### NOVEMBER 2, 2025

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

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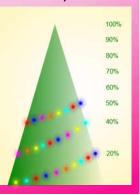
Please place your CMA envelope in the donation slot in Church or bring to the Parish Office and we will send it in for you. Please make checks out to "Catholic Ministries Appeal".

You can also make your gift online at www.dor.org/cma
(St. Rita Parish number is 327).

We are at 48% of our goal from 149 households.\*

Thank you for your generosity and prayers for the success of our CMA!

\*UPDATED AS OF 10/28/24



Blessing of Graves at West Webster Cemetery Sunday, November 2 Immediately following the 10:30am Mass

It's rain or shine so bring an umbrella.





Our Tabernacle Light will burn from November 3 – November 9 in loving memory of Robert Beikirch by Jackie Colicchio.



Just as a NASA rocket fires its engines and begins to slowly rise until it gains speed and powers onto its designed path, this year's CMA took a moment to get off the ground, but is now rocketing along its path!

As I write this (10/28), we have fulfilled 48% of our parish responsibility. 149 households, or 35% of last year's households, have participated, with an average afft of \$498.

Every year, a number of faithful participants in the CMA can no longer take part. Even though we have a good number of new households participating, the total households who participate decreases.

Let's change that trend this year!

Last year we had 438 households participate. Let's aim to increase our participation by a modest 5%, up to 460 households!

### Here is a small incentive:

Until December 14th, for every new household
(a household who participates this year but has not
participated in the last two years) I will personally give
an additional \$5. For every household above and
beyond last year's total of 438, I will add another \$5
to my CMA gift.

If you are new to the CMA this year, your gift will result in an added \$5 or \$10 given to the CMA!

Together, we can not only meet our responsibility, but we more fully show our belief in the great work of the ministers of our diocese!

Thank you very much for your financial and prayerful support of this year's CMA!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Tim

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 NOVEMBER 1/2**

MARY DESARRO & REBECCA COHN - By Their Children NICKY CARLISI - By George Petrone JAMES SHERIDAN - By The Torrence Family THE INTENTIONS OF MARIO PROVENZALE - By Claire & Anthony Silva

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025 - ALL SAINTS DAY

9:00AM MARY OSSWALD All Saints Day Mass

- By The Kwiatkowski Family

4:00PM - 4:30PM Confessions - Church 5:00PM

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025**

Mass 8:30AM - 10:30AM Breakfast @ St. Rita - Parish Center 10:30AM **CL** Mass of Remembrance Blessing of the Graves - West Webster Cemetery 11:30AM 11:45AM Bible Study Session 5 - Rm 1 11:45AM Confirmation Session

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025**

PHYLLIS CONN - By The Rosery Prayer Group 8·15AM Mass 8:45AM - 9:15AM Confessions - Church 4:30PM Faith Formation 6:45PM Pastoral Council Meeting - Rm 1 7:15PM Confirmation Session

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025**

8:15AM Mass 9:00AM **Eucharistic Adoration - Church** 9:00AM WEROC - Rm 1 10:30AM Prayer Shawl Ministry - Rm 1 Mass at Baywinde - Sage Harbor 10:30AM Catechist Formation with Fr. Tim - Rm 1 6:00PM

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025

8:15AM Communion Service 2:30PM Angel Choir Rehearsal - Rm 1 6:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - Rm 3 7:00PM Bible Study Session 6 - Rm 1

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025

9:00AM Health Ministry Meeting - Rm 1 5:30PM - 6:00PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church 6:00PM RAY DIEHL - By Wife Mass 6:45PM Holy Beginnings - Rm 1

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2025

8:15AM JOE & LOUISE KUBY - By Joe & Patty Kuby Mass 9:30AM School Liturgy

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025**

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

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025**

Mass 9:00AM & 11:30AM Blood Pressure Screenings - Rm 1 10:30AM **CL** Mass Tailgate Party - Parish Center 11:30AM 11:45AM Confirmation Session 4:00PM Youth Group - Rm 1

### **INTENTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES NOVEMBER 8/9**

EILEEN SCOTT-POLLOT - By Linda Lattuca
OTTO & PAULA REISCH - By The Spears Family ROBERT BEIKIRCH - By Jackie Colicchio SALLY HUTT - By The Vogtle Family



**Count It All Joy** 



Children's Liturgy of the Word



**Family Mass** 

Reflections on Readings for Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed "The Souls of the Just are in the Hand of God"

This Sunday is a rare opportunity to celebrate All Souls Day on a Sunday. Normally this would be the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time but because All Souls Day falls on a Sunday, we use these



readings in our celebration. Our readings for this commemoration give us consolation for our beloved dead and hope of their resurrection and eternal life.

