responsibility to treat the environment with the care it needs to continue to sustain life for our children, their children, and all of God's children to come.



Collecting donations for Kid Kits!

We are Julia, Penny and Lily and we are 5th graders at Klem North from Troop 60344. For our Girl Scout Bronze award project, we are collecting items from April 1 - 30 to assemble Entertainment Kits for children in need.

Suggested Items:

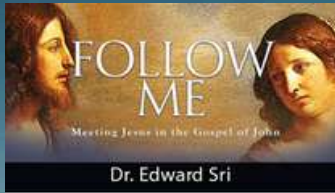
- games & puzzles
- activity books
- children's books
- crafts (only craft kits)
- colored pencils, crayons, markers

Donation bins can be found in the Greeting Area at the entrance to church.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

For questions, please contact webstergs60344@gmail.com

Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John with Dr. Edward Sri



Eight weekly sessions starting Sunday, April 12 and Wednesday, April 15 in Room 1

*Sundays at 11:45am
April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31*

*Wednesdays at 7:00pm
April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27, June 3*

The registration fee is \$25, which includes a workbook.

To register for this program, please e-mail or call the Parish Office at wstritap@dor.org or 671-1100.

If you have specific questions, please e-mail Jerry Lupien at galupien@gmail.com.

Thanks to all who participated in the 2026 Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl campaign.



You may drop off your Rice Bowl in the return basket at church or you may make an online contribution at crsricebowl.org/donate.

Through CRS Rice Bowl, you help reach more than 190 million people with lifesaving support.

THANK YOU for changing lives this Lent!

IT'S TIME TO VOLUNTEER FOR FIESTA!



We have over 300 spots to fill - what would you like to do?

Volunteers receive a free shirt, a food ticket, and a great time!

All ages welcome - under 12 must be with an adult.

SIGN UP NOW

ST. RITA

Craft & Vendor Sale

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

10 AM - 3 PM

Raffle items! 45+ vendors! *Free admission!*

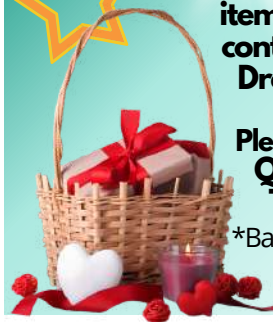
Thanks to Shopping for a Cause, a portion of the proceeds goes to our parish and school.

GIFT BASKETS WANTED! FOR THE FIESTA

Donate a themed collection of items in a basket or other creative container - value of \$25 or more. Drop off at church or the parish office by May 15.

Please include a list of the contents. Questions? Contact Jeannine Thomas at 585-739-3930.

*Baskets may not contain alcohol or gift cards for liquor stores.



71ST ANNUAL

ST. RITA Fiesta!

FRIDAY, MAY 29

4-8 PM &

SATURDAY, MAY 30

12-8 PM

HELP MAKE OUR BIGGEST PARISH FUNDRAISER AND SOCIAL EVENT A SUCCESS!

Volunteer or purchase wristbands here:



DONT MISS OUT ON THE SPECTACULAR RAFFLE!

TICKET PRICE:

\$20 EACH
CASH, CHECK, OR CREDIT ACCEPTED

WIN

\$10,000!

DRAWING ON MAY 30, 2026 8:00 PM

**you do not need to be present to win*

CONTACT US

WALK IN PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday - Friday 9:00am - Noon

Please reach out to us with any of your needs.

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**UNITED IN FAITH
+ COMMUNITY**

Mass Attendance				Total
	5pm	8am	10:30am	
Mar 22	217	163	265	645
Mar 29	245	216	305	766
Easter Weekend				1239

THANK YOU to all the Saint Rita parishioners who provide items and support to the outreach ministries serving those most in need in the Webster area and near downtown Rochester. These ministries are most grateful for our continued help!



Please bring donations of non-perishable items to St. Rita and place them in or near the shopping cart in our church Greeting Area whenever the church is open for Mass.

We continue to distribute items to the following:

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality
PO Box 31049, Rochester, NY 14603
<http://www.saintjoeshouse.org/blog/donate/>

Webster HOPE
1450 Ridge Rd., Webster, NY 14580
<http://www.websternyhope.org>

No opened or expired items please.

Webster HOPE April Wish List:

- Coffee
- Cleaning supplies
- Crackers
- Pineapple
- Beets (canned)
- Pasta Sauce
- Body Wash

Thank you!



Thank you ❤️

COLLECTIONS

	Collected	Budgeted	Variance	Weekly Average	Collected last yr.
month of Jan	\$ 57,028	\$ 56,540	+\$488	\$ 14,257	\$53,774
week of Mar 22	\$15,804	\$14,135	+\$1,669	--	\$12,284
week of Mar 29	\$9,276	\$14,135	-\$4,859	--	\$11,776

To set up recurring online payments or make changes to your current giving, please visit our Giving page at www.stritawebster.org/give-online.

Thank you for your generosity in your presence and contributions!

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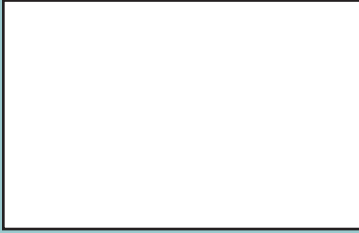
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