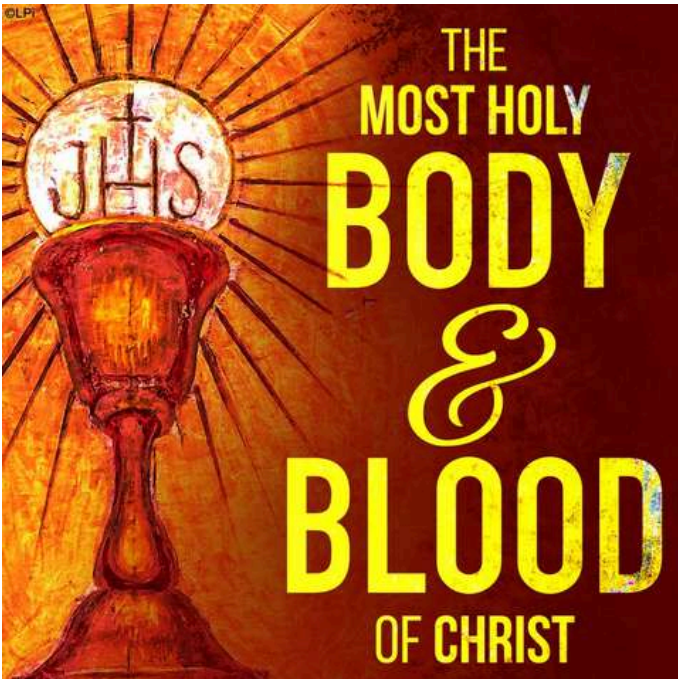


JUNE 7, 2026

# The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ ST. RITA CHURCH



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



## Welcome

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us. If you would like more information about St. Rita Church or to register, please go to our website at [www.saintritawebster.org](http://www.saintritawebster.org) and click the "Join the Parish" link. Also, everyone is invited to sign up to receive our weekly E-Newsletter to keep up with all that is happening.

On our website click on "Newsletters".

**We are happy to have you with us!**

### Welcome to the Lord's Table!

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



**Charlotte and Amelia Pickett  
Collin and Kendyll Reagan**

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



Parker Manou  
Mason Thomas Michaud  
Oliver Henry Piper

**NEXT WEEKEND** our special collection supports the **Catholic Communications Campaign**. This campaign represents a mission of love to share the Gospel message of hope with people in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media.

Half of the money we collect remains here in the Diocese of Rochester to fund local communication efforts. The other half supports the communication activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other projects across the United States.

You help spread the Gospel message!  
**Learn more at [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).**



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

**Russell Giunta**

**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**

1008 Maple Dr., Webster, NY 14580 (585)671-1100 [www.saintritawebster.org](http://www.saintritawebster.org)  
All Masses are livestreamed on our website.

## MASS INTENTIONS / WEEKLY CALENDAR

### INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES JUNE 6/7

THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE LANGEN FAMILY - By Diane Langen  
 ALTA BOLAN - By Carol Brown  
 PAT PASSERO - By Lou & Ann Chateaufeuf  
 WALTER IGHARAS - By The Trinidad Family

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026

4:00PM - 4:30PM Confessions - Church  
 5:00PM Mass

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026

8:00AM Mass  
 9:15AM Ministry Morning (Liturgical Ministers) - Church/Rm 1  
 10:30AM **CL** Mass  
 11:30AM Bible Study Session 9 - Rm 1

#### MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2026

8:15AM SHIRLEY MATTHEWS - By Lisa & Joanne Mass  
 8:45AM - 9:15AM Confessions - Church

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026

8:15AM Mass  
 9:00AM Eucharistic Adoration - Church  
 9:00AM WEROC - Rm 3  
 10:00AM Mass at Baywinde - Castle Point  
 6:45PM RJM Meeting - Rm 1

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026

8:15AM Communion Service  
 7:00PM Bible Study Session 9 - Rm 1

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2026

5:30PM - 6:00PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church  
 6:00PM ANTONIO DIMARCO - By Dan Viola & Family Mass  
 6:45PM Liturgy Committee Meeting - Rm 1

