

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF

Immaculate Conception of the BVM “St. Mary’s”

Saint Rita’s Parish

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Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

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Mass Schedule • Saturday • 5:00pm | Sunday • 8:00 & 10:30am

Weekdays • 8:00am • Saturday • 8:00am

Vigil of the Holy Day 6:30pm (except for 12/31 5:00pm)

Holy Day 8:00am & 6:30pm

Confessions • Thursday after the morning Mass
Saturday 3:30 to 4:30pm

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Mass Schedule Saturday • 4:30pm Sunday • 8:30 & 11:00am

Weekday • 9:00am Vigil of the Holy Day 6:30pm
(except for 12/31 4:30PM) Holy Days 9:00am & 6:30pm

Confessions: Saturday 3:00 to 4:00pm
& Tuesday Morning After Mass

The Sacrament of Baptism Please call the parish office to schedule. **The Sacrament of Marriage** is celebrated throughout the year. Diocesan policy requires that engaged couples begin sacramental preparations with a priest at least nine to twelve months before the desired wedding date. Please call the parish office for details at 717-642-8815.



Our Stewardship

December 21, 2025

St. Mary

Weekly Budget \$4,300⁰⁰

Sunday

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St. Rita

Sunday

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Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 28, 2025

Sunday	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Monday	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Tuesday	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a; 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
Wednesday	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
Thursday	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Friday	Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
Saturday	1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
Sunday	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 2:1-12

St. Mary	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
1/3 5:00pm	D. Sanders/B. & R. Miller	B. Liska	Volunteers	L. & J. Ritter
1/4 8:00am	K. & L. Farabaugh/D. Lehmer	S. Ranney	Volunteers	Volunteers
1/4 10:30am	B. Carr/A. Bohn/M. Powell	J. Gaskin	Volunteers	B. Kocsis/B. Fritts
St. Rita	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Money Counters
1/3 4:30pm	A. Sanders	A. Shepard	Volunteers	1/4 A. Hauryski
1/4 8:30am	E. Luttrell/D. Fawks	M. Luttrell	Volunteers	1/11 A. Serpi
1/4 11:00am	L. Crawford/S. Sappington	P. Crawford	Volunteers	1/18 F. Ganoe

St. Mary Mass Intentions			St. Rita Mass Intentions		
Saturday 12/27	8:00am	† Noel & Ariel Nunez.	Saturday 12/27	9:00AM	The Kim Family
	5:00pm	† Melvin L. Losovsky		4:30pm	Intentions of Ellen Robertson
Sunday 12/28	8:00am	People of the Parish	Sunday 12/28	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	† Ted Kane		11:00am	† Charles S. Jonesf
Monday 12/29	8:00am	† Ann & Tom Murphy	Monday 12/29	9:00am	† Deceased Members of the Kearns Family
Tuesday 12/30	8:00am	† Gary Sites	Tuesday 12/30	9:00am	† Kevin Bilder
Wednesday 12/31 Vigil	8:00am	† Anna Pastuch & Andrzej Paclawshi	Wednesday 12/31 Vigil	9:00am	† William DiLise
	5:00pm	Ints. of the Kidnapped Ukranian Children taken to Russia		4:30pm	Intentions of Joy Brown
Thursday 1/1	10:00am	† Art Oleskey	Thursday 1/1	10:00am	† Robert Preston
Friday 1/2	8:00am	† Chris Dowell	Friday 1/2	9:00am	Intentions of Catherine Petruzzi
Saturday 1/3	8:00am	† Roger Semplak	Saturday 1/3	9:00am	The Kim Family
	5:00pm	† JB Barefoot		4:30pm	† Meredith Dedona
Sunday 1/4	8:00am	† Lois Tokar	Sunday 1/4	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	People of the Parish		11:00am	† Darlene McCleaf

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Rita

Holy Day Masses January

1st St. Rita's Vigil 430PM, 10AM on New Years Day. St. Mary's Vigil 5PM, 10AM on New Years Day.

St. Rita's UNDECORATING

of Christmas displays will occur after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on **1/4/26**. THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who helped decorate our church for Christmas.

St. Mary's Undecorating .

Will take place after the 1030am Mass on January 4. Thank you to all who helped in any way.

St. Rita's Adoration on Tuesdays and Fridays after the morning Mass.

Ruth's Harvest - The next collection at St. Mary's for Ruth's Harvest will be Jan. 10-11. Some of the most needed items are plastic cups of fruit or vegetables, single servings of cereal, ramen and microwave popcorn. Thank you!