In our first reading from the Wisdom of Solomon (Solomon 3:1-9), we hear the firm belief in the afterlife and that the just will rest with our God for eternity. "They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead ... but they are in peace." Whatever suffering they had in this life was seen as a testing and purification by God so that they would be found worthy. "... Because God tried them and found them worthy of himself."

In our Epistle reading (Romans 6:3-9), St. Paul teaches us the importance of Baptism. Paul emphasizes that Baptism is a real and not merely symbolic participation in the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. Paul writes, "If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him." This is not a symbolic resurrection, but a real resurrection to a real eternal life with Christ in paradise, heaven. We are called to believe this reality and put it into practice in our daily lives.

In our Gospel reading (John 6:37-40), we hear an excerpt from Jesus' "Bread of Life Discourse" which happens immediately after He fed the five thousand with only five fish and two loaves of bread. This passage offers comfort and consolation that both we and our loved ones are the personal concern of Jesus. "Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me..."

Today's celebration is not a feast day or a solemnity but always follows the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1, which is usually a Holy Day of Obligation. All Souls' Day is a solemn observance in the Catholic tradition to pray for the souls of the departed, particularly those in purgatory, who are believed to be in the process of purification before entering heaven. It is a day of remembrance and hope, reflecting on the unity of the Church, both on earth and in heaven, offering prayers and sacrifices to assist the souls of the deceased in their journey towards God's presence, and the promise of resurrection and eternal life with our God.

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/110225.cfm

## LINEN CLEANING: NOVEMBER 2 PATRICIA KUBY

### **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 Thursday of the Month

### Thursday, November 6th

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

### Black Catholic History Month: Celebrating a Rich Heritage

November is Black Catholic History Month, a time to honor the deep and enduring contributions of Black Catholics to the Church's history, spirituality, and future. The roots of Black Catholicism trace back to early Christianity in North Africa, home to great saints like Augustine of Hippo, whose birthday is November 13.

These historical foundations continued in the Americas, where Black Catholic communities flourished in places like New Orleans and St. Augustine, Florida.

A central focus of this month is the "Saintly Six," six Black Catholic men and women on the path to sainthood: Venerable Pierre Toussaint, Servant of God Mother Mary Lange, Servant of God Julia Greeley, Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman, Venerable Augustus Tolton, and Venerable Henriette Delille. These trailblazers reflect lives of deep faith and service.

St. Rita Trivia





The first baby to be baptized at St. Rita Church was on September 3, 1950.

Do you know the name of that baby?

Hint: It was a boy.

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.



When Jesus says that everything the Father gives Him will come to Him, He means us. But we must make the pilgrimage to a life in Jesus. This faith journey takes our entire lives (sometimes more than our life here on earth) and is the model for all other pilgrimages.

### **Pondering Point**

Looking back at your life, when can you see your path journeying to Jesus?

How do you feel your pilgrimage to Jesus could be strengthened?

Do You Like To Knit or Crochet?

Come and join us!

Tuesday, November 4th
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.



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

November also marks the feast of Saint Martin de Porres on November 3, the first Black saint in the Western Hemisphere. His legacy, along with those of ancient and contemporary Black Catholic leaders, continues to inspire.

This month invites us to reflect, celebrate, and learn.

Plan on joining us on Thursday, November 13th, at 7pm as we pray the
Black Catholic Rosary as a way to honor the rich diversity of the Catholic Church.



## Catholic Social Teaching

The Church's Best-Kept Secret... Continued

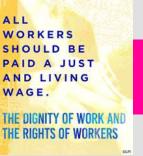
Forty years after Pope Leo XIII's encyclical Rerum Novarum, there was a new crisis in the world - the Great Depression. At this time, in 1931, Pope Pius XI followed up with his own encyclical, Quadragesimo Anno, which translates roughly and simply as "forty years later". Pius directly references the work of his predecessor and praised the work he had done.

