

JULY 20, 2025
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome

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 "Newsletters".

We are happy to have you with us!

St. Rita's Prayer Line



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



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

Sylvia Lucania

Sister of Teresa DiGiorgio and Aunt of Vinny DiGiorgio

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.



Pilgrimage is often about creating a balance between the work of journeying and the refreshment of prayerful reflection. In today's Gospel, we see this balance play out between the sisters of Mary of Martha. We cannot allow our focus to be only on the work of pilgrimage without recognizing and embracing the purpose of spiritual growth toward God.

Pondering Point

When have you let tasks overshadow relationship with others or with Jesus?

Please join us!

Pray the Rosary each Monday after the 8:15am Mass in the Chapel.



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



Josette DiGiovanni Cantali

Gabriel Logan Tubiolo

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 JULY 19/20

SISTERS ARLENE SEMESKY & JOANNE DECK - By Carol Montante
 DON HOSENFELD - By Tom Yaeger
 DAVID FALVO - By Family
 MICHAEL REITANO - By Mother Jeannette

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2025

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

Confessions - Church
 Count It All Joy Music Ministry at Mass

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025 - DONUT SUNDAY!

8:00AM
 10:30AM

Mass
 CL Mass

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2025

8:15AM
 7:00PM

Communion Service
 Men's Faith Group - Rm 1

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025

8:15AM
 9:00AM

Communion Service
 Eucharistic Adoration - Church

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2025

8:15AM
 10:00AM
 11:00AM

Communion Service
 Communion Service at Baywinde - Castle Point
 Communion Service at Baywinde - Sage Harbor

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025

5:30PM - 6:00PM
 6:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 Communion Service

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2025

8:15AM

Communion Service

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2025

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

Confessions - Church
 SF Mass

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

8:00AM
 10:30AM

Mass
 CL Mass

INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES JULY 26/27

LENA GRECO - By John & Madeline Muto
 JOHN KUEBEL - By Patricia Kuebel & Family
 TONY LATTUCA - By Family
 ANTHONY COLICCHIO - By Jackie Colicchio

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 July 21 - July 27
 in loving memory of the deceased members of
 the Lipari & Proepo Families
 by Anne Marie.

LINEN CLEANING: JULY 20
 CAROL BONCZYK

Reflections on Readings for
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Martha, Martha . . .
 There Is Need Of Only One Thing"*

This Sunday's readings are all about hospitality and focus on the Lord. First, we hear of Abraham greeting three mysterious visitors and then in the Gospel, Martha and Mary attend to their visitor Jesus, albeit in different ways.



Their story highlights two important aspects of hospitality—giving service and being attentive.

In our first reading ([Genesis 18:1-10](#)), Abraham encountered three men standing near the entrance to his tent. He went overboard in hosting his strange visitors, but also took the time to listen and be attentive to them. He brought them water to bath their feet and had a fine meal prepared for them. What he didn't realize at the time was that one of the three visitors was the Lord himself. His reward was the promise of a son despite his and his wife Sarah's old age. *"One of them said, 'I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son.'"*

In our Epistle reading ([Colossians 1:24-28](#)), St. Paul wrote to his beloved community in Colossae as he languished in prison. He told how he *"rejoices in my sufferings for your sake"*. How strange for someone to rejoice in his sufferings. Paul was blessed to unite his suffering with Christ on the cross and calls us to do the same. Unlikely as it may seem, we are often closest to Jesus when we embrace our sufferings and unite them with His on the cross. It can give meaning and purpose to our suffering.

In our Gospel reading ([Luke 10:38-42](#)), Jesus seemingly rebukes Martha for her fretting about preparing and serving the meal and complaining about Mary's attentiveness to Jesus. Both are important, but the latter more so, says Jesus. Discipleship calls us to listen and be attentive to the word of God. In its most basic form, that is what prayer is.

Jesus told Martha in our Gospel today, *"There is need of only one thing."* It is clear by the context what Jesus meant - be attentive to me; listen to me; keep your focus on me; everything else comes second. Yes, there is a time for fixing and fussing, but not at the expense of our alone-time with Jesus—our prayer time.

bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/072025.cfm



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Children's Liturgy of the Word



Count It All Joy



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Family Mass

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**SATURDAY JULY 26TH
5PM**

Our 5pm Mass will be celebrated with reduced lighting and volume, soft music, freedom to move comfortably, and space for sensory breaks.

Mass will be less than 50 min.

Please feel welcome to bring sensory items for your comfort.



Questions?
Contact Deacon
Jim Fien at
james.fien@dor.org

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Is God calling you to help families, kids, or teens?

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ANNE.THOMAS@DOR.ORG OR CALL 671-1100 X:110

Gardening Help Needed!



We are in need of garden volunteers to help with some basic weeding and summer garden maintenance around the St. Rita campus, including the Convent atrium which needs much attention.

If you could spare a few hours to help us out, please contact Tom Bayer at 585-481-1420 or email tsbayer@frontiernet.net

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.



We have votive prayer candle lights located in the back of Church for you to offer special intentions. You may place your offering in the Donation slot.

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St. Rita School is looking to fill the following positions:

**Primary Teachers (K-3)
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Are you interested in a pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville, NY

Please use the link or the QR Code to let us know of your interest in a bus tour and Mass in Auriesville.

<https://tinyurl.com/Auriesvillepilgrimage>



This is not a commitment to attend, it is just an interest survey.

Possible dates are Thursday, August 28 or Monday, October 13.

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 on Our Lady of the Martyrs Shrine go to their website: <https://www.ourladyofmartyrsshine.org/>



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at Notre Dame**

DAY RETREATS AND EVENTS

September 9th

"Incredible Journeys: Reflections on Pilgrimage"

September 19th

Senior Luncheon Series: "Grace with Aging/Aging with Grace"

October 14th

"Our Lady, the Angels and Their Mission for Our Time"

October 17th

Senior Luncheon Series: "Stroke Prevention: BE FAST"

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Friday, August 15
6-8 pm



Join us first for Mass for the Feast of the Assumption at 5 pm!

Enjoy a fun game of BINGO while learning about the history of St. Rita Church. All ages welcome! \$5 per family includes pizza, drinks, and prizes. RSVP online or at the Parish Office. Pay at the door.



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**Children's Liturgy of the Word
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at 10:30am Mass!**

This special opportunity is offered every
Sunday except on the 3rd Sunday of each
month when Father Tim will preside over a
Family Mass in Church.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is designed to
give children in Pre-K thru Grade 2 an
opportunity to hear and share about the
Sunday readings at a level of their
understanding. Children will be dismissed
from church to Room 1 before the first
reading and will return approximately at the
Offertory Prayers.

Holy Communion for the Sick and Homebound

If you know someone who is sick, recovering from
surgery, or homebound who would like to receive Holy
Communion at home or in the hospital, please speak with
Julie, Elizabeth, Fr. Tim, or contact the Parish Office at
671-1100 to make appropriate arrangements.

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

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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 – Niven@dor.org
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233-0334

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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
<http://www.saintjoeshouse.org/blog/donate/>

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1450 Ridge Rd., Webster, NY 14580
<http://www.websternyhope.org>

No opened or expired items please.

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