

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
ST. RITA CHURCH



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

Sacrosanctum what?

In four sessions during the fall months of 1962 – 1965, the bishops of the world created and published 16 documents that reformed and promoted everything from the liturgy and worship of the Church to the activity of the Church in the modern world.

What do these Vatican II documents say?

Is their wisdom and purpose still relevant today?



Liturgy Committee invites you to join us for conversations about these documents during the first 30 minutes of our monthly meetings, beginning on **Thursday, September 10th at 6:45 pm in Room 1.**

If you would like to stay for the rest of the meeting as we plan the season of Advent, you are very welcome.



Pick up Pope Leo's first article on "The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy" on your way out of Mass today!

LABOR DAY

The Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, September 7th.
There will be no Daily Mass or Confessions.



Congratulations and Welcome to the newest member of our parish family who was baptized this weekend:

Sofia Marie Salvaggio

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

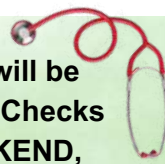
MASS WITH OUR NEW BISHOP ...AND PARISH PICNIC!

Sunday Sept. 20th 10:30AM

Join us to celebrate the beginning of fall, a new school year, and another year together with our parish family! We would love your help with set up, cleanup, or a dish to pass. Please RSVP by scanning the QR code, checking our e-newsletter for the link, or signing up in the Greeting Area.



Our Parish Health Ministry will be offering **Free Blood Pressure Checks** after all Masses **NEXT WEEKEND**, September 12 & 13 in Room 1.



WITH HEARTFELT SYMPATHY

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

Betty Scanlon

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 SEPTEMBER 5/6

AMBROSE RYAN - By Wife
 NANCY & FRANK POLLATTA - By Deb Gippe
 NORM MAGIN - By Family
 LUCIANO & SALVINA BOLOGNA - By Josie DiGiorgio and Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026

4:00PM - 4:30PM
 5:00PM

Confessions - Church
 Mass

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

8:00AM
 10:30AM
 11:45AM

Mass
 CL Mass
 Faith Formation Aide/Sub Meeting - Rm 1

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2026

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY - PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
 NO DAILY MASS OR CONFESSIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

8:15AM

Mass

9:00AM

Eucharistic Adoration - Church

9:00AM

WEROC - Rm 1

10:00AM

Mass at Baywinde - Castle Pointe

6:30PM

RJM Meeting - Rm 1

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

8:15AM

Communion Service

6:00PM

Faith Formation Aide/Sub Meeting - Rm 1

6:30PM

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Rm 3

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2026

5:30PM

Eucharistic Adoration - Church

6:00PM

Mass

6:45PM

Liturgy Committee Meeting - Rm 1

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

8:15AM

BOB BEIKIRCH - By MaryAnn

Mass

6:00PM

Feeling Crafty - Rm 1

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

9:00AM - 1:00PM

Ministry Day

3:45PM - 5:45PM

Faith Formation Book Pick-Up at Mass

4:00PM - 4:30PM

Confessions - Church

5:00PM

Mass

6:00PM

Blood Pressure Screening - Rm 1

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

7:45AM - 11:45AM

Faith Formation Book Pick-Up at Mass

8:00AM

Mass

9:00AM & 11:30AM

Blood Pressure Screening - Rm 1

10:30AM

CL Mass

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES SEPTEMBER 12/13

EUGENE ANTCHAK - By John & Elaine Andrews
 JAMES & MONA FITZGERALD - By Their Grandchildren
 JIM & ROBERTA BROUSSARD - By Jim McGrath & Family



Our Tabernacle Light will burn
 from September 7 – September 13
 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 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

***"Owe Nothing To Anyone,
 Except To Love One Another"***

One message that could come from our readings this Sunday is, "We are our brothers and sisters keeper". Our readings today focus on our God-given duty to love, to care for and to correct one another, in a spirit of love and reconciliation. God will hold us directly responsible if we do not.



In our first reading ([Ezekiel 33:7-9](#)), God appointed the prophet Ezekiel to be "watchman for the house of Israel". God said to Ezekiel, "If I tell the wicked, 'O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death.'" God held Ezekiel personally responsible if he did not warn the people of their evil ways.

In our Epistle reading ([Romans 13:8-10](#)), St. Paul continues his exhortation of last week to "offer your bodies as a living sacrifice" by telling us how we should do that -- to live in love and to love one another. Paul wrote, "Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law." He reminds us that all violations of the law have at their root a failure to love one another. It is this love that drives our desire for reconciliation and concern for each other and it is this love that drives us for union and reconciliation with our Lord.