Pope Pius writes that the purpose of society is to make people better, that one of the chief responsibilities of society is to assure that its people have what they need to become better, more virtuous, and more the people God created them to be. The primary way this happens is that the goods of the earth are shared through commerce and labor, where the benefits of the labor are shared appropriately with all those involved, employee and employer. It is with the earning of wages, enough to supply the needs of the family and also enough for some measure of comfort, that a person is better able to strive for greater virtue. Labor, however, is not the only means by which the needs and comfort of people are achieved. When work is scarce or a person is unable to work, it is society's responsibility to provide for their needs.

It is in a good and concerned relationship between labor and employers that society can flourish and achieve the common good of all people.

Pius introduces and clarifies a number of terms, such as subsidiarity, the common good, and social justice. I'll write about these starting next week.

> Peace, Fr. Tim









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### Do you know any High School Seniors who:

- + Demonstrate a Christian attitude by word and example
  - + Are involved in their parish and school community

    - + Are a positive role model for their peers







### What to Bring:

- -A canned good for HOPE
- -A lawn chair or blanket
- -Your favorite game snacks for yourself or to share (no alcohol, please)

RSVP to
elizabeth.kwiatkowski@dor.org
by Nov 5 for an extra door prize entry!
Didn't RSVP? Come anyway!

### We will provide:

- Lawn games
- Joe D's Awesome
   Chili, Special Touch
   Bakery pie slices, and
   a few other treats
   (for a donation)
- Non-alcoholic beverages
- Large screen showing of the Bills game
- Basket Raffles

Friday, November 14 6:30pm-8:30pm



Refreshments after the event.

African Americans on the Road to Sainthood

Celebrating Black
Catholic History Month

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church 445 Fredrick Douglas St. Rochester, NY 14608

Please come to experience, learn, and celebrate the rich gifts of our Black

Catholic heritage as we present a cultural dramatization that brings to life the seven Black Americans on the Road to Sainthood.

It will be filled with poetry, drama, and song for an inspiring artistic presentation by the acclaimed theater director, producer, actor, and historical interpreter David Shakes of Rochester, New York.

THERE WILL BE A FREEWILL OFFERING

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

November 8 & 9 in Room 1.

# SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS DATES

FOR FAMILIES + ADULTS OF ALL AGES!



SAT. NOV. 15TH 5PM

A REGULARY SCHEDULED MASS WITH ACCOMODATIONS FOR THOSE WITH SENSORY NEEDS

QUESTIONS? CONTACT DCN. JIM FIEN AT JAMES.FIEN@DOR.ORG.



### **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 News Where Faith and Knowledge Meet

 The Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success as students got to shop for some new books to read & fun items to enjoy! Thank you to Mrs.Campbell and all the volunteers that helped it run smoothly. Happy reading to all of our God Drops!



 The SRS Annual Fall Dance was a night full of fun for all! Students and their families joined together in the bus loop dressed in their Halloween costumes-they danced to some festive music played by the DJ and enjoyed some yummy treats & fun games, too!







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.

### No opened or expired items please.

### Webster HOPE Oct./Nov. Needs List:

Macaroni & Cheese (boxed)
Pasta (all types except spaghetti)
Canned Beets & Canned Pineapple
Shampoo & Conditioner
Coffee & Tea
Crackers
Tuna (albacore preferred)
Canned Chicken
Applesauce
Oatmeal (instant or regular)
Baby Wipes \*\*high need\*\*
Deodorant & Toothpaste
Dish Soap & Hand Soap



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LAST WEEK:
OCTOBER 25/26

SAT. 5:00PM 281 SUN. 8:00AM 156 SUN. 10:30AM 245



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26 oz Water Bottle with Straw Cap - <b>\$50</b>	Moon Dust Blackstone (textured) Cherry Blossom Tropical Pink
26 oz Water Bottle with Chug Cap - <b>\$50</b>	Moon Dust Yellow Navy Cherry Blossom White Black
35 oz Straw Mug with handle - <b>\$50</b>	Moon Dust Beekeeper (Gold) Red Navy White Black

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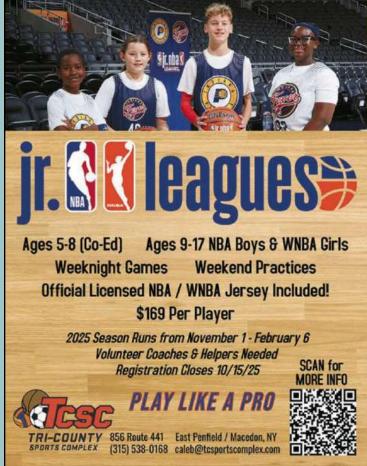


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