

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025  
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# ST. RITA CHURCH



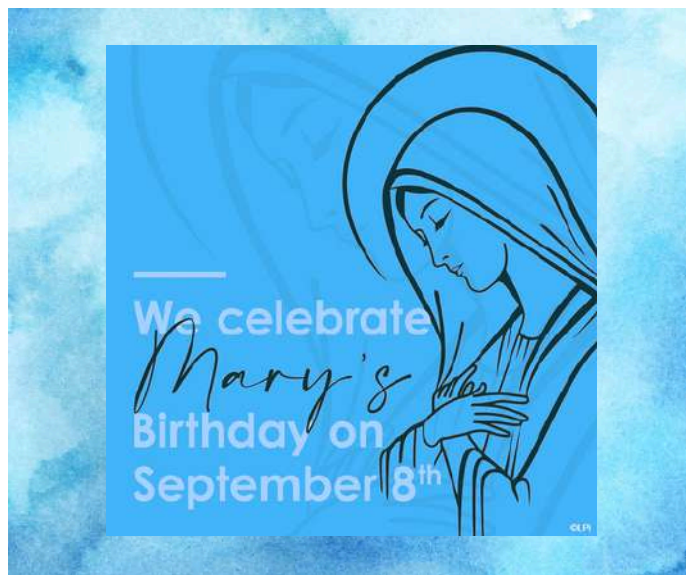
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Join us as we continue to celebrate  
our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary with  
food and friends, prizes and prayer,  
music and more!

## St. Rita Fall Picnic

Monday, September 8  
4:30-6:30 pm

**Rain or shine!**



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**ST. RITA 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY KEEPSAKE  
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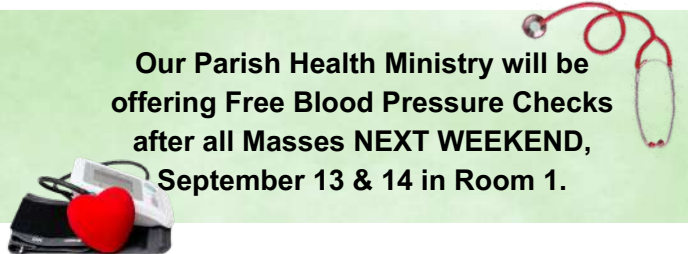
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ONE RECIPE.**



### COUNT IT ALL JOY

Join us **next** Saturday, September 13th at the  
5:00pm Mass to enjoy music from our  
"Count It All Joy" Music Ministers.

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



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

**Ruth Bower**

Over the Jubilee Year,  
we will explore the  
themes of Hope,  
Pilgrimage, and Jubilee,  
always ending with a  
question for you to  
consider over the week.



In today's gospel, Jesus reminds the crowds  
following Him that they need to put Him and  
His teachings before anything else.  
This follows with the idea of Jubilee – a return  
to the core of our relationship with God.  
Everything else should help us make that  
relationship stronger, not distract from it.

### Pondering Point

What distractions weaken your relationship  
with God? What do you need to renounce to  
be a better disciple?

#### 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 SEPTEMBER 6/7

LOUISE FALVO - By Family  
 LUCIANO & SALVATRICE BOLOGNA - By Family  
 NORM MAGIN - By Family  
 RICHARD "DICK" JOHNSON - By Joyce Lochner

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

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

Confessions - Church  
 Mass

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

8:00AM  
 10:30AM

Mass  
 CL Mass

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

8:15AM FRANK & NANCY POLLATTA - By Their Children Mass  
 8:45AM - 9:15AM Confessions - Church  
 4:30PM Fall Picnic - Parish Center  
 6:45PM Pastoral Council Meeting - Rm 1

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

8:15AM Mass  
 9:00AM Eucharistic Adoration - Church  
 9:00AM WEROC - Rm 1  
 10:00AM Mass at Baywinde - Castle Pointe  
 6:45PM Racial Justice Ministry - Rm 1