In our Gospel reading ([Matthew 18:15-20](#)), Jesus lays out the proper order of reconciliation back to the Church for someone who has fallen. First, one-to-one, privately; then with a few trusted witnesses, and if still unsuccessful, with the whole Church. As in our first reading, the goal is reconciliation, not condemnation. Then, Jesus gave His disciples the authority to reconcile sinners.

Have we ever judged others' wrongdoing out of a sense of superiority or self-righteousness? The duty to correct must be borne out of love, not judgement, and done as privately as possible. This is certainly how we would like to be treated if we have wronged someone. How do we measure up to this ideal? Possibly food for thought this week.

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090626.cfm



LINEN CLEANING: SEPTEMBER 6 SANDRA KUEBEL

CHECK THIS OUT

We are excited to share a simple, hassle-free way for our community to support St. Rita School & Church while caring for the environment! We are partnering with The Can Shack to enhance our existing Bottle & Can recycling fundraiser for our parish.

Dropping off your bottles and cans at The Can Shack is fast, easy, and mess-free. Simply place your recyclables into our secure, bright green drop-off "Can Shack" located in the parking lot next to the rectory garage.



Just bag your NYS redeemable containers in a standard sized kitchen garbage bag (no need to sort BUT please ensure that all containers are free of any liquid/trash) and drop them off through the secure opening - that's it!



Why Participate?

- Every bottle and can donated turns into steady monthly funding split 50/50 between school and church ministries, youth programs, and facility maintenance.
- It helps keep recyclables out of local landfills and teaches our youth stewardship of the earth.
- Hosting the drop-off shack is completely free for our organization, requiring no volunteer staffing or cleanup. We receive 5 cents for every bottle or can deposited in the "Shack".



The groundbreaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus, The Chosen, is a show like you've never seen before, and it's helping people connect to the Gospel in an entirely new way.

Season 6
Episode 1
is being released
early to Churches.
We will come
together to watch at
St. Rita.
Watch the bulletin
for details.

FOLLOW THE LEADER

A RETREAT FOR GRADES 6-12

9/26
1-6 PM
MORE INFO /
SIGN UP:



**"BE WHO GOD MEANT YOU TO BE AND
YOU WILL SET THE WORLD ON FIRE."**

-ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA



MINISTRY DAY
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Join us! 9:00 am to 1:00 pm



Churches Offering Meals To Everyone

The Churches Offering Meals to Everyone (C.O.M.E.) program in Webster, New York, includes rotating free community dinners hosted by local church congregations.. These meals are open to everyone in the community, especially those facing food insecurity or loneliness.

**The first C.O.M.E. Dinner of the season at St. Rita is
Wednesday, September 16, 2026.**

Would you be willing to donate
items needed?

To sign up, go to the following
link:

<https://tinyurl.com/COME9-26>



Or scan the QR Code

Items may be dropped off at church the weekend of September 12 and 13
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



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.

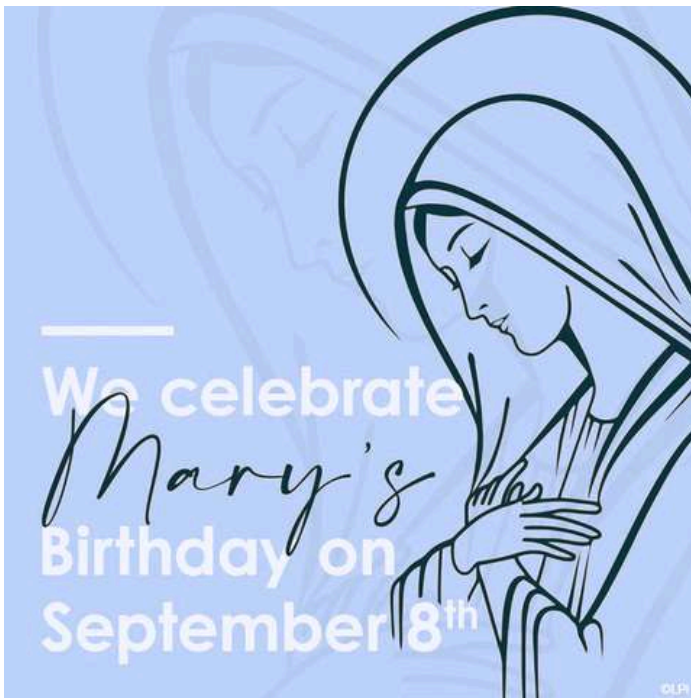
Please remember that the Holy Spirit moves on His own timeline, and you are
free to take as much time as you need. Feel free to explore OCIA at your
own pace; there is no pressure to join.



For Frequently Asked
Questions scan the QR Code

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





Feeling crafty?

Join us for some all-age friendly craft activities! Make for yourself, a friend, or to sell* at the October 10 craft sale.
*for a donation that goes to a church ministry

Friday, Sept 11

6-8 PM ROOM 1 ALL AGES!

