

AUGUST 31, 2025
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. RITA CHURCH



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

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 teaches us about humility and a need to avoid placing ourselves as more important than others. During pilgrimage, we often find that the journey itself humbles us and shifts our perspective of what is important.

Pondering Point

When have you put yourself above others only to realize no one is above another?

St. Rita Trivia



How did St. Rita Parish get its name?

Answer: After receiving approval to establish the parish in early 1950 and given the plan to disassemble and reassemble the old St Margaret Mary's building, Fr. Arthur F. Florack (then pastor of St. Michael's Church) asked that it be named after the saint known as the "Saint of the Impossible" - St Rita of Cascia.

LABOR DAY

**The Parish Office will be CLOSED
on Monday, September 1.
There will be no Daily Mass or
Confessions.**

Join us for a tour of Sacred Heart Cathedral!



296 Flower City Park

Sunday, August 31

Meet at 12:30 pm at the Welcome Desk

(in the narthex near the parish office - to the right of the main church seating if you come in the doors with the steps)

*Carpooling from St. Rita is available.

Be in the parking lot by 12:00. We will leave at 12:10.
All minors must be driven by their own parent/guardian.

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

**RSVP here with the QR Code
or call the Parish Office
at 671-1100.**



St. Rita Fall Picnic

**Optional: bring a food item to
share or help with set up or
clean up!**



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

Mary Ellen Schiano

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
All Masses are livestreamed on our website.

MASS INTENTIONS / WEEKLY CALENDAR

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES AUGUST 30/31

JOHN RAYBURN - By Nora & Dick Dunbar
 JOSEPH & PHILOMENA MARSALA - By Family
 DR. LOUIS GIORDANO - By Larry Sr. & Kathryn Oberlies
 KRISTINE WEINGARTNER - By Paul & June DiClementine

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2025

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

Confessions - Church
 Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025

8:00AM
 10:30AM
 12:30PM

Mass
 CL Mass
 Tour of Sacred Heart Cathedral

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2025

HOLIDAY - NO MASS OR CONFESSIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

8:15AM AMBROSE J. RYAN - By Wife

Mass

9:00AM

Eucharistic Adoration - Church

9:00AM

WEROC - Rm 1

10:30AM

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Rm 1

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

8:15AM

Communion Service

10:00AM

Communion Service at Baywinde - Castle Point

11:00AM

Communion Service at Baywinde - Sage Harbor

6:30PM

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Rm 3

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

5:30PM - 6:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration - Church

6:00PM RITA O'TOOLE - By Karen & Terry O'Toole

Mass

6:45PM

Holy Beginnings - Rm 1

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

8:15AM

Mass

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

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

Confessions - Church
 Mass

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

8:00AM
 10:30AM

Mass
 CL Mass

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



Our Tabernacle Light will burn
 from September 1 – September 7
 for Joseph & Philomena Marsala
 by Family.

LINEN CLEANING: AUGUST 31
 ANN MARIE LIPARI

Reflections on Readings for Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

***"When You Hold A Banquet, Invite The Poor,
 The Crippled, The Lame, The Blind"***

Our readings for this Sunday focus our attention on the virtues of humility and service to others, especially to those who have no ability to repay us. In short, we are being called to "give and not to count the cost" - [Prayer for Generosity](#), St. Ignatius Loyola



In our first reading ([Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29](#)), we hear from one of the last books of the Old Testament, written by a man named Jeshua, ben Sira (Jesus, son of Sirach). It is a book of wisdom and moral teachings. In this passage, ben Sira extolls the virtues of humility and alms giving. The proud and the haughty will not find favor with God but the alms giver will atone for his / her sins. Ben Sira writes, "My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God."

Our Epistle reading ([Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24](#)), is a study in contrast between the Mosaic Covenant that presented a God of blazing fire and trumpet blasts and the New Covenant of Christ, based on the justice of a loving God. We have approached the heavenly Jerusalem, our living God and Jesus as the mediator of a new covenant.

Our Gospel reading ([Luke 14:1,7-14](#)), is a teaching on humility and service. Jesus seems to have been echoing the words of Sirach in our first reading, "Humble yourselves the more, the greater you are." Jesus suggested that when we holding a lunch or a dinner, do not invite those of your own station, "Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Today's readings on humility seem to be a good definition of the beatitude, "Poor in Spirit." It is the opposite of pride. It is more than an attitude, it is the state of being in which Jesus calls us to action. Humility and service go hand-in-hand. It is in those we serve that we find Jesus; it is in our humility that Jesus finds us.

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/083125.cfm>



Sensory Friendly Mass



Children's Liturgy of the Word



Count It All Joy



Incense Used



Family Mass

Do You Like To Knit or Crochet?
Come and join us!

Tuesday, September 2nd
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
671-1100 ext. 103.

Holy Beginnings Outreach

Cordially invites you to join us in prayer and conversation, for monthly gatherings of our LGBTQ+ community (family, friends, and allies welcome as well).

First Thursdays of the Month

Thursday, September 4th

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

**Gathering 6:45-7:45 pm
in Room 1**

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

Knights of Columbus Council #4618 Receives Top Award

Webster Trinity Council # 4618 of the Knights of Columbus has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils, for the second year in a row! The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities.



Trinity Council has been serving the Webster and Ontario community of parishes for over 50 years. We are a family-oriented organization, with a specific focus on providing men with an avenue to serve our Neighbors as Christ commanded. Our programs include Coats for Kids, Food for Families, cleaning the Charles Sexton Memorial Park, serving at various parish events, and so much more!