St. Mary's Story of Faith For December

Please see Story of Faith "Miracle of the Rosary", available on red draped table in the foyer.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from Fr. Peter, Fr. Marisi and the parish staff.

If you would like to become a member of either parish and received envelopes

You need to fill out a census card and return to the parish office so we have the correct information to add you. We need the correct mailing address and phone number. We cannot send you envelopes until all of this is done. Thank you.

Bulletin Announcements

must be submitted to the parish office 10 days before the bulletin date. With the holidays coming 15 days earlier. Thank you

ADORATION There will be no Adoration at St. Mary's the weeks of Christmas and New Year's. We will resume on January 7. Please join us on Wednesdays from after the morning Mass until 6:00 pm and Fridays until 3:00 pm. If you can commit to a weekly hour, please contact Karen Graff (717-408-5537 or piratefans@comcast.net). We are especially in need of another adorer on Fridays for the 11:00 and 1:00 hours.

Pro Life Corner For all Christians: May the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ awaken in our hearts wonder at the precious gift of every child.

Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen (St. Mary's) - thank you to everyone who donated in 2025 to St. Mary's ministry to the Gettysburg Soup Kitchen! We provided almost \$1600 of food for 10 meals during the year. We contributed toward over 700 individual meals. If you would like to make a donation for 2026, you may put it in the collection basket at any time marked for the Soup Kitchen. Please make checks to St. Mary's PCCW. Ten times during the year we will purchase the food they request, and volunteers from St. Mary's will assist in preparing and serving those meals. Thank you!

Call for Faith Friends from St. Mary's and St. Rita's "No one should walk alone"*** As more people are drawn to explore or return to the Catholic faith, we need joyful companions to welcome them. Faith Friends offer friendly support to newcomers and those Catholics returning to their faith, by sitting at Mass together, introducing them to parishioners, and being a familiar face.—no experience necessary, just a welcoming heart! There will also be an 8 week group called LANDINGS that offers support through sharing our faith journeys. This program needs Faith Friends as well and will be offered in the New Year. If you are interested in being a Faith Friend in any of these ways, please sign-up on the sheet on the table in the back of the church. Please prayerfully consider this beautiful way to live out the Gospel.

Come HOME! We've Missed You! If you have been thinking about returning to the Church again after a time away, St. Mary's and St. Rita's welcomes you. We invite you to attend LANDINGS which is an eight-week program that offers "a safe place to land," a place for listening and for being heard, a place for asking questions and for reconnecting with the faith as an adult. We begin our next session for both St. Rita's and St. Mary's at St. Mary's in the new year. More information will be coming soon. If you are interested, please email Mary Grist megrist12@gmail.com or fill out the form on the cards in each pew and deposit in the collection basket. Parishioners, if you know of anyone who might be interested in returning to their faith, please pass this information along to them.

The second semester of Symbolon at St. Rita's will begin on Tuesday, January 13th (weather permitting) with sessions at 10 am and 6:30 pm. Choose the session that fits your schedule or flex between the times as needed. The first semester was amazing! We warmly invite you to join us even if you didn't participate in the first semester. Please contact Jan Dilulio at [563-940-4907](tel:563-940-4907)/jandiulio@icloud.com to register as soon as possible.

That Man Is You (TMIY) will return Saturday, January 17th, 6:15AM—St. Mary's Hall with Session 14 and end April 18 with Session 26. This will continue every Saturday until the session is completed. Contact Dick Heibel at 717-338-2044.

The PCCW Health Committee/Parish Nurses would like to thank everyone who has participated in our blood pressure monitoring program throughout the years. We will no longer be offering monthly blood pressure screening. Our nurses are aging and there are fewer nurses willing to commit to the monitoring program. We feel the best option is to end the program. We encourage you to continue to monitor your blood pressure regularly and contact your health professional with any concerns or changes.

Mark Your Calendars: The Men's Club and Knights of Columbus

are holding an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast in the parish hall on Sunday January 18th from 8:00 AM till noon. It includes pancakes, eggs, bacon, ham, hash-browns, coffee, tea, iced tea, and orange juice. The cost is \$10.00, \$5.00 for children 6 to 12, under 6 free. Carry-outs are available. Volunteer to help and receive a free meal; youth earn service hours. Volunteer sign-ups after Masses on January 3rd & 4th & 10th & 11th or call Dick Heibel on 717-338-2044.



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