Can't stay the whole time? Stop by for some supplies to take home.

RSVP** to Elizabeth Kwiatkowski
**not required, but helpful

Holy Helpers
Grades 3-6*

1st & 3rd Sundays at 9:15 am
starting September 6
Meet in the chapel

"Why are there bells ringing?"
"What does 'Alleluia' mean?"
"Why do we sit and stand so much?"
"Mass is boring. What can I do?"

If you've heard these questions or others from your child, bring them to Holy Helpers! Through fun games and activities, we'll learn about and prepare for roles in the Mass.

No RSVP required. Come to one or all!

*Older children are welcome to assist!

Questions? Contact Elizabeth.kwiatkowski@dor.org or call 671-1100 x104

It's Scout Season Again!

Please support Scout pack #163 with the purchase of popcorn and peanuts **NEXT WEEKEND** after Masses on 9/12 and 9/13. Payments can be made in cash/Venmo or by credit/debit card. The money raised will go toward helping scouts with Scouting adventures throughout the upcoming Scout Season.

Any questions regarding sales can be directed to Paul Manarchuck Jr. by calling 570-407-1743.

Thank you for your support!



Please join us!
Pray the Rosary each Monday after the 8:15am Mass in the Chapel.

**WALK IN PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday 9:00am - Noon

Please reach out to us with any of your needs.

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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 Summer Wish List:

Jarred Spaghetti Sauce & Pasta
Flour & Sugar
Cereal
Beets (canned)
Pineapple (canned)
Jarred Applesauce
Cooking Oil
Deodorant
Hand Soap
Laundry Detergent

Thank you!



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Mass Attendance				Total
	5pm	8am	10:30am	
Aug 16	171	154	215	540
Aug 23	172	168	260	600
Aug 30	224	162	225	611

Thank you

COLLECTIONS

	Collected	Budgeted	Variance	Weekly Average	Collected last yr.
month of July	\$ 54,355	\$59,120	+4,765	\$ 13,589	\$52,500
week of Aug. 9	\$11,287	\$14,780	-\$3,493	--	\$16,203
week of Aug. 16	\$10,370	\$14,780	-\$4,410	--	\$13,145

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!



Ministry Day - Saturday, September 12, 2026

min-is-ter 1. attend to the needs of

If you currently are, want to be, or have thought about getting involved in ministry here at St. Rita, we invite you to this day of learning, belonging, and growing in community. See what your gifts are, where they can be used, and where you fit into the bigger picture.

9:00-9:30 am	Refreshments	Greeting Area
9:30-10:00 am	Prayer Service	Church
10:10-11:00 am	Breakout Session 1	Various locations
11:10-12:00 pm	Ministry with Purpose	Church
Join our keynote speakers Don Smith and Carol Montante for a look at the spiritual and practical sides of service, following the model of Mary and Martha.		
12:10 -1:00 pm	Breakout Session 2	Various locations

Breakout Session Topics:

A) Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts - Julie Cohn

God has given each of us specific spiritual gifts. Discover your unique gifts and explore ways to share them.

B) Getting Your Message Across - Elizabeth Kwiatkowski and Dawn Clark

Learn best practices for communicating what you want others to know about your ministry.

C) Growing Volunteers - Nky McGinnis, Parish Council Chair

Is your ministry looking to grow? Learn some ways to identify, invite, and equip new volunteers.

D) Connecting Scripture to Service - Fr. Tim

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's...grace."

E) Many Ministries, One Parish: Fostering Collaboration - Jerry Lupien

Do you belong to multiple ministries? How do you decide what gets your time and attention?

F) Creating Ministry Goals - Maurini Strub

Aimed at leaders, this is a hands-on look at how to make an effective meeting plan for the year.

G) Liturgical Minister Training/Retraining - Fr. Tim and Elizabeth Kwiatkowski

If you are new to a role or have served at another church, this is for you!

If you are planning to attend, fill out the bottom of this page and put it in the basket on the long table, go on our website, or call the Parish Office at 671-1100.



Name: _____

Email/phone: _____

Please circle any of the Liturgical Ministries you are interested in being trained for:
(for a description, please see our website)

Hospitality Mass Coordinator Lector Communion Minister Tech Minister

I am most interested in attending the following sessions: (mark your top 3 choices, 1=most)

___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F

Please use the back of this sheet to write any specific questions you would like to see addressed.

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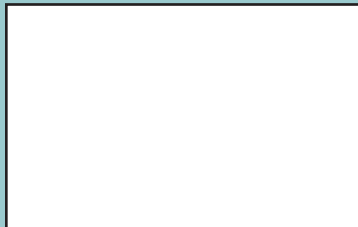
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