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 or
(585) 671-1100 Ext: 103.

All are welcome!

W.E.R.O.C.

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OUR
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Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics.

**For information on joining,
contact local Membership
Director Dave McCoy
realdam3@yahoo.com.**

Happy 75th 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.



DEADLINE IS FAST APPROACHING!

**ST. RITA 75TH ANNIVERSARY
KEEPSAKE COOKBOOK**

**DEADLINE FOR YOUR
RECIPE SUBMISSION(S) IS
SEPTEMBER 15, 2025.**

**YOU MAY SUBMIT MORE
THAN ONE RECIPE.**



Breakfast

@ St. Rita

*Starting Back Up
October 5!*

Please come and join us for breakfast and fellowship.

Sunday, October 5th

8:30am - 10:30am

St. Rita Parish Center

If you would be willing to help with breakfast, please contact Marie Torrens at 585-507-2991

marietorrens740@gmail.com or Evelyn Powe

732-648-4383 dmpowe@aol.com

Ministry Opportunity

Do you have a calling to make a difference?

Want to minister but don't have a lot of time?

Acolytes,

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion,
and Hospitality Ministers
are needed for Funeral Masses.

You can volunteer as often or as little as you like.

If you are interested in finding out more,
please contact Julie Cohn
julie.cohn@dor.org
671-1100 ext. 103

Save the date!

Craft & Vendor Sale

**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 15,
2025**

10 AM - 3 PM

Free admission!

45+ vendors!

Raffle items!

Thanks to Shopping for a Cause,
a portion of the proceeds goes
to our parish and school.

Contact
Heidi@ShoppingForACause.org
for vendor info or with
questions.

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Empty jars needed!

One of our activities at the Fall Picnic is making prayer jars.

If you have any empty, clean mason-style jars of any size to donate, please bring them to church or the Parish Office by Sunday, September 7.



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



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BE SCAM AWARE!

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

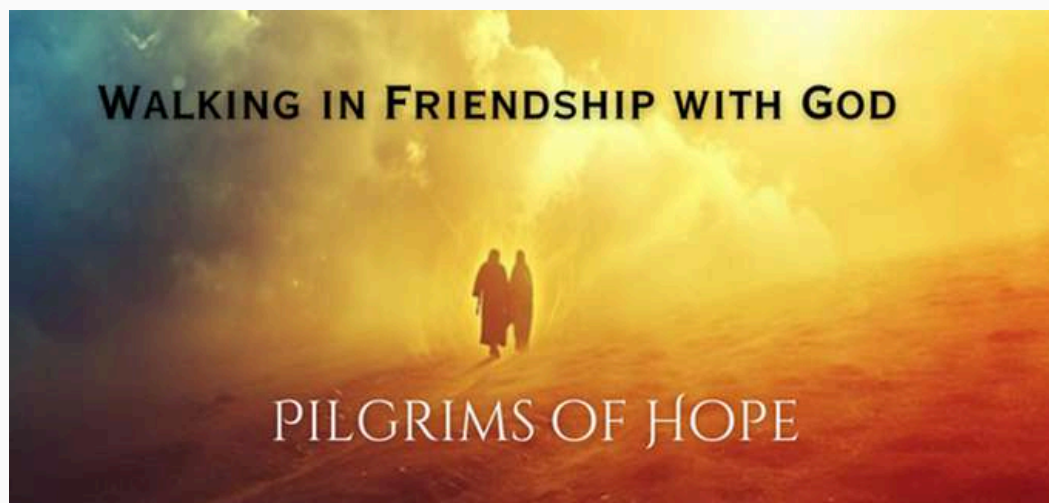
September 10 at 5:00pm in Room 1

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.





Notre Dame Retreat House presents our 2025 Retreat Theme:

Walking in Friendship with God - Pilgrims of Hope

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

Women: September 26-28

Men: October 24-26

Suggested Room Rates

Single room has shared bathroom facilities and double room has private bathroom ensuite

Single room: \$200

Double room shared: \$170 per person

Double room alone: \$250



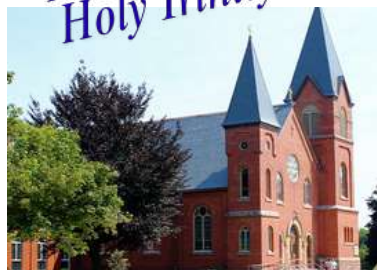
Contact to register or with questions:

Notre Dame Retreat House: 585-394-5700

Jodie Scordo, Asst. Director:

jscordo@notredameretreat.org

News From Our
Neighbors at
Holy Trinity



Holy Trinity
CHICKEN & PORK
BBQ

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER
19, 2025
from 4pm – 6pm or
until SOLD OUT

A limited quantity of tickets will be available for purchase at the event.
People are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance.

Drive thru event

Pick up in the circle behind church

\$15 dinner

Ticket sales after all masses at Holy Trinity on

Aug 30/31, Sep 6/7, Sep 13/14

Or at the Parish office

(Monday – Thursday 8:00am – 4:00 pm)

Holy Trinity Church
1460 Ridge Rd.
Webster, NY 14580

Fundraiser for Holy Trinity Parish' pilgrims attending NCYC 2025

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH!

**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
671-1100 ext. 106

Deacon Jim Fien – James.Fien@dor.org
233-0334

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St. Rita School Office 671-3132

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We have a hearing loop available for hearing aid users. It works best near the outside of the sanctuary, closest to the system wiring.



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 take open packages.



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

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.

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.



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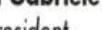


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