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

8:15AM Communion Service  
 2:30PM Angel Choir Rehearsal - Rm 1  
 5:00PM Lifespan Scam Presentation - Rm 1  
 6:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - Rm 3

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

5:30PM - 6:00PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church  
 6:00PM Mass

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

8:15AM DAVID HANNING - By Carol Bonczyk Mass  
 9:00AM Buildings & Grounds Meeting - Parish Office

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

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

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

8:00AM Mass  
 9:00AM & 11:30AM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1  
 10:30AM CL Mass  
 2:00PM Sensory Friendly Mass

## INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES SEPTEMBER 13/14

JAMES SHERIDAN - By John & Elaine Andrews  
 VIRGINIA NOLAN - By Susan Mickey  
 LINDSEY HEGEDORN - By John & Julie Odenbach  
 CHRISTOPHER GULLO - By Roger & Heather Scalzo



Our Tabernacle Light will burn  
 from September 8 – September 14  
 for the deceased members of St. Rita Church.

LINEN CLEANING: SEPTEMBER 7  
 SANDRA KUEBEL

## Reflections on Readings for Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

***"Any One Of You Who Does Not Renounce  
 All Of His Possessions Cannot Be My Disciple"***

This Sunday's scripture readings ask us to consider the cost of true discipleship. Like a builder before starting work, we should consider the cost and the resources needed for that task. Our first reading gives us a glimpse into one of the resources available to us—the Wisdom of God.



In our first reading ([Wisdom 9:13-18](#)), we hear about the unfathomable wisdom of God. It is an excerpt from "Solomon's Prayer" ([Wisdom 9:1-18](#)) wherein Solomon asked God to "Give me wisdom". He knew that even the things of this world are little understood and yet, the things of God are so much more beyond our understanding. It is only with the help of the Holy Spirit that we discern any of it. This reading helps set the tone for our Gospel reading; this is the supreme God whom Jesus tells us must be before all else.

In our Epistle reading from the Letter of St. Paul to Philemon ([Philemon 9-10, 12-17](#)), St. Paul gives us an example of the cost of discipleship. Paul is writing from his Roman jail cell as a "prisoner for Christ". Paul sends Onesimus, a former runaway slave, back to his master Philemon asking for him to be freed. Baptized, Onesimus is now "more than a slave, a brother" in Christ.

In our Gospel reading ([Luke 14:25-33](#)), Jesus cautioned the crowds following Him to consider the cost of discipleship before following Him. Jesus outlined three requirements of discipleship. The first is that Jesus must come before everyone else in our lives—even our own family. Jesus used the words "hate" one's family, which in the Hebrew context more closely means "to love less". We must love Jesus more than everyone and everything else. The second requirement is that we must take up our cross (our own individual sufferings) and walk the walk that Jesus walks, bearing our suffering in union with His. The third is complete detachment – from all our possessions and worldly desires. They become an anchor weighing us down and keeping us from Jesus.

Imagine telling God, "I'm sorry God, but my family comes before you" – or my wealth or my possessions or my hopes and dreams or desires. What Jesus may really be telling us is, whomever you love, whatever you love, detach yourself and love Me, who created all these things, more. As we see in our first reading, with the gift of wisdom from the Holy Spirit, "thus were the paths of those on earth made straight."

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090725.cfm>





## Churches Offering Meals To Everyone

St. Rita will again be hosting C.O.M.E. Webster Community dinners. Our first dinner is on Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Thank you for your generous support in the past. **We are again seeking your help with donations.**

To sign up, go to the following link:  
<https://tinyurl.com/SeptCOME25>  
 or scan the QR Code:



Items may be dropped off at church the weekend of September 13 and 14 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](mailto:julie.cohn@dor.org)

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## JOIN US!


Tuesdays at 9:00am in Room 1

Ladies, please join us! WEROC is an informal gathering of women of faith sharing coffee, friendship, and reflections on timely readings.

