JUNE 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

ST. RITA CHURCH



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

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit upon all the followers of Jesus.

It is our tradition here at St. Rita to wear RED to Mass.



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

> Reagan Anntonie Dufresne McKenna Birdie O'Brien

Fiesta

Flashback

St. Rita's Fiesta celebrated its 70th Anniversary this year!













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

> Eleanor Staszak Mother of Gary Staszak

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.



Jesus prays for His followers' unity this week. One of the less obvious aspects of Jubilee is the unity of our Church in its celebration. Jubilees are not just for a parish or diocese; it is a universal celebration and unites us to Catholics across the globe.

Pondering Point

Have you ever thought about how you, in New York State, are connected to someone in Uganda or India? What does it mean to you when you hear that we are one holy catholic and apostolic Church?

May 30 - June 1 Jubilee of Families, Children, and Grandparents

Lord God, you sent your Son to be born into a family so He would experience its joys as well as its sorrows. Bless this family that it may live in Jesus' example of love.

Lord Jesus Christ, you were born as a child. Please watch over our children and fill their hearts with your peace. May they be safe from harm and always choose to be kind and loving toward others. Help them to be instruments of peace wherever they go.

Bless all grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their families. We ask this through the intercession of Saints Anne and Joachim.

> 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

MASS INTENTIONS / WEEKLY CALENDAR

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES MAY 31/JUNE 1

JOHN STEINMULLER - By Carol Montante GEORGE MAYNARD - By Eunice Pomeroy ROBERT J. FIEN - By Joe & Julie Cohn

REV. WALTER CUSHING - By Pat and Sharron Trimaldi

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025

GIESTA 2:00PM - 9:00PM

Fiesta

No Confessions Due to Fiesta Schedule

Mass

ST. RITA

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

8:00AM Mass 10:30AM **CL** Mass 12:00PM - 3:00PM 75th Anniversary Parish Picnic - Fiesta Tent

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025

8:15AM GEORGE HAYNES - By Dan Viola & Family 8:45AM - 9:15AM Confer Mass Confessions - Church 6:45PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Rm 1

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025

KATHLEEN VANDEWINCKEL 8:15AM Mass - By Glen Vandewinckel

Eucharistic Adoration - Church 9:00AM 9:00AM WEROC - Rm 1 10:30AM Prayer Shawl Ministry - Rm 1 2:30PM Angel Choir Rehearsal - Rm 1

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2025

8:15AM Communion Service 10:00AM Communion Service at Baywinde - Castle Point Communion Service at Baywinde - Sage Harbor 11:00AM 6:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - Rm 3 6:30PM Holy & Healthy Workshop for Moms - Rm 1

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2025

5:30PM **Eucharistic Adoration - Church** 6:00PM MICHAEL LEFROIS - By Mark & Diane Weisskopf 7:00PM Holy Beginnings Prayer Service - Church

FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025

JOHN & MARGARET ANDREWS Mass 8:15AM

9:00AM

- By The Andrews Family Buildings & Grounds - Parish Office



SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025

8.00AM 8:30AM - 10:30AM Breakfast @ St. Rita - Gym 9:00AM & 11:30AM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1 10:30AM **CL** Mass

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES JUNE 7/8

FLORENCE & ARTHUR GAGLIO - By Family ART & RUTH YAEGER - By Tom Yaeger RICHIE DINARDO - By Family EDWARD & MICHAEL LANGEN - By Diane Langen

LINEN CLEANING: JUNE 1 PATTY ZACHMAN











Reflections on Readings for the Seventh Sunday of Easter

"Amen! Come, Lord Jesus"

As we look forward to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost (next Sunday), our readings today are a series of last words. We hear the last words of St. Stephen as he was stoned to death, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them."



We hear the last words of St. John at the end of the Book of Revelation as he awaits the second coming of our Lord, "Amen! Come Lord Jesus!"; and we hear the very last words Jesus spoke to His disciples before going out into the night to His arrest and crucifixion, known as the High Priestly Prayer.

In our first reading (Acts 7:55-60), we hear of the first recorded martyr for Christ, St. Stephen, the Deacon. He was arrested for working "great signs and wonders among the people" and for speaking in Christ's name. He was stoned to death as a blasphemer, even as he called out to God to forgive them. In his death as in his life, he was the ultimate model of Christ.

Our second reading (Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20) is from the very end of the Book of Revelation, the last book of the Bible. John tells of the second coming of Christ, who is the beginning and the end. In a series of "I AM" statements, Christ tells us who He is and that He is coming soon.