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026

8:15AM Mass

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026

4:00PM - 4:30PM Confessions - Church  
 5:00PM Mass  
 6:00PM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026

8:00AM Mass  
 9:00AM & 11:30AM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1  
 10:30AM **CL** Mass  
 5:00PM **SF** Mass

### INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES JUNE 13/14

LEONARD PROVOST - By Family  
 KATHLEEN VANDEWINCKEL - By Glen  
 PAT SALVATO - By Pat & Sharron Trimaldi  
 RICHARD, MARILYN, DAVID, & DICK DIMARIA - By Lynn DiMaria



Our Tabernacle Light will burn  
 from June 8th – June 14th in loving  
 memory of Pat Passero  
 by Lou & Ann Chateaufeuf.

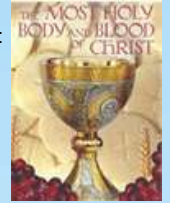


**LINEN CLEANING: JUNE 7**  
**SANDRA KUEBEL**

## Reflections on Readings for The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

### *“Whoever Eats My Flesh And Drinks My Blood Remains In Me And I In Him”*

This Sunday celebrates our communion (participation) in the Body and Blood of Christ. It is commonly known as the Feast of Corpus Christi. It celebrates the real presence of Jesus in the gift of His body and blood that is the “*source and summit of our Christian life.*” ([ccc 1324](http://ccc1324)).



In our first reading ([Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16](#)), we hear Moses reminding the Israelites how God provided real food and real drink to sustain them in their sojourn through the desert. This bread and drink foreshadowed the true food and drink Jesus gives us through His Body and Blood. This is an association between the physical nourishment of the Mana with the spiritual nourishment we receive in the Eucharist.

In our Epistle reading ([1 Corinthians 10:16-17](#)), St. Paul reminds us that the cup we bless and the bread we break in the Mass is real participation (communion) in the Body and Blood of Christ. And in that participation, we become part of that one body—we are all one in Christ.

In our Gospel reading ([John 6:51-58](#)), we hear in Jesus’ own words what He means when He says that in order to have eternal life, we must eat His flesh and drink His blood. The Jewish crowds asked, “*How can this be?*” For the people of Jesus’ day, it was certainly a very hard and disturbing thought. But Jesus doubled down and even used the word “*eat*” that corresponded with animal eating of flesh and not human consumption of food. Jesus didn’t mince His words; He meant what He said, “*the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.*”

The Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist, like any blessing, can be taken for granted and at times, seem routine. How often do we ponder the awesome gift and blessing in this Communion with God? How often do we give thought to the real, true presence of Jesus entering into and nourishing our bodies and our souls? Some people think it would be impossible for bread and wine to contain the true presence of Jesus. To this, we might ponder two questions: First, could Jesus, if He wanted to, transubstantiate bread and wine into His Body and Blood? The answer is, of course He could, He is God. Secondly, would Jesus want to do this? Again, the answer is, of course He would, He loves us beyond all measure and wants us to be like Him.

[bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/060726.cfm](http://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/060726.cfm)



Sensory Friendly Mass



Children's Liturgy of the Word



Count It All Joy



Incense Used



Family Mass

Our Parish Health Ministry will be offering Free Blood Pressure Checks after all Masses NEXT WEEKEND, June 13 & 14 in Room 1.



## UNITED IN FAITH + COMMUNITY

The Many Ways You Participate

Christmas Angel Tree  
Thanksgiving Baskets  
Rochester Hope

Gardening  
Cleaning  
Meal Trains  
Decorating



Bringing Holy Communion to the Homebound  
Companions in Grief  
Prayer Shawl



Can you help St. Rita Continue To Grow?  
Let us know your ideas!

Want to know more about what goes into preparing for our weekend Masses?  
Curious about Church teachings regarding Masses?

## Join the Liturgy Committee!

Our next meeting on Thursday, June 11 at 6:45 pm in Room 1 will focus on planning topics for the upcoming year. All are welcome!



See Fr. Tim or Elizabeth Kwiatkowski with questions.