For more information or if you have questions, please feel free to contact Julie Cohn, our Pastoral Minister at:  
[julie.cohn@dor.org](mailto:julie.cohn@dor.org) or  
 (585) 671-1100 Ext: 103.

All are welcome!

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A limited quantity of tickets will be available for purchase at the event.

People are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance.

Please visit [www.holytrinityweb.org](http://www.holytrinityweb.org) or call their Parish Office at 265-1616 for ticket information or general questions.

## Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, St. Rita!

Join us for 10:30 am Mass with the Bishop on Sunday, September 28, followed by cake and other refreshments in the Parish Center.





By Dr. Scott Hahn

Wednesdays at 7:00 PM - October 1,8,15,22,29, November 5

OR

Sundays at 11:45 AM - October 5,12,19,26, November 2, 9

Six weekly sessions in Room 1.

You may mix or match sessions each week.

Each session will contain three main parts: an Introduction, Video, & Discussion

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To REGISTER for this exciting program, please email or call the  
parish office at [wstritch@dor.org](mailto:wstritch@dor.org) or 671-1100.



If you have specific questions, please call or email Jerry Lupien at  
794-3666 / [galupien@gmail.com](mailto:galupien@gmail.com).

Drawing inspiration from the 2025 Universal Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope and inspired by Sacred Scripture, we invite all to grow in awareness of their friendship with God through prayer, discernment, and service.

**St. Rita Church Weekend Retreats  
at Notre Dame Retreat House**

**Women's Retreat: September 26-28**

**Men's Retreat: October 24-26**



Register Online at [www.notredameretreat.org](http://www.notredameretreat.org)  
or call 585-394-5700

Men's Retreat questions  
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## Where Faith and Knowledge Meet!



Welcome Back to all of our faculty, staff, and students!

Our faculty team has added a few new members. Please welcome them when you see them around campus!

**Mrs. Henry**

Academic Intervention Specialist for Kindergarten to 2nd Grade



**Mrs. Perryman**

Academic Intervention Specialist for 3rd through 5th Grades



### Kindergarten

**Mrs. Odenbach**

Kindergarten Teacher



**Miss Hicks**

Kindergarten Teacher



### First Grade

**Mrs. Hyman**

First Grade Teacher



**Ms. Field**

First Grade Teacher



"I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of the SRS team. My professional experiences in education include over ten years in primary grade classrooms. I am eager to share my love for learning with others and support scholars to reach their full potential."

### Second Grade

**Mrs. Babij**

Second Grade Teacher



**Miss Williams**

Second Grade Teacher



"I am no stranger to Catholic Education. I graduated from St. Michael School and previously taught at St. Francis-St. Stephen School. I am excited about the opportunity to join St. Rita School and make a positive impact on the students' academic journey."

### Third Grade

**Mrs. Manarchuck**

Third Grade Teacher



**Mrs. Rosso**

Third Grade Teacher



### Fourth & Fifth Grade

**Mrs. Farley**

Fourth Grade Teacher



**Ms. Sutley**

Fifth Grade Teacher



### PreK 3

**Mrs. McGrath**

PreK3 Teacher (2-day Class)



### PreK 4

**Mrs. Gasic**

PreK4 Teacher (3-day Class)



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**Ms. Billal**

PreK4 Teacher (5-day Class)





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

Please reach out to us with any of your needs.

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St. Rita School Principal  
St. Rita School Office 671-3132

**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  
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**Webster HOPE**  
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**No opened or expired items please.**

**Webster HOPE Current Needs List:**

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We are always in need of children's clothing, new underwear, and socks.

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Your generosity helps us continue our good works and much needed ministries.

To set up recurring online payments or make any changes to your current giving, please visit our Giving page at [www.stritawebster.org/give-online](http://www.stritawebster.org/give-online).

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.

**Have You Moved or Changed Your Contact Information?**



Please let us know through our Website Link "Join the Parish" if you have a change in name, address, or phone number so we can keep our records up to date and you up to date on all that is going on in our parish.



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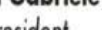


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