AUGUST 10, 2025 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. RITA CHURCH



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



BET THE BASILIAN FATHERS MISSIONS

As part of our Annual Missionary
Cooperative Plan through the Diocese of
Rochester, this weekend we welcome
Fr. John Huber, CSB.



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Fr. John Huber CSB is a native of Rochester, a graduate of St. Pius Tenth Parish in Chili, Aquinas, and Saint John Fisher.

He was ordained a Basilian priest by Bishop Matthew Clark in 1992 and has served Basilian ministries at Aquinas, in France, Oakland CA, Houston, Detroit, and Toronto. He has served as principal of St. Thomas High School in Houston and Detroit Catholic Central High School, where he also served as president. He was elected to the Basilian General Council in 2014 and currently serves as the Congregation's Vicar General. He has visited the Basilian missions many times in both Mexico and Colombia.



The Basilian Fathers Missions began last century serving underserved migrants in various small Texas towns. Eventually, the Basilians went to Mexico to serve God's People there, especially those deprived of education and who suffer the effects of poverty. Many Basilians from Rochester have dedicated most of their lives to the missions. In the 1990s, the Basilians expanded their missions to Colombia. In the 1980s, native Mexicans began to join the formation program, and some have been ordained priests, and the same began in Colombia in the 1990s. Today there are nearly twenty men in formation in Mexico and Colombia, and there are more than a few ordained Basilians from both countries. This has enabled the Congregation to expand its ministry, and now it serves God's people in Mexico City, Tehuacán, Puebla Mexico, Bogota, Medellin and Riohacha, Colombia. God's People in these countries lack many of life's basic necessities, yet are filled with joy and love for the Lord and are appreciative of the ministries of the Basilian Fathers.

We will have a SECOND COLLECTION to aid the Basilian Fathers Missions. Your support will help to deliver the Sacraments and the Gospel, along with food, clothing, and medical services to impoverished people from the cities of Tehuacán, Mexico City, and Puebla in Mexico, as well as the cities of Bogota, Medellin, and Riohacha in Colombia.

Envelopes will be at the end of each pew. If you write a check, please make it out to St. Rita Church (marked "Missions" in the Memo field). Your mission donation can also be placed along with your weekly Mass envelopes in the "Donation" slot at the entrance to church.

Please visit our website at www.saintritawebster.org if you'd like to make an electronic donation.

of the blessed virgin Mary

Holy Day Mass Times Friday, August 15th at 8:15am and 5:00pm 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 AUGUST 9/10

FLORENCE & ARTHUR GAGLIO - By Family OTTO & PAULA REISCH - By Family MARY MARSH - By Pat & Sharron Trimaldi DONALD HOSENFELD - By John & Julie Odenbach

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025 4:00PM - 4:30PM 5:00PM

Confessions - Church Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025 8:00AM 10:30AM

Mass CL Mass

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025 8:15AM

Communion Service

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025 8:15AM 9:00AM

Communion Service **Eucharistic Adoration - Church**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025 8:15AM

Communion Service

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025 5:30PM - 6:00PM 6:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration - Church Communion Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025 - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

8:15AM THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. RITA PARISH Mass 5:00PM Mass 6:00PM 75th Anniversary Bingo/Pizza Party - Gym

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025 4:00PM - 4:30PM 5:00PM

Confessions - Church **C** Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025 10:30AM

Mass CL Mass

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES AUGUST 16/17

DAVID KUEBEL - By Patricia Kuebel & Family MARGARET SEMENTELLI - By Family MICHAEL & ESTHER LOMBARDO - By Jackie Colicchio MARILYN FRANZ - By Family

If you would like to carry up the gifts at a weekend Liturgy, please arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of Mass and let the Mass Coordinator know.



Our Tabernacle Light will burn from August 11 - August 17 in loving memory of Michael & Esther Lombardo by Jackie Colicchio.

LINEN CLEANING: AUGUST 10 PAM KUNZER





Children's Liturgy of the Word







Reflections on Readings for Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You Also Must Be Prepared, For At An Hour You Do Not Expect, The Son Of Man Will Come."

This Sunday's readings teach us about perseverance in faith and preparedness for the coming of Jesus. We must always be ready for when our Master comes to call on us.



Our first reading from the Book of Wisdom

(18:6-9) highlights the Israelites preparedness and faith in God's promise as they awaited the first Passover. In one single night, God both blessed the Israelites for their faithfulness and smote the first born of the Egyptians for their evil deeds.

In our Epistle reading from the Letter to the **Hebrews** (11:1-2, 8-12), the author teaches the meaning of faith and uses the story of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to illustrate the model of faithful perseverance. The homeland we await is a heavenly homeland and the one who promised it is trustworthy. One example of Abraham's great faith is this, "By faith, Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, 'Through Isaac, descendants shall bear your name.' He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol."

In our Gospel reading (Luke 12:32-48), Jesus first reminded His disciples that the Kingdom of Heaven awaits them as He told them, "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. . . . For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." He then admonished His disciples to be prepared always, for they know not the hour that the Son of Man will come. Our Lord promises us "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach."

The Scouts have a motto, "Be Prepared". It is a good motto for Christians as well, for we know that the Master will return and bring with Him the joys of the heavenly kingdom, but we do not know when the master will come. When He does come, may He find us watchful and ready.

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/081025.cfm

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, Jeus encourages us to be vigilant and remain ready for His return. As Catholics, we live in a sense of hope at His return because we believe if we are truly ready, it will be a blessing for us, not a time for fear.

Pondering Point

Am I hopeful for Jesus' return, or do I put my focus on my fears?