If you attend a different church for weekend Mass, you can place your St. Rita Church Offering Envelope in that church's collection basket/donation slot and it will be sent back to us. We do this in turn for other parishes whose parishioners are here visiting our church.

# Thank You!



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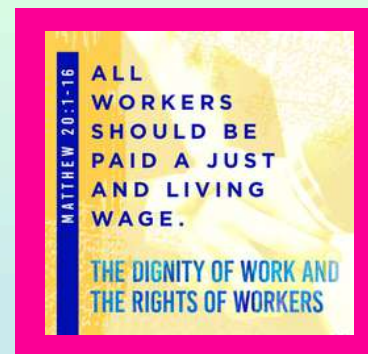
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# Reflection

## Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers

Growing up in Detroit in the 50's and 60's, St. Joseph was **THE** de facto patron saint of workers. St. Joseph symbolized hard work, dedication, and the dignity of labor. Not only a common name of my uncles, cousins, and friends but statues of Joseph were in many homes, car dashboards, and found upside down in the yards of homes that were for sale in hopes of determining buyers.



Like St. Joseph's sanctity, the dignity of work was a core tenet of Catholic Social Teachings formed by Pope Leo XIII in the late 1800's. These principles were then supported by succeeding Popes. Pope Leo XIV reiterated the churches support for workers' rights highlighting a new workplace revolution, with developments in the field of Artificial Intelligence, that may affect challenges to labor and the value of human work.

In my professional career as a teacher, I represented my union in teacher negotiations and contract grievances. I was thankful my Church supported me in this specific implementation of Catholic Social Teaching. I found purpose in advocating for the value of all work and the need to respect every individual's contribution which aligned with my spiritual formation.

*By: Larry Hohl*



### Interested in becoming Catholic? Welcome to the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)!

We are delighted that you have chosen to find out more. Whether you are seeking baptism, looking to join the Catholic Church from another faith tradition, or simply curious about Jesus and Catholic teachings, you are entirely welcome here.

The OCIA process is not a rigid academic process. Instead, it is a gradual, reflective journey of faith, conversion, and community. You are invited to move at your own pace alongside mentors and peers who will support you every step of the way.

If you would like to find out more:

Get started by filling out the form at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/OCIAStRita>

An OCIA team member will email or call you to set up a time to meet for an initial conversation.

Write down any specific questions you have about God, the Catholic Church, or the initiation process so we can address them together.

Please remember that the Holy Spirit moves on His own timeline, and you are free to take as much time as you need. Feel free to explore OCIA at your own pace; there is no pressure to join.



For Frequently Asked Questions scan the QR Code

We are honored to walk this road with you.  
Welcome home!



### St. Rita's Prayer Line



If you would like to have a special intention remembered in prayer through our Prayer Line, please send your intention request to Julie at [Julie.Cohn@dor.org](mailto:Julie.Cohn@dor.org) or call 671-1100 ext. 103. Would you like to become one of our "prayers"? Let Julie know and she will add you to our phone/email chain.

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 27<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>

Teen Volunteers Welcome!



We are looking for volunteers in grades 7+ to help us make a safe and fun experience for younger students.

### HELP WANTED!

We need all the help we can get to welcome our growing community this year! Teens make VBS a fantastic experience for our students. Volunteer hours are 8:45am-12:15pm. Parents can register teens on our website now. For more information, contact Anne Thomas at 671-1100 or [anne.thomas@dor.org](mailto:anne.thomas@dor.org).

## ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

### SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS

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SUN. JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup> 5PM

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## Knights of Columbus Trinity Council #4618

### Rochester Hope Seeks Volunteers to Assist with Furniture Donations



For the past year or two, through our **Knights of Columbus Council**, we have assisted with helping to pick up furniture from people around Monroe County. This furniture gets donated by the owners to **Rochester Hope**, who delivers it to individuals and families in need. There are currently about 10 Knights from four parishes (St. Rita is one of them) that help as this need arises. In addition, the Parishioners of St. Rita have been so very supportive of Rochester Hope. We feel blessed to have this support! - THANK YOU!!