Our Gospel reading (John 17:20-26) is taken from the climax of Jesus' farewell discourse at the Last Supper. It is sometimes called the High Priestly Prayer, as Jesus turned His attention to His Father. He prayed an intercessory prayer for His disciples and for those who would come to believe through them. These were the last words spoken by Jesus before He went out to the Garden of Gethsemane. His prayer is for unity, that all may be one, even as Jesus and the Father are one, and that they may believe that the Father sent Him.

As we look forward to and await the coming of the Lord when our world, as we know it, will end, we sometimes can get the idea that Jesus has not yet come. The end times is Jesus' final coming, when He will bring "the recompense to each according to his deeds." But it is not His only coming. He came to us a humble, defenseless infant at His birth in a manger; and He came to us at Pentecost in the person of His Holy Spirit. He came to us on the cross as He gave His very life for our salvation. He comes to us every day in the Eucharist; and He comes to us every time we call upon Him in need. "Amen! Come Lord Jesus!"

<u>bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/060125.cfm</u>



Our Tabernacle Light will burn from June 2 – June 8 in loving memory of Walter Cushing by Pat & Sharron Trimaldi.

Please come and join us for breakfast and fellowship.

Next Sunday: Egg Bake

Sunday, June 8th
8:30am - 10:30am
St. Rita Parish Center

Monetary donations will be accepted, but not expected. Please join us and

bring your family.

If you would be willing to help with breakfast, please

contact Marie Torrens at 585-507-2991

marietorrens740@gmail.com or or Evelyn Powe 732-648-4383 dmpowe@aol.com

Our Parish Health Ministry will be offering Free Blood Pressure Checks after all Masses NEXT WEEKEND,

June 7 & 8 in Room 1.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?



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 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 "E-news".

We are happy to have you with us!



We truly appreciate the support of all our our amazing sponsors and numerous volunteers to make the Fiesta a success. Many months of planning go into this event every year and we couldn't do it without each one of you.



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If you would like to have a special intention remembered in prayer through our Prayer Line, please send your intention request to Julie at <u>Julie.Cohn@dor.org</u> 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.

Holy Beginnings Outreach

Ever wonder how those Synod meetings have helped change the church?
Holy Beginnings is one outgrowth of listening to the voices of the faithful.

Holy Beginnings Outreach cordially invites you to join us for an evening of prayer and praise.

Voices from Within Catholic LGBTQ+ Faith Journeys

Stories from people in the pews!

Thursday, June 5th 7:00 - 8:00pm Reception to follow

Mass at 6pm (adoration at 5:30pm)

Please consider attending, not only to support your fellow parishioners, but to listen and perhaps learn something new that can help us continue to grow in compassion and love of one another.

Holy Beginnings is a collaboration of Catholic faith communities fostering inclusion and dialogue to those on the margins of the church and society, allowing us, as children of God, to live our call authentically.

Learn more: <u>holybeginnings.org</u>

Contact: Deacon Jim Fien at James.Fien@dor.org

ST. RITA CHURCH IS CELEBRATING OUR 75TH ANNIVERSARY!



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OF ST. RITA HERE:

www.saintritawebster.org/75th-anniversary



Do You Like To Knit or Crochet?

Come and join us!

Tuesday, June 3rd

10:30am - 12:00pm in Room 1

Prayer Shawls and Lap Blankets are given to anyone facing serious illness or hard times in their life. Blankets are blessed by Father Tim and a prayer card is included with our love and support.

We also give small white knitted blankets to each of our recently baptized children.



If you are able to share your time and talent, please join us here or make an item at home and leave it in the greeting area in Church.

If you know anyone that could use a prayer shawl, please contact Julie Cohn at: julie.cohn@dor.org or 671-1100 ext. 103.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - SUMMER 2025/ JULY 28-AUGUST 1 9 AM - NOON REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



Registration is now open for students ages 4-10 and volunteers in grades 7+. 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!

NEXT WEEK there will be a special collection to support the Catholic Communications Campaign.

This campaign connects Catholics with Christ 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 US Conference of Catholic Bishops and some projects across the United States and abroad.

Thank you for your financial support of St. Rita parish!

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.

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St. Rita School Fundraising Night





4p-8p

Visit Bill Gray's Webster location (941 Hard Rd) on 6/2 anytime between 4p-8p. At checkout mention St Rita's and a portion of your bill will go directly to St Rita's School.

Spread the word with friends & family!

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 reading.

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

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> Wednesday, June 4 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 1

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WALK IN PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 9:00am - Noon

Please reach out to us with any of your needs.

Fr. Tim Niven, Pastor - <u>Niven@dor.org</u> 671-1100 ext. 106

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Jennifer LeFrois - <u>Jennifer.LeFrois@dor.org</u> 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:

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PO Box 31049, Rochester, NY 14603
http://www.saintjoeshouse.org/blog/donate/

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http://www.websternyhope.org

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