After the retirement of our founding pastor,
Rev Francis Kleehammer, St Rita Church had two co-pastors for a time.
Do you know who these two were?
Bonus if you know when they served as co-pastors.

ANSWER: In 1977 Fr. Kleehammer retired and began his life of Pastor Emeritus. The following year, Fr. Jim Burke and Fr. John Reif became the co-pastors until 1980 when Fr. Burke moved on to another parish, and Fr. John stayed as our Pastor.

From the desk of June Frosino - Music Director

St. Rita Music Ministry



All musicians are welcome to join our St. Rita Music Ministry this Autumn. Of "note" are the:

- Adult Choir Meets on Wednesday nights at
 6:30pm and sings at the Sunday 10:30am Masses
- Angel Choir Children in grades 2-5 practice on Tuesdays at 2:30pm and sing once a month at the 10:30am Mass
- Saturday Contemporary Group Meets Saturdays at 4:00pm to rehearse for the Saturday 5:00pm Mass
- Instrumentalists for special events and Masses
- Festival Choir Combines our Adult Choir and additional singers for shorter term commitment:
 - o 75th Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 28th at 10:30am with Bishop Matano. There will be 3 required rehearsals for this Mass: Wed. Sept. 3rd, Wed. Sept. 10th and Wed. Sept. 24th (all at 6:30pm).
 - Festival of Lessons and Carols on December 7th at 2:00 PM at St. Rita Church



If you are interested in learning more or would like to join us, please contact June Frosino at June.frosino@dor.org or call 585-671-1100.

Thank you!!

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

Lawrence Nicholas Blackburn

We have a new donation box on our votive candles!



We invite you to light a candle for your prayer requests or special intentions by pressing the buttons along the front of the display near one of our Mary statues.

Candles remain lit for 5 days.

Monetary donations can go
directly in this box.

Sponsored by the St. Rita Health Ministry

BE SCAM AWARE!

This Lifespan presentation will discuss scams, fraud, and consumer protection.

September 10 at 5:00pm in Room 1

Lifespan is a nonprofit dedicated to helping older adults take on the challenges and opportunities of our longer lives.

Please RSVP to Dottie O'Rourke (call or text) at 585-269-4921.

Refreshments will be served.





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

Sign up to bring a food item to share or help with set up or clean up.

Lifespan



food and friends, prizes and prayer, music and more!







Join us as we continue to celebrate our 75th anniversary with

St. Rita 75th Anniversary/Jubilee Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Martyrs in Auriesville, NY and St. Kateri Tekakwitha National Shrine in Fulton, NY Monday, October 13, 2025

Use the link, QR Code, sign-up sheet on the table in the Greeting Area of Church, OR call the Parish Office to SIGN UP.



We will charter a bus if there is enough interest. The cost per person will be determined by the number of people attending.

Sign up as soon as possible, with deadline on Monday, 8/11/25

The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops has designated Our Lady of the Martyrs Shrine as a national shrine for pilgrims.

St. Rita is planning a bus tour to Auriesville to visit this shrine where our pastor, Fr. Tim will say Mass.

For more information email June Frosino june.frosino@dor.org
or call the office 671-1100.
Our Lady of the Martyrs Shrine website:
ourladyofmartyrsshrine.org

St. Katerio Tekakwitha National Shrine website:

katerishrine.org





DONATIONS

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THANK YOU!

We built a wheelchair ramp!



To this!

Your kind and generous donations for our Summer Service Trip took us from this We had a week of hard work and energy sapping heat, but we all pulled through! We enjoyed meeting and working with one of the women of the area who needed a safe way in and out of her home.

By the time we left, there was a 24 foot long, fully functional ramp, with just some details that needed to be completed.

God provides! The Clearfield, PA Knights of Columbus were able to pick up the project after we left and make it perfect for our home owner!

All of this was possible because of the many and varied donations that you gave to our collection at the doors as you left Church.

Your generous support added up to just over \$1900!

This covered the cost of the wheelchair ramp that we built, as well as supplies for other projects and a very nice donation to YPWC on top of that.

We are so incredibly thankful for your generosity and support of this new annual venture. There will be more about our other adventures in the near future!

INTERESTED IN TAKING PART NEXT YEAR?

SAVE THE DATES: JULY 6-11, 2026



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.



COUNT IT ALL JOY

MINISTRY

Join us **next** Saturday, August 16th at the 5:00pm Mass to enjoy music from our "Count It All Joy" Music Ministers.

NEXT WEEKEND IS DONUT SUNDAY! After the 8am & 10:30am

After the 8am & 10:30am Masses
Stay for a donut and coffee
(or juice) after Mass





WALK IN PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 9:00am - Noon

Please reach out to us with any of your needs.

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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:

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 Current Needs List:

Spaghetti Sauce (Jarred)
Pasta (not whole wheat)
Canned Beets & Canned Pineapple
Shampoo
Coffee & Tea
Mayonnaise & Cooking Oil
Salad Dressing & BBQ Sauce
Ketchup
Depends - all sizes*
Diapers - Size 6 & 7*
Diaper Wipes

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

*We take open packages.

Webster Hope is collecting <u>NEW</u> school supplies for area students in need.

Please drop off items in the labeled box in the Greeting Area by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 17th</u>.

Backpacks & String Bags
Washable Fine-Point Paint Markers
Washable Bold/Broad Line Markers
Crayola Washable Watercolor Paint
(12 colors)
Markers
Colored Pencils
Pre-Sharpened Pencils, Yellow #2

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Especially Red
Post-It Notes - 3"x3" & Page Markers
Wide-Ruled 3 Subject Spiral
Notebooks
New Socks & Underwear - All Sizes.
Highlighters
Plastic Pencil Boxes - Lots!
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