**We are trying to bolster our team of volunteers to help pick up and deliver furniture.**

There is no weekly schedule for helping. As the donation requests come in, an email or text is sent out requesting those who may have availability to help. Come lend a hand (and bicep)!

Also, if you or someone you know has furniture to be donated, please contact Ken and we will handle it.

If you would like to volunteer to assist with picking up (and maybe some deliveries) of furniture, please contact **Ken Sicker at 585-230-6863 (text or calls welcome) or [kennethsicker@gmail.com](mailto:kennethsicker@gmail.com).**

**CONTACT US**

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

Please reach out to us with any of your needs.

**Fr. Tim Niven**, Pastor - [Niven@dor.org](mailto:Niven@dor.org)  
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**Deacon Jim Fien** - [James.Fien@dor.org](mailto:James.Fien@dor.org)  
233-0334

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**Dawn Clark** - [Dawn.Clark2@dor.org](mailto:Dawn.Clark2@dor.org)  
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**Julie Cohn** - [Julie.Cohn@dor.org](mailto:Julie.Cohn@dor.org)  
Pastoral Minister  
Funerals, Baptisms, Prayer Line, Visitation  
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**Elizabeth Kwiatkowski** - [Elizabeth.Kwiatkowski@dor.org](mailto:Elizabeth.Kwiatkowski@dor.org)  
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Mass Attendance				Total
	5pm	8am	10:30am	
May 10	285	186	275	746
May 17	235	191	398	824
May 24	205	166	320	691

**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 Spring Wish List:**

- Ground Coffee - 1 lb. Bags/Containers
- Cleaning Supplies - All Purpose, Glass
- Crackers
- Pineapple
- Beets (canned)
- Pasta Sauce
- Body Wash

*Thank you!*



*Thank you* ❤️

**COLLECTIONS**

	Collected	Budgeted	Variance	Weekly Average	Collected last yr.
month of Apr	\$ 54,191	\$ 56,540	-\$2,349	\$ 13,548	\$54,862
week of May 10	\$14,684	\$14,135	+\$549	--	\$13,201
week of May 17	\$12,404	\$14,135	-\$1,731	--	\$14,643

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Thank you for your generosity in your presence and contributions!

# UPCOMING RETREATS

## JULY 2026



June 28-  
July 3

### "ROOTED IN PRESENCE . . ."

Retreat for Women Religious or Lay Associates. This retreat is a contemplative space in which to rest, listen, behold and be held.

Given by Sr. Julie Vieira, IHM



July 12-17

### "REAL PRESENCE:

This retreat will explore the spirituality and theology of different aspects of our Eucharistic celebration. We will open ourselves to the mysticism to which the Eucharist invites us.

Given by Sr. Mary McGlone, CSJ



July 19-24

### SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT

A silent retreat for women and men. Each retreatant assigned a spiritual director to meet with daily.

**Directors:** Fr. Dennis Billy, C.Ss.R.; Fr. Philip Sutherland, SJ; Sr. Elaine Englert, SSJ; Deacon Kevin Carges and Jodie Scordo



July 24-25

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Given by Jamie Fazio, MDiv.; Zoe Howland Graduate Resident Minister, Villanova

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INFORMATION**

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# FILL YOUR SOUL DAY

## *“Voices of Lament and Resistance”*

w/ Fr. Peter Murray, SJ



*We live during an era when various forces all around us conspire to make us less able to lament, and/or to offer resistance to the goings-on found in our times. Still we know there are many fine people, poets among them, who strive and have striven to offer Voices of a different kind, and to help us in these times of unsettling and untimely transitions, and in trials both political, social and spiritual.*

*The Main Poets and writers we will encounter on this day will be Daniel Berrigan, Linda Hogan and Denise Levertov*

## JUNE 16TH

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

\$35



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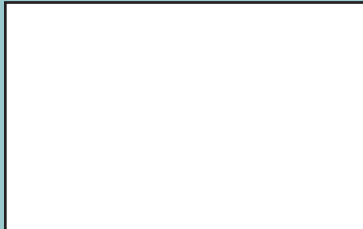
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